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Fellow Graduates and Friends of the Military Academy:

You will recall that in the March 1973 issue of this magazine, I mentioned the problems with this year's football season: 29 sweaters to fill, and one of the toughest schedules ever faced by an Army team. The season has developed in an even more disappointing fashion than we had expected. The factors leading to our problems were schedule toughness, inexperience, size, and speed. A commercial publication called The Kickoff recently ran a tabulated rating of schedules from the toughest to the easiest across the United States. Army was 9, and the first independent. By comparison, Notre Dame was 40, California 48, and Penn State 62. (Air Force was 60.)

When I arrived in the spring of 1970, it was apparent that the 1970 and 1973 schedules were more than we should ask cadets to face. In 1970 we played four away games in a row, three of them against bowl teams. I remember the comment of a player after one of those games when I asked about the 70-pound per man differential in weight. "Sir," he said, "in the first half it made no difference, but in the second half it was 700." If you look at some individual games played this year you will find this same factor. We led Notre Dame at the end of the first quarter, but the lack of depth made the weight more than we could handle.

We had 16 returning lettermen. Although nationally-ranked Tennessee beat us in the opening game, our offense set some national records. The Georgia Tech game was with a team about like ours, and the game was close. The graduates who attended were most complimentary. But the California, Penn State and Notre Dame games were physical, tough, and resulted in hospitalization and injuries which knocked out over half of the few returning lettermen. By the Holy Cross game we were forced to bring up from "B" squad and "C" squad cadets whose names were not even in the program. Twenty-five cadets have been or are out with injuries -- 21 were starters when they were injured. This column is being written just after the Holy Cross game, and we still hope that the talent which played so well against Tennessee can reassemble and give the team some victories. Two Plebes, Hardy and McClasker, have been outstanding in the back field -- although they really should have been broken in to varsity football at a slower rate.

It is sometimes asked why we do not have a flashier offense. One answer is that we have not had much speed in the last few years. This has limited the plays which can be run. We do have some faster talent coming up. That, plus the experience which has been gained this year by some young players, forecasts well for the next few years. In the meantime, at this writing, we have good results in other sports. Our championship 150-pound football team is again undefeated; the soccer team is undefeated. The cross country team is 7-3. But, as I said last March, we need your support for this most difficult football year; we are grateful to you for it.

A new subject. Cadet regulations, known as the Blue Book to both cadets and graduates, have been rewritten. Surprisingly, this became a headline story in many newspapers and was also covered on national TV. Compared to the previous Blue Book, the new one is greatly reduced in size and complexity. The aim is to create an atmosphere in which each cadet will have continuing opportunities to make choices and to exercise his own judgment. These opportunities should contribute to the development in each cadet of that all-important characteristic of a good Army officer: self-discipline. The tone of the new regulations is positive; their character is long on spirit and short on letter. They incorporate recommendations of cadet as well as officer study groups. A separate article on this subject appears elsewhere in this issue and in more detail. The new regulations were not designed to liberalize cadet life. They are more, rather than less demanding; and ultimately they will create an atmosphere in which those qualities and attributes the Academy seeks to instill in its graduates will have the best possible chance to grow and develop.

Another significant change has also taken place in the Honor System. Specifically, the Honor Committee has eliminated silencing as a cadet custom. Over a century ago, this custom came into being through cadet desire to maintain the highest standards of honor and integrity and to demonstrate rejection of those among them who did not meet these standards. During their annual examination of the Honor System in September, the new Cadet Honor Committee made a thorough evaluation of the custom of silencing. Though seldom invoked, silencing had come to have many troublesome connotations. Cadets had become increasingly aware that their motives and the custom itself were neither understood nor supported by many citizens, Members of Congress, Army officers on active duty, and even cadets in the Corps. It was clear that even the best of explanations would neither convince on the one hand, nor develop support on the other. Following its own review, the Honor Committee obtained an informal sensing of the Corps-wide view on this subject, and, as a result, subsequently announced its decision to eliminate the silence. We believe this step, taken by the cadets of their own volition, is a good one and is in the long term best interests of West Point and the Army.

Many of you have seen the nationwide publicity gained by a Fourth Classman who resigned in the early days of the academic year. His allegations in various press conferences, although they differed from conference to conference, included stories of dehydration, near starvation at meals, and intensive hazing. A thorough investigation was made of his allegations, vague though they were, and testimony was taken from 66 witnesses. The resulting investigation shows his allegations to be without substance. There was no heat exhaustion or dehydration. His weight on arrival was 180; it dipped to 174 in mid-July, and then rose steadily to 187 by the end of Beast Barracks. The other allegations were also not supported by evidence and testimony. We at West Point, and particularly the cadets, resent this unfounded attack. Beast Barracks went extremely well this summer, and the spirit and physical condition of the Plebes were as high as I have seen. The officers and First Class leaders of the Beast Barracks training deserve, for their outstanding efforts, better than this unwarranted attack. A fact sheet has been sent to many of the West Point Societies and Admissions Officers.

The first joint annual appeal letter for the Association of Graduates and the West Point Fund was mailed on 1 October by Lieutenant General James M. Gavin '29, Chairman of the West Point Fund Committee. Recent issues of ASSEMBLY have alluded to this consolidated fund raising drive and the considerable efforts put forth by General Gavin and his committee. Now that it is a reality, I am confident that you will join me in giving it full support.

Best wishes from West Point.

Sincerely,

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Left: First Captain Pattison presents E. Ann Nightingale, Homecoming Queen, and last year's Queen, Gina Johannsen. Right: Alumni start march to Thayer monument.

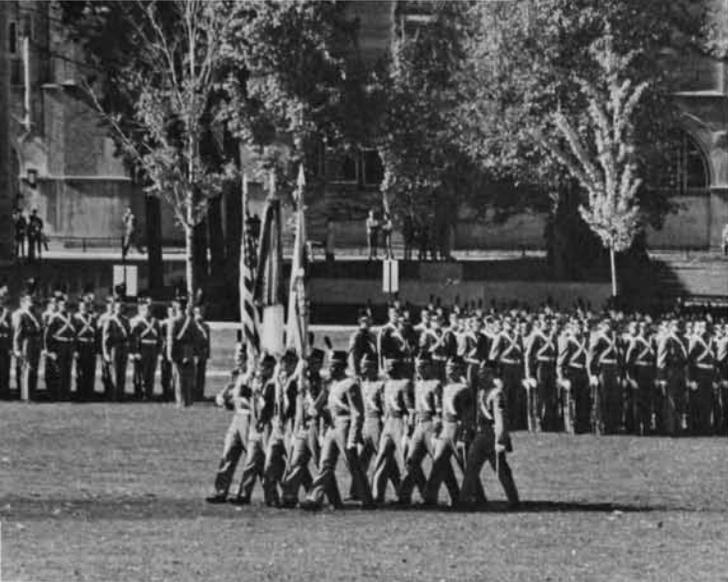


Hoyle '06, Oldest Grad present, with First Captain Pattison laying wreath at Thayer monument.

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Left: Alumni Dinner, Washington Hall, with head table in foreground. Right: Oldest Grad Hoyle leaving review with Knowlton Jan '43, Superintendent; Thompson '29, President AOG; Jannarone '38, Dean; and Feir '49, Commandant of Cadets.





Color Guard at Alumni Review.



Receiving line at Alumni Dinner.

Homecoming

HOMECOMING 73 saw the return to West Point of over 600 graduates for reunion activities. The oldest graduate present was Major General Rene E. D. Hoyle, Class of '06. Among the distinguished graduates returning were two former Army Chiefs of Staff—GEN Harold K. Johnson '33 and GEN Lyman L. Lemnitzer '20.

Young Grad end of review line.



Old Grad end of review line.



REUNION CLASSES

1953

SOME 110 classmates plus wives and widows gathered at Homecoming 73 to renew old friendships and to recall the adventures of cadet days as well as events of the 20 years since those days. It was the first time back to the "old school" for many, and it was a pleasant opportunity not only to see friends but also to see some of the many changes that have taken place since June '53.

The weekend activities began Friday night with a cocktail buffet at the Golf Course Club House. It was a delightful affair that continued until the wee hours and exhaustion arrived.

On Saturday morning a class memorial service was held in the West Point Room of the USMA Library in remembrance of the 30 classmates who have left us.

After the traditional Alumni ceremony and parade on the Plain, we psyched ourselves up for the football game with a great class picnic near Michie Stadium. At the Alumni Dinner-Dance that night, we visited with many friends from other classes as well as continued our own class reveries. At our last class function for the weekend, Sunday brunch at the Hotel Thayer, we again said farewell to each other, in hopes of meeting again soon. Our special thanks go to classmates stationed at West Point for their great job.





1958

EIGHTY classmates and their wives returned to join the Reunion of '58 in '73. Although the alert called by President Nixon, the Panama trip of the Army War College and command assignments in Europe cut the numbers, the returnees enjoyed a great Reunion on one of the loveliest autumn weekends West Point has enjoyed in years. On Friday, the Class gathered at the Stewart Officers Club for a magnificent buffet and proceeded to take over the entire Club, band and all, for a great evening. On Saturday morning, George led us in a Memorial Service for our departed classmates. This was followed by the Alumni Services at Thayer Monument and our review of the parade. The march to the monument found the band picking up the pace before they got to our Class—a sign we have a few years left. Saturday night brought dinner at Washington Hall and parties into the night at local classmates' homes—till Mellin closed it down at 0500. Our local group bid farewell to our returning friends and an outstanding Reunion with brunch at the Hotel Thayer, late Sunday a.m. Now, on to '58 in '78.





1963

OVER 305 classmates, wives, and guests from all over the United States and Nicaragua returned to West Point for Homecoming.

For us it was a time to pause and reflect on our accomplishments and sacrifices—a time to rekindle friendships and look to the future with renewed determination.





1968

SEVENTY-ONE '68ers and their ladies returned for their Fifth Reunion. Somehow, though, no one would admit to being an "old grad," numerous gray hairs notwithstanding.

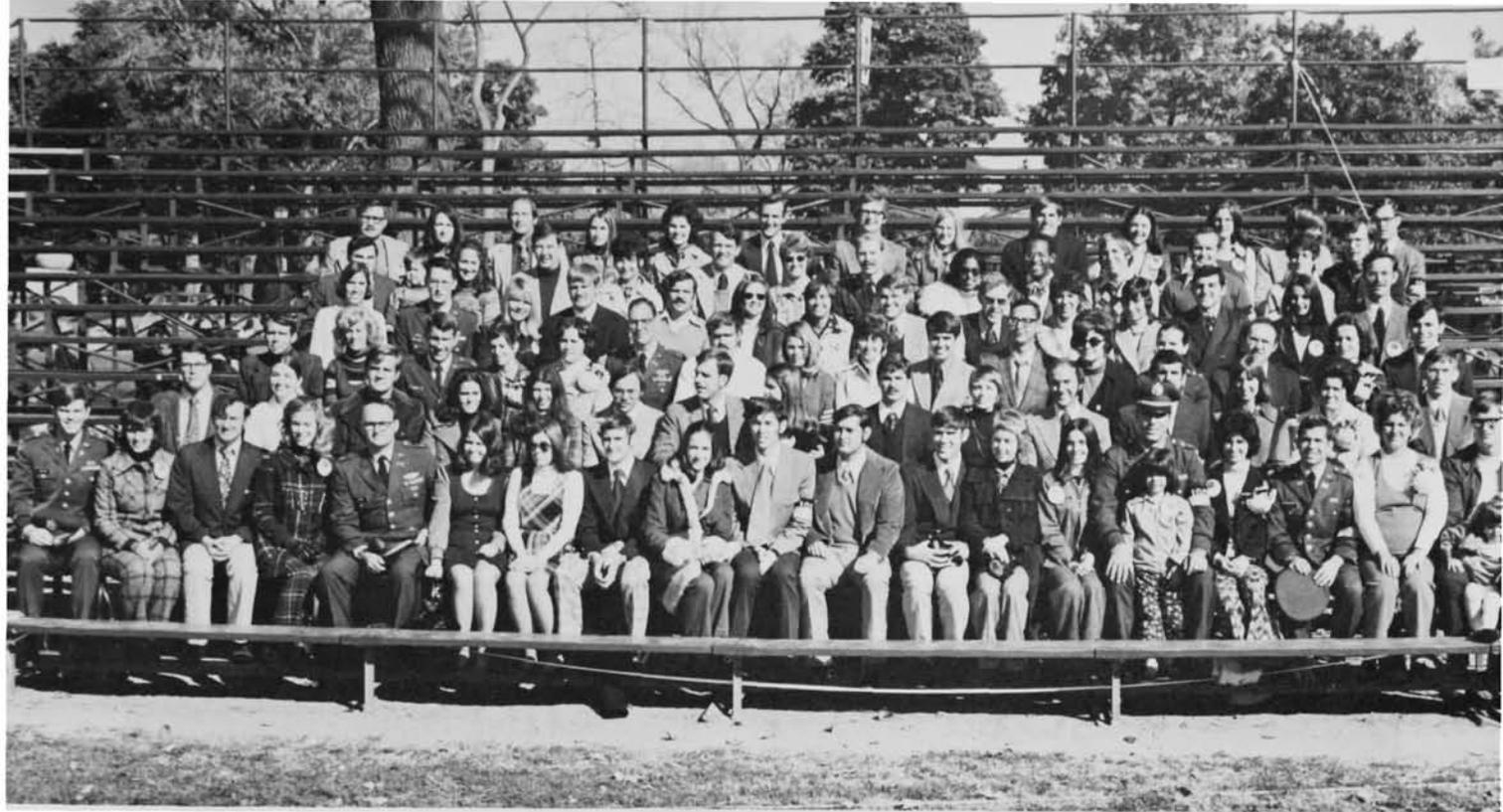
Round Pond provided the scene for Friday night's beer blast, where the group failed in its mission of consuming 600 pieces of chicken, 20 pizzas, and 3 kegs of beer—but had a good time trying!

Saturday's Alumni exercises were impressive, particularly the sight of 4000 cadets doing a company size version of squad drill as they emerged from a half dozen sallyports, came on line, and managed to look good doing it.

The disappointment over a tough loss was eased somewhat, as the Cadet Mess provided Wednesday night (steak, remember?!), Saturday style. The Alumni Dinner Dance featured that same steak dinner, with a few embellishments like wine and candles. Oh, there were also even odds that the cold beverage corporal wore lipstick and was much better looking than those plebes who never did send up milk with JUST ONE ice cube.

It was a weekend filled with enjoyment as old acquaintances were renewed. There were surprises, such as the number who took seriously the cry: "Civvies for me in '73." And, lest we forget, there were bittersweet memories of those who have departed, but will always be with us in spirit.





REGULATIONS
for the
UNITED STATES
CORPS OF CADETS

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1973

EDITOR'S NOTE:

This article, approved by the Commandant of Cadets USMA, provides authentic information on the recent revision of the "Blue Book" which received national publicity in news media.

NEWs media reports notwithstanding, the recent revision of cadet regulations was not intended to liberalize West Point, nor has it done so. On the contrary, the regulations were revised in an effort to permit cadets to exercise more personal judgment rather than simply to rely on decisions already made for them by the establishment. In his letter of promulgation the Commandant stated,

"These regulations are written not only to govern the Corps of Cadets, but also, and perhaps more importantly, to create an environment in which the quality of self-discipline can be developed and improved in all cadets. Self-discipline is the all-important characteristic of a good Army officer, and therefore at West Point it is critically important. Self-discipline is a prerequisite for every value the Military Academy seeks to internalize in its graduates. It is essential if one is to have the right approach to duty and responsibility. It is a quality one must have if he is to have a correct perception of country. It plays a prior role in each of these because to have any one of them demands that a person be capable and willing to make tough choices . . . hard over easy; inconvenient over convenient; true over false; right over wrong. Each of these requires one to wrestle mentally with himself and ultimately to do what is right and what is expected even though not being watched or supervised . . . in other words, to be self-disciplined. Clearly West Point graduates must have this quality above all others, and therefore the everyday environment in which a cadet lives must be one which supports its development.

"Obviously, this environment must be one in which cadets are given an opportunity to make choices. Individual self-discipline cannot grow and develop in an atmosphere in which most choices are made in advance . . . institutionalized. For this reason, these regulations, which influence very much the day to day disciplinary atmosphere of West Point, have been written to be long on spirit and short on letter. They have been designed to create an atmosphere in which each of you, individually, will have continuing and frequent opportunity to make choices. Naturally, we hope that you will make them correctly . . . that they will reflect good judgment, maturity, and most important of all, growth in this vital area of self-discipline. Only in this way can this institution collectively achieve its central objective. Only in this way will its graduates, individually, be able to measure up in an improving and increasingly competitive Army."

The revised regulations specifically address four areas, all of which have a significant impact on the daily life of cadets. These four areas are limits, authorizations, privileges, and the disciplinary system.

Over the years, cadet limits had become complex and confusing and often were misunderstood by cadets and officers alike. Whereas the previous regulations addressed seven categories of cadet limits, the revised regulations address only four: quarters, academic, post and reservation.

Quarters limits are effective from taps until reveille and restrict cadets of all classes essentially to their rooms.

Academic limits are effective from 2000 until taps and restrict cadets of the under two classes to barracks, the library, and other academic buildings on the main post. During this same period, cadets of the upper two classes have *post limits*. This is a significant departure from limits previously authorized these classes. Cadets of the first and second class now can weigh individually the time they wish to devote to academic study versus the time they wish to devote to other areas of interest. Finally, *reservation limits*, which pertain to the first class only, are effective from last duty until taps on Saturdays and days prior to holidays, and from 0615 until 1800 on Sundays and holidays.

Consistent with the philosophy of increasing cadet limits on the basis of class seniority, the revised regulations grant class authorizations also on the basis of seniority. *Class authorizations*, which are in addition to *basic authorizations* granted all cadets, are granted to all cadets in each class whose performance is satisfactory. As an example, the third class is authorized one regular weekend leave each academic term whereas the second and first classes are authorized three and six, respectively; a second example is that members of the first class may escort daily until taps, whereas the three underclasses cannot.

Beyond these *basic* and *class authorizations*, the revised regulations grant *privileges* based on academic and military excellence. To illustrate recognition of academic excellence, the top 60% of the first class in Academic Order of Merit (AOM) are granted three long weekend leaves each academic term. Extending this concept, cadets in the top 30% in AOM (Dean's List) are granted four long weekend leaves each academic term.

To illustrate recognition of military excellence, first classmen making the newly established Commandant's List can miss the evening meal and go beyond reservation limits on Friday until 2200, return from weekend leaves later than generally required, and take two additional regular weekend leaves.

Cadets who excel both aca- (Continued on page 34)



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by CADET PETER GUTH

AOT

LAST summer they fed us the line about Camp Buckner being the best summer of our lives. And there had been jokes the summer before, about how good Beast was. But I think that the summer just completed, when they put the cows out to pasture, will remain as the best of my cadet career. Even with the First Class trip and the challenge of the responsibility for training a new Class of 1978, next summer will come as something of a letdown.

This summer started for me with Airborne training at Fort Benning, followed by four weeks of Army Orientation Training (AOT) with the 82d Engineers in Germany. After AOT I traded three weeks leave for the opportunity to attend the Russian Orientation in Garmisch, Germany, and for the final week of the summer I visited Crete on my own. Throughout the summer I was away from West Point and treated as a junior officer. I had the duties and responsibilities, and the necessity to insure that I had developed the self discipline that could replace the absence cards, tactical officers and regulations that govern cadet life.

Despite its reputation I found Airborne training much less demanding than I had anticipated. Physically the runs proved rather slow and only a nuisance because we were required to remain in step and sing. Only the Georgia heat and humidity made the exercise exhausting. The PT itself did little to tax us, perhaps because as cadets we are probably in very good shape—although I am definitely in the middle of my class in physical education, I think I

can speak for the majority of us in saying that this summer I think few of us experienced difficulty physically. Probably only the Airborne body twist caused any pain, and that resulting from the Airborne sergeants' fondness for getting almost to the end of the exercise and then starting over.

As for the professional value of Airborne training, I am still uncertain. To me the probability that an Airborne unit will ever again be called upon to jump into combat appears questionable, and in an emergency the finer points of parachuting could be covered in an afternoon instead of two weeks. I think the only secret to the PLF is to fight impulses and keep the chin tucked and the feet together, and two weeks practice did not suggest any further technique refinements. But even if Airborne may never benefit me professionally, especially if I go Corps of Engineers, the rides down the last week produced an exhilarating feeling. While I recollect no conscious fears, from my five jumps I remember nothing from the time after the green light came on and I found myself in the number two man position until later when I was out and the chute opened. For that span of several seconds, my memory is only of a vague whirling impression. But after that, with the rest of the ride down comes pure enjoyment of the view from the air.

AOT followed Airborne, and after the long flight from Charleston to Rhein Main in Germany the six of us assigned to the 82d were bussed directly from the air base to the training center at Grafenwöhr. I arrived there just in



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time to change out of greens, eat supper, and get over to the motor pool for the weekly officers' class. That night it concerned maintenance of vehicles, and since for the next three weeks the platoon I was leading would have attached 15-20 additional vehicles every day for our project, the class provided me some introductory understanding of the engineer equipment I would be using.

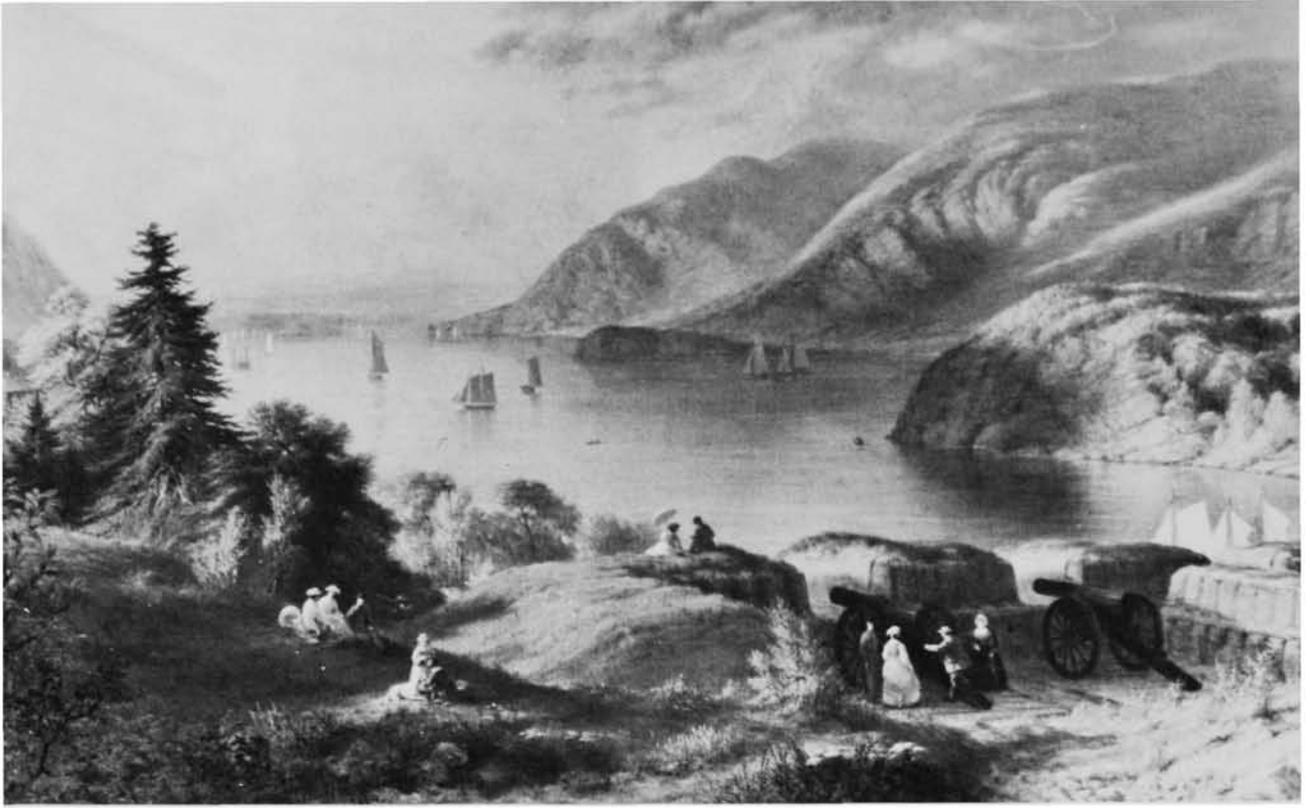
My project consisted of repairing two miles of main tank trail, a task that had begun the day I arrived and required three weeks to complete. The old surface was torn up to get a good bind, coarse rock was dumped and graded and compacted, and then fine choke was dumped and compacted. Besides my organic five tons and bucket loader for the project, I had support from a light equipment company that provided bulldozers, graders, 290 scrapers, water distribution equipment, additional dump trucks, and compaction equipment. Rollers proved the biggest headache, and we tried everything: steel wheel rollers, sheep's foot rollers, wobbly wheel rollers, and even loaded 290's. Because of the twin problems of maintenance and never really having adequate equipment, the real compaction of the road resulted from the armor and cavalry and artillery and mech infantry convoys that were always passing. We repaired a field expedient tank trail, building it up still higher above the original forest ground level, and if I ever go back to Graf I could do the nth repeat job on that stretch of trail.

Mainly my responsibilities meant crisis management, taking care of everything that always kept happening. There

were equipment problems—things breaking down or not showing up, requiring contact with our supporting units. There was the battalion speed trap, and the eternal headache of keeping my drivers below 25 mph, aggravated since everyone else roared by at 40, even in our construction zone. There was the queuing at the rock quarry, which would then slow down or halt everything else. There was the hassle with rock tickets, the facilities engineer and S3 not believing we were hauling or needing as much as we thought. There were road guards to be kept alert and awake. There was always something, even if only the weekly progress reports and charts, and always varied, demanding, and challenging.

Our problems were not helped by the rain. After a first hot week to orient me to the Graf dust of the tank trail, the last two weeks it rained almost daily and the trail turned into mud. That complicated ditching, and caused equipment to slide and get stuck. Being thirty minutes out from battalion headquarters and our organic retrieval equipment, I learned that the fastest and easiest way to pull out a stuck grader of five ton or ten ton was to flag down an M-60 and ask for their help. Two minutes later both tank and engineers could be back at work; and there were constantly tanks churning by.

Besides getting the chance to see field operation of the combat engineer equipment, I saw the other key factor in the Army, the personnel. In one simple task, dumping the load from their five ton dump truck, I saw how very few of the drivers could spread (Continued on page 34)



Robert W. Weir

VIEW OF THE HUDSON (Oil) 1864

Robert W. Weir's traditional view from West Point looking north shows the battery in the right foreground; the guns were fired at the bull's eye at the base of Target Hill which is at the far left middle in the painting.

ARTISTS AT WEST

HAD silicon been a gas, I would have been a major general."

This familiar quip ends James A. McN. Whistler's (USMA ex-1855) version of his dismissal from the United States Military Academy after he spent more than two years as a cadet. Besides Whistler and Robert Walter Weir, a member of the USMA faculty for forty-two years, the names of no other professors or cadets come readily to mind when pre-1865 art at West Point is mentioned. Yet, there were many good artists, both instructors and cadets, at West Point during this era.

Unfortunately, in the years since 1865, much of the art work of these men has been lost or destroyed. However, the recent resurgence of interest in nineteenth century American art may bring about the rediscovery of some of their works in an attic, historical society shelf or archive. Sketches and paintings by such USMA artists and drawing department teachers as Alexander D. MacKay (USMA 1825), Theophilus Brown (1826), Richard S. Smith (1834), James W. Abert (1842), Thomas H. Neill (1847),

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Henry Douglass (1852), James McMillan (1856), William H. Bell (1858), John S. Poland (May 1861), Robert L. Eastman (May 1861), or Joseph P. Farley (June 1861) are almost totally forgotten or unknown. Often the only testimony of their artistic abilities is a mention in obituary notices or in a classmate's or friend's recollections. In one of his books about West Point, Joseph Farley, a friend of Robert Eastman, mentions Eastman as an artist second only to Weir and Whistler. Farley also comments about Poland's success as a painter of marine oils. Richard Smith's talent for music and drawing were noted in his obituary, and Farley remembers Smith's *View of the Hudson*, a watercolor, as an especially good painting. The present whereabouts of all the art works of these officers is not known.

Some of this obscurity is understandable. Alexander MacKay, Robert Eastman, and Theophilus Brown died not many years after graduation. It is likely that several of these drawing teachers were more interested and talented in the topographical aspects of their instruction. Others may not have continued to develop their artistic abilities after their assignments at West Point terminated.

Fortunately, this is not true of two members of this group, Seth Eastman (USMA 1829) and Truman Seymour (USMA 1846). Paintings and sketches by both men may be found in private and public collections, including that of the West Point Museum.



James A. McN. Whistler (USMA Ex-1855)

HOURS ON GUARD (Pen and Ink Sketches) c. 1854

Throughout his life, Whistler delighted his friends with caricatures of anything which struck his fancy. These four pen and ink sketches are good examples of this sense of humor.

by EARLE WHITMORE



POINT BEFORE 1865

In mid-January 1833, Lieutenant Seth Eastman was directed to report immediately to the Academy. His arrival eased a minor faculty crisis: there were no instructors to teach drawing because Thomas Gimbrede, USMA teacher of drawing since 1819, died suddenly Christmas Eve 1832. At the time of his death, Gimbrede was the entire drawing faculty since his assistant Lieutenant Theophilus B. Brown (USMA 1826) left West Point in August 1832 and the practice of employing a senior cadet to assist the professor had been discontinued.

Eastman, who received his early artistic training as a cadet with Gimbrede, remained at the Academy for seven years, assisting both Charles Leslie and Robert W. Weir, Gimbrede's successors. Leslie, an artist of international repute and brother of Thomas J. Leslie (USMA 1815), the treasurer of the Academy and paymaster of the Corps of Engineers at the time, taught at West Point for less than a year (November 1833 to April 1834) before he returned to England and the environment which he found more artistically stimulating and receptive. Leslie's resignation was promptly followed by the appointment of Robert W. Weir.

Eastman's task as an instructor during this transition period from Gimbrede's death to Weir's appointment was easier than it might seem since the course of instruction was essentially the same as it had been during his cadet

days. After Weir's arrival, it is likely that he taught the second class topography while the elder man gave them lessons in landscape and the third class lessons in the human figure. George G. Meade's (USMA 1835) sepia wash drawing is a typical example of cadet work at this time; the cadets learned the essentials of landscape by copying engravings of the works of well-known artists. Meade's drawing can be contrasted with William Tecumseh Sherman's (USMA 1840) human figure study. Anatomy studies such as Sherman's were often the products of near tracing, especially in the case of cadets with no natural ability.

During his tour at West Point, Eastman continued to develop his artistic talents by taking private lessons with Leslie and Weir. After 1836, he exhibited his oils, such as *View of the Hudson*, annually at the spring shows of the National Academy of Design. Only two years after he began participating in these exhibitions, the Academy formally recognized his accomplishments by electing him an honorary member, amateur (honorary because he lived too far from New York City to be a regular member; amateur because his primary profession was the military). This election was quite an honor for a man who had been painting with oils less than five years.

Weir's influence upon Eastman's oil technique can be seen in comparing Weir's *View of the Hudson* with his assistant's *View of the Hudson from West Point*. Their views



George G. Meade (USMA 1835)

Cadet Drawing

This sepia wash drawing is a typical example of cadet work in the 1830's.

upriver are similar having mountains framing the center scene and a horizon line just above the half-way point in the canvas. The elements of framing and a high horizon line plus the calm, ship-spotted water and relaxed people enjoying their day in the sun convey a pervading tranquillity which is reinforced by a sky filled with peacefully rolling clouds. When Weir's oil sketch for this painting owned by Kennedy Gallery, New York City, is compared with Eastman's work, the similarity is even greater because both employed soft pastel colors.

Eastman spent most of the following decade of the 1840's on frontier duty; seven of these years were at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. During this time, he kept his brushes and pencils busy recording life of the nearby Indian tribes in a more comprehensive and objective manner than most of his artistic contemporaries. He was able to paint in this way because he had learned a great deal about the Indians' way of life through his constant contact with them as a part of his military duties and through his ability to speak their languages. His attention to objectivity and accuracy



Ulysses S. Grant (USMA 1843)

Cadet Drawing — 1841

Grant's cadet exercise was originally signed U.H. Grant in 1841 before he changed his middle initial. It was again signed when Grant became President of the United States.

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William Tecumseh Sherman (USMA 1840)

Cadet Drawing

Sherman's signature and date (May 1, 1838) can be seen in the lower right margin of this cadet pencil sketch.

Eastman as Weir's assistant, remained on the faculty for fifteen years. Not only did Smith teach drawing, he also served as Quartermaster for almost ten years and Treasurer for three. He resigned from the Army to become Professor of Mathematics, Engineering and Drawing at Brooklyn Collegiate and Polytechnic Institute, New York (1855-1859). He then served as Director of Cooper Institute, New York City, until the outbreak of the Civil War when he returned to active duty. Several years later, he again resigned to become President of Girard College, Philadelphia. He ended his professional career at the Naval Academy, when President Grant (USMA 1843), one of his former students, appointed him Professor of Mathematics.

For three years beginning in April 1850, Truman Seymour (USMA 1846) assisted Weir and Smith in teaching drawing. Seymour, who in his cadet days was the number one man in drawing, had a lengthy and distinguished military career. He received a total of eight brevets for his services during the Mexican and Civil Wars. As a Captain of Artillery, he aided in the defense of Fort Sumter, and at the close of the war, he was present to observe the surrender of General Robert E. Lee, the same man who was Superintendent of USMA when Seymour was a member of the West Point faculty.

While teaching at the Academy, Seymour married Louisa Weir, the eldest daughter of his artistic mentor, Robert Weir. Thus, the Seymours returned to West Point from time to time to visit Louisa's family. Morris Schaff (USMA 1862) relates Seymour's visit in late April 1861, just after the defense of Fort (Continued on page 34)

can be traced to his early training in topographical drawing at West Point. His reputation as a painter, particularly one of American Indians, was such that in 1850, he was chosen to prepare the Illustrations for Henry Schoolcraft's monumental six volume work on the Indian tribes of the United States. In 1867 he was requested to paint two series of canvases to hang in the Congressional committee rooms for Military Affairs and Indian Affairs. These paintings still hang in the Capitol.

Richard Somers Smith (USMA 1834), who followed

Truman Seymour (USMA 1846)

Cadet Drawing

Seymour's emphasis upon landscape is indicative of his mature work.





AMERICA'S PYRAMID ON-THE-HUDSON

West Point's Viele Tomb Echoes Ancient

Prototype on Egypt's Nile

THE editions of *Newsday*, Long Island's daily newspaper, for 12 May 1966 published, in the paper's Questions and Answers department, the following query:

"Q. Can you tell me anything about the elaborate, pyramid-shaped mausoleum in the Old Cadet Cemetery at West Point where the bodies of General Viele and his wife are buried?

J. G. Wantagh"

This inquiry, in reply to which the newspaper printed a brief, cursory paragraph or two of explanation on the tomb's background, including a few biographical details on General Viele, is typical of countless similar comments from a curious public during the past twenty years.

Each year, visitors to the Academy's Post Cemetery exclaim with interest and awe at the imposing, pyramid-shaped tomb situated at the Western end of the tree shaded burial ground. Eclipsing in physical size and proportion all of the other monuments in the cemetery, this massive granite and marble edifice often evokes from the beholder the thought, "what manner of mortal or man was this that his soul be honored by eternal repose in a sepulcher of ancient splendor, fit for Kings, Gods and Heroes?"

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Probably one of the most distinctive and unusual military tombs in America, it is the burial place of General Egbert Ludovicus Viele (1825-1902) and his wife, Juliette Dana Viele (1837-1899). General Viele, an 1847 Academy graduate, carefully selected the site and had the tomb erected in 1900, a year after the death of his wife and two years prior to his own death. A distinguished American engineer, soldier, author and statesman, who served his country dutifully in two wars, Viele's imposing mausoleum reflects the broad catholicity of his taste, the depth and range of his lifetime of successful professional and artistic achievements and attainments, and especially, his lifelong habit of extreme thoroughness in everything he undertook.

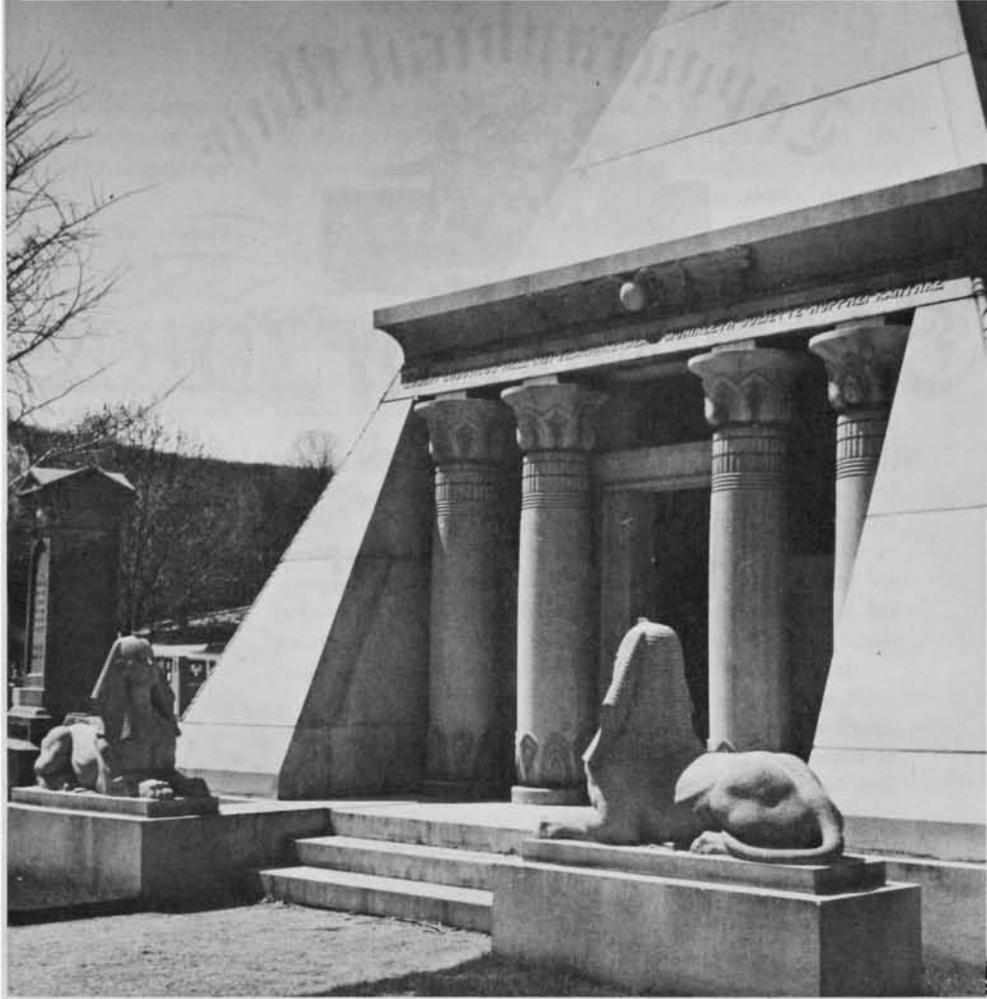
Modeled after a pyramid tomb of ancient Egypt, the granite edifice measures 25 x 31 feet at the base rising to 31 feet at the apex. The bronze door is surrounded by pairs of ornate columns, and the steps leading to the door are flanked by carved Egyptian sphinxes. The interior, conceived entirely of white Italian marble, contains the sarcophagi of Viele and his wife, surmounted by recumbent statuary of each, elaborately sculptured to full life scale.

In addition to its striking boldness of massive line and proportion, the monument's sense of archaic grandeur is heightened by an extraordinary inscription in the Etruscan language extending across the architrave over the frontal columns. The inscription's raised letters read as follows:

"Egbert Ludovicus Viele Kizi Zilachnkei
Meani Munikleth Juliette Nupphiz Kanthke"



Portrait now hanging in Cullum Hall at West Point of Brigadier General Egbert L. Viele by J.C. Beckwith.



by CHASE VIELE

An academy guidebook gives the following translation: "Egbert Ludovicus Viele His Body Occupies This Sepulcher With Juliet His Wife And Beloved Companion"

The tomb's formidable appearance, seemingly unintelligible Etruscan inscription, and the numerous Academy legends which surround it have made it one of the better known "curiosities" at West Point. At the time of its installation no restrictions were imposed upon size and cost of cemetery monuments. Nowadays, only single grave plots are assigned, and if private stones are used they can measure no more than six feet in height and four feet in width and no monument may exceed \$1,000.00 in cost.

The tomb has, over the years, been the object of much curiosity and numerous inquiries on the part of not only the visiting public but Academy staff members and each succeeding class of cadets as well. One intriguing legend has always persisted among the cadets and is often related to visitors by guards on duty at the cemetery.

An alarm "buzzer" or bell was said to exist for many years between the Viele mausoleum, which is at the western end of the cemetery, and the caretaker's home situated some distance away, the two being at opposite ends of a broad, straight pathway or road. According to the legend, General Viele, prior to his death, had an electric buzzer installed inside the sarcophagus, or vault, into which his remains were to be placed, with a direct wire connection to an alarm bell mounted on an inside wall of the cemetery caretaker's house, several hundred yards away. Reputedly

a strong believer in the hereafter and "life after death," (a common belief among ancient Egyptians), he was said to have harbored a notion that he might return to life while sealed within his sarcophagus and wished to be prepared to summon aid. In addition to the buzzer, a number of veteran Academy staffers, including Mr. W.C. Williams, present cemetery caretaker, recall that for many years an "eternal" electric light burned, day and night, inside the Viele tomb. Maintained constantly, in accordance with General Viele's instructions, the bulb illuminated the gold-leafed ceiling at night, which cast an eerie reflection over the reclining statuary. The perpetual light continued for more than forty years. Terminated after Pearl Harbor, according to the cemetery caretaker, due to wartime blackout restrictions, it was never resumed. The buzzer was disconnected at about the same time.

Egbert L. Viele was born in the community of Waterford, on the Hudson just north of Troy, on the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill, 17 June 1825, year also of the opening of the Erie Canal which marks the beginning of New York's steady climb to commercial supremacy and emergence as the Empire State. His mother, the former Kathlyne Schuyler Knickerbocker, was born in the ancient *hofsted* or homestead of that notable Dutch family at Schaghticoke, Rensselaer County, twenty-five miles northeast of Albany. The Knickerbocker family and mansion, still standing today and operated as an historic site, became famous following the publication in 1809 of Washington Irving's *Diedrich Knickerbocker's History of*

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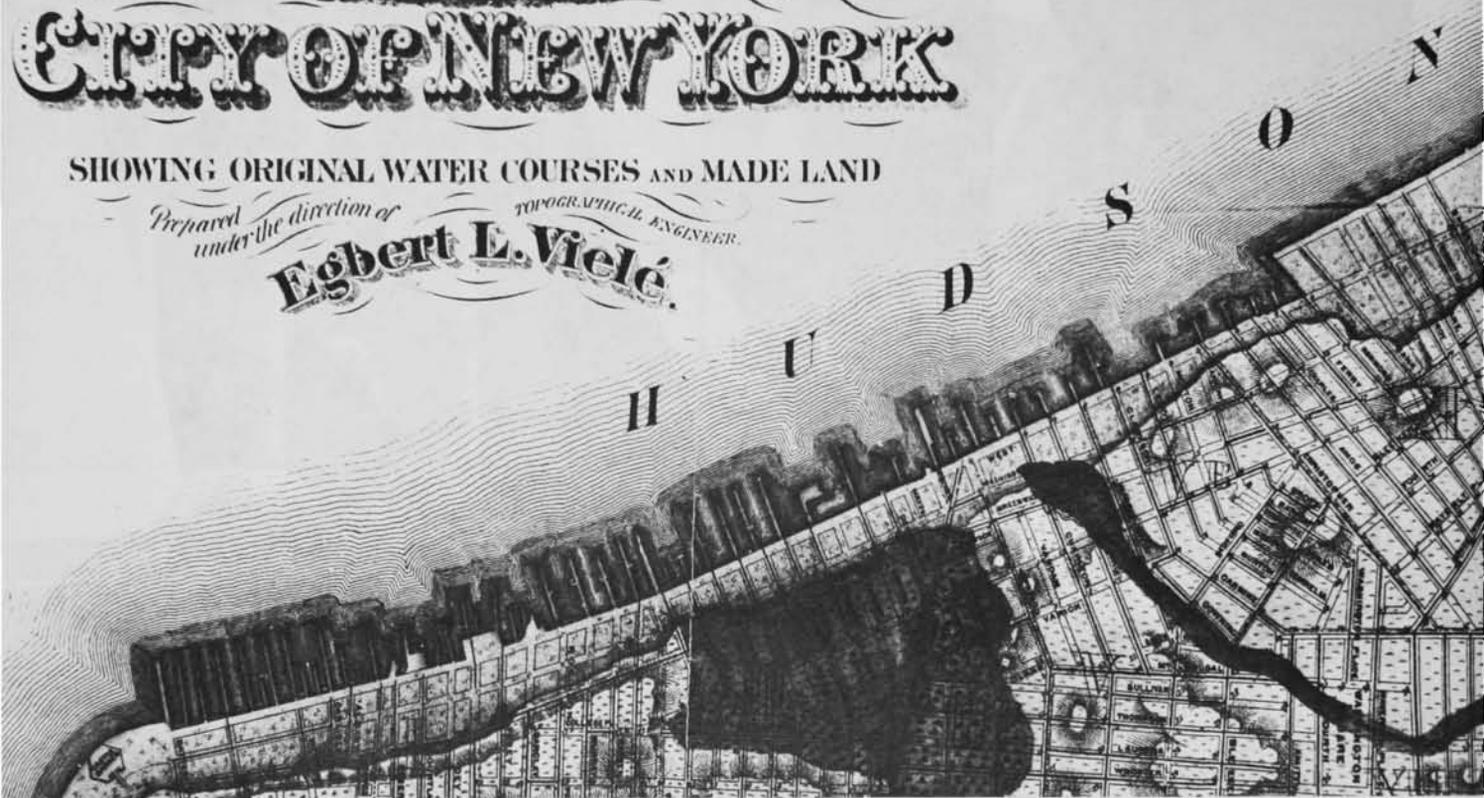
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Egbert L. Viele



New York, a comic history of the Dutch “dynasty” in North America. Irving, who used the more anglicized “o” rather than the Dutch “a” in spelling the name, adopted the pseudonym of Diedrich Knickerbocker as a result of his personal acquaintance with members of the “real” family at Schaghticoke.

His father, Honorable John L. Viele, a well known attorney and orator in the Waterford and Troy area, became a State Senator, Judge of the New York State Court of Errors and a Regent of the University of the State of New York. A close friend and associate of Governor De Witt Clinton, he was an early advocate and promoter of Erie Canal legislation, at a time when the scheme was known as “Clinton’s Ditch.” By historical parallel, General Viele celebrated his 70th birthday, 17 June 1895, by serving as chairman of the Committee of Arrangements and toastmaster of the banquet following the grand parade marking the opening of the Harlem River Ship Canal.

A descendent of Dutch burghers who first arrived in New Amsterdam in 1638 and settled there and in Schenectady and Fort Orange (Albany), General Viele’s background “represents the historic New York,” as his friend and biographer the author Richard H. Savage (West Point, Class of 1868) once said. His origins, career and accomplishments as a soldier, engineer and author relate to the Hudson River valley, the city of New York “towards whose physical and material expansion and growth he con-

tributed the most of perhaps any man of his generation,” and the state of New York whose history and topography he wrote of so ably. An outstanding example of the latter is an epochal and now historic address which General Viele delivered before the American Geographical Society in New York on 29 April 1875. Entitled *The Topography and Physical Resources of the State of New York*, it was widely quoted and reprinted. In view of General Viele’s later selection of West Point as the site for his final resting place, one particular excerpt is quoted:

“The mountain system of the State is the extension and in part the termination of the great Appalachian chain which forms the easterly range of the continental system of mountains. At West Point, on the Hudson, where this formation is developed in all its grandeur, the mountain chain is riven asunder, and the lordly river, whose deep channel would float the navies of the world, passes on majestically to the Ocean. No scenery on the continent can rival the Highlands of the Hudson at this point.”

So, it is fitting that his tomb be located at a point high overlooking the valley of the Hudson, a body of water so important in the history, the wars and commercial aggrandizement of this state and nation. The Egyptian architecture of General Viele’s imposing pyramid tomb serves to remind one that the three century span from the time of his forebears’ arrival in the New World early in the 17th century until his death early in the 20th century

witnessed greater social, political and scientific progress and change than the three thousand year metamorphosis of human affairs since ancient Egypt and the beginnings of Etruscan culture.

General Viele's role in the Civil War was an unusual and vital one. As a Captain of Engineers in New York City's historic 7th Militia Regiment in the opening months of the war, he led an expedition by water from New York to Washington which, by forcing a passage up the Potomac River, succeeded in opening up the defenses of the city of Washington. Earlier in 1861, he published his noted *Handbook for Active Service—Containing Practical Instructions in Campaign Duties, For the Use of Volunteers*, which became a widely used manual for the training of wartime troops. Published originally in New York, this manual later appeared in print in Richmond and, ironically, was put to use in the organizing and training of Confederate regiments. Commissioned a brigadier general of U.S. Volunteers by President Lincoln on 17 August 1861, he was second in command of the expedition which captured Port Royal, South Carolina in 1862 and also commanded the land forces in the capture of Fort Pulaski, at the approaches to Savannah, Georgia. After the capture of Norfolk, Virginia, in May 1862, which he helped to plan and lead following an inspection and tour of that area by himself, President Lincoln, Secretary of War Stanton and Secretary of the Treasury Chase, General Viele served until October 1863 as U.S. Military Governor of Norfolk, Portsmouth and the surrounding area. He was long remembered by the citizenry of Norfolk as a stern disciplinarian who tolerated no nonsense in the administration of his government.

Earlier, as "Engineer-in-Chief" of New York's projected Central Park in 1856-58, Viele developed a design for the 843-acre site which was later closely followed by Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux in their winning design, "Greensward." His plans and schemes for mass transportation, such as the sub-surface Arcade Railway (1872) and the elevated Girdle Railway (1868), his published theories and methods for controlling New York's then troublesome drainage and sanitation problems, and his monumental "Hydrographic and Topographical Map of Manhattan" (1865), are among his many contributions to the city's municipal growth. His treatises on the topography of Manhattan Island, including the map which is still known as the "Viele Map," exhibiting the island's original water courses and land subsequently filled, proved of great value to the later builders of the city's countless skyscrapers. He served as a member and later president of the New York Parks Commission. Following his election to Congress in 1885, he served on the Board of Visitors to West Point, making a report in that capacity which led to improvements in the Academy. His efforts as a Congressman in the 80's toward advancing the long-planned Harlem River Ship Canal, an important adjunct to development of Manhattan's upper West Side, received wide recognition. In his booklet, "The West End Plateau of the City of New York" (1879), he pointed out that area's many advantages and foresaw its rapid growth.

In combatting the rapidly growing city's drainage and health problems, Viele drew upon his own personal experience fighting epidemics of yellow fever and malaria while

serving as a young cavalry officer in the Rio Grande area of Texas in the years following the Mexican War. His service in that war immediately after Academy graduation in 1847 was followed by some five years active duty in the Southwest. The young officer's first wife, the former Miss Theresa Griffin of New York, accompanied him to Texas as a bride. His sons, by this first marriage, became authors of considerable note. Hermann Knickerbocker Viele (1856-1908) achieved distinction as an American novelist and poet, while Egbert L. Viele (1863-1937), who from childhood always used the adopted name Francis Viele-Griffin, became one of France's most distinguished and renowned poets.

General Viele's deep affection for the Academy and the strongly etched sentimental ties West Point held for him doubtless led to his wish to leave the tomb monument as a perpetual identity between himself, the Hudson and his beloved Alma Mater. It was often said that "it was his greatest pleasure to act as champion of the Military Academy," and at his death an Academy spokesman said:

"West Point never had a more devoted son than General Viele; as President of the Board of Visitors, as President of the Association of Graduates, and as a member of Congress he labored continually for the improvement and development of his Alma Mater."

Particularly during the last years of his life, while in semi-retirement from his engineering practice, General Viele never tired of working out plans for the Academy's good and advancement. His advice, as an experienced engineer, was invaluable in carrying out improvements to the expanding grounds, in such matters as landscaping, drainage, sanitation, and roads. His last project at West Point was to design an extended plan for the enlargement and improvement of the cemetery. The Academy annual report for 1900 noted the following:

"The cemetery grounds have been considerably improved and beautified during the year. The piece of rough land to the west of the cemetery, bounded by the garden road, has been incorporated into it and is being laid out under the supervision of General Egbert L. Viele, who is generously giving to the work the benefit of his special talents."

In 1900, while absorbed in the details of laying out and superintending the expansion of the cemetery, General Viele conceived the idea of erecting there a sepulchral monument for himself and to house the un-interred remains of his late wife who had died on 15 May 1899.

In a letter dated 7 April 1900 to Honorable Elihu Root, Secretary of War, General Viele requested assignment of a plot in the academy cemetery.

Within a few days, approval of the request by the Secretary of War, Adjutant-General and Academy Superintendent had been accomplished and by late fall construction was under way. General Viele selected the site and superintended the work of construction.

The pyramid tomb's architect-designer, W. Liance Cottrell (1868-1964) of New York City and Mystic, Connecticut, was known widely as a designer of public monuments, especially war and military memorials. His work includes the Pennsylvania State Civil War Monument at Gettysburg battlefield as well as the State of Wisconsin's Civil War Memorial, located at (Continued on page 35)

Bulletin Board

BG Jannarone to Retire: Headed for Con Edison

BG John R. Jannarone, Dean of the Academic Board, has announced that he will retire from the Army on 1 Jan 1974 and will accept a position with Consolidated Edison of New York. BG Jannarone has served as Dean for over eight years and has over 35 years of commissioned service.

A member of the USMA Class of 1938, BG Jannarone graduated first in his class and was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. Following an assignment as a member of the staff of the Commanding General of the Manhattan (Atomic Bomb) Project, BG Jannarone was assigned to the faculty of the Military Academy in 1947 as an instructor and Assistant Professor of Physics.

He returned to the Academy in 1957 as a Professor of Physics and Chemistry after a tour of duty at the Pentagon. He became head of the department in 1964 and a year later was appointed Dean of the Academic Board.

The next issue of ASSEMBLY will include a feature article on BG Jannarone and the new Dean.

Founders Day 1974

The 172d anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy will be 16 March 1974. The Association of Graduates and the Military Academy staff are again prepared to support alumni groups who plan to have a Founders Day dinner. Items available include dinner table decorations, films, current information about West Point and materials for a Founders Day program. Two months ago a letter describing this support was mailed to each West Point Society, as well as to many military organizations and installations. If your group or organization has not received any correspondence concerning Founders Day and you wish further information, please contact your local West Point Society or the Chief, Alumni Affairs and Gifts Program Division, USMA, West Point, NY 10996.

Colonel Nygaard Dies

Funeral services for LTC John R. Nygaard, USA Ret., Class of Apr '17, were conducted in the Old Cadet Chapel on Monday, 29 October 1973, followed by interment in the Post Cemetery. Death occurred on 24 October 1973, in the Naval Hospital at Great Lakes, Illinois.

Colonel Nygaard was recently married to Mrs. Beatrice F Nygaard who survives him at 1423 Sheridan Road, Willmette, Illinois 60091. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. E.S. Knudtson, of 822 63d Place, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

He will be missed particularly at West Point where he had many friends among the staff, faculty and cadets.

A Teacher is Forever

In our formative years some of us have the good fortune to discover a rare person whose influence on us reached far beyond the classroom and on into later life—a man after whom we tried to model ourselves. Such a man

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

the March issue by — 3 January 74

the June issue by — 30 March 74

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.

was "CPT Bill" (LTG Wm. S. Lawton, USMA '22). During the depression years competition for the Academies was very keen indeed. At that time it was possible to take a preliminary examination and if one stood high enough, to enlist for one year for the purpose of attending the Corps Area Prep School. Some 200 of us took the exam, but the school had space for only 55. We reported 1 July 1935. The first two months were spent in drill and learning the rudiments of soldiering at Ft. Winfield Scott, California. The school had sent 15 to the Academies the previous year. At about the same time that we reported, we inherited a new assistant commandant, CPT Bill.

He was usually assisted by three lieutenants, all Academy graduates. During our day these were Grosvenor F. Powell '31, Walter J. Renfroe '34 (now Prof of Modern Languages, USMA), Alfred Ashman '35, and Edward W. Moore '34. We had "Candidate" officers. The instructors did double-duty as tacs. We had an area, an annual, intramural, Saturday inspections, daily room inspections—in short, every attempt was made to give us a foretaste of the Academy.

Under CPT Bill, the first year saw 32 make the Academy and almost all of us stayed. Of the remainder, six made it the following year, one went to flying cadets, one became Colonel of the ROTC at UCLA, and two made the Army a 30-year career. Figures for the following two years under CPT Bill were as remarkable.

The purpose of reunion at Ft. Scott in August 1973 was to honor this man to whom we all felt so indebted. Many who could not come contributed to the gifts we gave to the Lawtons. Of course several are deceased.

Those who went from WuPuPus to join the Class of '40 at USMA were Emory S. Adams Jr. (Class President), Alan G. Baker, Sidney V Bingham Jr. (an outstanding

Hewitt '41 presenting clock to CPT Bill (Lawton '22) engraved "From the Candidate Cadets Fort Winfield Scott 1935-1938."



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combat commander of WW II), Richard T. Cassidy (LTG Ret.), Marshall Cloke, John B. Coontz, Kenneth O. Due, John Z. Endress, Lawrence G. Forbes, Lyman O. Heidtke, Merritt L. Hewitt, Ernest B. Jones, Richard W. Mabee, Raymond F. Mahood, Benjamin McCaffery Jr., John A. O'Keefe, Leonard M. Orman (GI appointee), James A. Plant, Harmon P. Rimmer, Joseph W. Ruebel, Frank S. Shawn, Ross B. Spencer (Navy), Francis R. Sullivan, Reginald Thorlin (Navy), Calvin P. Titus (son of Congressional Medal of Honor winner), Everett H. Ware, Paul S. Weber, Walter F. Winton Jr. (BG Ret.), John M. Wright Jr. (LTG Ret.), Harry W. Stephenson and Pomeroy F. Thurber.

Arvol D. Allen '42, John W. Burtschell '41, Wadsworth P. Clapp '41, William E. Corley Jr. '42, Eric T. de Jonckheere '41, Peer de Silva '41, Kenneth O. Dessert '41, Robert H. Edger '41, John M. Henschke '41, Charles R. Hill '42, Fred E. Holdredge Jr. '42, Robert W. Horn '41, Robert M. Tuttle '41, John W. Barnes, Jere W. Maupin, Norman K. Coker, John M. Davies, Horace G. Foster '41, John C. McIntyre '41, John F. O'Hara, Robert Sandell (Flying Tiger), Maxwell W. Sullivan Jr., James L. Kaiser '41, Glenn A. Lee '41, Clyde A. Thompson '41, John W. Arnes '42 (MG, active duty) are ones who followed us in and join me in saying—A Teacher is Forever—especially if they're like CPT Bill—God Bless Him.—Orman '40.

Frederick C. Mayer—Organist USMA 1911-1954

Frederick C. Mayer, former organist and choirmaster of the Cadet Chapel at the United States Military Academy from 1911 until his retirement in 1954, died in Amarillo, Texas on Saturday, 20 October, as a result of injuries sustained from an automobile accident the week before.

During Mr. Mayer's long and distinguished tenure at West Point, the Cadet Chapel organ was expanded by means of memorial gifts, eventually becoming the second largest organ in the world. Recent additions to the instrument will make it the largest church organ in the world, with approximately 18,000 individual pipes.

Dr. John A. Davis Jr., who succeeded Mr. Mayer as USMA organist and choirmaster, said that Mr. Mayer's death would be mourned by thousands of graduates, including the many hundreds who sang in the Cadet Choirs during Mr. Mayer's 43-year tenure. An appropriate memorial music program will be given in tribute to Mr. Mayer during the academic year.

Mr. Mayer is survived by his three children, their families, and other relatives, including a sister.

Mrs. Buyers, Cadet Hostess, to leave West Point

Planning weddings is nothing new to Mrs. Patricia Buyers. As the Senior Cadet Hostess, she often advises cadets and their fiancées on wedding preparations. But now she is planning a very special wedding—her own. In January she will leave her position as Cadet Hostess to marry Mr. E.O. Kristjanson of LaHabra, California.

Mrs. Buyers has been the Senior Cadet Hostess for over five years. Since assuming this position in 1968, she has resided at West Point with her daughter, Ann, a teenager. Her daughter, Kathleen, now Mrs. Owen Olson, is the wife of an Air Force Academy graduate.

Upon becoming the Cadet Hostess, Mrs. Buyers took on the immense task of social advisor to the Corps of Cadets. A listing of her official duties covers a wide range of social activities at West Point. For example, she assists in planning the major social events for the Corps of Cadets.



She arranges housing for cadet guests. She serves as a consultant to the cadets on proper social conduct and is the Academy's point of contact for questions on protocol and social etiquette.

These duties are but a part of the activities which fill Mrs. Buyers' busy days. She readily admits that the Cadet Hostess does much more than just "sip tea and watch social manners." There is a great deal of coordination, planning and administration involved in creating a successful social program.

Mrs. Buyers is more than just a social advisor. Frequently she offers a sympathetic ear to a cadet encountering personal problems. In effect she is the "home away from home" for over 4,000 cadets. Her experience as a military wife and her understanding of cadet life make her an ideal advisor to the cadet—whether it be the First Classman and his fiancée preparing for marriage, or the cadet facing personal tragedy.

A short visit to the Cadet Hostess Office attests to its popularity among the cadets. They meet in the lounge during their free time or between classes for a game of bridge, a few minutes of watching television, or a discussion with friends. The pace is often frenetic for Mrs. Buyers and her staff of three assistant hostesses.

Since Mrs. Buyers is leaving soon, the Academy is looking for a replacement as the Senior Cadet Hostess. The primary duties of the position focus on the development and maintenance of a social program to supplement the academic education of the cadets. To qualify for the position, an applicant must have five years of experience in an administrative capacity which included extensive participation with the social customs and courtesies of commissioned military service. Up to three years of this requirement may be met by college or university attendance. Also, at least fifteen years of active participation in the social customs and courtesies of commissioned military service will be accepted in lieu of actual job experience. Preference for selection is given to veterans, wives of disabled veterans and widows of military personnel.

Anyone interested in becoming the new Senior Cadet Hostess should contact the Civilian Personnel Office, U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York 10996.

Professor Needed at USMA

LTG W. A. Knowlton, Superintendent of the United States Military Academy, has appointed a committee to search for a Professor and Deputy Head of Department of Social Sciences. Anyone interested in the position should address an application, together with supporting materials to MAJ Donald A. Barbour, Office of the Dean, or COL Lee D. Olvey, Head of the Department of Social Sciences, USMA, West Point, New York 10996. Applicants should have at least a Master's degree in one of the social science fields, preferably political science. Ideally, applicants should be somewhat younger than the Head of the Department (40). The Committee desires applications by 31 December 1973.

Contributions to USMA

Donations received from 1427 contributors during the period 1-24 October 1973 are as follows:

ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES	\$13,553.67
WEST POINT FUND	\$41,516.02
UNDESIGNATED	\$ 7,597.09
TOTAL	\$62,666.78

These contributions can be attributed to the Joint Annual Appeal of 1 October as well as such sources as Class project drives, memorials and other unsolicited gifts.



Superintendent presenting plaque to the Director of (the Mexican Military Academy) the Heroico Colegio Militar, General de Brigada Revueltas Olvera.

150th Anniversary of the Mexican Military Academy

During October LTG and Mrs. Knowlton, accompanied by six Spanish speaking cadets and an officer from the Department of Foreign Languages, spent four days in Mexico representing the U.S. Army at the 150th Anniversary of the Mexican Military Academy—The Heroico Colegio Militar. They joined delegations from most of the countries in North and South America (including Canada), Great Britain, the Federal Republic of Germany, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

The cadets served as a color guard for the flags of the United States, the U.S. Army, and the Corps of Cadets

at numerous activities, including a ceremony at the Military Academy presided by the President of Mexico, Luis Echeverría Alvarez, and an Armed Forces parade through Mexico City on the day of departure. In addition to the formal ceremonies, the cadets attended many social and military functions with their Mexican hosts.

The day after his arrival, LTG Knowlton presented a cast bronze plaque, on behalf of the United States Corps of Cadets, to the Director of the Mexican Military Academy, General de Brigada Salvador Revueltas Olvera, commemorating that academy's anniversary.

In a solemn ceremony the next day the Superintendent placed a wreath on the monument to the Niños Héroes honoring the memory of the young Mexican cadets and their instructor who died in the heroic defense of Mexico City in the Battle of Chapultepec in 1847.

The entire Official Party also attended a formal dinner on the terrace of the Castle of Chapultepec at which President Echeverría was the guest of honor. Other highlights of the visit included an equestrian and athletic festival, a tour of Mexico City, and a special performance of the famous Mexican Folklore Ballet in the Palacio de Bellas Artes.

AOG SURVEY

In the September 73 issue of **ASSEMBLY**, which was sent to over 23,000 graduates and ex-cadets for whom we had a valid address, we included a survey questionnaire. We asked you to fill out and return it so your Association of Graduates could benefit. So far only 1560 questionnaires have been returned—not enough to provide a valid representation of the views of our members. Won't you take a few minutes to fill out and return this questionnaire?

Class of 1977

Admissions officials have released statistics on the Class of 1977—with no surprises. West Point is still drawing prime high school scholars, leaders and athletes.

The majority of the new Plebes ranked in the top fifth of their high school classes, were particularly strong in science and math, and 47 per cent were members of the National Honor Society.

Although the percentage is not quite as high as previous classes, 280 Plebes were either class presidents or student body presidents while a record high of 713 served as president or vice president of a school club.

The new class boasts 894 former Boy Scouts, 190 of whom earned the rank of Eagle Scout. 90 per cent of the cadets participated in varsity sports—38 per cent of them were team captains.

The class, which will graduate on West Point's 175th anniversary, was nominated from a record number of 9,707 young men across the country who started interest files with the Academy. The Plebes have, by far, the strongest minority representation of any class with 136 minority cadets—including 79 blacks, 16 Mexican-Americans and 12 Japanese-Americans.

	1974	1975	1976	1977
Nominated and examined	6,003	5,517	5,320	5,630
Qualified	2,203	2,102	2,081	2,131
Admitted	1,377	1,339	1,378	1,376

	RANK IN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS			
First Fifth	77.0%	70.8%	70.1%	67.5%
Second Fifth	16.7%	20.9%	21.6%	23.1%
Third Fifth	5.5%	7.2%	7.1%	7.7%
Fourth Fifth	0.6%	0.8%	1.0%	1.5%
Bottom Fifth	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS				
Class Valedictorians	56	68	65	59
Class Salutatorians	57	40	32	53
National Merit				
Scholarship Recognized	279	211	204	214
National Honor Society	679	652	668	646

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES				
Boys State Delegate	373	261	270	293
Class Officer or S.B. Pres.	427	372	314	280
President, VP School Club	435	600	701	713
School Publication Staff				
School Paper Editor, Co-Ed	61	69	55	74
School Paper Staff	225	201	192	203
Yearbook Editor/Co-Ed	59	49	52	77
Yearbook Staff	203	209	164	188
Debating	160	144	111	139
Dramatics	193	189	169	151
Scouting Participants	750	756	757	894
Eagle Scouts	176	205	204	190
Varsity Athletics	1,237	1,144	1,214	1,202
Lettermen	1,070	1,029	1,112	1,079
Team Capt.	466	416	446	458

AMERICAN COLLEGE TESTING ASSESSMENT (Class of '77 Only)				
Range	English	Math	Soc Stud	Nat. Sci.
26-36	11%	78%	56%	74%
21-25	52%	17%	30%	15%
16-20	34%	4%	8%	9%
1 -15	3%	1%	6%	2%
Means	21.6	28.0	25.1	27.1

The Class of 1977 was the first class to feel the impact of a new tone in the Corps that was initiated in "Beast Barracks."

"The emphasis this year was on a quiet, professional approach," said COL Robinson, New Cadet Barracks Commander. "The yelling and screaming... I don't think it's productive and it's not the way it's done in the Army."

He told the 650 First Classmen who ran NCB this summer that he hoped the new cadets' reaction to the summer detail members would be "Where did all of these cool, calm, SOB's come from?"

Did the "dignified approach" work among the new cadets? COL Robinson thinks so. "This class is in better physical shape than previous classes," he claimed, noting that 25 new cadets ran the mile in less than five minutes with the class average time under six minutes. The fastest was 4:37.

Their rifle marksmanship was "the best in years." Out of 152 members of the 8th New Cadet Company, 58 fired expert while 52 in 1st New Cadet Co. fired expert.

For the first time field training was extended from three days to six days, provided a full sports program, and offered more free time. "Our theory was to work hard and play hard," said one officer.

After this field training 1,220 new cadets filed back to West Point. It was back to a stiff posture, squaring corners, and spouting pages of memorized facts.

Introducing Cadet First Captain Pattison

"Pvt. Pattison, are you interested in being an officer or maybe even going to West Point?" asked his Basic Training company commander.

"No, thank you, sir," answered the wiry, blond from Taylorstown, PA, who had been named the outstanding

trainee of the cycle. "I want to be an enlisted man and go to Vietnam."

Jack Pattison went to Vietnam. He saw six months of combat and returned as a buck sergeant. Then he was ready for West Point.

Cadet Pattison, who will marshal the brigade and command the Corps this year as the First Captain and Brigade Commander, is a soldier.

Although he doesn't consider himself a "yes man," Cadet Pattison agrees with the new tone in leadership training. "Our leadership principles here should be the same as those used in the Army," said the First Captain. "If you can lead at West Point you should be able to lead in the Army."

It wasn't a total surprise to most cadets when Cadet Pattison took his place, bellowing commands on the Parade Field. Besides three years as an enlisted man, serving with both the 82nd and 101st Airborne Divisions, Cadet Pattison was named Regimental Commander (ranking cadet) at the Ft. Belvoir Military Prep School, Brigade Commander during Plebe Parent Weekend, most outstanding yearling his sophomore year, and Battalion Commander of Beast Barracks.

Despite a glittering background of major leadership posts, the Brigade Commander has managed to emerge as one officer put it, with "a flair for looking out for the little man."

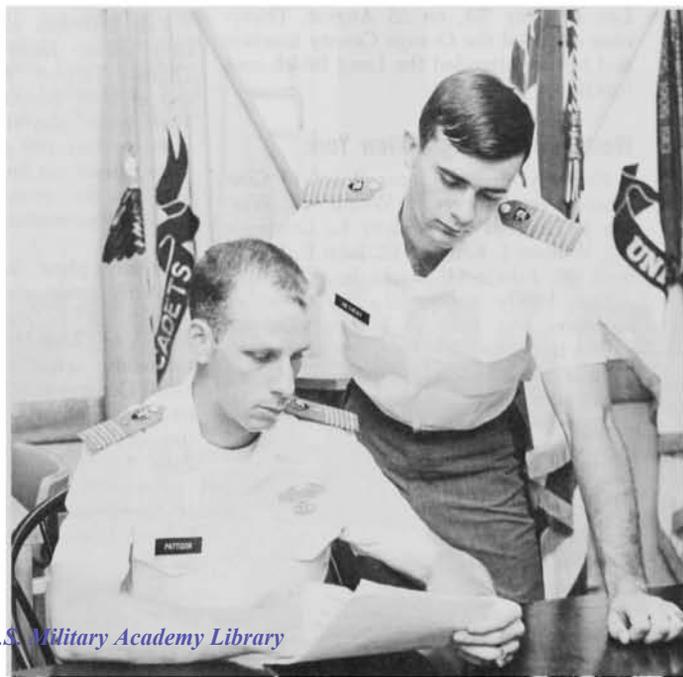
"It wasn't uncommon to see Jack in the company areas during Beast Barracks just talking to the new cadets," said H4 Company Commander Robert Forman, a close friend of Pattison's since Prep School days.

Pattison admitted that he made time during Beast Barracks to personally check with the men on rations and mail. "Mission and men—you can't segregate the two," he said. "If you show you are concerned for men, they will do the mission."

Pattison said he plans to organize a First Captain's Forum, first with the Plebes and later with other classes, in which he will meet with Fourth Class representatives of each company "at least once if not twice a month" for feedback proposals.

"Pattison doesn't have a formal approach. He's still a GI-kind of guy," added Cadet Forman.

First Captain Pattison reviews schedules with his Deputy Cmdr Robert M. Metheny.





news from the SOCIETIES

West Point Society of Los Angeles

Sunday, 17 June 1973, was the date of the third annual New Cadet reception sponsored by the West Point Society of Los Angeles. The purpose of the reception is to acquaint the prospective new cadets with the academy. Yearlings home on summer leave were invited to come and mix with the new cadets. Parents of the new cadets were also invited. The reception took place at the Naval Officers Open Mess at the Long Beach Naval Station at 4:00 p.m. Approximately 120 persons attended, including 20 new cadets and six yearlings. In attendance was the board of the Society and the members of our Cadet Candidate Committee, which was the host organization for the affair. There was a no host cocktail hour followed by a no host supper in the mail dining room of the officers club. Dick Franklin '58, the chairman of our cadet candidate committee, was the official host. The event was an unqualified success.

In addition, the Los Angeles Society has attempted to bring its own members closer together through a series of regional parties at homes of the members of our board of directors. The size of the Los Angeles basin makes it necessary for us to operate in this fashion. The first of these parties was held on 28 July at the home of Roy Thorsen '55. In attendance were 52 members of the society. A buffet dinner was served at a cost of \$5 each. Fritz Mayer, former organmaster at the academy, was the guest of honor. This type of regional party has served to keep interest in the activities of the Los Angeles Society at a high level. Subsequent parties have been held in the Orange County area at the home of Tom Sharp '50, on 18 August, and at the Long Beach area home of the President of the Society, Lee B. Gray '53, on 25 August. Thirty-nine attended the Orange County function and twenty attended the Long Beach area function.

West Point Society of New York

Recently elected to our Board of Governors were: Robert E. Woods '45, Warren J. Hayford '52, Robert L. Lawrence '43, William J. Kenney '46, John R. Treadwell '46, Edwin H. Marks Jr. '42.

Our highly successful 11 September luncheon was held at Mamma Leone's with a turnout of 150 members and guests to hear LTG James Gavin '29, USA Ret, speak on fund raising for our Alma Mater.

Tentatively scheduled are the following luncheon meetings this year which "visiting firemen" may wish to attend:

Tuesday, 4 Dec 73
Tuesday, 8 Jan 74
Tuesday, 19 Feb 74



West Point Society of Los Angeles, Regional supper 28 July 73 at the home of Roy Thorsen. Members of the cadet choir (L-R): Dunlap '46, Perritt '55, Gray '53 (Society President), Fritz Mayer, Murray '55, and Bangerter '51. (Ed's Note: Fritz Mayer died on 20 Oct 73. See notice in Bulletin Board this ASSEMBLY.)

Friday, 15 Mar 74 (Founders Day)
Saturday, 11 May 74 (Annual Meeting)

For those graduates seeking information on employment in the New York metropolitan area, inquiries should be directed to Harold S. Walker '43, head of our Career Advisory Board.

The New York Society has an associate membership class for non-graduate friends of the Academy. A recent associate applicant is CPT Helen Birdseye, wife of CPT William S. Birdseye '65.

Ladies are now welcome as guests at the New York Society's luncheons.

West Point Society of Fort Benning and Columbus, Georgia

The 1973-74 Society year began with a guest speaker luncheon/organizational meeting held 16 July 1973. BG Philip Feir, Commandant of Cadets, provided an enlightening and enjoyable talk on West Point activities in 1973. Elected to office to serve for the coming year were: MG Howard Snyder (Ret) '36 - President; BG William R. Richardson '51 - Vice-President; MAJ Edward M. Crowley '60 - Secretary; MAJ Robert B. Thomas '62 - Treasurer.

All activities centered around a Society picnic hosted by MG and Mrs. Thomas Tarpley '44, Commanding General of Fort Benning, and the Army-GA Tech game played in Atlanta. A group of more than 100 graduates and wives or dates turned out for a well-received picnic held on the grounds of Quarters One. Class representation ranged from 1918 to 1973.

Society plans for the year include a quarterly guest speaker luncheon, sponsorship of outstanding ROTC Cadet awards to Columbus and Phenix City area secondary schools, participation in the Third Congressional District Service Academy nomination selection committee and sponsorship of a fall and/or spring West Point night.

Founders Day 1974 has been set for 16 March with guest speaker, GEN Bruce Palmer, Commander, US Readiness Command.

West Point Society of Chicago

LTG James Gavin, presently the Board Chairman of Arthur D. Little and Company in Boston, was the honored guest at a reception on 24 September that was given by the West Point Society of Chicago under the auspices of Bill Halligan, Class of 1924.

In addition to former Illinois Governor Stratton and other local and state officials, many retired officers and flag officers joined civic and business leaders in honoring this distinguished alumnus. In his remarks, "General Jim" explained the role of the West Point Fund Committee and his decision to assume its chairmanship. "I owe West Point for all that she has done for me! This effort is a small way to repay that debt."

These sincere remarks, coupled with the West Point Film, were the highlights of the reception and enabled the more than 30 attendees to obtain a current and objective view on West Point and the West Point Fund.

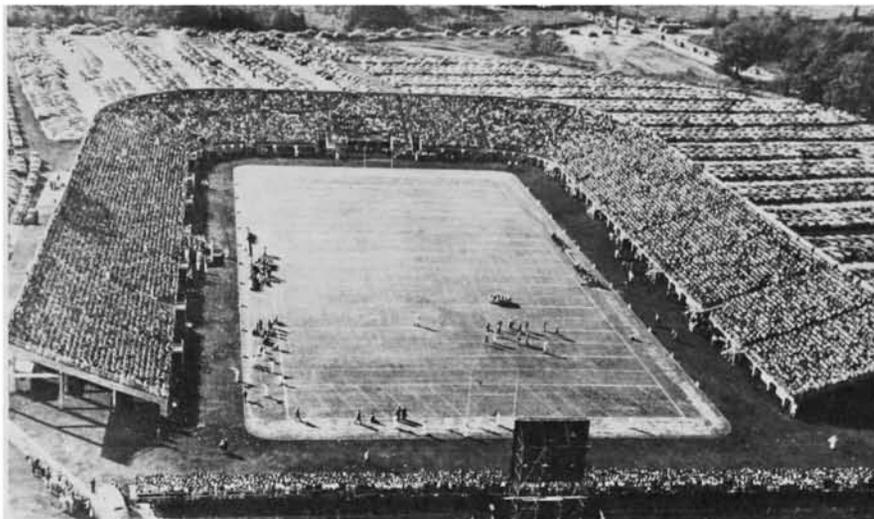
The recruiting effort in the Chicago area was kicked off for the 1973-74 season on 13 October at the O'Hare Officers Club. In his remarks to the ten recruiters and LNO's, Denny Coll, Class of 1965, the Chicago Society's Vice-President for Recruiting, recapped the extremely successful 1972-73 season. In the short period of two years, since the Society has assumed the coordinating role for Chicago recruiting, the number of local boys admitted has increased by more than 65%! In addition to that, Coll pointed out that of all the boys with whom the recruiters had been working in their "One on One" approach, the admittance ration was 98%.

A formal "One on One" Program was initiated and the cadet (CPRC) trips were planned. Coll also introduced the new representative from the Chicago Urban League, Bill Burke, who will be handling the minorities recruiting effort in Chicago.

HOLLEDER MEMORIAL STADIUM



(Cadet) Donald W. Holleder,
USMA Class of 1956



MAJOR Don Holleder Memorial Stadium is a reality. The West Point Society of Rochester is very pleased to announce that the impressive dedication ceremony was held on 9 September 1973 in tribute to the well-known member of the USMA Class of 1956 who was killed in action in 1967. Secretary of the Army Howard H. Callaway, USMA Class of 1949, delivered the keynote address. The Superintendent, LTG William A. Knowlton, also addressed the assembled crowd of Rochester area citizens in the 22,000 seat stadium.

Hollender Stadium is believed to be the first and largest public memorial to a West Point graduate killed in action in Vietnam. Members of the West Point Society

of Rochester are already being made aware of its inspirational impact on cadets and officers from the Rochester area, as well as on local high school students. Local newspapers gave the event broad and prominent coverage. The stadium will be a continual aid to the Society in its unceasing efforts to recruit future members for the "Long Gray Line."

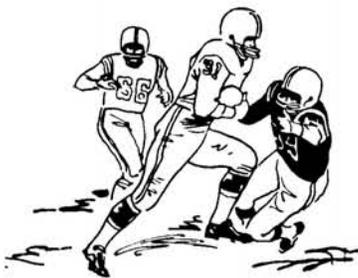
Secretary of the Army Callaway stressed how Don Hollender's selfless devotion to giving to others would serve in future years "as a reminder to us and to our children that the valued things in life come from the giving of ourselves." He noted that "It surprised no one that he gave his life trying to help men, his wounded men." The Secretary continued,

"We cannot all be Don Hollenders, such men are very rare, but we can try." He reminded the audience that "We remember men who exemplify our ideals, who represent what our lives and perhaps even more so what our children's lives should be." Secretary Callaway emphasized that "We need more of what Don Hollender stood for." He concluded his well chosen remarks by describing Don Hollender as "a gallant soldier, heroic leader, and consummate athlete."

The Superintendent recalled teaching Social Studies to Don Hollender as a cadet. He characterized Don Hollender as a man of "courage, determination, perseverance, and maturity," but added that he was not a "goody- (Continued on page 35)

Dedication Ceremony: Front row (L-R): Coach Tom Cahill, Vice Mayor John R. Parrinello, Ernie Ruffner '56, Stacy Holleder, Katie Holleder, Mrs. Irving Cowles (mother of MAJ Holleder), Irving Cowles, Congressman Frank J. Horton (R, NY34), Secretary of the Army Howard H. Callaway '49, G. William Givens (Master of Ceremonies), Congressman Barber B. Conable Jr. (R, NY35), Mrs. Ruffner (widow of MAJ Holleder), Susan Holleder, Caroline Holleder, Joseph N. Ferrari (President of Monroe County Legislature), LTG William A. Knowlton (Superintendent, USMA), Councilman Charles A. Schiano, Bishop Joseph L. Hogan, and Mayor Stephen May.





down the field...

by PETE WEVURSKI

BILLED beforehand as Army's "Year of Challenge," the 1973 football season was so named because Coach Tom Cahill, co-captains Jim Ward and Skip Whitman, and the Cadets would face an immensely demanding schedule—perhaps the most difficult in Army's 84-year gridiron history—with only 16 of last year's 43 varsity letter winners on hand.

But, because the Black Knights of the Hudson have always met their previous challenges, no one could have foreseen what would happen in Army's first six contests. No one could have predicted that the 1973 year of great challenge would so abruptly evolve into the year of great disappointment because of bad breaks and a near epidemic of injuries.

During recent campaigns, Army has grown to accept tough schedules, but this year's topped them all. Not only were the Cadets called upon to face nationally-ranked Tennessee in their opener, but they were required to do battle in their first five games against four teams that had enjoyed trips to bowl games last season.

Tennessee (Astro-Bluebonnet), Georgia Tech (Liberty), Penn State (Sugar), and Notre Dame (Orange), were the bowl haves, while California was the lone have-not among Army's first five foes. And, although the top half of the schedule would surely have a telling effect upon Army's 1973 football fortunes, the bottom half

would offer little relief with the likes of Holy Cross, Air Force, Miami, Pittsburgh, and Navy on tap. To make matters worse, all were improved over their 1972 squads. This "challenge" was particularly keen for defensive coordinator John McCauley, who welcomed back only two of those 16 returning lettermen. Offensive coordinator Jack Hecker could number among his 14 returnees Army's No. 1 quarterback, top three receivers and a strong offensive line. Clearly, then, it was going to be the offense that would lead the Cadets down the field to victory in '73.

And that's just about how the script read for the Cadets in their season opener.

Tennessee 37, Army 18

Army drew first blood soon after defensive end Rick Coniff jarred the football loose from Volunteer quarterback Condridge Holloway, allowing linebacker Greg Dyson to recover on the second play of the game. The offense took the ball 11 yards to the Tennessee one, but a penalty took the Cadets out of touch-down range. That left it up to senior kicker Jim Barclay, who put Army out to an early 3-0 lead with a 25-yard field goal.

Tennessee tied the score four minutes later on a 37-yard field goal by barefoot all-America Ricky Townsend, and then took the lead for keeps several moments later on a Townsend 26-yarder.

Army nearly snapped back in spectacular fashion on the ensuing kickoff when Barry Armstrong took Townsend's boot on the three, exploded through a hole and headed for the left sideline. He was this close to breaking it for the distance, but the last Tennessee player with a prayer at catching Armstrong fought off a block and ended the juggernaut after 67 yards at the visitors' 30. Although the Cadets could not move the ball on that series, Barclay attempted to tie the score with a 43-yard field goal, but the kick was blocked.

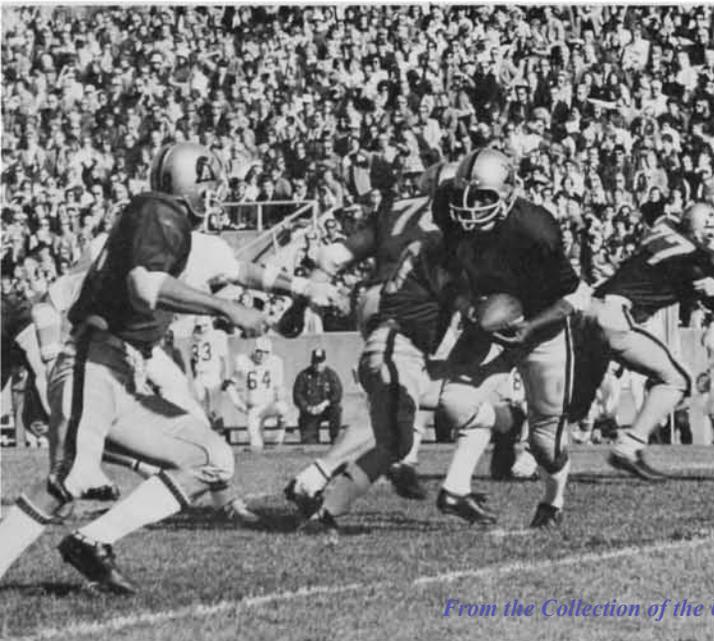
The second period saw Barclay try another 43-yard field goal. This one fell short, giving the Volunteers possession of their own 20. Holloway then directed the visitors 80 yards in eight plays, tailback Haskel Stanback scoring on a one-yard plunge. Townsend's PAT kick closed the first-half scoring at 13-3.

Army took the second half kickoff and marched 45 yards to the Tennessee 21, where Barclay took over to boot a 38-yard field goal that cut the deficit to 13-6.

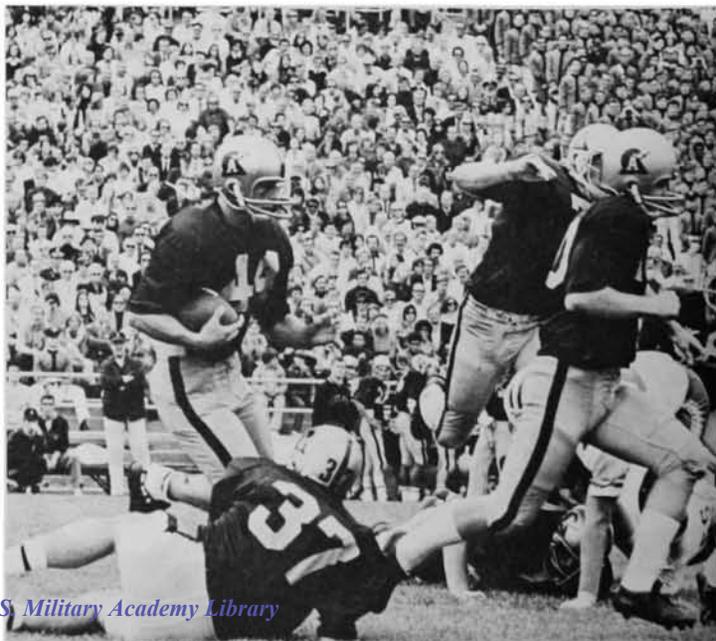
Holloway set up the Vols' second touchdown on the following drive when he highlighted an 82-yard drive with a dazzling 48-yard tearaway run to the Army 17. Three plays later fullback Steve Chancey crashed over from the 10 and Townsend's kick hiked the count to 20-6.

Tennessee drove again late in the third stanza and upped its lead to 23-6 on the

Junior fullback Willie Thigpen (49) prepares to hand off to freshman tailback Marcus Hardy (48) on a reverse against Holy Cross. The play covered 13 yards and was good for Army's third first down in as many plays.



Sophomore tailback Dan Spangler (44) follows the blocking of Brad Dadrill (37), Kingsley Fink (10), and Ted Krawczyk (77) for a substantial gain against California.



Kingsley Fink to Barry Armstrong in football vs Georgia Tech.



first play of the final period on Townsend's second 26-yarder of the game.

The Cadets came right back, driving 76 yards in just seven plays. Quarterback Kingsley Fink, who was to help rewrite the Army record books this day, was 4-for-4 in passing during the drive, with his 11-yard strike to tight end Joe Miller setting up the score at the Tennessee one. Bob Simons then went over on the next play, slicing the lead to 23-12 after Fink's two-point conversion pass failed.

Unfortunately, the Volunteers came right back as Holloway hit Stan Morgan with a 29-yard scoring toss to make it 30-12.

After trading interceptions, Fink drove Army 89 yards in nine plays, firing a 25-yard scoring strike to Armstrong to make it 30-18. That closed out the Army scoring.

Tennessee put the final points on the

board with just 20 seconds to go on sub-quarterback Gary Valbuena's 43-yard touchdown pass to John Yarbrough.

When it was all over, Fink had his finest afternoon of passing since bursting upon the West Point scene two years ago. He completed 23 of 35 passes for 326 yards and one touchdown. The yardage shattered Joe Caldwell's single game record of 297-yards against Oklahoma in 1959. He also just missed another record for pass completions, falling short by one.

Armstrong and Miller led the reception parade with eight each, with Ward grabbing seven. Armstrong racked up 164 yards, just two yards short of another Cadet record. He also returned kickoffs, and snapped the kickoff return mark for a single game with 213 yards on eight returned, shattering the old mark of 173 which had been set just last year by Mike Gaines.

California 51, Army 6

A combined feeling of accomplishment and confidence permeated West Point during the following week as the team prepped for visiting California. Winless and outscored 93-7 in its first two games, the Golden Bears were supposed to represent the "breather" in the first half of the schedule. Many Army fans predicted a rout, and they were half-right, except that the Cadets came away on the wrong end of the score.

California presented a mild surprise when it scored first on a 27-yard pass from quarterback Vince Ferragamo to split end Dave Bateman nearly six minutes into the contest. The PAT snap was mishandled, leaving the score at 6-0, which stood through the first quarter.

Army tied the score 2:12 from intermission when a pass interference penalty and a fumbled punt set up a 30-yard scor-

Dennis Trujillo in Cross Country vs Syracuse.



Chip Cuiapak scoring in soccer vs Penn State.





150 lb football vs Columbia (L-R): Rich Benton, Dennis Gum, Pete Tuebner, Chuck Cobb, Vic Pasini.

CROSS COUNTRY—Team captain Dale Fletcher (Ft Riley, KS) and sophomore Dennis Trujillo (Pueblo, CO) lead the pack in a meet early this fall. Trujillo has been Army's leading runner, including setting a Cadet record for the West Point Course. Photo by Mr. Carlos Arranz.

ing strike from Fink to Ward. Army's extra point snap also went awry.

California roared back to a 13-6 half-time lead by driving 65 yards in just three plays, Ferragamo hitting freshman flanker Wes Walker with a 40-yard bomb with 1:18 to play. Ron VanderMeer kicked the PAT.

Things got out of hand in the second half, as California added 14 points in the third period and 24 more in the final 15 minutes. In all, the Bears racked up 622 total yards against Army's inexperienced defense, a Cadet record, while the Army offense could amass only 251 yards. In justice to Fink, numerous passes to wide open receivers were dropped. Ward led the receivers with six catches, but both Armstrong and Miller drew blanks. Soph tailback Dan Spangler emerged as the leading Black and Gold rusher with 55 net yards in 11 carries.

Georgia Tech 14, Army 10

Instead of owning an even 1-1 record, Army now found itself 0-2 and faced with the difficult task of trying to win its first game on the road. But the Cadets were headed for Atlanta to oppose the same Georgia Tech team they had upset two years earlier under similarly crucial circumstances.

And, these luckless Cadets almost did it again.

Army absolutely dominated the first quarter, reeling off 28 plays to the Yellow Jackets' three plus a punt. After taking the opening kickoff, the Cadets marched from their 20 to the Tech 27 as Fink showed he, too, was a heckuvan Engineer. Sticking to the ground, except for a five-yard pass to Spangler, fullback Willie Thigpen and Spangler churned out the yardage in small, time-consuming chunks. On the 16th play of the march, however, Fink could not handle the exchange from the center and linebacker Witt Wisman recovered the bobble.

But the Yellow Jackets could not move the ball in three plays and were forced to punt, setting up another lengthy Cadet drive. This time, Army moved from its 25 to the Tech eight, where the attack faltered. Here, the call went out for Barclay, whose three field goals in 1971 made Army's upset of Tech possible. Barclay calmly put the Cadets ahead, 3-0, with a 26-yard field goal on the second play of the second period. Army controlled the ball for all but 1:49 of the first period, but failed to dent the scoreboard in that quarter.

The score stood at 3-0 through the first half as Army's defense turned in big plays to thwart three Tech drives, while Army also found itself stifled.

Georgia Tech wasted little time getting back into the game after the half, though. Quarterback Jim Stevens ran for 12 yards and combined with tight end Mark Fields for two passes totalling 58 yards to set up Rick Hill's one-yard touchdown plunge that capped an eight-play, 80-yard drive. Cam Bonifay's kick placed Tech out front, 7-3.

Army regained the lead with 27 seconds remaining in the third period when the Cadets fielded a Tech punt and, aided by a 15-yard penalty, began the drive on the hosts' 34. The third play of the march saw Fink hit Armstrong with a 14-yard pitch at the Jackets' 19, followed by a pretty lead pass to Ward that covered the remaining distance. Barclay's PAT gave Army a 10-7 edge.

Tech took the ensuing kickoff and stepped off a 75-yard excursion to paydirt with Hill plunging over from the one on the drive's 12th play. Bonifay made it 14-10.

The Cadets had two chances to pull out the victory in the final minute of play. After advancing from their own 16, the Cadets had a first down on the Tech 40 when Ward split two safetymen and was

free on the Tech 15. But Fink's pass was three yards too long. A strike would have almost certainly netted six points. On the next play, Fink unleashed another bomb to Ward, but this time all-America safety Randy Rhino anticipated it and came up with an interception.

This was, without doubt, the Cadets' finest performance of the young campaign. Although tabbed three-touchdown underdogs, the Cadets fought Tech on even terms, making the contest one which could have gone either way.

Penn State 54, Army 3

Perhaps the most talented aggregation in Coach Joe Paterno's tenure at Penn State waited in its lions' den at State College, Pa., for the visiting Cadets. The seventh-ranked Nittany Lions, 4-0 in 1973 and owners of 42-0 and 45-0 whitewashes over Army in the previous two seasons, were heavily favored.

They showed why, too, by putting the game out of reach with three touchdowns within a five-minute span late in the first quarter. Midway through the period the Lions drove 57 yards in six plays with fullback Bob Nagle scoring on a nine-yard run. When Army's ensuing drive resulted in a punt, Penn State quarterback Tom Shuman delivered a 66-yard bomb to flanker Jimmy Scott for a touchdown on the Lions' first play. That made it 12-0. Following the kickoff, Penn State was at it again when linebacker Ed O'Neil picked off a Fink pass on the Army 29. On the first play, fullback Tom Donchez galloped for the touchdown and Chris Bahr's PAT boot made it 19-0.

On their first possession of the second quarter, the Lions went 59 yards in four plays with Donchez scoring from the one to make it 26-0 after Bahr's kick.

Army then found its way onto the scoreboard for the first time in three years against Penn State. Moving from their own

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USMA WINTER VARSITY SPORTS SCHEDULE

BASKETBALL			FENCING		
Date	Opponent	Time-PM	Date	Opponent	Time-PM
Nov 30	St. Joseph's (A)		Dec 6	Wm. Paterson College	3:30
Dec 5	LaSalle		Dec 8	Yale (A)	2:00
8	Syracuse	7:30	12	Pace College	4:00
12	Rochester	8:00	15	Rutgers	2:00
15	Pittsburgh (Johnstown)	7:30	Jan 19	Johns Hopkins	3:30
18	USMMA (A)	8:00	26	Air Force	2:00
22	Pittsburgh (A)	8:00	30	Columbia	4:00
26-29	Far West Classic (A)		Feb 2	Penn State (A)	2:00
Jan 5	Lafayette (A)	3:00	6	Baruch College	4:00
8	King's College	7:30	8	Pennsylvania (A)	7:00
12	Holy Cross	8:00	9	NYU (A)	2:00
19	Penn State	8:00	16	Princeton	2:00
23	Iona	7:30	23	Navy	1:00
26	Niagara (A)	8:00	Mar 2	Cornell (A)	2:00
30	Fordham	7:30	9	Easterns (A)	
Feb 2	St. John's (A)	8:30	28-30	NCAA Championships (A)	
6	Colgate	7:30			
9	Scranton (A)	8:15			
13	Seton Hall (A)	8:15			
16	Manhattan	8:00			
23	*Navy	3:00			
Mar 2	Northeastern (A)	8:00			
	*Admission by Special Ticket				
WRESTLING			RIFLE		
Dec 7	Army Invitational	7:00	Dec 8	Lehigh	1:30
and 8	(Ashland Coll, Bloomsburg St, Princeton, Buffalo, Gettysburg, Montclair St)		15	CCNY	1:30
12	Yale (A)	2:30	Jan 12	Triangular—St. Peters, 77th ARCOM	1:30
Jan 12	Quadrangular—Wilkes, Seton Hall, Syracuse	4:00	26	Triangular—Air Force, West Virginia	1:30
19	Brockport	4:00	Feb 2	USMA Invitational	8:00 AM
26	Springfield (A)	2:00	9	Penn State (A)	2:00
30	Columbia	4:00	16	St. John's	1:30
Feb 2	Penn State	4:00	23	Navy (A)	
9	Lehigh (A)	2:30	Mar 2	Royal Military College (A)	
16	Maryland (A)	8:00	9	Sectionals	
23	Navy (A)	4:00			
Mar 1-2	EIWA (A)				
15-16	NCAA (A)				
SQUASH			SKIING		
Dec 4	Fordham	4:00	Jan 25-26	Utica College Invitational (A)	
7	Wesleyan (A)	4:00	Feb 2-3	USMA Invitational	
8	Trinity (A)	2:00	8-9	EISA Div II (W) Championship (A)	---- ----
11	Franklin & Marshall	4:00	15-16	Alfred U Invitational (A)	---- ----
15	Harvard	2:00	22-23	Paul Smith's Invitational (A)	---- ----
Jan 19	Stonybrook	2:00	Mar 1-2	Cornell & Cortland Invit (A)	---- ----
30	Princeton	4:00	7-9	NCAA Championship (A)	---- ----
Feb 2	Cornell	2:00			
9	Dartmouth (A)	2:00			
12	Williams	4:00			
13	Yale	4:00			
15	MIT	4:00			
18	Pennsylvania (A)	4:00			
23	Navy	1:00			
GYMNASTICS			INDOOR TRACK		
Dec 8	Cornell	2:00	Dec 8	Harvard (A)	12:30
Jan 12	Southern Connecticut	2:00	15	Colgate	1:30
19	Massachusetts	2:00	Jan 12	Triangular—Princeton, Manhattan	1:30
26	Syracuse	2:00	19	Quadrangular—St. John's, Gtwn, NYU	1:30
Feb 2	Temple (A)	1:00	26	Penn State	1:30
9	Springfield (A)	8:00	Feb 2	Cornell (A)	
16	Penn State	2:00	9	Maryland	1:30
23	Navy (A)	1:30	16	Navy (A)	7:30
Mar 2	Pittsburgh (A)	2:00	23	Heptagonals (A)	
7-9	Easterns (A)		Mar 2-3	IC4A (A)	
			Mar 9-10	NCAA (A)	
SWIMMING			PISTOL		
Dec 8	Rutgers	2:00	Dec 8	Newark Coll of Engr (A)	
12	Princeton	4:00	Jan 12	Nassau County Police	1:00
15	Harvard (A)	3:30	26	Pentangular Meet—USMMA, AFA	1:00
Jan 5	Bucknell	2:00	Feb 2	Triangular—Penn, Villanova (A)	
12	Double Dual—Colgate, Connecticut	2:00	9	Triangular—USCGA, MIT (A)	
19	Double Dual—St John's, East Carolina	2:00	23	Navy	1:30
26	Yale	2:00	Mar 2	Royal Military College (A)	
Feb 1	Syracuse (A)	7:00	9	Sectionals	8:00 AM
2	Cornell (A)	2:00			
9	Dartmouth	2:00			
15	Villanova (A)	8:00			
16	Pennsylvania (A)	2:00			
23	Navy (A)	3:00			
Mar 7-9	Easterns (A)				
28-30	NCAA Championships (A)				
(A) Away			HOCKEY		
			Dec 4	Ithaca	7:00
			7	MacDonald	7:00
			8	MacDonald	8:00
			12	Princeton (A)	8:00
			14	Lake Forest	7:00
			15	Lake Forest	2:00
			18	St. Nick's	7:00
			Jan 3	Providence	2:00
			5	AIC (A)	7:30
			9	Holy Cross	7:00
			11	College Militaire Royal	7:00
			12	College Militaire Royal	8:00
			19	Amherst	8:00
			21	Babson	7:00
			23	Yale	7:00
			26	St. Anselm's	8:00
			30	Salem State	7:00
			Feb 1	Connecticut (A)	7:30
			2	Wesleyan (A)	2:00
			6	Williams	7:00
			9	Brown	8:00
			12	Lowell Tech	7:00
			15	Norwich (A)	
			16	U of New Haven (A)	7:00
			23	Boston College	8:00
			26	Merrimack	7:00
			Mar 2	Royal Military College (A)	

Regulations, USCC

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demically and militarily, and who therefore appear on the Dean's as well as the Commandant's List, automatically are placed on the Superintendent's List. Certain additional privileges flow from this distinction. In sum, therefore, it should be clear that individual merit is the basis and prerequisite for privileges over and above authorizations.

In the disciplinary system, the most significant change is the elimination of special confinement, an aspect of the system traditionally associated with a major breach of regulations. Special confinement has been replaced by withdrawal of class authorizations and privileges. Cadets will continue to walk the area; however, upon completion of area tours on Friday and Saturday afternoons, they may use their basic authorizations, and thus, for example, would be permitted to escort on Saturday evenings rather than be confined to quarters. The traditional ordinary confinement remains unchanged, except that it has been re-designated and now is referred to as "room tours." Room tours are served by cadet officers who have received disciplinary awards as well as by those cadets unable to walk the area on Friday and Saturday afternoons because of Corps Squad or extra-curricular participation.

In summary, the revised regulations establish and retain high standards. They place special emphasis on the development of self-discipline. They are simpler and far easier to understand than those they replaced, and thus also are easier to enforce. They create a system in which excellence, military as well as academic, is recognized and rewarded. In the process, balance has been introduced in an area where previously there was imbalance. No one considers these regulations, in their current form, to be perfect. But all consider them to be a giant step in the right direction. They will be tested and assessed in the year ahead, and from this process of testing and assessing is certain to come Paradise.



AOT Summer 1973

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an even load. The vast majority dumped a pile either at the beginning or end of the spread, and only one of the probably 30 drivers I observed on my project could consistently dump well; that one was a PFC acting jack. I saw drugs, alcohol, and racial tensions, but because we were in the field and constructively busy the problems were dormant during my stay. I saw boredom with garrison duty, in only the two days I was with the battalion after the return from the field. I saw barracks thievery, and lost a night's sleep to take a man back to see the CID and verify that his stereo was stolen, and in

the process learned that I could work two days straight without sleep—but getting very groggy whenever I sat down in my jeep. I saw honor in the Army: the day I was to leave I met one of my AWOL troopers in the PX, and when I asked him he lied and said he had returned that morning to the company, which was after I had left. I called back to check, and tell the company where he was. I saw an officer relieved, and another RIFed, and I wondered if all RA officers deserved their security shield. I saw the lonely drinking to celebrate the Fourth of July, after a day's work in the field.

Though Graf was all mud and dust, working 0600 to 1900 daily and half of Saturday, being in the field with little social activity or chance to get out and see Europe, I am glad I got the assignment I had. I wanted AOT to check out this career I am preparing for, and not for just a pleasurable vacation. I saw field duty, what the Army is really geared to do if it must ever perform its mission, and I felt that I got a varied and challenging task. I led a platoon, and had a project that controlled a much larger number of vehicles. For one month, I was a lieutenant. That I will not be again for a two year span, and then it will be my full time job.

Garmisch then offered an orientation to the Russian Foreign Area Specialist program. Ten cadets participated; one of the Russian P's went along, and four midshipmen from Annapolis attended for the second two weeks. We had four classes each day: one a reading, two or three of us with a native Russian speaker, reading a text like something from *Pravda*; and then two lectures, and finally an interview with one of the Russian natives there at the Army Institute for Advanced Russian and East European Studies. Probably the interviews, conversations between three of us and one Russian, were most interesting because of the people there, former Soviet officers, intellectuals, diplomats. I definitely feel the course improved both my Russian language and my knowledge of the country and history. Besides the Russian we had activities with the Germany Army's Mountain Division. We played volleyball with the division staff team, visited the mule company that re-supplies the division when weather grounds their helicopters from flying into the Alps, fired the German assault rifle and machine gun, and climbed the Alpspitze with their troops. That was the high point of my stay in Garmisch, an early morning truck ride to the start point, a three hour climb to the summit, in places climbing on all fours along a steel cable, and then two hours on top, above the clouds and looking just up and down the ridgeline to the Zugspitze, highest point in Germany. In line with our Airborne joke ("Do you want a rest? Yes? Well, then, drop to the front leaning rest!") of the moment, I photographed one of my classmates doing pushups (two

of them) atop the Alpspitze, 9000 feet up. Then we had the hike down, a cross country truck ride for the Germans to show off their Mercedes trucks, and then to a spot in the woods where they had a bar-becue set up, beer and pretzels and wurst. I learned a great respect for the German soldier, their physical condition in climbing and their attitudes. Garmisch represented three weeks of my leave, but besides the Russian it was also a vacation. Garmisch itself is a vacation spot—Alpine hiking, tennis, skating, the cable cars, boating on Eibsee, the proximity to Munich or Austria. I was tempted someday to go back to Garmisch to study Russian for two years, both for the studies and the scenery.

Reviewing the summer, it proved a great experience. I deepened my conviction that I will go Engineers, and now I have almost two years to decide where and what I want for a first assignment, combat or construction or topographic. I saw the Army and the American soldier at work. I had a glimpse of the German Army, and learned a great deal about the USSR at Garmisch. But most of all, I convinced myself that I made the right decision to come to West Point and in staying here. I know I will be challenged by the Army in two years.



Artists at West Point

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Sumter. A group of about fifty cadets, Schaff included, serenaded the Captain for his actions at Fort Sumter; after which Seymour gave a patriotic speech. The cadets responded with enthusiastic applause.

Seymour worked in pen and ink and water colors throughout his military career. However, it was not until after 1876 when he retired because of poor health that he was able to devote time to perfecting his technique. His visual record of his travels throughout Western Europe and part of North Africa are a testimony to an exceptional talent. Many of these pencil sketches and water colors will be displayed for the first time at an exhibition at the USMA Library in April 1974. Seymour's primary use of water color in these mature works can be traced to his cadet days when Robert Weir introduced him to painting landscape in the advanced water color course.

When Seymour received orders in 1853, Thomas H. Neill (USMA 1847) replaced him. Neill remained on the faculty for four years and returned to West Point again in 1875, this time as Commandant of Cadets.

At the end of the decade of the 1850's, Henry Douglass (USMA 1852) and James McMillan (USMA 1856) assisted Weir. However, at the outbreak of the Civil War, both Lieutenants left West Point as soon as duties permitted to join the

Manassas Campaign. William H. Bell (USMA 1858) replaced them for the academic year 1861-1862 and then returned to field duty. This continual changing of instructors at West Point was the case throughout the Civil War since all able-bodied men were needed to support the war effort.

Robert Eastman (USMA May 1861), son of Seth Eastman, followed Bell as Weir's assistant. The younger Eastman also taught in the department of Geography, History and Ethics for the two and one-half years he served on the faculty at the Academy. His friend Joseph Farley (USMA June 1861) and his classmate John S. Poland aided Weir in the drawing department after Eastman's departure and youthful death. Farley relates the enjoyment all three experienced as cadets in taking Weir's outdoor sketching class in which the technique of painting landscapes using light washes of water color was taught; this course was introduced in 1854 during Jefferson Davis' (USMA 1828) tenure as Secretary of War when the curriculum was expanded to five years; it was dropped when the fifth year of study was discontinued with the outbreak of the Civil War.

Although the emphasis in this article has been upon the artistic aspects of the officers' careers who were members of the USMA drawing department from Sylvanus Thayer's day until the close of the Civil War, all of them, with the exception of those three who died as young men, gave their country many years of devoted service. All but one was brevetted for meritorious and/or gallant service, and five became general officers: Seth Eastman, Truman Seymour, Thomas H. Neill, Joseph P. Farley and John S. Poland. This is an enviable record for a group of thirteen officers.



America's Pyramid

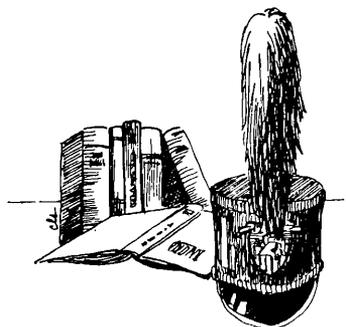
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Vicksburg, Mississippi, in the National Military Park. The Viele tomb's immediate source of artistic inspiration is thought by many to stem from a 19th century Egyptian revival in American architecture. Never so widespread and universally adopted as the Greek revival, Gothic revival or Renaissance revival were in the rapidly growing America of the 1800's, the neo-Egyptian style nonetheless found much use as an architectural medium reflecting two distinct areas of Egyptian thought: *Funerary*—(cemetery gates, tombs, memorials, etc.) and *Wisdom and Mystery*—(courthouses, prisons, secret fraternities, facades for awesome technological achievements, etc.). The neo-Egyptian or 19th century American revival of the Egyptian style was seldom applied to homes or domestic architecture, and only occasionally to churches or places of religious worship. The Viele tomb (1900)

came somewhat after the heyday of the Egyptian revival, which lost its impetus in the decades following the Civil War, but it appears to be to a considerable extent influenced by this pseudo-Egyptian style as it so admirably demonstrates its essentially *eclectic* nature. The tomb's design is based upon no one model but is rather a composite of elements abstracted from the total known corpus of structural parts of ancient Egyptian temples.

The tomb's bewildering inscription in Etruscan, a remote language whose complexities are known only to a few linguists and scholars, has long perplexed the public. General Viele's personal papers, which may have provided an explanation have long since vanished. The English translation which until recently was accepted and considered accurate resulted from an inquiry and scholarly investigation conducted in 1904 by Dr. Edward S. Holden, then Academy Librarian, the Reverend Edward Banks Smith, Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in nearby Fort Hamilton, and Dr. Harry Thurston Peck, a Columbia University Latin professor and authority on ancient languages. Dr. Peck's research and investigation, based upon the limited scholarship on the Etruscan language then available, resulted in what he termed a "free translation"—"his body occupies this sepulcher with Juliet his wife and beloved companion." An important point made by Dr. Peck was that the Viele tomb inscription is based upon an actual Etruscan inscription found painted in a tomb of the Cesina family. Curiously, the inscription in question in the Cesina tomb, which has a total of thirteen words, is in honor of an individual named Velius (in Etruscan, Vele).

The ancient prototype, upon which General Viele based his own somewhat cryptic inscription, vanished centuries ago and the two versions which are commonly reproduced are from old copies. The ancient inscription is certainly from a tomb of the Cesina, or Ceisina (Latin), family and the person memorialized is in Latin, Velius. It is fairly safe to assume that General Viele's selection of the six Etruscan words (out of the original context of thirteen) arose from a wish to associate his name with a supposed lineage whose roots trace back to a pre-Roman culture and a language said to be Europe's earliest recorded tongue.



Holleder Memorial

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goody type" of individual. "He received his due share of demerits and was as fun-loving as the next man."

Coach Tom Cahill recounted Don Holleder's memorable football career at West Point. After being chosen as an All-American end during his Second Class year in 1954, he unselfishly gave up his virtually certain chance to repeat the honor the following season when the coach, COL Earl H. "Red" Blaik, USMA Class of 1920, asked him to take over the suddenly vacant quarterback post in the fall of 1955. The move was considered a "colossal blunder" in some quarters until Holly silenced the critics by leading Army to a 14-6 upset victory over Navy in 1955. Coach Blaik called the victory "an unforgettable demonstration that an aggressive leader is priceless."

Many of those present themselves remembered Don Holleder's triumphs for Aquinas in this very stadium. He had been one of its greatest football heroes during his high school years there. The stadium was, in fact, originally built after World War II as Aquinas Memorial Stadium in memory of those from the school who had served unselfishly in earlier conflicts. It was just recently acquired by the City of Rochester, and is now the major center for high school football in Monroe County and for other outstanding area athletic events.

The Corps of Cadets was represented by the Color Guard. The USMA Band performed in a memorable concert just prior to the commencement of the formal ceremonies. The USMA Band was itself preceded by the Monroe County Parks Band.

MAJ Donald W. Holleder was memorialized by and for the entire Rochester community. The invocation was given by the Most Reverend Joseph L. Hogan, Bishop of the Diocese of Rochester, Area Congressmen Frank Horton and Barber Conable, and Mayor Stephen May were among the many community leaders who spoke. The members of organized labor presented a memorial plaque to be mounted at the main entrance to Holleder Stadium. A portrait of Don Holleder in his Army uniform was unveiled. It had been commissioned by his mother, now Mrs. Irving A. Cowles, who was a guest of honor along with his widow, now Mrs. Ernest L. Ruffner, and his four daughters. Other participants in the ceremonies included Mr. Joseph Ferrari, President of the County Legislature, and the Sheriff of Monroe County, Mr. Albert Skinner. Several members of the Class of 1956 traveled from points across the country to join in the impressive tribute to their classmate. Father Albert Gaelens, C.S.B., now the Principal of Aquinas Institute gave the benediction. The ceremonies closed with a massive fireworks display.

Down The Field

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20 to the home 25 in 14 plays before their drive stalled, the Cadets received a 46-yard field goal from Barclay to make it 26-3. The boot was Barclay's longest and just a yard shy of the Army record, held by Arden Jensen.

The Cadets were confined within their own 43-yard line for the rest of the contest, while Penn State added four more touchdowns in the second half.

Notre Dame 62, Army 3

The magical name of Notre Dame, bringing back memories of Gus Dorais, Johnny Lujack, and the Four Horsemen, as well as Army's greatest players, Doc Blanchard, Glenn Davis, Arnold Tucker, and Bob Anderson, drew a record throng of 42,503 to Michie Stadium for the 41st meeting between the Cadets and the Fighting Irish.

But the memories of the epic battles between these two teams remained memories as Notre Dame routed the injury-riddled Army team. The margin of victory was the largest ever in this series and Notre Dame's rushing total of 485 yards was the most ever given up by an Army team.

Coach Tom Cahill was forced to prepare for awesome Notre Dame with six starters out because of injury. He had to start a new backfield, switch defensive personnel to offense and start players on defense who had not started a game all year. Against undefeated Notre Dame this proved fatal.

Astonishingly, Army played Notre Dame toe-to-toe in the first quarter and led 3-0 on a 22-yard field goal by Barclay.

Barclay's field goal was set up when Army defensive end Bob Johnson picked off a screen pass by Tom Clements. Johnson pilfered the pass on the Irish 22 and returned it to the 11.

Army moved to the five before Barclay was called in to boot his fifth field goal of the season in eight attempts.

Its ire roused, Notre Dame tallied the next 62 points on nine touchdowns of various lengths and methods. The mismatch is highlighted by a look at the total offense for both teams: the eighth-ranked Fighting Irish compiled 593 total yards against Army's 82.

Holy Cross 17, Army 10

Blanked during most of the second half, Holy Cross scored the go-ahead touchdown with less than five minutes to play to capture its first victory ever against Army and spoil Homecoming Weekend for 42,267 fans. The loss was the Cadets' first to the Crusaders in the eight-game series that had seen one tie.

Holy Cross, enjoying its best team in several years and taking advantage of Army's injury-induced depth problems, took a 3-0 first quarter lead on a 34-yard field goal by Jerry Kelley 6:01 into the fray.

An interception and a fumble killed two Army threats in the opening period and Holy Cross capitalized on the second turnover to mount a six-play drive that covered 31 yards. Quarterback Pete Vaas dove

over from the one on the fourth play of the second period, but the PAT kick was blocked. That left the score 9-0.

Later in the period Vaas hit Tom Rock with a 19-yard pass, but Scott Gilgoly forced Rock to fumble and Rob Richards recovered for the Cadets on their 49. Ten plays later Fink scrambled out of the clutches of two onrushing Crusaders to hit Miller with a 15-yard touchdown pass, Army's first six-point play in more than 10 quarters. Barclay's extra point boot made it 9-7, which remained until intermission.

Barclay put the Cadets ahead, 10-7, with a 34-yard field goal 6:32 into the second half, but that was to prove Army's final score.

Army punter Dave Hohnstine kept the Crusaders at bay during most of the middle periods by driving two punts inside the Holy Cross five, including a 64-yarder that rolled dead on the one.

But the visitors' defense forced the game's big break with nine minutes left to play when Chuck Dyer pounced on a Spangler fumble on the Cadets' 37. Spangler had just brought the crowd to its feet with a bruising 17-yard run, breaking through several gang-tackles before losing the ball. Nine plays later, Vaas sneaked in from the one with the winning touchdown. Army had 4:47 left to strike back, but could not.

To give an indication of just how seriously Army's chances have been squelched by injuries thus far this season, consider this: 25 varsity players have missed playing time on one or more occasions this fall because of injury. These are injuries that have either prevented a player from dressing on game day, or have kept him on the sidelines for a least a quarter. If that's not bad enough, would you believe that 21 of these athletes were considered starters at the time of injury? You'd better, because it's true.

Because of injuries to Army's backfield Hohnstine punted more times in the first six games than any one Cadet running back carried the football. And the senior has done an admirable job, kicking for a 38.0 yard average.

So, doomed to a losing season after getting off to its slowest start in history, the Army team now sets its sights on defending the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy in upcoming competition against Air Force and Navy. The Middies hold the edge this fall, by virtue of its 42-6 victory over Air Force. Sandwiched between these service academy rivalries are home contests against Miami and Pittsburgh.

Individually, King Fink is rapidly closing in on two Army career passing marks currently held by Steve Lindell (1966-68). Fink trails Lindell in completions (228 to 226), and in yards (2,921 to 2,734). After throwing for 326 yards in the season opener, however, Fink has averaged only 100 yards in each of the following five games. He has slipped to 21st position among the nation's passing leaders, while Jim Ward currently ranks 10th among the receivers.

Soccer

Army is currently undefeated going into the Air Force game. Joe Palone's booters have won five and tied two. . . . The team has also recorded five shutouts, including a 2-0 win over Brown. . . . If Cadets continue to win, they will be sure to earn their 10th invitation to the NCAA Soccer Tournament in 11 years. . . . Leading the booters in scoring is senior captain Chip Ciupak with five goals and three assists. . . . Right behind is junior forward Randy Nelson with six goals and one assist. . . . Goalie Bert Wells has recorded 62 saves, while the Army defense has allowed just 83 shots. . . . Army has taken a total of 191 shots.

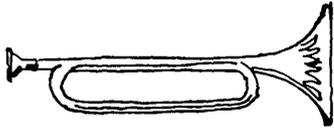
Cross Country

With Navy the only dual meet to go, the Cadets are currently 7-3 on the season. . . . Coach Carleton Crowell's harriers have won seven of eight meets on the home course. The Navy meet, Nov 24, will be at Navy. . . . Leading the harriers this year is sophomore Dennis Trujillo, who broke the Cadet record for the West Point Cross Country course Oct 26 in a triangular victory over Rutgers and Montclair State. . . . He finished in 24:32.4, breaking the record set by 1972 captain Les Alm against Navy. . . . Alm's time was 24:40 for the five mile course. . . . Army's other leading finishers have been team captain Dale Fletcher, junior Norm Reinhardt, and junior Al Neidermeyer.

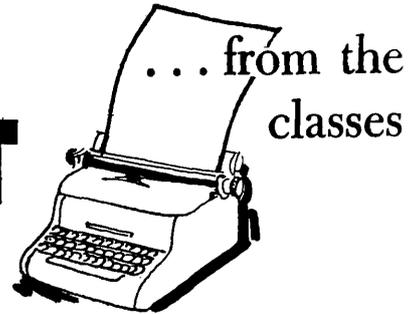
Lightweight Football

Army's lightweights remain undefeated after three games, but a two-game shutout streak was broken when the Cadets had to fight to beat Columbia, 21-14. . . . The Li'l Rabble recorded victories over Rutgers and Pennsylvania and must face Princeton, Navy and Cornell before they can claim their fourth straight Eastern Intercollegiate Lightweight Football League Championship. . . . Navy appears to be the toughest foe, as the two teams remain tied for the league lead. . . . Following the loss of captain and 1972 all-league quarterback Gene Richardson in the first game, things looked dim for Coach Eric Tipton's squad. . . . But the lightweights have been moving well with senior Dennis Frisco filling in at quarterback. Last year's leading rusher, Tom Weber, is again the Cadets' top man, gaining 279 yards on 45 carries for a 6.2 yard average. . . . Seniors Gerry Topping and Larry Zieske lead the receivers corps with four catches each. . . . John Adams leads the defensive squad with two of Army's four interceptions.





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'05

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In the Sept issue of the ASSEMBLY I gave reasons for thinking that our classmate David C. Seagrave was a probable casualty and promised to continue my efforts to get more positive information about him. Now I am pleased to report that he is alive and in rather good health considering that his 93d birthday anniversary was last April 6th. He has sold his home and his present address is: Westmoreland Convalescent Hospital, 18611 Sousa Lane, Saratoga, CA 95070.

For this information I am indebted to Mrs. Daniel W. (Mary F.R.) Seagrave, of Moline, IL, who is the wife of a nephew of our classmate.

'09

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Evidently it is none too early for us to be thinking seriously about our great class reunion — our 65th — in Jun next year. If your time speeds like mine does, it'll be here before we know it. Let us try to make it the biggest in proportion to our numbers, of any we've ever had. Ours is the senior class (except one, '04) having its reunion in 74. According to a June Week bulletin dated 26 Jul 73, space will be available at Hotel Thayer for only the most senior 5-year classes during the alumni portion of June Week. So if you have any ideas about stopping at the Thayer, now is not too early to apply. In case you don't know it, Robert N. Johns, LTC Armor, is the Chief, Alumni Affairs.

First of all: a 'phone call from Effie Van Deusen indicated "the Old Boy" is actually improving. This is wonderful news for all of us. As I think several of you now know, Effie told me that at present George can understand some little cards and notes from any of us IF she reads them to him. Nuf sed.

Without doubt you probably are by now aware that 3 of our beloved classmates have, with the year, been transferred to their "last assignment." Tom Catron, 16 Apr, Cliff Bluemel, 27 Jun, and Leo Ahern, 25 Jul. Had a very sweet note from Catron's daughter (now Mrs. Elizabeth Catron Wentworth). She lives at P.O. Box 576, Amherst, VA 24521. So far as I know, Elsie Bluemel still lives at Colonial Ridge Dr, MR 1, Yardley, PA. Leo Ahern lived for many years as a bachelor at the Army & Navy Club in DC. His only known kin is a Mrs. John Kay, a niece, 3300 S. Ashland Ave., Chicago, IL.

If anyone knows of R.D. Smith's current address please let your Scribe have it. His Detroit address was returned: "Moved."

Our Association membership of 22,926 represents over 98% of our living graduates.

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

His address:

Executive Vice President
Association of Graduates
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More news of Barney Oldfield's family: He has an actor grandson in England, another in KY, teaching and a granddaughter in Palo Alto, CA.

Bill Simpson made it to AK this past summer to visit his daughter Jean and her husband, MAJ Gerome S. Vincent, U.S. Army, and their 3 "lovely grandchildren": Jean Syble, age 12, John, age 10, and Valyrie Anne, age 8. Bill planned this trip months ago and we are delighted his plans matured. From all accounts he had a marvelous time in our 50th state. It is not at all surprising that an officer of Bill's prominence and personality should have been feted and entertained extensively during his trip. Bill's home-base in AK was Fairbanks but from there he travelled by boat, plane, land and doubtless by dog-sled all over the place. He even went as far as King's Cove and Cold Bay near the westernmost tip of the Alaskan Peninsula, the former in such a desolate country that there are no telephones. Nobody can say that Bill doesn't get around when he wants to—and why not? After all, he's our youngest member. It's always nice to meet the young officers, Bill! There also was doubtless a little nostalgic flavor to his wanderings for he was once stationed at Shemya for 13 months and at Cold Bay aforementioned for 6 months. Oh yes—and Bill says everybody in AK talks about the Pipe-Line. Up there they call it the "U.S.'s Life Line." Now that '09'ers know what you can do, Bill, wouldn't it be a bit embarrassing for you to stay away from that reunion next year? We don't believe you'd want to, anyway.

Claude Thummel asked me to write an obituary on Fred Teague who died in 62. I disliked not complying with his request but did not feel qualified to write the obituary. I believe anyone who writes an obituary should have known the person rather intimately over a number of years. Anyone can copy a man's service record, but an obituary should have more to it than that. I doubt if I ever saw Fred after we graduated. Claude and his wife did a lot of galavanting around the U.S. this past summer, too. They visited Wisc, Salt Lake City and Salem, OR. I gathered from his letter that

Claude's family is interested in the Morman religion—if not members thereof. They have always been a stalwart sect and one of which any of us should be proud.

Now a bit on the distaff side: To Irene Ord I am indebted for many of these notes. She informed me that Forrest Harding, before his death, gave the family home in Franklin, OH, to the Franklin Historical Society for a museum, displaying his flags, books and other memorabilia. Mrs. Harding lives with her daughter-in-law in DC.

Ethel Wright attended a reception recently given at the Chinese Embassy in DC by LTG and Mrs. Patrick Wen Ha-hsiung. The General, as you may guess, is one of the sons of our well loved classmate, the late Ling Wen. The son is now Dir of the Div of Mil Natl Def, Chinese Govt Procurement and Svs Div with station in DC. Jake Devers must have been at the reception, too and met Mrs. Wen, because he mentions her as being very attractive. I concur, as I myself met her in Boston some years ago.

Mrs. Tom Milling spent a time recently visiting with the Milling family in Covington, KY.

Irene Ord told me she plans a visit in Portugal but she did not mention for what purpose. Maybe she likes sardines.

Had a nice letter from Dorothy North at her summer home at "Red Farm," in cool New Vineyard, ME. No energy crisis there—not as far as air-conditioning goes, anyway.

Had a card from Tony Goetz telling me she was flying through Atlanta, but she was here too short a time to see. Tony says she spells her name with a "Y," not an "I," so don't say you weren't warned.

Now, ladies, we also hope all of you that possibly can will make the trip to WP next Jun. Women always brighten up any gathering so don't let us down.

Lastly, the Army-Tech game is 2-weeks from now, as I write, and I look forward to seeing some '09ers present. Krog told me he plans to come and I'm looking forward to seeing him, and others.

Scribe's note: A letter just received from Mrs. Ray D. Smith stated she and her husband have been living at 22329 La Garonne, Apt. 618, in Southfield, MI 48075. She said she told the publishers of the 1972 REGISTER OF GRADUATES about this, but they still carry the R. D. Smiths as living in Detroit. Publishers please not. (Ed's note: Address correction has been made in the 1973 ROG.) Mrs. Smith (Inga N.) told me Ray fell at home last spring and crippled himself badly, so much so that he had to enter a convalescent hospital in lovely Bloomfield Hills outside of Detroit. Address: Georgian Bloomfield, 2975 Adams Rd, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013. However, she hopes to bring him home in the not too distant future.

'10

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We are very sad to report that two 1910'ers have joined the "Long Gray Line" since my last ASSEMBLY Notes. MAJ John Richard Walker, who had his 87th birthday on 12 Aug, died 3 Sept 73 in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York City, following an operation earlier in the summer. Jack resigned from the Army in 20 and became a resident of NYC from then on. He is survived by his widow Marie; his daughter, Nancy Walker Dale, of Grosse Isle, MI, and 3 grandchildren. I received a very nice letter from Mrs. Walker telling me of John's death and also heard from Mrs. Herbert P. Underwood of Huntsville, AL—a long time friend of the family.

Mr. Chauncey Copp Devore Ex-'10 passed away on 13 July 73 at his home in Warrenton, VA. Chauncey entered WP with '10 but due to scholastic difficulties did not remain to graduate with us; however, he has had a very long and full life with homes in both VA and FL.

Gwladys and Carey Brown together with Kay and your Scribe spent several days last fall touring the mountains of W.Va. and at Berkeley Spgs. The weather was near perfect and the scenic views of these mountains were all they were supposed to be, so that a most enjoyable trip was had by all.

A good letter was received recently from Guy Chipman who has lived in San Ant, TX for many years. He reports that Mary and he are fine and enjoying very good health. Guy still likes to play a little bridge once or twice a week. Also living in San Ant are their son G.W.C. Jr. with his wife and their son. Guy Jr. has been in the real estate business for a number of years and is doing very well. Mary and Guy send their very best regards to all classmates and their families.

Fritz Strong had been contemplating a visit to Cal. for some time. His idea was to find one of his grandsons with a little extra time on his hands who would drive with him to the West Coast. Fritz wanted an automobile trip west but did not want to drive it alone. Imagine my surprise last Aug to receive a letter from Fritz in L.A. saying, "I finally made the Pacific Coast." Fritz flew to San Diego, rented a car and spent a wonderful week visiting friends and relatives in and around southern Cal. Then he flew to San Fran and for another week visited old friends he had worked with in the Prosthesis Group (artificial limbs) during WW II. After all this, Fritz flew back to the quiet of Orchard Lake promising to visit his friends in DC on his next trip.

When you read these Notes the Holiday Season of 73-74 will be upon us. Don't forget your greeting cards, to old friends and other 1910'ers, with the latest re yourself and other newsy bits.

'11

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In the Sept ASSEMBLY was reported the death on 20 Jul past of our Classmate, Carroll A. Bagby. Services were at the Catholic Chapel at the Presidio of San Fran on the 24th, with interment in the National Cemetery there. He and the former Dorothy Keleher had been married at the Presidio 60 yrs



1911: GEN Raymond A. Wheeler, oldest graduate present at West Point Founders Day dinner, offers the first toast to the President of the U. S. at Bolling AFB Officers Open Mess, 16 Mar 73.

before. In addition to his widow, he is survived by 2 sons, 2 daughters and 17 grandchildren.

Gertrude Calvert wrote in Aug that she is now living at 7405 Bay Islands Dr, S, St. Petersburg, FL 33707. Earlier she had had a trip via the Panama Canal and up the West Coast to Alaska, and had just returned from Hawaii. COL Parker Calvert, USA Ret., her son, lives in San Ant.

In Jul Ruth Clark was in her Gainesville, FL home after spending a few months on family visits in Detroit, El Paso and Cocoa Beach. Dorothy and Basil Clay spent last summer and early fall in Sandwich, NH, prior to returning to DC.

Margaret and Jimmie Crawford flew to the West Coast last May for a stay of several months. Part of the time was spent in Woodland, near Sacramento, in connection with the settlement of an estate. While in San Fran, both had medical treatments at Letterman AH, before returning to Ala. in early Sept.

John Hatch wrote that Helen and he now have 3 grandchildren. He also noted that San Ant had been clear of bad storms and floods. Ellen McNeal also wrote in Sept that Mac had had several weeks in a Mount Vernon hospital because of a sprained back and a touch of arthritis. The best wishes of the Class were sent for the early and full recovery of 1911's second ranking Old Timer.

At a mid-summer gathering hosted by Helen Shekerjian at her sunny apartment on Broadway were the Lockwoods, the Nichols, Dorothy Bagby and Marta Cowles. After libations and much chat, a delicious luncheon was enjoyed at the Francesca Club in downtown San Fran.

After 5 days in Ill. and 10 in Maine, Virginia and Speck Wheeler were in DC in Aug. In mid-Sept they drove to St. Louis to visit friends before flying on to Oakland, CA. There on the 20th and 21st they attended the reunion of Speck's WW I command, the 4th Engr, 4th Div. They returned to St. Louis on the 23d.

On 22 Sept, your scribe and his Gerta promoted another local '11 Reunion, the

gathering first at their apartment; then for a cheery lunch at the St. Francis YC, overlooking the Bay and the Golden Gate Bridge. Guests were the Wheelers, the Lockwoods (from Palo Alto with Marta Cowles and Dorothy Bagby), and Gerry Stanton from Oakland (she back home after another overseas trip). It was regretted that because of illness Helen Shekerjian could not be with us.

If readers note that this column frequently mentions the sparkling city of San Fran, it is because few items are received from other localities.

It is again urged, because of difficulty in arranging for authors of obituaries, that all Classmates write their own, and send them with photographs to the Alumni Secy at WP.

'12

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Since last report our class roll has lost the following members: Chauncey C. Devore (Ex-'10), 13 Jul 73; Margaret Treat Arnold, 22 Aug 73; Rudolph C. Kuldell, 30 Aug 73.

Dick Hager's mail is returned to us: "Address unknown."

Karl Greenwald spent the summer visiting his sisters.

Charlie Hauser reported a fine memorial service for Marg Arnold.

Larrabee had a bout with emphysema but is back in action on his cruiser.

Chauncey Devore's death impelled Frank Mallon to do some historical research on the hazing trials of 1908-09. Since the earliest days, politicians have attempted to end all hazing at WP. It is controversial, but this scribe believes that as an expression of youthful spirits and good humor, hazing does more good than harm.

Ike Spalding is reported by Alice to be in good shape and even stepping out.

Bill Wilbur is still hard at work on his book on the life of George Washington. He deserves much credit for his devoted effort in this field.

Abigail Wood spent the summer in Puerto Pollensa in Mallorca "far from the maddening crowd."

With the last issue of ASSEMBLY, the AOG sent out a questionnaire which invited analysis of their performance. I hope that they will give us a full report of the general response. It is my individual belief that AOG has been too firmly bound to the apron-strings of officialdom. There are many graduates who do not concur wholly in the "modernization" of USMA and the Army. I believe that ASSEMBLY should offer some scope for reasonable dissent.

'13

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Not much news for this issue from '13 due to lengthy report in Sept issue.

Wish to give class members the new address of COL & Mrs. A. B. Johnson: c/o Naples Continental, PO Bx 3136, Apt 1203, 3343 Gulf Shores Blvd (N), Naples, FL 33940; also the widow of BG T. K. Brown: Mrs. T. K. Brown, Apt 1403, 4917 Ravenswood Dr, San Antonio, TX 78227.

MG Howard C. Davidson had a grievous loss. One of his granddaughters, Lila Patterson Swift—age 13—was among those killed in the Delta Air Lines crash at Boston Logan Airport, a short time ago.

No other news this time.

'14

COL John H. Carruth
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It was heartening to me to get several responses to my urgent plea for more class news. Tom Monroe wrote, quoting from Longfellow, "The day is cold and dark and dreary; it rains and the wind is never weary." (Sounds like northern CA weather). He was using the day to catch up on a lot of correspondence. He was glad that Tim Rees had a successful eye operation. Clara and Tom are still busy running their "stump farm" as he calls it, had a good gardening year, and spent most of their time at home, except for a quick trip to Tacoma in Jul to attend a reunion of the 3d Inf Div Society. Arly, wife of Tom Jr. (Class '40) is also an Army brat. Her father, James Barnett, was known by many in '14, as he was an instructor at Leavenworth and the AWC. Tom Jr. and Arly live near Tom and Clara.

Putnam (Class '45) and his wife, Bobbye, live in Austin and like the city very much.

Dad Ingles wrote that a class luncheon on 12 Sept was attended by 7 of the 9 classmates in the DC area.

I was pleased to get a letter from John Henry Woodberry. He and Marguerite, as I have reported previously, have been living in Gainesville, GA, since May 71, near their daughter Marilyn and her family. John Henry, in his usual buoyant way, reported that both of them are now in excellent health, and he has once more gone to work. His specialty is making and carving various kinds of chancel furniture. During the past 3 months he has made several pieces of this type, including baptismal fonts and communion tables for 4 churches.

Recently Earll and I had the pleasure of attending the wedding of Amy Heard Lytle, daughter of Mildred Rees Lytle, and granddaughter of Tim Rees. She married Alexander Tedford Barclay III, a young architect. Amy is petite, and with her blonde hair and sweet expression she looked like a story book bride.

Ike Gill is back from a trip to New England. He visited his sister at Cape Cod and his daughter, Patsy Richardson, in CT.

Louise Byrom had to make a hurried flight to CA, to be with her brother, who had a serious operation. She returned to San Ant yesterday. We understand that her brother is improving.

A sad note to be included in this letter is the death of Winifred Whitten wife of Rudolph Whitten, which was caused by emphysema. Funeral services were held at the WP cemetery on 10 Aug. Charlie Gross arranged for the flowers. Whitten moved from his home at Cornwall-on-Hudson and recently wrote me in answer to my letter of sympathy. His new permanent address is: 3 Dale Rd, Morris Plains, NJ 07950.

Another sad situation is that Bill Houghton's wife, Florence, is seriously ill in a hospital. I had a letter from her sister, Mrs. Lincoln E. McLaughlin. She and her husband have an apartment in the same building as the Houghtons have, which is fortunate. They take Bill every day to see Florence. As soon as I heard of this, on 25 Aug, I wrote Mrs. McLaughlin and asked her to keep me informed of the situation.

Up to this point, I had completed my letter and was getting ready to mail it this afternoon, when this morning's 29 Sept mail came, with a letter from Dabney Elliott containing good news, which enables me to

conclude on a happy note. You will recall that several years ago Dabney suffered a severe stroke. I have written him several letters, but received no replies because of his condition. This morning's letter brought news that he is now attending class luncheons and is the only one who has to use a cane. So he is really on the road to full recovery, and I am very glad. Dabney wrote that 5 or 6 classmates turn out to class luncheons, as a rule.

Earll joins me in greetings and good wishes to you all.

'15

BG Hume Peabody
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BAD NEWS: The Grim Reaper continues his incursions. Clyde Eisenschmidt, the youngest man in our Class, died 17 Aug in Tulsa and was interred there in Rose Hill Cemetery. His survivors include his widow Olive May, son COL Jack, USAR Ret, and son, Clyde Jr., USA Ret (USMA '42). On 31 Aug Mike Davis passed away at Brooke Hospital. Services were held 5 Sept with Rev. Benitez, USMA '49, officiating. Burial was in Ft. Sam Cemetery with Halcomb, Leonard, Taylor and Woodruff as honorary pallbearers. Mike is survived by his widow Mary; son, COL Michael M., USA (USMA '51), and 3 grandchildren. And received belatedly is the news of the death in San Ant on 19 Apr of McFarland Cockrill. Surviving is his sister, Mary Elizabeth Cockrill, of San Ant. We regret the absence of further information. To all the survivors the Class extends its sympathy.

GLAD NEWS: The tempo of our elderly heartbeats increased considerably when we learned via nationwide media of the "indisposition" of Omar Bradley. Not until we learned that he was home from the hospital did we resume the normal rhythm. We give thanks!

FOUR SCORE CLUB: By the end of 73 Graves, Watson and Peabody will have succumbed to old age and its resulting membership in the Club. Still not dry behind the ears are Auran (now the Class Baby), Young and Swing. Come 1 May 74 and no "young squirts" will be left. How the years hurry by!

VISITS: Bea Boye enjoyed a midsummer visit in CA with her daughter Joan and family. In early Aug the Evans spent 2 delightful weeks at Cape Cod. Also this summer Charlie Ritchel had an interesting 3-day tour of Gettysburg battlefield, very professionally guided by COL Simpson "who knows his battlefield from A(rthur) to Z(undel)." Charlie, a member of the Louisville Civil War Round Table, reports that each evening there was a fine address followed by a round table discussion. It was noted that only one of the tall observation towers remains, but he was able to locate the church steps where some 120 of us assembled one evening for a picture. (Copies of this photo were distributed by Ike about the time of our 55th Reunion, remember?) Both the Ritchels are doing fine, thank you. In July Woodruff attended the reunion of the 24th Inf Div at WP and after he and his SIL drove extensively over the reservation. They were amazed by the growth and Woody had difficulty locating Round Pond, now stocked with trout and part of a fine recreation area. En route home Woody visited his son near DC. Then in late Aug the Woodruffs paid their annual visit to the trout streams, where Woody had many satisfactory catches and one very cold and wet dunking of his posterior.

CA CLIPPING: In Sept Dad and Cupie Herrick hied to Carmel where they enjoyed the Covell's Wild Boar party. Also in attendance were Al and Dolly Balsam and Bill Ryan '14. The Herricks are planning to sell their Oakland house and move to Walnut Creek about Dec. Dad says he sees Burt Mason occasionally but seldom gets a glimpse of Tom Hearn or Joe Swing.

GATOR GOSSIP: Proof of John and Winnie Robinson's attendance at Graduation can be seen on p. 24, Sept ASSEMBLY, where John, John Jr. '44 and John III '73 are depicted. Robbie bemoans the 29-year separation of graduations as a 30-year interval would allow all 3 to attend reunions the same years. Like most of us the Robinsons have a few ailments but get around and enjoy life. Ned Zundel lives quietly and plays a bit of chess and bridge. He plans a visit with his sister in PA soon. Gibby Gibson reports that Mary is still in a nursing home and improving slowly. He is piping the coming pro football season and hopes for a repeat performance by the Miami Dolphins. Since last report John Henry Cochran did a hospital stint and it is too bad that propriety forbids his play by play account. He is OK now and Mary Welby is well also. John Jr. has ret. and plans to locate in Charlottesville, VA. And from JH comes a bit of bad news. Betty Thompson broke her wrist and hip and is temporarily with her daughter.

HODGE-PODGE: Last Mar Hank Auran accepted the Hon. Presidency of the WP Soc of St. Louis. Lest we become too wrapped up in the purely military accomplishments of our Class, it might be wise to read the resumé of Paul Fletcher's Foreign Service career, on file in the AOG archives. This year Cles Tenney missed his Wise Lakeland trip and we'll miss his scenic post cards. The present Asst Com of the AWC is Dorothy Benedict's son, BG Calvert Potter Benedict. Doug Weart is beginning to walk cautiously after his hip operation and hopes to be able to leave Walter Reed soon. Helen Conkling has sold her home and will move to Distaff Hall. And now we learn that Rosa-Maye Harmon broke her arm some time ago while riding, but is OK now. To help celebrate a recent birthday, Gibby Gibson received from a former member of Gibby's WW2 94th CA Regt an unusual photo of the Class. That it is not an official photo is evidenced by the informal grouping of the 164 of us who graduated a short time later. Just when was it taken? Well, this may help some amateur Holmes—the OD that day was Smylie and the 2 OGs were Kahle and Harvey.

HOLY LAND INVASION: While John Leonard and son-in-law COL Foster invaded the Holy Land, Eileen Leonard enjoyed a visit with daughter Eileen at the Foster's beautiful place near Gordonsville, VA. We wish that we had the space to give you John's account verbatim as our condensation loses a lot in the process. John's overall reaction—a wonderful trip! Variance in stories—found everywhere particularly in Jerusalem. Most arduous part—the climbing, climbing, climbing! Most interesting area—around the Sea of Galilee and particularly the ruins of Capernaum. Motels and airlines—wide variance in service and prices. For specific information ask John. Outstanding military impression—when arms were resorted to, whoever it be, heathen, Jew or Christian, he resorted to the "scorched earth" policy. And lastly, as for the mountain upon which Moses received the Ten Commandments, take your

pick. Every mountainous area had the "authentic" article.

Well, another day, another dollar. And so to bed.

'16

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We of '16 here in the San Fran area were disappointed that Ellen and Dz Britton had to call off their planned trip to the Canadian Rockies, so we could not give them the '16 treatment here. Dz says they are looking forward to a trip to HI, so we may get another shot at them!

Helen and Woodie Woodward returned about mid-Sept from a busy and interesting summer spent at their summer place in the Grand Tetons, WY. They went early this year and had a pleasant trip via daughter Jeanie's at Los Alamos, NM, stopping at Yosemite, Grand Canyon, Monument Valley ruins in AZ, Colo Spgs, Denver, Dinosaur Natl Monument, CO and UT, and other places. Helen had granddaughter, Janie McAusland, with her for the summer as well as many other guests from time to time. Janie is Barbara Inglis McAusland's daughter from Seattle.

A card from Marion and Holland Robb placed them at Powell River, BC, in late Jul, north of Vancouver, enjoying the beauty and coolness there. Then they motored by easy stages across Canada via Winnipeg, LaCrosse, WI (childhood home) and to Dayton, OH, to visit daughter Janice and her family there. Son-in-law Wm. Anderson is Pres of National Cash Register Co. there. Mr. Anderson was the subject of a very commendatory article in Business Week Magazine a few weeks ago. While at Dayton, Robbs stayed at Hawthorne Hill, the former home of Orville Wright, now a guest house owned by National Cash Register Co. Holland says their 3 granddaughters at Dayton are "smart as whips and very vocal and fluent in conversation." The oldest will graduate from Princeton next spring.

The photo with these Notes shows Tom Finley receiving a handsome silver tray presented by the membership of his World War II 89th Div Soc at the national reunion in Colo Spgs on 21 Jul. Tom ret. after 12 yrs as Pres of the organization and was elected pres emeritus by acclamation.

Tom Finley's daughter, wife of LTC Gordon Rogers (USMA '57) and COL George Hoge (USMA '45) met for the first time at Leavenworth where both are now stationed, and quaffed the cup that cheers in a toast to "Our Fathers' Class."

Eve and Bob McBride report that son MAJ Steve Place, AF (USMA '57) returned from Thailand in mid-Jul and is now stationed at Keesler AFB near Biloxi where he and his wife and 3 young children have quarters.

I am sorry to report the deaths of 2 Class widows. Mr. Cary Peyton, son of our Tom and Asst Dean of Students of Calif State College, Stanislaus, at Turlock, CA, advises that his mother, Phoebe Satterfield Peyton, died in 71 and was buried beside Tom at WP. Also, Mr. James M. Crane, son of our Jim, said that Ann Crane Wilson, his mother, died last winter. Those of us who were at our 55th Reunion will recall her and her daughter as being with us there.

Another "great" has been reported by Edith Cabell. This is Jeffrey Paul Cabell, son of Robert and Wanda Cabell and first



1916: Tom Finley receives silver tray.

grandchild of Bud and Ginia Cabell (De-Rosey Jr., USMA '44), born at Ft. Rucker, AL, 23 Jun. He is No. 51.

Jean Lange wrote in Aug to advise of another great-granddaughter born 23 Jul. She is Tamara Sue Wirth, and she is No. 52 on my list.

Our Riney Rinearson's grandson, and son of COL John Pidgeon (USMA '40), was killed 18 Aug returning home by car from a hunting trip. He was married on 1 Jul and lived at Boulder, CO. Our sympathy to his loved ones.

Neanie Rinearson, Riney's daughter, spent her summer vacation on a trip to Europe.

Boots and Bill Spence have recently entertained 2 of Bill's sisters from Albany, GA. Bill Spence Jr. now has a son, Perry, at TX A&M College.

How lucky, or blessed, or whatever, can we be in our advanced years! Laura and your Scribe consider that we are at the top in this regard! Our son, Dwight Jr. (ex-'43 Jun), and his family have lived nearby since the mid-50's when he returned to civil life from the Marines. And now our daughter Liz and her family (COL R.M. Rufsvold, USMA '46) have just been transferred from Pentagon duty to duty in the San Fran Bay Area. So we now have our family, except for 2 married grandsons, living close to us. We certainly are thankful!

Pick Pickering wrote recently that Lillian and he live quietly in their home in the outskirts of Atlanta, GA. Their oldest daughter and her husband live nearby and their 2 boys are now AF CPTs. Pick says they are proud of these grandsons.

Marjorie and Ray Moses felt the brunt of the recent Canadian RR strike! They had planned a 2-weeks rail trip across Canada. They got as far as the Banff Springs Hotel, spent 2 days there and were about to leave for Vancouver when the strike stopped them. Flight arrangements were made from Calgary to Victoria for 4 days at the Empress Hotel where they found Virginia and Bart Harloe (USMA Aug '17) from HI awaiting them as planned. A few days later they flew back to Montreal and from there by bus to Sandwich, NH, their summer home. Ray said the whole trip was delightful in spite of the changes. They plan to leave NH in early Oct for their winter abode at Longwood Towers in the Boston area.

Edith Cabell has written me brief details concerning her 6 grandchildren. I am now reporting on the youngest, Michael John Cabell. He is a 2d year student in pre-vet at Colo State U. The young man is an out-

standing horseman, being a Medal Class winner in dressage.

Tom Martin says he is "still playing with pencil and paper." Has lots of sketches and a series of illustrated stories. We saw one of his sketches in the Mar 73 issue of ASSEMBLY in the Class Notes. Tom's oldest boy, Tom Jr., PhD and prof at Southern Methodist U., was recently one of the honored guests during dedication ceremonies at the new Dallas airport, including the arrival of the British-French Concorde supersonic airplane there. All is fine with Dolly and Tom.

Please drop a line of news for next ASSEMBLY. My address above.

APR

'17

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Although Bill Cowgill had been in only fair health for some time, his death on 22 Sept came as a shock; and it was a sad event for our class. There was no one more loyal to the class and to WP than Bill. Services were conducted in Christ Episcopal Church in DC, and interment was in the family plot in Fitchburg, MA, where a number of ancestors are buried. Bill's lovely daughters, Faye Chandler and Merriwether Schmid, and Faye's husband, John Chandler, attended the service and afterward invited the honorary pallbearers and their wives and Emily Tully to Bill's apartment for a snack. The honorary pallbearers were Eagles, Heavey, Irving, Jackson and Vander Hyden. Cowper Smith planned to come but couldn't make it. Collins and Ford were out of town, and Crump is having difficulty with arthritis. Bill Cowgill had 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

The Vander Hydens plan a trip to Hawaii this fall to visit their daughter Patricia and her family. Patricia's husband, John E. Hutton, is in Govt service and has been stationed in HI the past 5 years. When he ret. the family plans to live in HI. The Vander Hydens' son, Nelson, is pres of Jeffress-Dyer Inc., of Ann Arbor, MI, which has built a large number of the buildings at the U. of Mich. Elizabeth Vander Hyden was a Jeffress. Nelson has remarried, and he and his wife Anne have a brand new daughter, Caroline Melissa, born 1 May. Nelson has 2 older children.

For our class luncheon on 23 Oct Pete and Elizabeth Slaughter plan to bring 2 guests; and Bill and Jule Heavey will bring Mary Armstrong, who has moved into 4000 Mass. Ave. where the Heaveys and Collins now live.

In Jul Jack Jackson and his daughter Jeanne, her husband, Landy B. Altman, and Jack's granddaughter Nancy spent a pleasant 15 days visiting London, Paris and Rome. In Rome they attended a spectacular presentation of Aida at the Baths of Caracalla.

We would like to have news of you other members of the class. If a letter is too much trouble, just drop us a pencil note.

AUG

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Paul Cole left us 22 Sept after a long, brave fight. The sweet temper, for which we all remember him, never left him. Our sympathy goes to Laura but even more our thanks for

the support she gave Pablo in his tribulation. Paul was cremated and Laura will bring his ashes for interment in Arlington Cemetery.

We have also lost Connie Diehl—last New Year's Day though the news arrived but recently. Many of us remember her well from her visits to DC in the past.

Other news concerns the survivors, tottering but still afoot. Mickey Kernan was just getting his new eye-aids assimilated after a cataract operation when his heel starting hurting and pain echoed throughout his frame. But he thinks he has the matter in hand, by having an insert for his shoe. He sounds wonderful on the phone.

Jack Johnson has been told to eschew higher altitudes so he is at 820 Redwood Ave., McAllen, TX 78501. Florence holds the fort at San Miguel de Allende for the time being. The Whiteleggs are skipping about too. The last leap landed them at North Berwick, (PO Box 402) ME 04103. There they expect to get fresh fish at last since they are but 6 miles from the ocean. Sammie Maling has shifted. Dreading another San Ant summer, she went back to where she and Eddie spent many happy years—she's at Hotel Chula Vista, Apartado #75, Chapala, Jalisco, Mexico. Hale and happy except for another cataract operation in the offing. Ed and Ruth Leavey are based on HI but they seem usually to be somewhere else. Last word of them was when they stopped in San Miguel de Allende to see Jack Johnson, found him gone and unluckily missed Florence too.

Sam Ringsdorf had been having more pain than he thought necessary from a mere broken hip so he went into the hospital and got him a new hip, contrived of steel and plastic. He seems hopeful about his new intrastucture. He can have a martini (daily or hourly?).

Parry Lewis, still in the VA Hosp, gets home for weekends, has to use a cane but if his arm would progress as well as his leg did, he'd be close to normal. Keep plugging, Parry!

Ann Heiner is now Mrs. Robert Hilton Knox, no change in her address. Blessings upon them both. Anne did a wonderful job of raising G3—Gordon G. Heiner III. He is a doctor who has done some remarkable work in Pakistan—for example, 85 eye operations performed by him and one other doctor between 4:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Anne can be justly proud.

More itchy feet. Loessa Coffey ran out to MN to hear John preach. Stayed 3 weeks, then took a granddaughter to Belfast, ME (ocean water warmer than usual) and home via Boston to visit a brother. Bart and Virginia Harloe are rumored to be about to abandon HI for the Monterey Peninsula. Nice for our classmates there who, Bill Chapman reports, are well and happy. Willie Wilson's granddaughter won big in the 4-H sheep competition. His son Bob won a milking contest. Maris Black, still at Onancock, is trying to get back to Eastern PA—once a Mainliner always a Mainliner. He can drive his car a good deal but can't walk much. He will visit his son in San Ant, so he's not too badly off.

On the other hand, those desert rats, the Custises, stay up at their lake to watch descendants enjoy the water while they suffer the heat. Llew and Elaine Griffith stick to Austin where Llew seems busy being showered with honors. The latest was being asked to say grace at an engr dinner. He was too brief for the diners; they expected

something that included Sam Houston as well as the Deity. Clyde and Verna Morgan holed up in their air-conditioned home and let daughter bring her brood there. Kit and Helen Carson are also at home. Kit has been laboriously picking out bits of lint from an operation some time ago. With the last of the lint removed, his hernia reappeared. Otherwise they are both fine.

News of the memorial to Salvador Reyes inspired 2 classmates to write COL Roberto Reyes, Salvador's son. Both received charming replies. Jules Schaefer recalled a common predilection for the mandolin. Girard Troland's letter was a happy stroke for he enclosed a picture from cadet days. Years ago the Reyes' home had burned down, destroying the albums of WP pictures. The picture from Girard helps to fill the vacuum.

From several sources came word that Jack Knight is now fully ret., or would be had Mary not had an almost simultaneous fall that put her in hospital for a couple of weeks and Jack back on active duty as cook, housekeeper, yardman and nurse. Says he likes it.

Pinky Rolfe came up to Williamsburg to help marry off a granddaughter. Thence he came up to DC where he hosted the local boys at lunch. All who could stagger to the Club loved it. Pinky was brimming over with unspent youth. He told of impressing Henry Gantt just prior to the wedding to perform as acting bridegroom. Said that, barring the hair bit, Henry made a splendid simulacrum. Henry still plays tennis, maintains his home and goes off on jaunts. It is appropriate to nominate Henry and Pinky as those most likely to become Mr. Methusaleh '18, the oldest living graduate. Perhaps our faithful correspondent, Bill Chapman, should be sent an entry blank.

A few days before the deadline for these notes, Dorothy Huff and Loessa Coffey gave one of the most delightful class parties Your Scribe has ever attended. Distaff House has an exceptionally fine suite for hospitality, and the girls' party measured up to the setting. Even Tiny Bellinger risked his life by coming out of seclusion for it, so you know that all locals not bedridden were there. An itchy foot not mentioned earlier was there, the lovely Alice O'Keefe. This coming twelve-month she's going to England not once but twice and to Greece once.

Bob Bringham couldn't come. He had a couple of weeks in Bethesda Naval Hospital and since then has not picked up as fast as he and we would like. However, he sounded pretty good today on the phone.

JUN
'18

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It is with great sorrow that I report the death of classmate Leo Kreber, who passed away at the VA Hospital, Chillicothe, OH on 5 Sept 73. It was doubly sad for Ann as her mother had died just the week before. Leo's funeral took place in Columbus on 8 Sept with Ohio Nat'l Gd participating. Leo had a most distinguished military career, in spite of being board chairman of the family Electrotrope Co., serving in Ohio's 37th Div as a BG in command of the divisional arty and later as a MG in command of the div. He was also the Ohio State AG for 10 yrs. We have lost a great soldier and you, Ann, a wonderful husband. You have our deepest sympathy.

It is also with deep sorrow that I report the death of one of our ex-members of the class, Curtis Welborn, who died in Winnetka, IL on 28 Apr 73 after a long illness. His daughter, Mrs. John H. Perkins (Len Welborn Perkins), same city, sent me this information after our Sept class letter was forwarded to her. She wanted the class to know that Curtis treasured his friendships of the past, and that the class letters and his WP days meant a great deal to him. Our deepest sympathies to you Len.

Leading the accolades for our 55th Reunion with letter datelines during the month of Jun, 3 months before your scribe's 8 Sept class letter calling for a deadline of 25 Sept for the ASSEMBLY class column, were 4 enthusiasts: 3 classmates and one widow. The first was from Charlie Hoffman, letter dated 2 Jun, 5:30 p.m. (the day of our departure from WP). Our small class, wrote Charlie, hangs together and are still proud of the USMA. We had a great reunion. The 2d was from Bee Rundell, dated 13 Jun, who wrote that anything would be anticlimactic after being with you all at our most successful and enjoyable reunion. I only regret that my Earle could not have been among you. I still think you men all looked better than some of the later classes. The 3d was from Laddie Bellinger, dated 15 Jun, who wrote that the planning, the putting together and the promotion of the Reunion were important because, who knows how many less would have shown up and for failure to do so missed a very special and wonderful occasion. The 4th was from Tex Mussil, dated 16 Jun, who wrote that the 55th Reunion has passed into history but the memory lingers on. We were particularly impressed by the unbounded spirit and enthusiasm by every member present including the widows. Memories and, of course, the arrival of each class letter with its living philosophy immediately signals the suspension of all activities until it is read and re-read. This carries us through the next 5 yrs to our next reunion. There were few indications that any would not make it to the next reunion.

The Axelsons expressed their great regret at not being able to attend our 55th, but also were happy to hear from classmates who did attend. Norma sent me an early report on Leo Kreber's passing and Scip separately sent some personal data on Leo that I shall draw from for the memorial Ann has asked me to write for ASSEMBLY. Son Rudy (COL) is back from Korea and now stationed at Redstone Ars Msl Cmd, AL.

The Blanchards report having attended 2 dinner parties at the Club where everyone was talking about "Our Class" and ASSEMBLY with the pictures and lovely write-up of the Reunion. They had their older grandson from Oxford this summer. While they took him on several short trips he managed to tour U.S. and Canada on his own and was really impressed. Again, as always, a marvelous reunion and God willing we will be at our 60th.

The Caseys on Butternut Hill in VT are reliving the Reunion in the Sept issue of ASSEMBLY while awaiting the fall foliage season in New England. Many guests including grandchildren and old friends from NY and FL kept them busy in between almost daily golf and a round of parties. In late Oct they head back to their FL home.

Lucius Clay wrote that he was sorry he could not spend more time at the Reunion, but his health condition was rather intense in Jun. However, he was happy to have had even a brief visit with all of those who were there. At long last Lucius is withdrawing

from all business activities and this time to really retire, making the permanent Clay home at N. Chatham, MA. They gave up their NY residence on 30 Sept.

A long distance phone call from Grace **Corpening** to say how much she enjoyed the class letters and the class contact.

Good Squire **Foster** hated to miss the Reunion; but father time and the medicos have been catching up with him. He did talk with **Growley** by phone just after he had been released from the hospital, expressing the above thoughts.

Steve and **Growley Gruhn** expressed their happiness at being able to make the class farewell dinner even though they had but a glimpse of classmates and their wives. In fact, the write-up in **ASSEMBLY**, wrote **Growley**, made them regret more and more that they had to miss so much of the Reunion. Their brief participation must have done a world of good because they are both getting along quite well since then. In spite of a diet of pills **Growley** was able to harvest a nice tomato crop.

A return of poor health and moving problems prevented **Ethel McKee** from attending Reunion, which she regretted deeply. I have sent her class letters and other data to bring her up to date, as she looks forward to the letters, news and mementoes of the reunions. Her new address is 4594 Northtown Blvd, Apt 20-G, Columbus, OH 43229.

The **McKee's** were another twosome who regretted having to miss the 55th. **Dick** wrote, "From all reports it was even better than the 50th—if that could be possible." **Dick** is one of those who, after comparing other systems, mailed in his SBP application and feels about **Louise** as your scribe does about AM, much more comfortable about her future. **Louise** is busy these days on jury duty and they both enjoy the **ASSEMBLY** and the class letters for relaxation.

The **Marshalls** thought the 2-page spread in **ASSEMBLY** on our 55th was great, and the class notes a very full and accurate account of our activities. Makes AM and your scribe happy to hear that as it had to be sandwiched in between a very busy time at **Woodley Acres**; both a pick-up of things left undone and a carry-on of activities to catch up with the growing season. Wrote **Jim**, "Mabel and I are still accounting and recounting those most pleasurable days at USMA this past June." **Jim** is now enjoying more leisure after ret. from 6 yrs of being the village mayor. There will be more time to visit the various grandchildren in college and a winter in FL.

Bud Miley says he and **Fenie** are well and happy with no news to report. The only time they leave home is to visit the children and grandchildren. Well and happy and able to visit with your family—your scribe calls that fine news, especially when **Bud** further reported that Jun '18 class meetings were no longer held in the DC area since he and **Charlie Hoffman** are the only 2 well enough to attend. **Connie Jadwin's** emphysema limits his activities, and **Bill Barriger**, who had one leg removed below the knee at **Walter Reed**, is having trouble as it is healing slowly. Even the 2 well DC members have fun. **Bud** says **Charlie** gave him the devil for having the wrong number listed in our Class Directory. **Bud** replied he didn't even realize it was wrong and sent along the new one. Here it is and change your directory accordingly: 301-320-3127.

Andy Moore on his card from Paris dated 28 Jun echoed the same enthusiastic impression of the Reunion. He enjoys each Reunion

immensely because they reinforce "the tie that binds."

Murray Neilson had planned to attend the Reunion but had to change plans because **Sara** was in the hospital. **Murray** was sorry to miss the opportunity to see and visit with the class; however, he got some satisfaction and real enjoyment from the class letters and **ASSEMBLY** notes. On 15 Dec **Sara**, **Bob** and **Murray** board the **Kungsholm** for a 30-day Xmas cruise to Rio and the Caribbean. **Murray** felt it would be a nice break for **Bob** who is now a senior at **Tulsa U.**

Sylvia Shattuck just returned from a whole month at Ft Huachuca with son **Blaney** and his lovely bride. Bird watching in those marvelous canyons, or from their little portable boat and even from their own front and side porches; parties and shopping in **Nogales** made up a grand relaxing month. You deserved it **Sylvia** after again putting on your great cocktail party and luncheon for the whole gang at the 55th. A fine planner and organizer, and a perfect hostess. Your month in the SW was a repeat of your younger days when **Abe**, **Pierre Agnes** and your scribe served together on the Rio Grande with the 8th Mounted Engrs, a part of the 1st Cav Div with its own hqs and a 200-mile border sector to keep in order, which, of course, gave our youngsters plenty of space in which to exercise their horses, or entertain their **Laredo** friends at the tennis court, or cool off in our swimming pool, or watch our evening guard mount and mounted review on the parade ground. Remember? No wonder we still love a touch of it even though we both spend most of the year in a colder clime.

The **Lorences** have only this to add as comments on our 55th. We have been friends and comrades since **Kaydet** days. We have watched our families grow in strength and usefulness. Our eyes looking into yours translated the affection we feel. Our hands felt it in the warm pressure of greetings. With affection like this even the haughtiest melted. It showed that after 55 yrs of service we still faced life, not alone, but as a well-knit brotherhood of men and women. Not farewell when we parted, but adieu as we walk again amongst our family and friends, at peace with our God on our Good Earth.

So long till next time.

NOV
'18

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Joe Moss died 8 Aug. Funeral services were at the Ft Myer Chapel. All the DC classmates were present, plus the **Wanamakers** who drove up from **Raleigh** and **Sleifer** who was visiting in DC.

Marjorie Fitzpatrick died 18 Jul in Olean, NY where she and **Fitz** had made their home for many years and where **Fitz** owned and managed the local newspaper.

There has been a flood of letters lauding **Wanamaker's** mgmt of our 55th Reunion. It was a most enjoyable, smoothly run affair. **Monk Dickson** got in the class picture this time, too.

Jules Piland has gotten details arranged for the 1 Nov dinner at Ft Sam Houston. **Holbrook** is arranging air transport from DC via **Braniff**. Many classmates will stay at the **La Mansion Hotel** on the river. Along with the S.O.'s we will drink and dine in the Club in the **La Mansion** on the evening of 31 Oct. On 1 Nov at 9:30 a.m. there is

a sightseeing tour of **San Ant** and **Ft Sam**. Lunch for those who wish, in the restaurant on the 750 foot "Tower of the Americas." Motor barges will be available to return the weary to the **La Mansion** by way of the river. At 6 p.m. busses will take us to the **Ft Sam Club** for the 1 Nov dinner. On 2 Nov, the morning will be available for sightseeing and shopping, then at noon we go by bus to the **Lone Star Brewery** for a TX **Barbecue** and all the beer we can drink. In the evening there will be a dinner afloat on river barges, Mexican or U.S. food, with the famous **Carta Blanca** beer.

Of course there will be the traditional DC 1 Nov dinner at Ft McNair with the DC and East Coasters who cannot make the pilgrimage to the **Alamo**. Classmates, spouses and widows will again be joined by our sons and daughters and their spouses. **Ruth** and **Bryan Evans** are running the Ft McNair 1 Nov dinner again this year so it will be a humdinger. They always do a super job. Stub expects over 50 celebrants.

The **Haverford Hotel** having been torn down to make way for a condominium, **CPT Phillipus Miller** now resides at 429 **Montgomery Ave.**, **Haverford, PA 19041**. **Monk Dickson** was a temporary orphan in Sept as **Eleanor** was visiting cousins in VT before, as **Monk** expressed it, the Oct blizzards.

The **Colwells** do seem to be having a hard luck year. In addition to **Arch's** back being not quite fully recovered from his step into space while star-gazing, **Sallie** has had a very bad fall resulting in a broken pelvis. She is still in the hospital at this writing (mid-Sept) but doing well and getting about on a walker. They still hope to be able to get to **San Ant** for 1 Nov.

Pop Gildart, our really prolific author and one time Cmdr of the 12th Armd DIVARTY, is in print again. The Aug issue of "The Retired Officer" has a very well done short story from **Chuck's** pen—"Kismet in Camera." In the Sept. **ASSEMBLY** is a most interesting, well researched, well written article by **Chuck**—"Born to be Brothers" that tells entertainingly of the many Academy Grads who served on both sides in the Civil War. In a more recent issue of "The Retired Officer" **Chuck** had another article on **Pres Johnson**.

The **Chorpenings** enjoyed a visit from their lovely daughter **Anne (Caboosie)** and her husband, **Tom Aiello**, during Aug. **Mary** wrote a beautiful letter to **Hunk Holbrook** telling him how she and Corp had enjoyed the Reunion, especially **Marian's** singing, comparing her to **Julie Andrews**. **Tiny** and **Bob Schow** took the long way home from WP after the Reunion. One important stop was at Ft Benning where **Bob** was thoroughly examined at the hospital. He was told not to worry about arthritis in his hips, that his pain was from back trouble that could be eliminated by wearing a brace. **Tiny** and **Bob** plan to be at **San Ant** 1 Nov for the Ft Sam Reunion. Another of the **Schows'** stops was with the **Molitors** who they found to be happy and enjoying life. **Puss Molitor** has had a heart condition for some time but she has it under control, looks fine and in fact is as beautiful as ever.

In a card from **Black Mountain, NC**, where he has been staying with his daughter **Barbara**, **Reed Yeager** tells of helping her fix up her house. **Dave Taylor's** broken leg is improving gradually. Both he and **Ruth** are in good spirits but regret missing the 55th at WP and being unable to get to **San Ant** in Nov. Corp has talked to **Tip Hatch** and found her to be in fine fettle. The **B.G. Stevens** (**Polly** and **Steve**) got home 6 Aug.

Tiny and Bob Schow drove up to West Palm Beach and lunched with them and their son Stakey (B.G. Stevens Jr. '43), who was visiting them.

The Frank Hustons spent a delightful week on Oahu in Jun, their second visit in 2 years. They contemplate attending the Reunion in San Ant in Nov. The Hahns attended the 3-day reunion of the 338th Engr GS Regt which he commanded from its activation through WWII. Count Gorkinski in the OCE selected and assigned all officers, particularly CO's, of all Engr units. Hahn worked the summer in hard, stoney ground on the foundation for a new garage in his yard. He reports that this exercise has improved his feeling of well-being considerably. Bill Blair has been in correspondence with Chief Brimmer and talked to Hahn and Otto Praeger on the telephone, so knows that all got home safely from our 55th at WP, which Otto thinks was the most congenial he has attended. However, he drank too much iced tea, while hot, Fri night, and afterwards suffered some consequences, but recovered. A relative drove up from Rye and got him to his plane, which he barely caught. Really now! Iced Tea! Thank Heaven that fate was kinder to Otto than to that unfortunate Hampshire Grenadier buried at Salisbury Cathedral who died of drinking cold small beer!

Chief Brimmer, planning to dine with an old aunt in West Hartford, CT, before returning to the West after the Reunion, was given a lift by W. Hartford-bound Bob Coolidge. It turned out that Aunt Edith and her family were friends of the Coolidges. A good time was had by all.

Frank Bowman was in the hospital in Ft Ord in Jul with a heart attack. He was in intensive care for awhile as he had 2 subsequent smaller attacks. However, after 2 weeks he went home. All now goes well. At last reports he was limiting his activities, but expecting to drive his car and play limited golf. Mac Monroe must be near the rest home in order to visit Helen frequently, which is most important. Isobel Lock goes on a cruise in Sept and Oct. Jim Carroll is having some eye trouble. McReynolds will be travelling to Afghanistan in Oct. At the current price of lemons I should think he should be home tending those lemon trees. He reported McAllister to be in the hospital but no details.

Mike Quinn's oldest grandson is in the new Plebe class. Mike, himself, has been having some trouble with cataracts. He is to be examined again this fall to find out if they are yet ready to be operated on.

Lee Bathurst is now managing editor of "Sharing," published by the Intl Order of St. Luke the Physician. Charles was deeply dedicated to the Healing Ministry. Lee has followed his lead and is devoting her life to the Order which has been so helpful to them both. Those interested in being on the mailing list of "Sharing" should write directly to Mrs. C. R. Bathurst, 6005 N. 64th Place, Scottsdale, AZ 85253.

Pinkie Walsh's son Dick, and his family, Raye, Dick Jr. and Heather, born in Munich, are now at Ft Lewis, so the Walshes enjoy frequent visits from them. Pinkie leaves 1 Sept for another visit to Ankara on what he expects will be his last consulting trip to the GOKOECAYA Dam. It is fully built now and the pool is nearly full. It should start generating power this year. It will have 300,000 kw capacity.

A recent note from Al Miller tells of a very lovely cocktail party given by the daughter of Juliette and A.M. Wilson honor-

ing Laura Belle Badger. Among the guests were Phil and Fred Butler, Coral and Dick Ericson, Ramona Hughes, Mac Monroe and Ruth and Al Miller. Al also sent a newspaper article which I do wish we had space to include in toto. The headline is "Muddy Italian battles in 1944 recalled by general and his men." The article, with a big picture of Bull Kendall sitting surrounded by the veterans of his WWII Div, describes a most enthusiastic reunion of Bull's 88th Div. After the reunion in Redwood City they journeyed to Palo Alto to call on their old CG.

Ethel and Bryan Conrad's son, and so far the youngest son of Nov '18, Bryan Hunter Conrad, age 18, was home in late Sept for his first weekend home from college after entering Hampden-Sydney. Your scribe is still somewhat confused by it all but gathers that Hampden-Sydney is a splendid place, the students are the finest men on earth, the faculty is composed of most erudite scholars, somewhat senile as some are over 35, and a few amusingly eccentric. The Hampden-Sydney Fire Company, all undergraduates, of which Bryan is a member, always is the first to arrive at any fire for miles around. But most wonderful of all to father, Chemistry is so interesting that Bryan brought home the text. Father found the index incomprehensible as the names of many things have been changed. After some explanation, however, the text proved to be similar. The method of instruction is really interesting. Students are tested and marked daily as at the Academy, but must get a max. When any lower grade is made the student must re-study the subject and be re-tested until he gets a max. This sounds like Ft Sill in the classic days of Bull Ennis and Jakie Devers—real pedagogy!

Having attained the apex of dog obedience training last spring with her Posey of Sunnybrook, Ethel Conrad has now started the second generation—Posey's daughter, Arrow of Sunnybrook. At the second match in her young career, Arrow swept the boards in Novice obedience and was the highest scoring dog of the day recently. Ethel thinks she may turn out to be as good as her mother.

Bonner Fellers died 7 Oct at the Georgetown U. Hospital in DC. The funeral services at the Ft Myer Chapel on 12 Oct were attended by all the DC classmates.

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On Fri, 21 Sept, Al Wedemeyer, Bud Ferenbaugh, Ted Starr, and Dick Ovenshine drove to WP and met Bunker and Jeanne Bean that evening at the Thayer Hotel. The following morning they (without Jeanne) and Roy Green conferred with COL Lamb, ExecVP of the AOG, concerning our 55th Reunion at WP next May. Bunker reported that 35 classmates with wives, 11 single classmates, and 2 widows definitely plan to attend, and 15 classmates with wives and 12 single classmates and 15 widows tentatively plan to attend. 29 classmates and 25 widows had not responded to Bunker's questionnaire. COL Lamb said that because of the large size of '24, which has 1st priority as the 50-year class, it would not be possible to put more than 7 couples in the Thayer Hotel, but most of the single men could be put in its "dormitory" (where 2 double rooms share the same bathroom). The possibility of using Ladycliff

in Highland Falls was discussed, but dropped because its facilities were deemed inadequate for our needs. Roy Green described the facilities of the Holiday Inn in Newburgh, where we stayed at our 45th Reunion, and possible arrangements for buses. There was general regret that only a few could use the Thayer, and a consensus developed that the next best lodging would be the Holiday Inn in Newburgh. Roy Green, who already had done much work for us, will ascertain the cost of lodging, bus (Army buses may not be used off the Reservation), food, etc., and Bunker will then issue a bulletin to be distributed to all classmates and widows. It is possible that you will have received it before reading these notes. Bunker, Roy, and Bud have done a lot of work in preparation for the Reunion, but they can't do it all alone. Those who have not replied to Bunker's questionnaire are urged to do so in order that firm plans can be made.

Chic Noble reported that responses of classmates for the joint Nov '18-'19 Reunion in San Ant on 1 Nov indicated 17 (including local residents) intended to attend, 18 tentatively planned to attend, and 142 did not plan to attend. Chic has done a lot of work for the affair, trying to make it as interesting and pleasant as possible, and is naturally disappointed that so few plan to attend. He attributes the small number to the date—too close to our 55th Reunion at WP next May, the Army-AF football game, Homecoming at WP, etc.

I have received several color photos for publication with the Class Notes. Unfortunately, color photos do not reproduce in black-and-white with sufficient clarity to warrant publication, and the Editor does not intend to accept any more. The photo on p. 70 of the Sept ASSEMBLY is a color photo.

Les and Dot Flory's son, LTC Robert, and his wife, Sue, gave a gay party on 5 Sept at the Officers Club, National Naval Med Ctr, DC, in celebration of Les and Dots' 50th wedding anniv. Bob is stationed in HI, and he and Sue flew to DC for the occasion, bringing leis and flowers to lend an Hawaiian air to the party.

Mike and Marjorie Brannon returned in early Sept from a 2-month cruise with stops in northern Norway, Sweden, Finland, Petrograd, Denmark, and Eire. They reported "a wonderful time." Alex Kirby enjoyed having his dau, Nancy Cuddy, her husband (CPT, USN), and 2 children with him for a month's visit. Dave McLean reported that Irish and Nancy O'Connor enjoyed a recent visit of their dau, Connie Morgan, with her 3 children for 3 weeks; they came down from NJ with their car on the train.

Count Wilson wrote that he had taken a short trip recently with 24 men as guests of Pac Gas and Elec Co to visit a nuclear power plant under construction near San Luis Obispo and found it very informational and enjoyable. He said it was his 1st trip out of San Fran in 2 yrs. His wife Dorothy had earlier returned home from the Convalescent Hosp and is gradually recovering from her case of hepatitis. Count also heard from Bob Carter, who was at a mountain resort in France where his wife, Helene, was convalescing from an illness.

Davis Hale is doing some missionary work for a Christian Layman organization in L.A. Packy McFarland sent in a photo (unfortunately, in color) showing a beautiful grass lawn which hasn't needed to be mowed in 7 years. Of course, he lives in desert country.

Not long ago I reported the move of Ham Young from DC to FL. He had dreamed happily of daily games of golf and relaxing



1919: Remember this? En route to Round Pond at '19's 40th Reunion.

on the ocean beach. Those dreams have come to a tragic end, at least for now. Ham is badly crippled with arthritis, thought to be either osteo or rheumatoid. For a while he was so badly crippled that he could hardly shave or feed himself, but at last report aspirin was helping a little, and he was able to play a game of golf on the ladies' course with a score of 90.

Harris and Gretchen Scherer were in DC for a month or so in the summer. In Aug George Rogers had an operation on his hip at WRGH; after about a month in the hosp he had recovered sufficiently to return to Hot Springs, AR. Willie Palmer was also in WRGH for a few weeks. Horace and Minette Speed are home in their apartment, with 2 nurses to help take care of Horace. Their son Horace has gone to RVN for 18 months, leaving his wife and dau in DC.

Recent changes of address: Ev Sheets (Ben's widow) to Gates Circle, Buffalo, NY 14209; Opal Williamson (Russell's widow) to 2151 Oakland Rd, Alamo Dr No. 336, San Jose, CA 95131; Mary Bassett (Ralph's widow) to 1440 So. Orange Ave, No. 50, El Cajon, CA 92020.

Chic Noble's correspondence with all classmates concerning the proposed reunion in San Ant produced an unexpected development; we learned that Kaydet Kilroy had died on 27 Dec 70. So far as I know, he had never married. He attended our 50th Reunion and seemed to enjoy it. After a long struggle, with more than a year in the VA Hosp in Palo Alto, Ike Ritchie succumbed on 21 Aug. He will be widely missed, especially by those living on the West Coast. He was buried at WP, with Roy Green and some WP officials in attendance. Our sincere sympathy goes to Charlotte.

Her many friends will be distressed to learn that Bunny Whitney (Phil's wife) died of cancer on 31 Aug. Phil planned to visit their son, Phil Jr., in HI in Sept. Clarence Frank's wife Helen died on 15 Aug. I am sure that all classmates join me in condolences to Phil and Clarence. Of the 284 who graduated, my records show 134 still living.



'20

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With great sadness I report Nell Amazeen, Hippo Swartz and Dinty Moore have departed.

Nell died 20 Jul at home in Mountain View, CA. The news came from the Hammonds ('19) who had served with Zuke in the SC. Nell suffered a stroke after a broken hip from a series of falls in May. She was buried in Arlington. Attending with Zuke were his son, Charles P. Jr. (LTC in OASD Comp) with his wife Marilyn, and 3 young grandsons; Reeder (Aug '17), the Hammonds, and classmates Farrell, Hinds, the John Mitchells, Bill Mitchell, the Rehms, Samouce, Seybold and Tully. Zuke is now with his son's family at 2108 Penfield Ln, Bowie, MD 20715. Our deepest sympathies go to them and their loved ones.

Hippo suffered a coronary 23 Aug at his Tacoma, WA, home and died shortly after reaching Madigan Gen Hosp. Goff telephoned the sad news to Holle and helped Isabelle and dau Jo (WAC LTC, stationed at the Presidio of SF and hoping for transfer to Ft Lewis, WA to be near her mother). Hippo was buried with full military honors at the New Tacoma Cemetery. Among many service and civilian friends on hand to honor him were classmates: the Bares, Crist (from Bradenton, FL, visiting son Bill Jr. '50 in Seattle), the Goffs, Reuter (from Pebble Beach, CA at Port Townsend, WA), the Wahls (from King City, OR) and the Welches. Hippo was "the salt of the earth." Goff so aptly phrased it for us, "He was a real gentleman, human, proud of USMA, a lovable husband and father with a host of staunch friends in the service and hereabouts since ret. Striking tributes paid him by his former enlisted men and officers from the SW Pac and Korea show the real field soldier he was." Class Secy Farrell sent personal condolences and condolences from the Class. Jo replied how grateful she and her mother were for these and other heartfelt expressions received, "We have been enveloped by dignified and disciplined love and protected by it. Surely no one could have asked more of the 5 classmates in this area." Our deepest sympathies go to Isabelle and Jo and their loved ones.

And Dinty had not been well for some time. He died 15 Sept at his home in Point Clear, AL, and was buried at Pine Crest

Cemetery in Mobile. Here's Moreland's word to Holle: "Dinty died quietly and peacefully. Annie has had a stroke and has asked me to write you. The interment was simple and impressive—with the flag-draped coffin a military feature. LTC Terence J. Connell '58, representing the Mobile Engr Dist and USMA, presented the flag to Annie." Dinty's first wife Virginia had died in 47 and their son Wayne Jr. '49 was killed in 50 in an air accident. Ret. in 50 from his last duty on the Engr Rivers and Harbors Bd in DC, Dinty moved to Point Clear, AL, where he married Annie Marie Delchamps. Only she and his brother Donald of Roslyn, NY, survive him. Our heartfelt sympathies go to them and their loved ones.

The Goffs planned to be in Majorca in the Balearic Isles 1-15 Oct.

The annual elections for 5 of the 10 members of the Class Governing Cmte resulted in the election of Byers, Hasbrouck, Lemnitzer, John Mitchell, Plank and Rehm (6 because 2 had tied for 5th place) with Chitterling, Fisher, Stratton and Tully closely contesting. They will serve until Oct 75 while the incumbents—Bessell, Farrell, Hinds, Holle and Samouce—have one more yr, till Oct 74.

Remember that hot 4 Jul formation in Beast Barracks 55 yrs ago when we were sworn in as cadets? This occasion and our Nation's 197th Glorious Fourth were duly celebrated at the Hinds' "Fort" in Falls Church, VA. After "Retreat" and "To the Colors" on Sid's hi-fi for Old Glory on the tall flagpole out front, "Mess Call" was sounded for the picnic supper of fried chicken and all the trimmings done to a turn a la Gina Hinds. DC area classmates enjoying these memorable events and the Hinds' gracious hospitality were the Burns, Byers, Cassidys, Coe (Kay is still recovering from the aneurism surgery last Feb), Farrells, Fisher, Georges, Hines, Hollis, John Mitchells, Rehms, Routheaus, Strattons and Tullys.

The Lunnis took a trip to HI as a preview to their Golden Wedding Day 28 Aug. This was a very festive, gold-motifed celebration co-hosted by their 3 sons, Stuart, Wilburn Jr., and Robert, and their families at Stuart's home in Shreveport, LA; with Wilburn's and Mary-Blanche's many local and out-of-town friends attending. This news came by Grapevine Telegraph via West of Gainesville, FL, who couldn't attend and sent me Wilburn's note and newspaper clipping of the event. Congratulations and best wishes from us all, Wilburn and Mary-Blanche.

Charlie also enclosed Jeff Box's regrets to Wilburn which said, "It would certainly give me and my new wife a great deal of pleasure to be present (but) we are headed for a month's stay in Europe. Three months ago I married Kathryn Pence, widow of BG Pence." This being rather incomplete, the Grapevine Telegraph was again invoked—via Holle, BG Wm P. Pence '27 of Alexandria, VA, and widow of Tracy Davis who died in 67 in Columbus, GA. The latter cleared it up thus: "Jeff Box and Kathryn Pence, widow of BG Charles Pence, were married 17 May 1973 in the Trinity Episcopal Church in Columbus. The service was attended by the children, grandchildren and some great-grandchildren of the principals. A small reception for family and friends was held at Jeff's house. The Boxes spent most of the summer at Atlantic Beach, FL, and have now gone to Europe." We all send belated good wishes for much happiness to you, Jeff and Kathryn.

Mrs. Tracy Davis signed her letter "Louise Garrard Davis Blanchard." Further local grapevine has established that Louise Davis

married Dr. Mercer Blanchard, prominent pediatrician in Columbus, GA, about 3 yrs ago. We wish you many more years of happiness, Louise and Mercer.

More from West, "Lichtenwalter is off on a trip to Colo, TX, and Ft Leavenworth where his son Bud (LTC Leon Jr. '52) is now stationed."

And now, hear ye! And hear ye again! Still another wedding, no less! This comes to you courtesy of rumors Jun thru Jul from the Travises in FL, Tully in DC and Raymond (via ham radio telephone) in NJ, as finally corroborated by the groom mid-Aug after nary a whisper in his early Jul letter describing WP visit at Graduation Week. So, here it is: John McNulty took unto himself lovely Kathryn Leahey as bride, 20 Jul at St. Raphael's Church on Snell Isle in St. Petersburg, FL. Only family members attended, including John's 5 married sons and daus and spouses. Kathryn's close friend Clem (Mrs. Peter) Sherman was matron of honor and John Jr. was best man. The bride was the widow of Mr. Robert Leahey, master photographer, who died in 69. She is a prominent civic leader, a well-known orchid expert and judge at intl orchid shows, and a member of the Stuart Soc of the Museum of Arts. As we all know, John resigned from the Army in 21 but returned 42-45 to earn the LM for serving with distinction as PM of NYC during WWII. Joining the Prudential Ins Co. in 22 he was soon a leading life ins figure. In 29 he became Mgr of the Times Square Agency of this largest ins co in America and remained with it until ret. in 59. Ever active in civic affairs, he was 3 times Pres of the prestigious NY Athletic Club 53-55 and was in demand as a public speaker. And he remained ever close to our Alma Mater, serving as Class Pres 40-65 and still attending annual meetings of the USMA Bd of Trustees of which he has been honorary member since 63. In 59 John and his beloved wife Belle ret. to St. Petersburg, FL. Tragedy overtook them there in 69 when Belle died. But John's life continued full and rewarding as a devoted father and grandfather. After a Caribbean cruise honeymoon, John and Kathryn are home at 2000 Brightwaters Blvd in St. Petersburg. We all wish them many happy years ahead.

Madeline Travis writes, "The fishing hasn't been worth a single brag so Bigun came home with a collection of AAA maps yesterday. Maybe we'll shake these chains of contentment?? Oops! Prospects just dimmed—he had a great morning and we'll have fish for dinner! on Fri yet." Bigun came out well at his last quarterly check-up at Walter Reed. In Jul he and Madeline hailed the triumphant return of the Leland Smiths after Leland's serious illness at the Bethesda Naval Hosp in May; and also Henning's return home to recuperate after a stay at McDill AFB Gen Hosp.

The Farrells visited MAJ Frank Jr. '60 to celebrate his birthday at Ft Leavenworth where he was born.

The Densons spent a few days in early Jul at the Farmington CC in Charlottesville, VA, and later basked at Bethany Beach, DE. The Samouces joined the Densons in Charlottesville where their son, Dr. Richard G. Hunter, is a neurologist at the U. of VA Hosp. They returned later for a glimpse of 2d grandson born 17 Aug.

The Holles spent 7-17 Jul in Ottawa attending the XXIII Congress of the Permanent Intl Assn of Navigation Congresses. This Assn is an intl forum for exchange of



1920: John McNulty and his bride.

information on improving harbors, rivers and canals. Its members include many countries, corporations and interested individuals. Its Governing Cmte meets annually, usually in a European host country. Full congresses meet quadrennially—in 61 in Baltimore when Charles was Secy-Gen at the XXth Congress; in Stockholm in 65; and in Paris in 69. From Ottawa, Anne and Charles toured the Gaspé Peninsula at the mouth of the St. Lawrence R.

The Georges had a visit mid-Aug from Alex's 1st cousin, Dr. Adam MacDonald and his wife of the Orkney Isles, Scotland. He had ret. 3 yrs ago from a chair in medicine at Manchester U. in England and was on his way to lecture at Tulane U. in LA. Alex and Louise drove off later for a month's tour in Nova Scotia.

The MacMillans (AR) sailed 25 Aug for 2 wks in England, half that time on the plush Queen Elizabeth II—"That's England, too," Mac says.

The Byers left mid-Sept for their usual 2-wk vacation with their sisters and their husbands at Cape Ann, MA. End Oct they planned driving to son Clayton in Greenville, SC; to Marie's sister's family in Naples, FL; and return in time for Thanksgiving with relatives in Columbus, OH.

Casgrain has again let Mildred and dau Charlotte vacation the summer away at their ME hideaway, contenting himself only with chance visits away from his arduous schedule as Secy of DC's Chapter 100 of the AARP.

Honnen writes, "I take my home-made generals daily and observe diet hoping to cut down my triglycerides—really training for the 55th."

And so is Raymond who ham-radio-telephoned a vital correction to my last ASSEMBLY scribble—that Hank (Dr.) Kissinger was no student but a valued instr at Bugs' EUCOM Intel Sch at Oberammergau. Hope this correction preserves diplomatic relations for Pork Chop Lake.

Bartlett (WH) golfs Tues and Thurs with Howard and Reuter. He says, "The cool climate, 50 to 70, allows walking in a high fog until after 10 a.m. when the sun appears to take off the chill and also the sweater." In mid-summer yet! Just what the doctor

would have ordered for us Easterners gasping in the stagnant 100-degree heat and peering thru the longest air pollution alert in history, 25 Aug-6 Sept. And he even sent a picture with a beautiful water "hazard" (Monterey Bay) as backdrop.

Did you know we have a poet in our midst? It cropped out at the 30th Reunion (in 73) at Terre Haute, IN of the 738th FA Bn of Bartlett's (WH) 183rd FA Gp. There he waxed highly lyrical with 2 masterful paens of praise for the Bn's doughty men and their pounding 8" howitzers. They had stopped cold the 11th SS Panzer Div at the envelopment of NANCY (Fr) by the 4th Armd Div of Patton's Third Army in 44. With duly respectful apologies to Snitz Gruber ('04) and his great arty song of yesteryear, Bart burst forth with:

"On the way! Kaa-lump-kite . . .
 . . . our guns caught the Panzer Huns
 As they struck our open flank.
 . . . by skill and indomitable will
 . . . we blanked their clank."

This led Hunk Holbrook (Nov '18) to write him, "I was surprised to find a poet in my command back in those hectic days. Hope the literary world will give full recognition by having these 2 masterpieces required reading at all institutions of higher learning. Why were your talents wasted in the Math Dept at USMA?" (Bart's Gp was in direct support of Hunk's CCA 11th Armd Div in the longest sustained armd drive in history—from Frankfurt across the Main up to the Czech border, along it and into LINZ, Austria.)

Very sadly I report late news that Rip Brady, Bill Bailey and Molly Williams have departed.

Rip died of a heart attack 27 Sept 73 at Munson Army Hosp, Ft Leavenworth, KS. Word reached me from Polly's Survivor Assistance O, LTC Donald E. Press '57. Rip was buried with full military honors at St Mary's Cemetery, Independence, MO. Our deepest sympathies go to Polly, their two daus, son, 8 grandchildren and their loved ones.

Bill died 8 Oct 73 in the hospital at Newport Beach, CA, after an 8-mo. battle with cancer. This had followed successful recovery from major cardio-vascular surgery in 70. He was buried at the WP Cemetery. The Bessells, Hasbrouck, E.C. Johnstons, Lambert and Reierson were among those paying final tribute. Our heartfelt sympathies go to Helen, their son, LTC George William III '57 (now on ROTC duty at U. of DE), 3 grandchildren and their loved ones.

And Molly died 14 Oct 73 at Brooke Army Med Ctr, Ft Sam Houston, TX, after serious illnesses over the past 2 yrs. Molly had cut a wide swathe in his career as one of our top leaders. After being Arty CG of Patton's Third Army in WWII he held high cmd posts, including Dpty CG Third Army, Cmdt A&MC, Dpty CG CONARC and, lastly, CG Fourth Army for his last 2 yrs before ret. in 61. He was buried at the Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery. Classmates O.R. Johnston, Singer, Perwein and Withers were among those rendering final honors. Our deepest sympathies go to Angel, their two daus, two grandchildren and their loved ones.





1921-22: Harry and Hazel Haas at West Point, 15 Sept 1923.

'21-'22

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It is with deep regret to report that Toy Gregory passed away on 29 Aug 73. For the past several years Toy had suffered from leukemia. But despite this serious illness it did not slow him down. He attended our 50th Reunion at WP and the "Snow-bird" reunion last Mar in Miami. In partnership with his son in the law profession, Toy spent some part of each day at his office. Toy and I served together on the OCO both in the Pentagon and Detroit during WWII. Living with him during those 4 yrs I got to know him and respect him for his integrity and the high principles that he lived up to. I, as have all Orioles, lost a close friend. Toy is survived by his wife Frances, son Toy Jr., daughter Rhea, and brother Ned. Burial was in the Field of Honor, Memorial Gardens, Las Vegas, NV. On behalf of the Class I extend to Frances, Toy Jr., Rhea and Ned our sincere heartfelt sympathy.

By way of Al Kastner word came about Charlie Dobbs' 50th wedding anniv. Charlie and Kathreen were married on 22 Aug 23 at Brownwood, TX and Al was the best man at the wedding. The Dobbs celebrated the occasion at the home of their son in Sand Springs, OK. Their daughter and her family were also present. Needless to say it was a gala celebration and a most enjoyable one. Charlie reports that he and Kathreen are enjoying better health than they might have expected from the passage of time. He plays golf a couple of times a week, does the yard work and helps a doctor friend keep track of his expenses. Maybe this doctor relation has something to do with his good health. Anyhow congratulations to you both and on behalf of the class we wish you many more happy years together. I had asked Charlie for some "then-and-now" pictures but did not get any.

While on the subject of wedding anniv your scribe and his bride celebrated their 50th wedding anniv on 15 Sept. Our daughter and her family spent the better part of the summer with us leading up to the celebration. She presented us with 2 scrap books (bulging at the seams) containing pictures, well wishes,

poems, anecdotes, etc., covering our lives from childhood to the present. Several of our friends and relations gathered at our home for the celebration. We are most grateful to all of you who sent us good wishes and we thank you most kindly.

In a letter from Benny Chidlaw to my daughter he stated that he and Lillian celebrated their 50th wedding anniv last May 1st. He did not tell me about it at the time despite my several appeals in these notes to please keep me posted on these landmark events. Benny wrote, "Our children and grandchildren had a big party for us on the occasion of our own golden wedding anniv which we celebrated with our family and friends on May 1st this year. It was truly a great occasion for the old Chidlaws and one we shall never forget." I know what you mean!

The "50 Club" now has the following membership: Marcus, Lawton, Klein, Chidlaw, Dobbs, and Haas. (To the best of my knowledge. If there are others, please don't keep it a secret.) By the time you read these notes Cort and Wy Schuyler will have celebrated their golden wedding anniv, 15 Dec. Ollie and Dolly Hughes will celebrate theirs 7 Jan.

It's like an old broken victrola record: "You never know when or where you will run into another Oriole." When the Andersons were in Oslo last summer they were browsing around the Grand Hotel when someone put his arms around them. Who should it be but Ham Mayer. Ham, Katherine, their daughter Jane, and granddaughter Terry were touring Europe. Ham had bought the best Mercedes Benz he could find in Germany so they were touring by auto. They had visited their grandson who is stationed in Germany with the AF, and had then proceeded to the Scandinavian countries.

The Andersons toured Scandinavia from bottom to top: Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland. According to Andy and Lucile, aside from the long delayed trip home from Copenhagen it was a most enjoyable tour.

The Ficklens met with some misfortune last Mar. While they were making "Whoopie" at the Oriole Snow-bird reunion at the Deerfield Country Club someone burglarized their room at the Howard Johnson Hotel and made off with Hebe's cash, jewelry, and credit cards that were then used for \$183.00 of fraudulent purchases. Holmes said his insurance covered most of the loss. This is most unusual. Don't let this incident deter you from attending these winter reunions.

Everything happens to Holmes Ficklen. Last May while attending an Offshore Tech Conf in Houston, TX, he suffered heart attack No. 7 while driving his car. He demolished a utility pole, his car and himself. After several weeks in a VA Hosp and Brooke GH, he was finally "put back together again" (his quote). He suffered brain concussion, multiple fractures and loss of all his upper teeth. But all of that has not slowed him down. He and Hebe went on a 43-day Pacific cruise starting in early Oct covering everything from Tahiti to Australia, New Zealand and back by way of HI.

Johnny Johnson's African safari finally got under way last Aug. Among several trophies he got a bull buffalo. He wrote that there was a lion roaring at night near his camp and he hoped he would get it. We will have to let you know in the next issue how he made out.

A note from Mark McClure about the DC luncheon stated that the Jul luncheon was not well attended. Present were: Cook, Leedy, McClure and Max Taylor. "We discussed

the issues of the day and while there were some astute statements made, I don't believe we reached any positive decisions on the subjects that were raised." Sounds familiar.

You will recall at our 50th Reunion Lou Dolan (ex-Oriole) managed to get around with the aid of a cane. Last May he underwent surgery necessitated by arthritis and now he has a steel and plastic joint in his right hip. We hope that by now Lou is again playing 18 holes without the use of a golf cart.

The Dolans celebrated their 45th wedding anniv at the home of their daughter who also lives in Pearl River, NY. Their 6 children and 18 of their 20 grandchildren were present for the occasion. That's practically the birth of a nation. Congratulations to Lou and Marion and we wish them many more happy years together.

Chub and Marion Leonard "almost" went to Scotland last May. After waiting a week at Dover AFB for available space they finally got under way only to be turned back twice because of navigational instrument failure. They gave up and decided to try again in Oct. They think that they might have better success at McGuire or Charleston.

As reported in these notes last Sept, the 1935-1938 classes of the WP Prep Sch (WPPS) at Ft Scott, CA, held a reunion at the Presidio of San Fran last Aug 25th and 26th and Bill and Marge Lawton were the honored guests. Bill was presented with a Le Coultre "ATMOS" clock suitably engraved and Marge an attractive original metal sculpture of a wind-blown Monterey cypress. The affair was attended by 40 grads of the WPPS including their wives and all but 4 were USMA grads. This was quite an unprecedented affair. It shows to what high esteem these people hold our Bill. But we felt like that about Bill over 50 yrs ago. It was a grand and thoughtful tribute to a wonderful couple.

Last Jun the Editor of this magazine advised me that there were 11 Orioles who were not, repeat not subscribers to this magazine. He added "You have a very good subscription record compared to other classes." I understand that the Sept issue was sent to all grads whose addresses are on file with the AOG. Since I sent one of



1921-22: GEN Lawton (with Mrs. Lawton) holding up clock presented to him by his "Candidate Cadets" at Presidio of SF, 25 August.

our address lists to the Assn every one in the class should receive a copy of that ASSEMBLY. Let's make it 100 percent. Everyone subscribe.

Babe and Patti Wilson went to Europe last Sept, but that is all I know about the trip.

Last Spring "PD" Lynch took off on a trip to the West Coast to visit friends and relations. The route he took came near some classmates, but he did not see any. "PD" keeps himself busy gardening, repairing the old homestead and with his amateur radio gear. By means of the daio he can communicate with old friends. He had dinner with the Bob Taylors last summer and reports that both Bob and Janet are well and keep busy babysitting the grandchildren.

Change of Address

Bill and Dorothy Kyle's new address is: 700 S. Ocean Blvd, Apt 204, Boca Raton, FL 33432. They have the same phone number.

'23

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The fall-out from Reunion in terms of letters, conversations and pics has continued in great volume. King's Cmte and the Washington Group appreciate your comments.

We have word of several Class parties, notably in the Far West and elsewhere where one of the main purposes was to discuss and show pics of what happened. Craigie has a short film which he has shown numerous times.

It turns out that there were several groups at Reunion who roomed together early in our Cadet days. They included: Breidster, Chandler and Joe Smith; Rich, G.H. Palmer and Price; A.L. Johnson, W.G. Johnson and Grombach; Harmony and Lucas.

There were other notable groups, e.g., 8 members of the soccer team of our First Class year and if McInerney had been able to make it as he planned, we would have had the K Co "brass" including also Conner, Horton and Kehm. What makes the groups notable is that they have survived intact for 54 years and were from a total of only the 80 who attended Reunion. There were probably others we have not heard from.

There were several incidents on the lighter side including transportation problems, the near loss of Harmony's baggage on the way to Reunion, and one of our heroes found and rescued several obviously distraught ladies in the basement of the Mess Hall during the Alumni dinner.

PICTURES, PICTURES, PICTURES

I trust you will agree that the Editor of ASSEMBLY was generous and sound in the selection of pics included in the last ASSEMBLY. I sent in a great number because they varied widely in quality and suggested priorities but gave him wide latitude in selections so that he could fit them in the available space and with any the official Academy photographer might have. A good picture of Breidster presenting the Supe with our Class Gift was featured in the front part of the Sept ASSEMBLY. The omission of a picture of the Carnes family and our Class Cup was covered by the inclusion of one in the Class of '45 column. We thought we should have a picture of Lily Noyes and her son, who has aspirations to be a cadet in a few years. I also thought you'd enjoy a close-up of the Fickle One on Battle Monument as we saw her for part of the Reunion.

Trooper Price took 180 pics. There were



1923: The Fickle One from Battle Monument.

of course some that are of little or no use for various reasons. By the time you see this we will have printed, sorted, marked, selected and sent a set to some 43 persons who subscribed for the selections. We will also have prepared annotated lists of the usable prints. Such a list, set of prints, and the negatives will be sent to Trooper who can have copies made for you. I will have a list and set here for info and ref. Some good pics were sent in by classmates. I'm not sure what we can do to get word around about them.

We have a partly annotated copy of the Class photo from Breidster. I will seek to get it completed and to ASSEMBLY as soon as practicable.

OUR COM.

Breidster sent a letter to GEN Danford right after Reunion thanking him for his contribution to the devel of the Acad and our Class. In reply GEN Danford recalled Fritz' rendition of "thipping thider thru a thraw" and added "may all good things continue to come to my cadets."

PEOPLE PATTERN

The Bruce Kings are happy in their new condominium even though Nell has not been too well since her surgery early this year. They are looking forward to a cruise to Mexico.

Bill Schaffer wrote that indifferent health precluded his attendance at Reunion. He had nice things to say about "Thoughts on the 50th Reunion of the Class of 1923," and reported that Tredennick had given him glowing accounts of the event.

In the last few months Harmony and I have been out of step on dope for ASSEMBLY. We are now in tune so I am passing on some accumulated pearls about our San Fran legion. We all noted that he was having a great time at Reunion. He says that during the boat trip on the Hudson O'Reilly pointed out the place where he and Jazz had rested



1923: Lily Noyes and her son, Eric, at Reunion.

while madly skating back from Newburgh against an adverse wind. He says Mergens is planning to move back to San Fran from the Hunter Liggett Reservation. The Harmonys visited the Robinsons in Sun City, CA, and found them in good shape and very hospitable. They met the Cavenders before starting home. En route they visited the Reids finding both well along in recovering from surgery and Kay in addition getting over injuries from an accident which wiped out the car. They also saw the McLeans at Arroyo Grande.

Jazz says that Mike Buckley's grandson who entered Gonzaga U. this fall is a 3 handicap golfer and plays like one. The San Fran Fran Four, Binns, Buckley, Harmony and O.C. Stewart, are still going strong but no one seems quite sure whether golf or the BS, sandwiches and beer, are the main event.

Heaney reports that Gurley traveled with them to Richmond after Reunion. Charlotte Gurley did not come to Reunion because she was recovering from an operation in May. They are now back in HI planning to sell their apartment and return to the mainland. He also reported that after some delay Marian Dewey's claim for SPB had been approved. The fact that the Heaneys were helpful in the matter should remind us all that we can often be helpful to each other in some of the complexities involved in ret. and dependents' entitlements.

P. Roy Dwyer spends much time and effort trying to stay in touch with the Class in his area. From time to time he sends them info and asks for poop. He is not happy about the limited success but he keeps at it. He is equally active in affairs of the 102d Div Assn. This year that again included helping on their 25th Reunion, writing their periodical and meeting with local units. He suggests that a 52½ Reunion should be on a date other than Homecoming Day. He also reports that his grandson wants to enter the Academy in 75 and that Tredennick is still busy getting candidates for USMA. He noted that Trooper Price visited the Wilders on his way home from Reunion and that the Gettys had visited the Tredennicks and their own daughter at Carlisle.

The W.G. Johnsons entertained Jan White, the Pierces, grandchildren and Ruth's sister and brother during a busy, busy summer.

Edna and John Salsman demonstrated real togetherness when they broke into Walter Reed at the same time this Aug. They take only limited comfort when they are told they are now recovering at the rate common "to our age."

Elsie Adams is recovering from a back injury.

Dorothy and I had planned to visit her daughter Virginia and husband in Ankara just about the time Virginia had to come back to do more planning for the home they are remodeling near Providence, RI; so we stayed here to receive her and then went to Providence, RI, to get our two-cents in on the planning. I came back with mild flu and mild shingles. Both are disappearing slowly but it seems, surely.

I am quoting this memo from Grombach because it is newsworthy and expresses feelings about the Reunion shared by many of us:

"The aftermath and results of our 50th Reunion were, this correspondent believes, record-breaking. I alone received 27 letters from classmates following the Reunion or immediately contemporary with it.

"First come the sad stories. McInerney and his wife, both with broken hips, wanted to attend so badly they cried for help which

was forthcoming, but after arrangements had been started for transportation, Rose could not make it so they both abandoned the project. Frank Wilder, in NJ, whom I talked to with Trooper Price after the Reunion, regretted health problems prevented him from making it. After a short visit with me, Trooper visited Frank and then went on to many visits across the country, returning to his home on 26 Jun after traveling over 12,000 miles to the Reunion and back. Everyone, incidentally, including myself and evidently you, had unusual emotional impacts from the Reunion. Trooper described it as ambivalent dichotomic . . . the feeling that we are all young again and also old, old . . . so old.

"Wendell Johnson and Al Johnson reminded me at the Reunion that we were probably the only plebe roommates still punching and all 3 at a 50th Reunion. Although not in my area, it was wonderful to hear from John Warren, one of the greats in our class, for my money, who is down with bronchial emphysema. Cecil Nist, who is in my area, topped all my correspondents with some of the '23 class stationery from the year 22 and a wonderful script typewriter that types like a beautiful handwriting. I heard from John Geraci, in NJ, the WP fencing coach whom I had hoped to see at the Reunion but somehow missed.

"In the dept of missing persons I still have not been able to locate Frank Beadle. If anyone knows where he is, let me and Baron Kehm know.

"One more interesting item brought out by our Reunion, namely, that Alan Helffrich, pres of the Olympians who participated in the presentation of the Olympic plaque, was an Olympic track man on both the 20 and 24 Olympic teams, is a Penn State man and a close friend of the late "Rags" Madera, also of Penn State, and Intercollegiate Heavy-weight Boxing champion in 21 and 23 whom I boxed at WP in 22. Madera was on the U.S. Olympic Boxing Team with me in Paris in 24 and we became close friends. He later became an M.D. but that did not prevent him from passing away early."

All of us remember the bout with Madera and that Frenchy won, though few of us would have bet a thin cent on him as they entered the ring.

Frenchy has now resigned from membership on the U.S. Olympic Games Cmte and actively coaching pentathlon teams. His "Olympic Guide" is optioned to the U.S. and Germany for 76 and he hopes to produce a French edition for the Montreal games. The total circulation is about 3,000,000 in 9 languages.

He is now considering a review on "West Point: America's Power Fraternity" by Galloway and Johnson which he feels is in the same class as the writings of Lucien K. Truscott IV and the book, "Soldier," by Herbert. It is painfully obvious that such misleading materials need to be countered and that calls for careful and well thought-out treatment to make sure that such writers cannot, as they so often do, twist against us anything we submit in support of the armed forces and defense needs.

Olga Grombach had a major operation but is recuperating quite well.

Rosenberg reports that Deke Stone initiated and organized a gathering to bring the spirit of the Reunion to the Shorts and the Fowlers who were unable to come to WP. In addition to them those present were the Dunnes, Cavenders, Robinsons, Rosenbergs, Endertons, Ken Webber and Betty Lord. Pics of Reunion and slides of the Noyes'



1923: The Lee Shafers on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

family trip up the Alaskan Mountain named after Judge Noyes were shown, and there was a game in which HOWITZER resumés of those present but with names deleted, were circulated and those present were asked to identify the one described in each one. Try it, you'll like it!

In a previous ASSEMBLY I reported that an application, accompanied by several letters from very senior ret. officers and others, had been submitted for the promotion of Frank Dodd to the rank he held before being reduced in the Far East in 52—a reduction which one civilian historian has said "... compares only with the Dreyfus affair as a case of flagrant injustice." Word has recently been received that the Board has denied the application. That does not preclude further action even though Frank has died. The Class has taken no position on this matter. I am reporting it here merely as a matter of interest. Individuals desiring further information, or to register their view, may do so through me as an individual matter.

COMMUNICATION GAP?

The following is taken from a letter from Walter Evans:

"I always read 23's column in the ASSEMBLY with fond recollections of my father's (John H. Evans) and my mother's (Sara) friends and their youngsters whom I and my sisters knew over the years. Hence this Evans brood status report:

"Nance is the wife of BG Albion Knight '44. Her first husband, W.S. Price (son of A.L. Price '22) was killed in RVN in 68. Their son, Brian Price, is a plebe at WP. Nance has 2 other sons and 2 daughters. She and her family live in Bethesda.

"Liz, everyone's spinster aunt, a writer for Time-Life Books.

"Sali (Sara) a GS 15 directing personnel computer programs for the Navy Dept with 2 youngsters, Mike and Matt.

"Myself, disability ret. from State after directing an overseas mission, married with 3 youngsters, Sara a Jr at Wyndham, Stacey at Friends and John at Deutsche Schule in DC. Wife, Renate, supervises a chaotic household. I am currently Directing Contracts Adm for a firm and listed in 'Who's Who in America' for something I have yet to figure out.

"After my mother died in 50, my father remarried in 53. His widow Maggie and their daughter Margie live in Altoona, PA.

"In particular I remember the Weikerts, who raised unholy hell with me for 'watering' their flower garden—without water—more than once, as a 4-5 year old; (Young) Willie Grove (both our fathers and we competed in academy preps and at the Point); Endertons, Osbornes and Cruvers at the Point in the 30s; the Howells, neighbors at Benning; the Bowens, etc."

TAPS

Ralph Neal's wife, Henrietta, died on 19 Aug. You may recall that she was flown to Tripler Hosp via Walter Reed when she became seriously ill at Reunion. Though her's was a sad ending, she did seem to enjoy part of their 2 days at WP, seeing her son while she was en route to HI, and later knowing that he had entered USNA as a plebe.

Jean, wife of George Stewart, died 28 Jul and was buried at Arlington 31 Jul. Classmates and other friends attended the services. Fritz has expressed our sympathy to Ralph and George.

WE SONS OF AN EARLIER DAY SALUTE YOU!

So far as I can find out we have 3 grandsons and one son in the Class of '77, as our 50th Reunion plebes. I tried to find out how they were doing and how they reacted to USMA.

Gjelsteen arranged for me to talk to his son by phone. Andy who had been at Culver said Beast Barracks was tough, he lost weight and was hungry most of the time, but he learned a lot and felt he got into good physical shape. A bit discouraged at first he found things easier and more interesting after they joined their companies and began academics. He is now on intramural track and is looking forward to skiing this winter. He is impressed with the caliber of his classmates and the tough fairness of the upper classes. He has been to hops and had dinner with an officer-family, friends of his roommate.

Craigie says his grandson Mike also says Beast Barracks was strenuous. Bill said he agreed when he reviewed the schedule. Mike is on the cross-country squad and has been included in parties at the home of the coach. He seems to be taking plebe life in stride.

Timberman's grandson, J.W. Callaghan Jr. came from the WP prep at Belvoir. He too found Beast Barracks tough and more so than Army Basic Trng. He also lost weight but now that things are easing up he is in good spirits and enthusiastic about the Academy.

Brian Price, grandson of Jack Evans, seems to have had some of the worries that practically all new cadets encounter in Beast Barracks but he got over that. When his mother and stepfather visited him in mid-Sept he was all enthused and, in fact, feared he is gaining weight and was worried about the trend of some of the recent relaxations. He too is on a corps squad.

The above is clearly not a "study in depth." But from it and other information it seems safe to feel that cadet basic training is excellent and thorough and that the emphasis in personal relationship among cadets is along sound lines and appreciated by the cadets. We graduates know that cadets develop and their attitudes change. Our 50th Reunion cadets are launched. It remains to see where and how they orbit. We wish them every success in learning how to bear the motto of WP.

I trust all of you noted that the last issue

of ASSEMBLY went to all grads on whom AOG had valid addresses. If any of you failed to complete the questionnaire it contained we urge you to do so to help make ASSEMBLY even better.

While the Annual Appeal for funds provides the major support for AOG, membership and subscription to its publications are also highly significant. We commend them to each of you. In that connection I am happy to report that another of our ex-cadets, Arch Coleman, has signed up. Now Y'all come!

Keane sent us a clipping reporting that the Schlatters visited their daughter Anne who is married to Peyton Cook, son of Orval Cook '22. Anne is studying German and doing volunteer work in sports and social activities for American Women in Germany.

Gettys reports that he was the sole rep of '23 at a USMA Society meeting at Indian Rock Beach, FL, in Sept and has learned that Maddocks is recovering from successful surgery and that his wife Leslie is due for a cataract operation.

Adams reports that the status of our fund is as shown in the last ASSEMBLY and hence still better than that of the U.S.

NEW ADDRESSES

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Breidster and the DC Group send you their regards and ask you to let us know what's on your mind and give us your support. Remember that the deadline for ASSEMBLY appears in the Bulletin Bd of each issue and govern yourself accordingly. Include some poop for ASSEMBLY on your Xmas card to anyone in the DC area.

If I want to be on time I've got to wish you season's greetings now!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

'24

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The 50th Year Reunion Committee has been occupied this past summer and fall in planning the reunion and in initiating the arrangements for the various activities on the program. A schedule of these activities has already been sent to all Class members and widows. Comments and suggestions are welcome and may be sent to the Cmte or to the Secy-Treas.

The scarcity of news for this issue of the ASSEMBLY makes it necessary for your scribe to resort to a personal item. On a recent trip to East Africa, John and Mae Hincke made a 4-day safari into the animal country of Kenya. Mae unlimbered her camera, the modern weapon for expeditions of this sort, and shot 4 lions at 20 feet. She also captured on film many elephants, hippos, rhinos, giraffes, zebras, gazelles, cheetahs and other jungle animals at close range in their native habitat. While we were encamped near the base of Mt. Kilimanjaro, some monkeys got into the serving of morning tea which had been placed in front of our tent, and not only ate all the sugar but ran off with the sugar bowl.

Louise Reese, former widow of Buck Purcell, has informed us of the sudden death of her husband, apparently of a heart attack, on 16 Jun. The Class extends its condolences. Louise also visited El Paso in Jul where she



1924: Mae Hincke in Africa.

saw the Merckles, Millers and Willie Thompson.

Last fall, the Bill O'Connors abandoned the bucolic life at the foot of the Huachuca Mts in AZ near the Mex border, and bought a smaller place in Tucson where they can keep an eye on the activities of Forbes, Lenzner and Ben Mesick. Also, Bill informs us that he questions the accuracy of the dubious description of the origins of our sobriquet, "The Thundering Herd," which was published a few years ago. Bill says he thinks the expression was coined in a poem written late in 1920 although all the Class poets in the DC area have failed to confirm his theory. Anyone having a better idea please sound off.

The Pointer celebrated its 50th anniv last fall with the publication of a Golden Anniv Issue. The number reprinted a selection of the more consequential articles which mirrored the mores, humor, poetic and literary abilities and other facets of life within the Corps during the past half-century. It will be recalled that The Pointer was founded and brought into being entirely by the Class of '24, largely through the persistent efforts of Dave Page, Frank Graling, Buck Lanham and others of the Class literati. Not the least of their difficulties in getting the publication started was that of securing the approval of the Supt. This was reluctantly given in 4th Indorsement dated Hq, USMA, 9 Aug 23, which stated that approval was granted for a period of only one year and directed that the finances of the publication be so arranged that it could be stopped at any time. Fortunately, publication did not stop, approval was renewed, and The Pointer now ranks among the best collegiate periodicals in the country.

We regret to report that Helen Coombs passed away last Jun in CA. Burial was in Burlingame. Also, word has been received that George B. Leonard died on 9 Jan 68. Late receipt of this information was due to George's address not being on file. We also regret to report that Mary Cooper died on 31 Jul. Burial services were held at Ft Sam Houston on 6 Aug. Floral tributes from the Class were sent.

Sandy Goodman was operated on for removal of gallstones in Jun. He returned home early in Jul and reported that he was eating and drinking whatever he pleased and hoped to be back at his favorite sport of square dancing in Aug.

George Lightcap says that 73 was not one of his better years. A fall down the stairs of his apartment, followed by a serious auto

accident on Valentine's Day, sent him to the hospital and convalescent home for a brief stay and he has not been feeling very hot since then.

Russ and Janet Moses sold their place in Dallas and moved to Clear Lakes, near Quitman, TX, where they have a comfortable cottage in a half-acre lot. They went to Rock Rapids, IA, in Jun to attend the 50th reunion of Janet's HS class, and later visited her sister in Jefferson, IA. Son William, a LTC, is Dir of Indl Ops at Ft Carson, CO, and son George, also a LTC, is on Army R&D work at Aberdeen. Both graduated and were commissioned from Texas A&M. Their daughter Marion is in Palo Alto, CA.

Haydon and Dorothy Boatner's son James, USMA '51, has been promoted to BG. Jim was born in Tientsin, China, and was an infantryman like his father and both grandfathers. He is currently stationed at Ft Bragg with the 82d Abn Div.

Tad and Margaret Tasker spent late Apr and early May zig-zagging across the State of VA, following the erratic path traveled by Tad's grandfather who rode as a trooper in the 1st NH Cav during the Civil War as that outfit was chasing, and being chased by, the cavalry of GEN Jeb Stuart, CSA. Tad also reports that after 6 grandsons and a lot of prayerful planning and deep concentration, they finally produced a granddaughter, Rebecca Lynn Tasker, born in Lexington, MA, and doing well.

John Hill reports that daughter Jocelyn Dickson had her 3d child on 7 Aug, another girl, Bridget Claire, and all is well. John Jr., with family, flew to Saudi Arabia on 8 Sept where he will be Ch, USMTM at Dahrn. John also states, as his most important news item, that after an intensive campaign that started on 1 Jun and required much positive thinking and affirmative action on his part, Tally Millener, widow of our late classmate George, consented to marry him. The occasion was solemnized on 8 Sept at the Ft Myer Chapel. The families of both were in attendance. Their wedding trip was spent at Hilton Head Is, SC.

Dave Page, our correspondent on the other side of the globe, recently showed up at the monthly luncheon of the DC Herd. He said that he flew "space available" with the AF, all the way from Australia for a total cost of only \$1.90.

'25

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Attendance at all (Jun, Jul, Aug, and Sept) luncheons excellent and 25 Sept (today) at the WP Quarterly Luncheon we were treated to a 2d appearance of the Army's distinguished CS, GEN Abrams. He really tells it like it is and makes one re-affirm the determination to "fight for the Service" to the end.

Class news has been hard for your Scribe to come by since most of you appear to have exhausted your energy in answering 50th-Reunion questionnaires!

At the moment all Ret. here are engrossed in doing what they can to further the passage of the Hartke Amendment—it having received Senatorial approval just this afternoon.

The Helmicks are in the area having telephoned us yesterday that they were en route to Annapolis to visit friends but would return later. They seem to make it back from HI at least annually.



1925: A Golden Moment in Golden Years.

The Bradfords are expected for the Cal Game at WP and for our Class Luncheon (ever the first Thurs) in Oct.

Dorothy and Link Linkswiler planning to attend the Homecoming events.

We had a long phone conversation with Ed Garbisch which covered his health problems of the past 2 years. Apparently he is determined to attend the Notre Dame Game despite the doctor's warning about viewing over-exciting events!

Bessie and Bruce Clarke are leaving this week for their new home near Charlottesville—address: Box 323, Rte 2, Palmyra, VA 22923.

Jean and Soap Suttles planning a trip to Athens, etc., in Oct. Along with the Horners they completed a great tour of about 2½ months in the Orient. A description of their voyaging reads like a fairy tale.

The Red Longs wrote from Plymouth, England, where they made a 4-day stop out of a 23-day jaunt through England, S. Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Some of Red's ancestors in the area visited, including a great-great-grandmother who was born there in 1822.

Florence Barlow has moved to Salt Lake City, UT, now at #875 Donner Way, Canyon Crest, Apt 503, zip 84108.

Jim Boudreau writes from Vienna that they are on a swing to Salzburg, Milan, Madrid and Lisbon before returning to rest up for their next journey.

The Johnsons wrote Ed Jones that they were planning a month in Europe (probably there now).

Russ Randall wrote that he might be here in the East before winter but didn't make mention as to how the Chinese air lines were doing.

Marcelle and Bud Hankins have been spending a few weeks in their Paris home, but by now are probably back in the Riviera area where Bud is to spend 3 days per week attending the U. of Nice. They plan to attend our 50th of course.

The Bolducs attended a ceremony at Albuquerque at which Pete Hurd was presented an award for Excellence by the Presbyterian Hospital Center Foundation. The ceremony was also attended by Hertford of '23. "Loosh" has been very active in working for Pay Equalization (writing Congressmen).

Both Den Bratton and Mitch Giddens wrote to Ed Jones so we must assume they are still in general circulation.

Jack Horner writes us to please correct his zip code, i.e., it is 78746, NOT 98746! He spoke glowingly and at length re their wonderful trip to the Orient with Jean and Soap Suttles. He apologized for his abstinence from writing the past 48 years! Invites us to visit them in LBJ country.

Our last note from Bill Wright came from Juneau, AK. He casually mentioned that

there seemed quite a bit of room for expansion there.

Pat Lynch checked in, by letter, during the summer but failed to report in person. We had hoped that business might bring him East.

A long (4-page) letter from Bill Nutter, which we had briefed in the current ASSEMBLY (Sept issue) but will add that their Mexican train trip not only included Mexico City but Chihuahua, El Firesto, Los Noches and Topolobampo. The train schedule sometimes 6-8 hours off, but accommodations good with free beer en route. The big City clogged with autos just like in the U.S. Their neighbors had made the following trips: (1) Betty Westphalinger to St. Paul to visit a sister of Hank's; (2) Elinor Evans to Ft Sill and other places; (3) Buddy and Ole Neprud returned from a 2½ month cruise in and around the Mediterranean. Bill plays golf with Giddens and enjoyed meeting the Giddens' son, John, from Pampa in the TX Panhandle. Their 15-yr-old Dolores is quite active and seems to major in ice skating. (Q—Where come the ice when he quotes temperatures there as high as 108 degrees?)

Betty W. sent us a copy of the "Arizona Highways" last Nov issue—we had mislaid our copy in which we wanted to re-produce a striking picture of Henrietta and Pete Hurd.

Mike DeArmand in town overnight on a mission to establish his 15-yr-old son in school.

'26

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A note from Trooper Doyle sez he ret. for the 4th time on 31 Aug and has moved into an Apt in AF Village, address: Apt 1625, 4917 Ravenswood Dr, San Ant, TX 78227. He invites all classmates and other friends who pass thru San Ant to give him a call and he will cook up something!

Freddie Munson reports on behalf of the DC group that Pinky Burns was up from Charleston, SC, to visit his 93-year-old mother and was able to attend the last Class Luncheon, along with 14 other "regulars." As I have mentioned before, these monthly luncheons are a real solidifier of Class affairs—and visitors to the DC area are always welcome—just contact Pic Collins for details.

Two classmates who summer in Rehoboth Beach are Walt and Louisa Stanton, who own a lovely house there close to the beach, and Johnnie and Marge Roosma, who spent the month of Jul there with son Billy and his family. Great stuff!

Among the very few classmates who are still "in trade" is Sparky Baird, VP and Gen Mgr of AFCEA with Hq in the DC area. He is doing an absolutely fantastic job for the old Sig Assn, and was MC at the recent (27th Annual) Convention of that Assn in Jun, attended by over 2000 people at the Sheraton Park Hotel. He is also Editor of Signal Magazine, and in each issue he has a lead editorial on some important phase of the military establishment which is very cogent and well worth considering. Keep up the good work, Sparky!

Don't worry any longer—Ginnie Perman has been located! Thru the efforts of our Class Sleuth, we find that she moved from Sarasota, FL not long ago to her new address—136 East 1st St, Venice, FL 33595, only 20 miles south!

Just as these Notes are going to press, Rod

Smith's excellent letter to the class arrived, and I must say, on behalf of all recipients, it is really GREAT. Among the several other items covered, the portion re Class Notes and Ye Scribe was right to the point, and I hope will be heeded by all! By the way, Rod and Kathy had a party in early Sept at their home in Annandale, VA, and among others there appeared a goodly showing of '26ers, and as special guests, young Vald and Kitty Heiberg ('53) and the recently married young Church and Evelyn Hutton ('58), acting as if they were still on their honeymoon, which technically is true! Al and Grace Gruenther ('19) were in fine fettle (sez my report)—he about to take off for Mons, Belgium, where he was slated for his "duty" as Chmn, SHAPE Alumni Assn, at the big Annual Reunion—a memorable affair which I have attended several times. It was back in the early 50s when Al was boss of SHAPE and '26 was well represented on his staff or assoc duties; among them were Rod Smith, Bill Bowen, Bill Mills, Hal Forde, Fred Munson, Tom deShazo and yours truly. Those were the formative days of NATO and we all remember them with much nostalgia. Remembered also were the '26 Class Army-Navy Game parties of those days, several of which were in the Ankenbrandt Apt, high up overlooking the ETOILE—hunched over 2 or 3 radio sets, and ably plotted on graph paper by—you can guess—none other than Rod Smith himself! Finally, Rod had a phone call from Walt Young from Trenton way, who had just finished a 19-day session in the hospital following a heart attack. We are glad to report that Walt said (and sounded like) he had a fine recovery and feels great.

As promised, here are a few details on the big project in San Fran of Art and Aline Kirchoff's son David, which has received great national publicity and was the subject of a feature story in the San Fran Examiner dated 22 Jul. Spud Murphy's own words are better than any paraphrase of mine: "One night soon, in a sight to behold, a caravan of 15 Land Mark bldgs will inch along on its way thru the city to the location of a new "Victorian Village" being created by young developer David Kirchoff and partner—a private development on land at the foot of Powell St known as the Embarcadero. The project has been fully approved by the San Fran Planning Comm and involves a long-term lease of the land, to be developed into a beautiful Shopping-Office-Parking complex of recycled genuine Victorian houses. So now we have an embryo developer in our 2d generation." I am sure that when any of us next visit San Fran, we will want to go down and see this new "Village."

Completing the Calif round-up are a few items: Bob and Big Nourse spent a month this summer in Europe, the prime purpose being attendance at the Rotary Intl Conv in Switzerland. The tulips in Holland were at their height and most spectacular. They also loved the Dutch canals, the Rhine R. trip and the summer beauty of Germany, Switzerland and France. Brook and Marge Brady took another of their interesting trips—this time a ride across Canada by train, then down to ME to visit relatives, and finally on to Ireland to attend the wedding of one of Marge's Irish cousins. What a "moving" life those 2 lead—always on the go! "Jud" Cray, who is as we all know, a real Judge of the U.S. Dist Court in L.A., spent his vacation not long ago visiting Russia and the Iron Curtain countries on a trip sponsored by the L.A. World Affairs Council; he found the briefings most interesting and the atti-

tude of the people he met quite friendly toward Americans. He will soon take "Senior Status," which means he will be able to do as much or as little Court work as he desires—or none at all. He is definitely planning to attend our up-coming 50th Reunion. For the Booths in Santa Barbara, life goes on with no special news this time. For the Kirchoffs, however, they surprised every one out there by buying a Condominium Home in a new ret. community called RANCHO BERNARDO, just 15 miles north of San Diego; will have further details on the move, address, etc in due course.

The Pacific NW, via John McFarland, reports as follows: Ben Thurston has sold his place in Palm Desert, thus severing ties with Southern Cal; Norm Matthias is proving to be quite a fisherman—lots of trout and salmon; Mac McFarland sez the museum he has been nurturing was opened to the public Jul 28th and wonder of wonders, 2 West Pointers have been by to see it already—Mike Buckley '23 and Chet Johnson '37 and wives. His older son Tony is back from Germany and is now in Boston, on ROTC duty at Northeastern U. there.

Some further info on the Roosma family: It turns out that the entire family was at Rehobeth in Jul—3 sons (John Jr, Will and Garry), their wives and 7 grandchildren, with Marge steering the ship and John directing traffic—after a fashion! They had their annual July 4th party for friends and neighbors, and it was a failure—only 55 came, and no one left coats or anything! Johnnie proudly reports that he recently shot 49 out of 50 foul attempts in the Montclair Y, and is seriously considering applying for the job of "designated foul shooter" for Wilt Chamberlin when the Pros go that route! Somewhere in my notes is the item that "Admiral Sims came to some function or other recently on crutches, grinning from ear to ear in his usual affable fashion." Apparently he fell and broke his hip, but is recovering nicely and is out and around again. Sorry about that, Admiral and Carleen. Oh yes, Red Reeder had an emergency recently—it seems a fox terrier puppy got lodged in their dishwasher and they had to get a plumber at 3 a.m. to get him out and save his life! He (Red, not the dog) is now in process of writing a new book, "Book for Teenagers about men in WW I," and in it he covers the Mustard "Gas" story, among others. None other than our own irrepressible Bill Creacy from Pine Bluffs, AR, gave him the technical answers—of which I have a copy. It is most amusing, erudite and complete, and includes the fact that "Mustard" is not a gas (it's either solid or liquid) and it is colorless except when mixed with other things and used in munitions in aerosol form, etc, etc. So there is an example of how thoroughly Red researches his material before including it in his books.

I have just received 2 fine reports from Oker Wade and Bill Ennis, and also have a report of a most recently happy trip of the Ankenbrandts to Mexico, which I will save for the next issue. Thanks, gents, for your fine response! So that's all for now and yrs 'til the next deadline—Anky.

NECROLOGY

Lila Jane Sewall Cornwell, daughter of Alec and Ruth Sewall, both deceased, died in the hospital in San Ant on 20 Jul. She had been air evacuated from Germany for treatment but died soon after entering the hospital. She is survived by her husband, LTC Michael Cornwell, U.S. Army, and 2 children.



1927: Ray Bell with Dr. Jon Lee at Sogni-San, Korea.

'27

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The fine WP Soc of DC held its fall luncheon at Patton Hall, Ft Myer, 25 Sept, with a large, convivial turnout. Creighton W. Abrams Jr. '36, CS, U.S. Army, was the speaker, devoting himself to a deliberate survey of the past and present and his hopes for the future Army. He looks forward firmly to the day when the Army will be served by men and women of "faith, discipline, confidence, and pride." From '27 were Miller, Lowe, Collins, Zwicker, Bixel, and Lillard.

Ray Bell came through with the latest of his "wanderings." This time he went to Seoul to visit his daughter, wife of LTC Harry Houlis, and "to welcome our 13th grandchild into this topsy-turvy world." Flying by SA, he touched down in Alaska and Japan en route to Osan AFB in Korea and again on return. He found Japan and Korea much different from his first visit in 63: "They are enjoying unthought of prosperity and development." As for pollution problems, Ray states that one should see it at its worst on the freeway outside of Tokyo. One particularly fine incident of his trip was his introduction to AK, missed during his service. He enjoyed viewing "some of the finest scenery in the world on a chopper ride up to Fairbanks on a beautiful clear day."

Following the opening Army-Tenn game, Ray wrote that he had seen Betty and Woodson Hocker and Dot and Blair Garland at the encounter and that "the cadets played a fine game in spite of the score." As an advance item of news, Ray stated that he was told that the Garlands, the Stu Woods, and the Burgesses were coming up for Homecoming, 27 Oct.

Those Garlands get around! When Woody and Jean Burgess threw their "House of Burgesses" gathering in late Jul, Dot and Blair were there as was a welcome visitor less seldom seen in the DC area, our Chick Harding, full of vim and vigor.

Jack Spurgeon beat the deadline to announce that he was attending an affair to celebrate his 50th anniv of high school graduation and that he and Maxine were glad to

announce that their first great-grandchild, Thad, was a month old. Congrats!

From Palo Alto came Milt Towner's brief on summer events. In early Jun he and Helen had attended the Cal State meeting of the MOWW at San Diego and there seen Ray Curtis and Dutch Holland, "both well and enjoying life." Milt regrets seeing less of Roy Axup, his former "back-to-back neighbor" in Los Altos; however, both are in a Bay Area organization termed "Sons in Ret., Chapter 35," and they get together at their monthly luncheons with numerous others "ret. from all gainful work."

While en route in early Jul to San Antone from Oswego, NY, Chris Nelson, who had been visiting there with a daughter and attending the wedding of a granddaughter, between planes, checked by phone with the Scribe. He reported himself as "full of pep" and having had "a fine time" on the trip and looking forward to repeating the journey next year.

Jack Griffith forwarded from San Antone a newspaper clipping which announced that the Alamo Chapter, Assn of U.S. Army, has established the GEN Guy S. Meloy ROTC Scholarship Fund to honor outstanding ROTC cadets from the public or private high schools of Bexar County. We can all take pride in this added distinction given the memory of our Stan. Jack also wants us all to know that the regular '27 monthly luncheon is on the 3d Thurs. Everyone coming through is urged to call Bob Aloe, luncheon secy, or any other classmate, and then come to the party!

Mac and Jean Miller got in some traveling this summer. In Jul they flew to San Fran to visit with ret. friends, COL and Mrs. Bob White, in Sunnyvale. From there they got up to Silver Lake in the High Sierra, rented a cabin and "spent a delightful week sight-seeing, fishing, bird watching, bridge, etc." They got in side trips to Lake Tahoe, and to Virginia City, Carson City, and Reno, NV, and a magnificent day in the Yosemite. With their hosts they had one day in San Fran but did not have opportunity to look up classmates. In early Aug they took off for San Antone to visit Mac's first cousin, Helen Hatch and her husband, COL John E. Hatch, FA, USMA '11. There they met joyously with Mike and Verna Williams and Jack and Grace Griffith.

The Millers also got in their "annual



1927: At ease in Ohio: Jack and Maxine Spurgeon.



1927: With the Williamses in San Antonio (L-R): Grace Griffith, Mike Williams, Verna Williams, Mac Miller, Jean Miller.

pilgrimage' to West Hartford, CT, to visit with Jean's brother Dunc and wife Din, Somerville '28. Dunc was recovering from a bad fall from a ladder, but hopefully, should soon be back to his golf.

Jean and Willis Matthews kept up their frequent trips away from Chevy Chase. A mid-summer journey took them into the central states, especially to Ft Riley, an old love of theirs. At deadline they were away again to points unknown and awaiting later reporting.

The four Lillards, Lucile and Jerry, and daughter Susan and son Tom, had their first substantial vacation of the last few years in their Aug journey to visit daughter Jane and husband COL Richard A. Miller, Armor, '53, and 5 granddaughters at Stuttgart. With Kelley Bks as the pleasant base, they got taken widely around central Germany to ancient castles, cathedrals, and museums that they were too busy to visit while stationed there intermittently between 53 and 57. They particularly enjoyed the parade and reception for the change-of-cmd ceremony when Miller assumed cmd of the 3d Bde, 1st Inf Div. One young guest thereat was LT A.M. Miller IV, Jean and Mac Miller's son Rusty, a member of the bde. They also flew off for 2 interesting side trips to Paris and Geneva. In addition to the usual review from the Louvre to the Flea Market, the Paris outing



1927: Before Francis I's Chateau, St. Germain-en-Laye: Lucile, Susan, Jerry Lillard.

included a return to St. Germain-en-Laye to see an area they so enjoyed with EUCOM in 54 and 55. Geneva was fascinating; one highlight was the thrilling lift by cable car to the mountain top at Salève. The return flight with PanAm provided an unusually clear and brilliant midday view of Greenland, ice-bound and forbidding.

As all perhaps noticed in the Last Roll Call of the Sept ASSEMBLY, our William R.F. Bleakney was listed as deceased on 5 Jan 71, at Washington, DC. Bill Carlock, via Mac Miller, is the source of late data which Bill procured from a daughter. It appears that Bleakney was killed by a fall from an apartment fire escape while attempting to aid a neighbor who had locked herself out of her apartment. His body was cremated and the ashes placed in Norwalk, CA. Bill's wife Fran had predeceased him.

Just as these notes were being sent off for the next ASSEMBLY, the DC area was pleased to have Woodson and Metty Hocker, CA, and Hutch and Esther Hutchison, HI, closing in for visits.

Also as these notes left for WP the Hartke amendment S-494 for recomp headed toward the House. Long ere you read this, the decision for or against should have been made; if favorable, cheers! but if not, let's keep on the ball! Persistence can win for us!

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The Committee that worked on it appreciates the nice comments that have come in about our 45th Reunion. These comments are useful as an after action report that will help us in planning for the 50th, which planning is already under way. The comment made most often lauds the togetherness we had at the Red Apple Motel. The spirit of '28 being what it is, I would bet that we would have this wherever we might foregather.

Here are some of the comments and other news: Will and Ann Tunner had planned to attend but had to drop out at the last minute as Will's ticker acted up again. Last word from Will, dated 22 Aug, "I'm quite OK now." A health problem also caused Aug Kissner to cancel at the last minute but on 3 Aug, Aug reported "much better now." Whit Jack, who had made tentative plans to attend but couldn't make it, wrote later from Shreveport, "I'm not surprised that we didn't do too well on attendance at the 45th but with the 50th coming up—I sincerely think we are going to have a real big turnout, certainly including me if I'm still around here." From Fran and Sam Myers, Del Rio, TX, comes this info: "We're happy to learn that plans for the 50th are being developed. We'll be there barring further temporary incapacitation. Skippy Harbold has clued us in on what took place at the 45th. We could not come because I just had another eye operation and it was not yet healed. But now I see 20/20 with the left eye, 20/40 with the right, albeit as down 2 gun barrels. Who cares about that, I can see and am relearning to drive. This year I'll hunt again. We are very happy but not complacent. I have my little ranch, 51 bovines and 57 goats at which I spend 4-5 hours each day getting in Jose's (my man) way but certainly keeping busy. I have a fine garden which I care for completely; also I can fish. We both swim every day and still enjoy

bending the elbow at 'sun over the yardarm' time." Buck Wiley writes from FL: "We did have valid reasons for being unable to attend the 45th, but for the 50th I do hope we can arrange for a chartered bus to haul us back and forth to the activities. (Note: We had special bus trans for the 45th and such is planned for the 50th.) I can tell you right now that if the Lord is willing Catherine and I do plan to attend the 50th and I hope we can have a roll call of more than 44 as I always considered the 50th The Big One." From Bob Fleming, CA: "At the risk of being repetitive, I am writing to tell you again that the arrangements for the Reunion were about perfect. Pass the word to all the guys who helped that they have one most appreciative customer—I would like to vote for similar arrangements in 78. Somehow the thought of finally rating the Thayer leaves me cold. We have ever been a non-conforming bunch and I for one think being together in a small motel with adequate prearranged bus service to and from would be much better than the Thayer." From Ruth and Walt Simon, also CA, came this: "It was truly great and so much fun being together. Seemed as though everyone was enjoying it. If all goes well, we shall come for the 50th. Even though we'll rate the Thayer, I don't believe it will be the same as though we were in a motel—even the Red Apple." Blondy Saunders from SD: "Speaking of the 50th—if we make it—we appreciate all the arrangements, but since you asked for recommendations Jo and I will give ours. There was some grumbling on the Red Apple but I think the fact that we all were together transcended the housing deficiencies. (Note: We had some down and upstairs room asgmts that couldn't be ironed out and a few other problems.) We think if we can get a motel with all the class together it would be better but suppose most would prefer the Thayer; it would solve the transportation problem."

John Farra sent a note of thanks for receiving 2 reunion pins. (Note: The 45th Reunion pins were a big hit. The initial supply ran out and a 2d order was placed.) John said "Jim and Nancy Green had us at their home in Princeton for dinner in Jun with Johnny Morrow, Tom & Anne Wells, and Ed & Betty Reber. Had a real nice evening and Ed Reber showed slides of our 45th Reunion. Exceptionally good." A note from Carl Sturies asks that the dope on him in the Errata Sheet be corrected by changing muled to read mulcted. Enclosed with the note was a newspaper clipping and photo of Carl in the act of working on that problem of mulcting. Harry Weiner regretted his inability to attend the 45th due to business headaches and gave his new home address: 127B Treasury Way, San Antonio, TX 78201. A letter from Frank Trent says he has a new grandson, James Trent Hammet, the son of his daughter, Mary Elizabeth. Her husband is a LCDR, USN, now stationed with the USA at Ft Meade. Frank gave his new address: Apt 1206, Point Brittany, 5200 Britany Dr, St Petersburg, FL 33715. Tom Counihan writes from Lawton, OK: "Saw Dutch Holley today. He is very good about coming to see me. Three years ago next month while swimming with my Catherine and Jean Barnes at Makaha Beach (NW Oahu) I got caught in a big wave. Tripler Hospital is nice but—I've been laid up ever since. They tell me that I can never expect a full recovery but ups-and-downs. The 'ups' are wonderful but the 'downs' are rough."

"Mrs Carola Erb von Kapff and MG Robert

George Butler, USA Ret., announce their marriage on Sat, 16 Jun 1973 at Duxbury, MA. At home after the 10th of Jul, Starboard Lane, Osterville, MA." Heartiest congratulations from the Class.

Re our mail-out on obits, the following thought was sent in by Paul Peery: "There is no reason why the obituary should not be autobiographical. In my own case, for example, though I have a daughter, she isn't too aware of the things that should go into such. So I must prepare one. I'd rather do that than have some stranger, however well-meaning, scrabbling round my poor effects, trying to find something to say. And if the autobiography was done with taste, it would not be so offensive. What do you think?"

Ben Shute sent Skip a note of appreciation: "Thanks for your help. Thanks also to the classmates who participated or attended the services for Barbara at Ft Myer."

Skip had another letter from the Supe, GEN Knowlton, saying, in part: "I am delighted to hear that your reunion was so successful and especially appreciate your taking the time to write to me about it. I have passed on your comments along with my personal thanks to MAJ & Mrs Smith and MAJ & Mrs Gavan."

The DC contingent got together for a stag luncheon at the Ft McNair club on 19 Sept. Present: Billingsley, Boatner, Cralle, Cummings, Curran, Gavan, Haskell, Lane, T.A. Maxwell, Oakes, Olive, Seeman, Sirmyer, W.D. Smith, Tate, Totten, Walter.

Further about Light Horse Harry Wilson: He will be formally inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame on 4 Dec.

Travel Notes: Wini and Hall Half journeyed to Turkey during the summer to visit daughter and son-in-law stationed at Kararmursel. The Bill Caldwell's (4 in number) have just spent over a year in Europe, mostly at Montreux, Switzerland. Bill went to school most of the time but says they took a trip to someplace in Europe every month. Returned to Orlando, FL, where Bill is Assoc Prof of Math at Jones College. After the 45th, Marge and Skip Seeman attended Skip's 50th HS class reunion in Janesville, WI; and Myrtle and Bill Billingsley attended National Sojourners Convention in Miami.

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**Bits and Pieces
from the Reunion Notice**

The replies from our first 45th Reunion notice brought not only a healthy outpouring of cash, but also many welcome items about classmates' doings. Herewith, in no particular order, some of those that we have been able to decipher. (We get more senior, but less legible.)

From Class Pres Don Zimmerman in the Seattle area: "Have been in CA for another 6 months. We are making great progress on our 50th Anniv gift, thanks chiefly to you." ("You" being Lindsey.) Tommy Griffin in VA Beach says he plans to use his Airstream Trailer as his residence during the 45th. Jack Hornor of The Mills, Pulaski, TN, has sold his cattle on the high market, rented his farm land, and now has only 2 thoroughbred mares, which they hunt. Jack and Ann hoped to get to VA for the fall hunt meets.

Jim and Lou Quill (Hilton Head) say they don't expect to make the reunion, but sent their entry fee anyway and said "Have fun."



1929: Jim and Doris Hannigan.

Kirk and Edie Wee Kirkpatrick (FL) say "Things don't look too good for us being there next Jun, but here's \$10 just to let you know that we, like many others, appreciate what you have done and are doing."

From Ed and Marge Wright (Palo Alto): "We are sure going to try to make the 45th, for we haven't been back to WP since Ed III graduated in 66. He finished 3 tours in RVN a year ago and is now teaching mil sci at The Citadel. We have a fair-sized gp of classmates between the Bay Area, the Peninsula, and Monterey, and we see the Theimers, Hails, Dwyres, Coolidges, Coopers, Careys, Angluins, McKenzies, C.G. Williamson, and others at various get-togethers, but not as often as we'd like." Ed Wright has been extended an extra year beyond ret. age as security officer for the Varian Corp.

From Bill Vestal in TX: He was batching it while wife Vivi made a 6-weeks tour of the east in the early summer. Senior grandson Kirk was due to return from Nuremberg, where he had finished high school (church sponsored swap), and Bill was going to drive him west via AF Academy and Grand Canyon. From Paul Freeman in Carmel: "Local classmates all fine. Dutch Kraus is as vivacious as his new bride. Bat Carns busy with the Del Monte Forest Home Owners Assn, of which he is pres. The Ducky Hails visited us a few weeks ago and we them in Sausalito later. Mary Anne and I are fine."

Dick Scott in Redlands, CA: "Hope to see you at WP in 74." Bob Meyer in Arcadia, CA, sends a check but doubts that they will make the reunion. They were taking a cruise, Jul-Sept, to Europe, and that "would bend the bank balance." Dick Parient in Attica, IN, says that he and Mary certainly hope to make the 45th because they had to miss the 40th. Mary has ret. from teaching, they have their land rented, and are more foot-loose than in years.

Joe Colby sent a card from Haiti, where he and Margaret were visiting Hispaniola: "Pretty primitive yet, in many ways, but tourism will bring them up."

In Evergreen, CO, Abe Lincoln has accepted a position as an adjunct prof in the Grad Sch of Intl Econ at the U. of Denver. "Very much part-time," says Abe, since he is also doing some consultant work for govt

depts. He and Freddie had 3 of their 4 children and some grandchildren with them at Evergreen during the summer. Abe says: "We are happy not to be in DC during the recent trouble, but we do miss our DC friends."

In HI, Chan and Jo Chandler have had guests from New Zealand staying in their Lanikai beach cottage for several weeks, and Jo is having fun spinning her own weaving wool on the hand-crafted spinning wheel they got in NZ. George Carey in San Fran says that he and Lois won't be able to make the 45th, but will be there for the 50th, God willing.

The Harley Parks have sold their place in Southampton and are at 5706 Holly Lane, Jupiter, FL 33458, awaiting the completion of their new condominium in Juno Beach.

We appear to have lost the location of Howard Pearson, as has the AOG. Send any inf you have to Jupe or me.

Sick and Well List

Roger Browne had a siege of more than 6 weeks and 5 operations here at WR during the summer, all originating from a malignant tumor on the colon. He went back home to Southern Pines in Sept by Air Evac in good shape, "considering," but will have to be on chemotherapy for some time. Betty came up and stayed at the Hostess House at WR for the period. Youngest daughter Jennifer, a professional in interior architectural design, cut short a trip to England to come home during Roger's illness. He was in fine spirits when I visited him and Betty at WR just before they returned home.

Whitside Miller went into the Naval Hospital in the San Pedro area for 2 more cancer operations in late Jul.

Frances Buck has had to go into a nursing home in Columbus, GA, and Satan has given up their apartment there and moved to be near her at Ralston Motor Motel, Box 271, 31902.

In Memoriam

Herbert Milwit died at Walter Reed on 22 Sept. Herb had been hospitalized for 2 weeks in intensive care with a heart condition, the 3d attack he had had in the past few years. Funeral services and interment were at Arlington in the presence of many classmates and wives and a large gathering of other friends. Herb and Ida have had long-time roots in the DC area. The Class extends its sympathy and condolences to Ida and the children—twin sons, Sanford and Samuel, and daughter, Myra Jo Schwab. Ida's address is 6307 Hollins Dr, Bethesda, MD 20034.

The Last Roll Call in the Sept ASSEMBLY was the first notice the Class here had of the death of Ralph Robert Mace at San Ant on 19 May. Lou Hammack tells us that Lefty had had several operations for cancer. The



1929: Hank and Dutch Kraus.

Class sends sympathy and condolences to Virginia Mace, and to daughter Virginia and son, Arthur F. Mace, MAJ, USA, '58. Virginia's address is 202 Five Oaks Dr, San Antonio 28209.

Catherine Wetzel, better known to all of us as Sunny, died in Coronado, CA, on 2 Oct after a brief illness. Sunny had had high blood pressure for some time, but it had been under control. She was hospitalized in intensive care for only a few days before she suffered a final heart attack. Memorial services were held in CA and interment at WP. The Class sends its sympathy and condolences to Pinky Wetzel and to sons LTC Emery S. Jr. '54, USAF, and MAJ William T. '56, USAF. Pinky's address is 1730 Avenida del Mundo, Coronado 92118.

The reunion notice sent to Harriet Walker (Mrs. John S.) was returned by the PO at Wakefield, RI, with the notation "deceased." Anyone having more information please send it to me.

Re-Retirement

In early Sept TAMU gave Jim Hannigan a bang-up ret. dinner at the Briarcrest CC in Bryan, TX. Jim served 14 years as Dean of Students, "a period which saw the enrollment increase from 5,000 to 18,000 with demanding cries for greater student voice in admin." The encomiums on Jim's service during this period flew so thick and fast that it would be impracticable to record them. Doris looked as pretty as ever and Jim as handsome. A few days later, to further celebrate, Jim departed for Houston for the 2d artery by-pass operation. The first one, done in Jun, made him good as new, he says.

From the SF Bay Area Gp

Our thanks to J. Theimer for the cruise poop and the Kraus pic. Dave and Charm Angluin, George and Lois Carey, George and Gerry Coolidge, Chick and Polly Cooper, Doug and Elio Dwyre, Jack and Kay Geary, Ducky and Martha Hail, Ernie and Davie Heidland, Dutch and Hank Kraus (yes, the SF Bay Area includes Pebble Beach), Hank and Patsy McKenzie, Johnny and Grace Theimer, Glen Williamson, and Ed and Marge Wright, together with a few congenial guests, made the Bay Supper Cruise on 21 Sept. Fair weather smiles on '29 and it did for this cruise. Of note was the change in taste from previous years evidenced by a strong trend toward bourbon, and overall about half again as much as last year. A good time by all.

The Heidlands joined the African safari group in Jul, visiting Capetown and numerous points N, NE and NW. They report safaris are well appointed, comfortable, and there is no need for a hunter, bwana. Even an 18-hour flight back to London and the flight over the Pole were easy and enjoyable.

From the DC Gp

Nelson and Trude Lynde entertained the local Class Gp at a cocktail buffet at their place in Falls Church in early Sept. Nell and I had to miss this, but attendees report that it was a delightful affair.

The annual summer picnic was held this year at the Knoll House, the spacious old mansion on the grounds of the Army Distaff Hall. We had Senta Bell, Kitty Buchanan, C.C. and Marian Calloway, Fred and Win Chaffee, Bo Hubbard, Jupe and Judy Lindsey, Mary Lynch (Mrs. Francis H.), Bozo and Gertrude McKee, Nick and Jackie Nichols, Georgie Ostrand, George and Betty Reilly, Jack and Allie Seward, Jack and Rhoda Stone, Marshall and Harriet Stubbs, Fen and Linda Sykes, Bill and Nell Thompson, Slim Vittrup, and Grace Woods.

We were particularly pleased to have

Senta Bell and Georgie Ostrand come up from the Warrenton, VA, area to be with us. Grace Woods had a part in this: as a Distaff Hall resident she promised them lodging for the night. Georgie has now ret. from her librarian's job and is enjoying her freedom. Grace Woods had recently made a FL visit, staying with Bob and Midge Ward and seeing other classmates and friends in the area. This was the first time most of us had had an opportunity to welcome Mary Lynch to the Class Gp here. She may go into the Distaff Hall to live. Jack and Ruth Callery were up from FL at their place in the Winchester area and had hoped to make the picnic, but didn't show. Better luck next time, Callerys.

We missed Alice Nesbitt's presence at the picnic. She was on a trip with grandson Stephen Geyer, Anne's son, to visit son William and his family in WY. Alice has taken Stephen, the eldest of Anne's children, to live with her since her son-in-law's remarriage.

The Distaff Hall catering staff, with Lindsey enticing them on, of course, put on a beautiful picnic buffet—more buffet than picnic, really—which we all appreciated.

By the time you read this you will have received the second 45th Reunion notice to give you a firm planning basis for the Big Event of the summer of 74. In the meantime, Merry Xmas, Happy New Year, Everybody.

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Dear Gang:

It is with profound regret, and some sense of shock, that I must report the death of Bart Bartlett, who suffered a fatal heart attack on 15 Sept at his home in Walnut Creek, CA. It seems especially tragic that this bright and energetic man should have gone, suddenly and unexpectedly, just 6 weeks after he and Marge had moved into a new home about which they were happily enthusiastic. There is some solace in knowing that Marge has many staunch friends in the Bay Area who will do everything possible to help her in her bereavement. Among those who attended the funeral service in Walnut Creek and the interment in the Cemetery at the Presidio were Ed and Jo Berry, Pablo and Janet Blanchard, JoJo and Beth Carrithers, Fred Klinke, Mandy Mandelbaum, Jim Richardson, and Win and Ann Sisson. At Marge's request the Class made a memorial gift to the American Heart Assn in lieu of a funeral wreath. Ben Beasley, with an assist from Bart's sons, is preparing an obituary for publication in ASSEMBLY. Marge will continue to live in the new home at 2601 Ptar-migan Dr, Apt #4, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.

Turning to happier things: It is a special pleasure to record what may be a "first" for our Class, i.e., the official memorialization of an individual by having a military structure named for him. On 27 Jul at Ft Eustis, where Fred Atkinson had commanded the TC Cen, there was a special ceremony at which Bldg No. 2717 was officially designated Atkinson Hall. A well-deserved tribute to one of our soundest professionals.

And (believe it or not!) we had wedding bells ring again this past summer, and not for a member of the younger generation, either. None other than that redoubtable horseman/scholar Jim Curtis took unto himself a new wife—his 3d—in Greenwich, CT

on 8 Jul. The lady is the former Mrs. Elizabeth Bill, a widow, of Blacksburg, VA. Jim has forsaken the West Coast and he and his bride now reside at 1705 Polk St S., Amarillo, TX 79102.

JoJo Carrithers, in addition to sending me a detailed report on the Bartlett funeral, gave me other news from that area. He and Beth dined in early Sept with Kay Ports, who had an attack of pneumonia last summer but was sufficiently recovered to take a 3-weeks trip to Europe in Sept/Oct, her hosts being her daughter Susan, and son-in-law Paul Kennedy. (Nice to have the kids taking care of the parents instead of vice versa.) JoJo, as usual, is living a very busy life. He's a substitute teacher in a local sch dist that adms 7 high schools in and around Walnut Creek; and his weekends are invariably taken up with horse activities. In Aug he was in charge of the State Championship Show, a full week with over 10,000 entries; over the Labor Day weekend he managed a 2-day show for the Equestrian Cen of Walnut Creek; followed that up the next weekend by putting on the 1st Annual Walnut Festival Horse Show and judging a Shetland pony show; and then ran the Equestrian Div of the West Coast Tennessee Walking Horse Show in Sacramento in Oct. JoJo says: "All I can say is that if you write a book on a subject people immediately think you're an expert. I still average judging about 2 shows a month. As long as it has 4 hard feet and wears shoes I'll judge it. Beth is fine, both of us in good health, and I'll bet I'm one of the few in the Class with his mother still going strong. She lives in Peoria in her own apt, keeps up with current events, and takes care of herself." All of which seems characteristic of those energetic Carrithers.

Industry Note: On 1 Sept Fergie Ferguson ret. as Exec VP of Sun Oil Co., but continued to be a dir and member of the exec cmte of the board. Fergie started as a salesman in 32, rose through the ranks to regl sales mgr, and in 60 was elected Pres of Sun Oil Ltd, a Canadian subsidiary hqd in Toronto. Four year later he was made a VP and member of the bd of dir of the parent co.; and in 68 he was elected to the post of Exec VP. Besides the very considerable responsibilities he discharged for his company over more than 40 years, Fergie was also active in a number of business and community orgs, having been a dir of the PA Economy League, the PA Chamber of Commerce, the Phila Urban Coalition, the American Petroleum Inst and the Phila C. of C. He also served a 4-year hitch as a Math P at WP during WW II. I'd say he's had an admirable career of which anyone could be proud, and we wish him and his lovely Pat all the best in his ret.

A good letter from Buck Folk in Colo Spgs reports his ret. from the brokerage firm of Harris & Upham so that he can devote more time to his real avocation, securities investment. He adds: "Also, I am on my 4th year as county planning comr and this takes lots of time at contentious meetings and hearings in this fastest-growing community in the USA, where we are faced with water, natural gas and elec shortages, while the developers drive hard to try to get the zoning and subdividing they want for their projects, regardless of sensible, orderly community devl and growth. Herron and I keep busy and are lucky to have no health problems worth mentioning." Buck included a couple of clippings from local papers anent the ret. of Chuck Heitman from his job as asst city

mgr. a position he had held for 12 years. The tone of the articles leaves no doubt that Chuck did a terrific job for the city and will be sorely missed. He will remain active in other civic affairs such as the Boy Scouts and the local symphony, but he and Barbara also plan to do some leisurely traveling.

Word from Charley Olin: He and Jeanette celebrated their 43d wedding anniv in Aug, a record exceeded, I believe, by only Ed and Marguerite Sachs and Joe and Bernie Twyman. To all these durable souls, our hearty congratulations. The Olins also have a new address, moving from their apt in Annapolis to 3182 Adderley Court, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Al and Anne Watson made a quick swing through DC in Sept as part of a sort of "golf safari" in the Middle Atlantic States, and we were delighted to see them looking so tanned and fit and full of beans. Al still shoots pretty consistently to his 10 handicap and Anne modestly admits that she can still "hack around" with most of her female contemporaries. They are delighted with their new house in Sea Is and still have the summer place at Lake Toxaway in NC, where there are numerous ret. Army friends. Their older son, Albert Watson III, is here in the DC area working for Aetna Life Ins; and the younger son John lives in Atlanta, with a jr exec job with the Singer Sewing Machine Co.

Phil and Eloise Wehle married off the youngest of their 3 lovely daughters, Stephanie, in Sept and forthwith gave up the house in Reston to move permanently into the charming old brick house that they bought 20-odd years ago on the Rappahannock River and occupied from time to time as the peregrinations of his long and admirable career permitted. It's a lovely quiet spot, eminently suited to the reposeful leisure they so well deserve. The address is: "Indian Banks," Rte 1, Box 387-E, Farnham, VA 22460.

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I have a bit of news this time, but I ask again that you write in, even if it is only to say hello.

I have some sad news to impart. Hi Markham died in DC in May of this year. Phineas Adair died of a heart attack in Saginaw on 6 Sept. I have no other details on this.

The postman for my section of ZIP 20015 has not yet complained and neither have I, but I do get quite a few postcards from Bob Johnston. The latest were from Cornwall, England, and from Vienna, but posted in Italy. Unfortunately we don't have too many classmates in those areas, so there isn't too much news to write about, but the cards are interesting in themselves. Dean and Martha Herman sent a very poetic card from Anchorage. They had made the Inland Passage from Seattle and had gone up to Kotzebue, where I believe the Olsons taught school at one time. They were returning via the Alcan Hwy to the south 48. A note from Duke Burroughs explains in part his silence for the past couple of years—he has been busy. He had a very interesting note about his work, that I don't have the space to repeat, but will say that it has to do with new nations and their devl. It now seems that Duke may be spending some of his time in DC, so maybe we will get to see him occasionally. His



1931: Class Party at the Moores'.

mailing address will still be Oahu as in the address book.

Lucy Troxel went way out to San Fran all by herself and visited Helen Irvine while there. Lucy reports that Helen is living in an apartment near the Presidio and would be glad to hear from anyone in the Class. We have 2 ecology minded (maybe) papersavers in the Class. Carl Carlmark sent in a note written on what appeared to be the torn off back flap of an envelope. It was about this big. Anyway, he did manage to put in a change of address: "614 Makaha Valley Towers, Waianae, HI 96792," and also to mention that he would shortly be seeing George Fletcher, who was visiting in HI. Our other apparent paper-saver is George Dietz. He claims to have lost the dues letters among a mass of papers collected over a period of several years. Turn it all in for recycling, George. He also notes that although the spring weather in Bloomington was bad for the garden, he is boasting about his half-acre of the most beautiful weeds. Lev Levenick apparently is still working for the State of CA, or saving paper too. He did join the rolls of the class life members, as have several others whom I will mention later. Walt Esdorn is now one of the many sun worshippers, having moved from New Rochelle, to FL. He is now in Boca Raton at 800 E. Camino Real, 33432.

Don and Edythe Buchwald are spending this year in an apt on campus at NYMA. They are passing their time reducing their holdings preparatory to ret. this coming summer. Where? They don't know yet. Don's boy Spike has returned from Laos and is now stationed at Ft Riley. Dan Callahan has ret. from NASA and, surprise (I wish I could put this in italics), he and Mary have moved again. By the time this appears in print, they will be living in their new home in Nashville at 437 Westview Ave., 37207. This is Mary's home town and she is planning to return to Vanderbilt U. and work for an MS in E and WR Engr. If you want an explanation of the above, please write to Mary at her new address. A note from George Fletcher corroborates Carl Carlmark's statement. They did visit each other, even if only for a brief moment. George has ret. from the insurance business, but 3 cats (feline variety, that is) keep him and Ruth busy. Johnny Barr made a 6-week trip to Europe this past summer, in

addition to commuting between San Ant and Gulf Shores in LA, I think. He also managed to play golf to a 15 handicap. Betty Caraway says that she and Forrest continue to lead the quiet life in Tucson. Art Hercz added a P.S. to his letter to say that he had been refreshed by a visit from the Deacon, but whatever Deac had to say about the visit, he, Art, stood on his constitutional rights.

Dick and Ruth Lawson stopped by our house to see Betty and me this summer on their way back to Williamsburg from OH. We spent a very enjoyable evening talking about their trip to Vienna (Austria) and Budapest where we had been stationed some years ago. Ruth is well recovered from their auto accident and should by now be mostly over her attack of shingles. The DC group had a luncheon meeting on 18 Sept and believe it or not, we had a democratic election. In order to forestall any traumatic thoughts, democratic, at this point in time, means only that all those elected to office had been forewarned and were present at the election, except me. And I have been informed by one of those present that I ran a spirited campaign without any dirty tricks. The new officers, duly elected and sworn are: Bill Dick, pres; Trick Troxel, VP; me, secy and asst treas; John Berry, treas and asst secy (note that we are the only ones with 2 titles), Ockie Krueger, reunion chmn; Bill Hardick, Roger Moore and Clyde McBride, social cmte (enough to have a party all by themselves). At the luncheon, a new set of by-laws for actions by those of us in the DC area were adopted. I will send out an explanation in detail of these by-laws at a later date.

Harry and Marianne Candler are back in San Ant, at 3206 Cripple Creek, 10B, after a sojourn in Austin. They enjoyed a Caribbean trip in Feb on the *Hanseatic*, with much of the enjoyment being provided by 17 hours daily of bar service. Of their offspring, Anne is accompanying her husband to Argentina, where he will be MA; Winston is studying for a Master's degree and Ted is with the DA's office in Denver. Sambo Sams had a stay in hospital in Jul and not having heard to the contrary, I assume that he is coming along OK. His address is now Box 3296 in Indiatlantic, FL. Bill and Ella Mae Woodward went to Denver in Jun to attend son Bill's wedding and then sight-see, (sight-

saw), went sight-seeing through the NW–Yellowstone and Glacier Parks and Custer’s Last Stand among other places. Shorty and Alice **Rothrock** continue their saga by trailer through Canada, although the latest card from British Columbia was dated 1937 (I knew the USPS had its bad days, but this is ridiculous). We still have a modest member in the class. I have heard from a very reliable source that **Bob Eaton** has been elected Pres of the American Legion. Heartiest congratulations, Bob.

Charlie Densford suggests that **Ockie** try some mayonnaise on his asparagus rather than what **Ockie** was thinking of putting on it. However, if **Ockie** insists, **Charlie** says he has plenty available. **Charlie** had a suggestion about the **Sylvanus Thayer** award and **Art Hercz** had one about the 50th gift. I will send both of them to our Pres for action. I have at hand a couple of letters from **Deac** that I will try to extract some news from. I just happened to think that everybody else I mention gets his name in caps, but I never say **Deac Roller**, so that with the present exception, **Deac** doesn’t get to have his name stand out. But since his news always stands out, I guess that makes up for it. He has recently visited **Les Kunish** and his bride in Manitowoc and in **Deac’s** words, “No one should be that happy.” **Deac** is planning on a year’s sabbatical (from what, I don’t know) in Spain; in the same building as the **Corbets**. In the meantime, he went canoeing in Canada, overturned, got dunked and lost nothing but his dignity and some tissue. He visited **Ding Carter**, who was in turn visiting his parents in East Orange, talked with **Don Armstrong** and tried to contact **Jiggs Mahoney** with no luck. He called on **Lib Quackenbush** in the Catskills, saw **Art Hercz** in Ann Arbor, (**Deac** says **Art** is “doing great”), missed **John** and **Gwen Barclay** in Huntsville after spending 2 days with the **Roy Kaufmanns** in Nashville. **Deac** said he had a date at the hospital at Fort Polk, but since this took place on the 26th of Sept and I am writing this on the 27th, I have no late news. After this hospital visit is finished, **Deac** will go to Spain.

We welcome the following to the ranks of life membership: **Johnny Barr**, **Dick Greer**, **Ernie Peters**, **Ned Purnell**, **Deac Roller** and **Jim Stroker** for a total of 116. The 1981 Memorial Fund is going well. A letter from **Percy Lash** gave details of his and **Margaret’s** visit with **Johnny** and **Anne Waters**. **Johnny** and **Anne** were in New London, NH, to attend the wedding of **Johnny’s** brother’s son. Now that I think about it, that would be **Johnny’s** nephew. Anyway, they all enjoyed swapping stories about the good old days. As an aside to **Percy**, I believe you have a very good suggestion, but I can see that many others would not so see it.

I almost forgot to include the pic which was taken at the class party at **Roger** and **Maggie Moore’s** house. If you look closely, you may be able to distinguish the following distinguished persons (from L to R): **John Berry**, **Marion Hockenberry**, **Chet Young**, **Marian** and **Curly Wilson**, **Benny Krueger**, and **Fran Dick** from the back.

That’s all for now, except, once more a plea for more news and notes.

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Our last luncheon, 13 Sept, included disaff. Some who had expected to attend had

to regret at the last minute. As usual it was a complete success. Besides adding animation to the gathering because of the larger attendance, the menu is a vast improvement over the stag meetings. Hesitant at first, we are completely sold on this affair and it seems that this will be a regular custom to hold it quarterly. Among those present were **Essie** and **Charlie Baer**, **Dort** and **Harvey Fischer**, **Helen Hunt**, **Claire** and **Frank Jamison**, **Helen** and **Archie Lyon**, **Joslin** and **Luke Morris**, **Desch (Descheneaux)** who came along with **Fran** and **Johnny Pugh**, **Jackie** and **Bob Schukraft**, **Marjorie** and **Dan Sinclair**, **Bobbie** and **Danny Sundt**, **Honey Whalen**, **Aggie** and **Jim Woolnough**, **Esther** and **Stan Wray** and **Dossi** and **Bill Davidson**. **Eleanor** and **Jim McCormack** were in Europe which included a trip for **Eleanor** to visit the grandchildren in Berlin; **Jo** and **Roscoe Huggins** were absent as **Jo** was in **Walter Reed** for some very unpleasant and uncomfortable tests for prospective heart surgery, but was discharged when it was decided there was too high a risk. **Mary Cain** was a patient there also for a couple days, but from telephone calls from both gals they are in good spirits and **Mary** reports she feels just great. The sick list increases—**Bill Spurgin** had been at **Walter Reed** earlier for a suspicious spot on lung but is back home and prospects look good. **Jude Abell** had prostate surgery at Ft Belvoir and is recovering nicely. Also announced at luncheon was that **J.P. McConnell** had broken 3 ribs on a business trip.

As reported in last issue **Ken Zitzman** is permanently back from Tehran and in the San Ant area. A brief note said he would try to call me when in DC for a brief stay but am afraid it was too brief. I expect to hear from him soon and be filled in on his future plans. Other permanent changes of addresses: **Johnny Gavin** and **Vi** are now living at 3192 Adderlay Ct, Silver Spring, MD 20906; **Betty** and **Honey Whalen** will be in same Rossmoor area at 15024 Westholm Ct, Silver Spring, MD 20906; **Chet Hammond** has changed his permanent residence to River St, Peterborough, NH 03458. Although he’s resigned as Pres of **Livermore Corp**, I imagine he is Chmn of the Bd.

Perhaps some of you have received an offering circular from **Frank Besson** re shares in the Services Natl Bank located in Arlington, VA. **Frank**, together with **GEN Chapman**, USA (Ret) and **ADM I.J. Galatin**, USN (Ret), is a dir and organizer of the inst. Located on Rt 1 near the Pentagon and the only bank chartered for operation in the Crystal City compound catering to the Mil and DOD civ with the long range objective to provide responsive personalized service by mail to customers as they move from one asgmt to another around the world.

On 2 Aug **Garry Hall** sent me a letter concerning **Gale’s** mother who was buried in Arlington on 10 Aug. He hoped I could include some details so that some of her friends (addresses unknown) would be informed. **Mary Grafton Gale** was born at WP in 1885 where her father was an inst in Math and Drawing. Married to **O.P. Robinson** at Ft McKinley, PI, in 1908, she raised 3 children—**Gale**, **O.P. Jr.** (USMA '34, who died in Japan in 45) and **George** (Indiana U. '39, who died in 72). Widowed when **COL Robinson** died in Dec 41, she married **LTC Frank Barr** in 47 and again widowed in 58. Both of her sons were career Army Officers. **Mary**, known as **Polly**, was a Kaydet girl and knew the old, old Army, the old Army and even the new Army having traveled all over the world and USA. I represented the Class at

the interment and received a note of thanks for the Class. **Gale** wrote: “Mama was a true Army wife and mother and daughter of WP. She was so pleased that our son **Frank '63** will carry on the family tradition teaching Math at WP.”

Archie Lyon reported that the ballots, notes and dues are coming in and will report at the 11 Oct meeting. He also reminded us of the Nov combined meeting with USNA '32. This annual event has been going on for many years and we always look forward to it. In that regard, **John Meeks** sent a \$10 check for a 5-yr period to the new treas. He says “Greetings to all of the classmates in your vicinity and do stop by when visiting our Nation’s most historic city of Charleston, address 1047 Harbor View Rd, Charleston, SC 29412.

To add a note re **Bill Spurgin’s** hospitalization at **Walter Reed**—he is still a patient in Ward 11 and would appreciate visits, cards, telephone calls. When we called he was apparently home on “pass” but he would appreciate hearing from classmates and other friends.

C.J. Westenhoff '42 was most kind and helpful to us one evening at our 40th Reunion when he and other classmates and wives were enjoying the same festivities we were. Too late for the former issue **Dossi** was asked by the mother of **Cadet Charles M. Westenhoff**, Editor of **THE POINTER** for 73-74 that I mention the Golden Anniv Issue of **THE POINTER** which is now available. For those who have the Jun 73 copy of **ASSEMBLY**, there is an order blank on p. 37. For others, you can write to The Circulation Manager, **THE POINTER**, West Point, NY 10996. Copies are \$3.00 each.

Also heard before, during, or after the Sept luncheon, news that **Claire** and **Jamie Jamison** were planning a trip to the Azores and Portugal; **Joslin** and **Luke Morris** to Hershey, PA, and then a stay at the Washington Hilton for an important Transportation conf and with many social highlights including tea at the White House. Soon they will be taking off for a trip to Atlanta where they will stay with **La Trelle** and **Pop Duncan** so we should have some news from the deep South for the next issue.

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As this issue goes to press the final touches are being put on the Class of '33 40th Reunion Gift to USMA (the '33 Clock). This project, which has been so efficiently and effectively handled by Pres **Abe Lincoln**, is to be dedicated and formally presented to the Supt and the First CPT on 10 Nov. The full coverage of the event will appear in the Mar 74 issue. Although **Abe** has definitely been the prime mover, many other Classmates have been involved in this project, such as **Rod Gott**, **Bing Downing**, **Pat Guiney** and the 183 who have supported it with a total of almost 85% of the \$25,000 required (NY state tax will be avoided). Hopefully, those who have not bought “a piece of the Clock” will do so with a check to the WP Fund marked “For the Class of 1933.” **Abe’s** 5 Sept letter gives details. **Gracie** and I, on our way from the 40th to DC, spent about 4 months on **Bailey Is, ME**, where we were visited by **Frank** and **Holly Henley**, **Dan** and **Helen Parker**, **Ruth Carroll**, **Posie Neely**, **Marty** and **Maxine Frame**, **Bert** and **June Sparrow**, and **Charlie Chase**. **Bert** and I admit to a



1933: Sally Quinn.

very low classification as outboard motor trouble shooters. Jack Rudolph wrote: "This has been a screwy summer; ever since Reunion, I've been spinning my wheels madly and getting nowhere. The only news is that Leora ret. as asst prof at the U. of WI and I've just about made up my mind to hang it up too, after which I hope to get really involved in free lance writing." Charlotte Kaesser: "... writing for K as he is busy getting ready for school. (We) took a tour through Canada, including Banff and Lake Louise—then home via the OR coast—beautiful. Sally and Ernie are ordered back to this area and have bought a house close to us. They adopted an 8-yr-old boy who is adorable. We still plan on FL in another year." While returning to FL from ME and DC, Charlie (sometimes referred to as Harpo) Chase "had a fine visit with Ned and Gladys Gee in DC. While relaxing at a Howard Johnson's on the NJ turnpike, I bumped into Al Welling, who was doing the same thing, and we swapped a lot of near-truths. As I neared FL, I phoned Art Tyson in Hinesville, GA, and threatened him with a golf match. He accepted with alacrity and beat me handily." Tom and Rosalind Beck visited their newest grandchild (#5), Caryn, in Anchorage. Janie Grubbs reports that Rosie is home from the hospital. Stan and Charlotte Lonning's daughter Toni is married to Wm Graham (son of '28). Stan keeps busy with the NY Life. Bev Jones says: "Lib and I drove to St. Louis for Mim's graduation from Principia—with Honors, no less. We sure are proud. As a present and token of esteem, we took her on a trip to England. Sally is working in a Princeton, NJ nursing home; she goes back to Principia this fall for her 3d year. My parents live next door; Dad (USMA '05) is 92 and just as alert as anything."

Bill and Betty Quinn's daughter Sally has been chosen by CBS to co-anchor its Morning News show, which competes with NBC's Today. During her 32 years, Sally graduated from Smith College ('63) and has had a varied and successful career with jobs such as being translator-interpreter for Mercedes-Benz while Bill had the 7th Army in Germany (she speaks German, French, and Spanish fluently), and writing a column in the Washington Post from 69 until this year. Bill Jr. is asst editor of THE THEOSOPHIST and asst dir of a publishing house. Bill's own enterprise, Quinn Assoc, a mgmt-consultant firm, "is doing well." Sam Donnelly, head of AEC's Albuquerque office since 68, was presented by the Gov of NM with a Distinguished Public Service Award. Sam is involved in several civic activities; he directs Albuquerque's United Community Fund

drive and his support of the Equal Opportunities Employment program makes it a success. Gerry Roberson (4147 Polaris Ave, Lompoc, CA 93436) has stopped teaching and coaching soccer and has moved to the flower capital of the U.S. He writes "For 3 weeks I could barely hobble around—now it's doubtful if I'll even make the 45th. A missile goes over here every 2 weeks; come and see one." George White (RD 2, Box 319, Aberdeen, MD 21001—not a move) reports: "Margie and I have done (a lot of) travelling; son David lives near and works for Throkol Chem.; son Philip is a minister in Lees Summit, MO." Al Welling joined Nancy for a couple of weeks this summer at Lake George. "Son Brent got his second MIT degree in Sept." We all join Al in this tribute: "Abe Lincoln has been performing prodigiously and effectively as Class Pres. Unless you have been on the fringes of his operations, especially the Class Gift, you cannot comprehend the tremendous amount of Class work he has been doing. All hail to Abe!" Bud and Clo Powell toured Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Russia—"then back here until Clo decides we're going again." Bob Hain, not speaking for the Hawaiian Tourist Bureau, wrote: "I could use a lot of your fog. Basking in the sun—I'm not sure what that means. We mow grass year round and go like crazy to keep ahead of the termites." Pete Bellican thanks Bing for "making the 40th booklet a masterpiece." And Abe because "I can think of nothing better to perpetuate the idea of 'then, now, and onward' than the Clock. For the present, I intend to live here in Bangkok. I'm a logistic consultant for companies searching for oil in the Gulf of Thailand." Bing Downing, in addition to the super job he did for us, won distinction as compiler of a hist of his Annapolis Yacht Club. Bert Sparrow ret. for the 2d time, 31 Jul. CS Abrams awarded him a 2d OLC to his DSM; Lincoln, Starbird, and Watters were there. Jean and Lessie Engler bought a condominium in Clearwater, FL. Son Mike is a frosh at St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, MD. Dan and Helen Parker celebrated their anniv with a rip-roaring party at which they burned their mortgage. Ed Herb writes: "Rosamund and Hoy Davis had Claire and me to dinner recently; he is teaching and also adding to their new home in Walnut Creek. I play golf at the Presidio with Tripp, Van Way, and Lonning." The Frames, to get away from ME winters, plan to spend 5 months of the year on Padre Is, Corpus Christi, TX. Ed Ehlen, replying to my ME card, writes: "(It) arrived here in the desert where we could use some of your cool air. ME brings back memories; 11 of us started there—the following year Dottie and I were married. There is a WP group here and Jake Messersmith and I try to 'hold the fort' for '33. Bob Hain and I correspond often; I certainly enjoy his dry sense of humor." Bus and Virginia Evans are "enjoying Petersburg. Sandy (USMA '58) is a LTC at the Pentagon; Jack '62 is a MAJ in Ottawa; Ham '61 is at WP. All are QMC." Our San Antone group, sparked by Billy Harris, meets monthly for martinis and lunch. After their visit with us in Mackerel Cove, the Henleys sailed to Booth Bay where they were fogged-in, and then to Cape May "where we picked up Jane and Slugger Douglas; they went with us to Annapolis. Then we had a great weekend with Milt and Val Summerfelt; then back home." This summer, Joe and Marjorie Crawford visited their new grandson in CO. Joe is back from Walter Reed and "feeling much better." Posie Neely,

after her trip with Jan Tibbets (widow of Gene '34) and return to Bob in Sun Valley, wrote: "While I was away, Bea Jones (Clyde's wife) stayed here (but) this can't be spicy as she was chaperoned by her mother." While at Bailey Is she told of the Ashworths' visit to Sun Valley; seeing the Hurlbutts in DC; "a great party" at the Whipples; Marge Ryan, "who was looking well after losing her 'gallen stein.'" Posie says that Bob reported he and his horse were doing very well without her so she'd better go home. Hurly and Polly Hurlbut spent most of the summer in HI where they "feel sorry for Mainecats with cold winds while we're reveling in warm days and cool nights. We came with Steve and 2 other 18-yr-olds, and believe me, having that many 6-foot basketball players in a 3 bedroom apartment is an experience. Duncan and Barbara Hallock are in this building; we've had a lot of fun together. Dunc is still ITT's head guy in Manila. Ed Doleman is in Korea making a study; Dottie will join him in Seoul. Carl and Louise Darnell are still carousing in TX but will return in Nov." Ten '33 golfers competed at Meade in Jun with Elder winning 1st low gross; Pope (the tournament's gen mgr), 2d low gross; Lincoln, 1st low net; Cyr, 2d low net.

The 4 Cadet pics you gave me have been surveying Casco Bay all summer—and they've enjoyed it!

(Editor's Note: On page 14 of the Sept 73 ASSEMBLY we listed Randolph as the author of the introduction to reunion pictures of Class of '33. We apologize to Rudolph, the true author, and the Class for this error.)

'34

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Creetings! After 6 years here I am again emerging as Scribe—how come? Can report that I am still gainfully employed (Value Engr Co., Alexandria); boasting of 2 grandsons (Cherie); Alex planning marriage this Nov; Loretta elected Pres of the Potomac Woman's Club (N. Arlington) and just returned from the VA Federation Bd meeting at the Homestead at Hot Spgs. She and a friend are off to Europe but more of this next time.

I regret that my next news is on a sad note, the demise of COL Robert K. Blair (USA, Ret.), Ex '34. Bob entered the Regular Army via the Reserves in 47. Our sympathy to his family.

On a happier note, Tom and Foss Foote have arrived in County Cork, Ireland, their new home. Report "camping" with relatives while house is being completed.

A note from Charlie Johnson in Beaufort tells of a surprise visit from Harry and Edna Hillyard, up from FL—also reports "still no house." Stanton and Fannie Brown have bought a houseboat and are discovering that the Army Engr did a great job on the Arkansas R. Frank Norvell still keeps an eye on the Army—continues as City Mgr of Harker Hgts just outside Ft Hood.

Jack and Ruth Renfroe returned to WP in Jul after a sabbatical leave in Frankfurt. While in Germany Jack translated, from German to English, a tome on the "History of the Art of War." A note from Bob McKinnon indicates he plans to work until 76, and then to Hilton Head, SC, for ret.

Bill and Anna Wise have been in Greece, Spain and the UK. Had lunch with Moose and Peggy Donovan at their apartment in

Madrid. Daughter Anna Jr. on vacation from school in England was with Bill and Anna part of the time. Bill Neal recently sent a note to say he is now teaching HS math—also developing an orchard and garden. From Tom Lipscomb a report that he hopes to improve public transportation in Detroit—son Tom has started his own publishing company in NY, “Mason and Lipscomb Publishers.”

Bob Miller writes that he has not been working since U. of Corpus Christi closed its doors. Bob had a heart attack in 71 but is doing well under medication, diet, and exercise. All 4 children are married and located as follows: Bob Jr. in Sydney, Australia; Patrick in Paterson, NJ; Nora in Silver Spring, MD; and Barbara in Fort Worth, TX. Thanks for bringing us up-to-date, Bob! Also from TX comes word from Hank Neilson that he is still tending his orchards. Daughter, Mary Jane, is in Brazil in an AFS Exchange Student Program. Alex Stuart writes from El Paso that Mim is happily losing weight and that he is working on the Natl Character Lab. Had family reunion prior to older son's departure for Leavenworth including youngest son Doug, wife and 2 children in from Oceanside, and daughter Suzy and husband, CPT Tom Wheelock, from Ft Hood. Alex also indicated that Dick Moorman is convalescing after a heart operation. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery, Dick!

Travis Brown advises that Margery's success at writing continues. She had a short story in McCall's (Feb 73 issue) and a Xmas story will be in McCall's Xmas edition. The Browns just returned from an interesting 6 weeks in England and Russia—understand Heck Davall “tended the store” while they were away. From Bud Buehler out CA way is news of recent visit of daughter Jane, husband and 5 grandchildren.

Rip Winkle completed his 12th year as a stockbroker this past Jul. He's thinking of ret. if he can find something to do! Rip and family recently stopped by Hank Sebastian's for brief visit while en route to Big Bend.

Jim Wells announces that he and Madge Grace are wedding on 8 Sept 73. Congratulations, Jim!

It was good to hear from Ferdie Tate and to know that his hospital stay last Xmas was successful. His youngest, Paul, graduated cum laude from LA State U. in May (BS in CE). He will be on active duty as 2d LT at Ft Belvoir for 3 months, effective 25 Jul. Ferdie has 2 other sons in DC area: MAJ Patrick (Office Ch of Engr) and Mike (Arthur D. Little Co.).

Dan Cheston, your new Treas, has been delayed in taking office. First, he was vacationing at his New England estate (recent visitors there were Anne and Bill Kern), and now he and Betty Anne are touring Canada. Bill Tank is still teaching HS math to HS grads in Hampton Roads area and enjoying the experience. Bob and Biddie Warren have also ret. to this area. Bob reports that he had to give up his job in Greece because of ill health.

Burt Bruce reports that his son Burr graduated from T.C. Williams HS in Alexandria, VA, where Burt had been a math teacher for the past 8 years. In Sept Burr is entering the Engr College at Tufts U. in Medford, MA. Because of his interest in bicycle racing, he is taking 2 of his 10-speed bikes with him and is planning to keep them in his room to assure their safekeeping.

Pete Peca has finally brought us up-to-date: He is still selling golf courses and, as a local rep for Academy, helping local youngsters regarding appointments. Son, Pete

Jr., is QM CPT at AMC in DC—still a bachelor. Son Tex (Ohio U.) is on duty with Sig Bn at Ft Hood. Daughter Bea (W&M) married W&M grad and they are living in Newport News, VA, after 3 years in Army. Bea is Dir of Adm at W&M Law Sch—husband Mike works for Govt. Daughter Ellen (14 yrs) plans to attend Penn State—Army game this year and the 40th Reunion.

A note from Helen Merrill asks to have her name placed on '34 mailing list. She has taken back the name of Merrill. (Married F.M. Smith after Johnny was killed in WWII. Divorced 62.) Helen now lives with son Rick Merrill in Bolton, MA. Welcome back to the fold, Helen!

Arno Luehman is VP of Networks Elect Corp. in L.A. area—planning to make the 40th. He and Constance recently flew to Istanbul as guests of the Turkish Air Lines and had a wonderful reunion with their many Turkish friends. Also visited Ankara and spent some time in Izmir where they once lived. They returned via Athens, Madrid (lunch with Donovans), and DC. Thanks for writing, Constance.

The Diefendorfs, Stevens, and Edsons rendezvoused at Kill Devil Hill in NC for a week's holiday early in Sept.

An updated Class roster was recently mailed to all classmates, selected former members, and class widows. This roster (chiefly through the efforts of Hal Edson) contains more info than those previously published. The Stevens, Tysons, O'Haras, and yours truly spent 3 hours at Edson's collating, stapling, and stuffing rosters and addressing and stamping envelopes. If you did not receive your copy, let me know. Input for the next issue is due no later than Dec 31st.

A late note: Jack Renfroe became ill soon after his return to WP, and after extensive tests at WP and Walter Reed Hospitals, had surgery in mid-Sept. Now, on 30-day convalescent leave and becoming, I understand, fat and sassy. Class sent “Get Well” telegram. I'm sure he would appreciate hearing from each of you.

'35

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George Oglesby has been battling coronary and other problems for well over a year but his last letter sounds like improvement. He is near W-P AFB where he is sort of outpatient to the med cen, and lives at 45 Old Yellow Spgs Rd, Apt F, Fairborn, OH 45324. I know he would be glad to hear from his friends. Milt Taylor seems to have his coronary problem well under control. He spent several hours sailing on Chesapeake Bay with me earlier this week. Milt has ret. from teaching and he and Irene this past summer traveled to visit their son and his family on the West Coast. Ron Taylor, MAJ MC, was at Ft Lewis, but left for Seoul, Korea, on 29 Sept to be ch of surgery in the hosp there. Daughter, Connie Taylor Fisher, PhD, is an assoc prof in psychology at Duquesne U. and her husband, Wm Fisher, is a full prof in the same dept.

Hart and Betty Caughey have moved to 2409 John Anderson Dr, Ormond Beach, FL 32074. Jack Hickman sends new address, 372 Bayview Dr NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33704. Ralph and Sally Haines have moved to 203 Lochaven Ln, Castle Hills, San Antonio, TX 78213.

Ed and Marie Ferris returned from Panama early Aug after visit with son Dan, USMA

'71, and family, with news that Frank and Marge Fiore have moved household goods to their home in Sotogrande, Spain, which they occupy part of the year, though they still consider Panama their “C.P.” Frank said he saw Ken Bergquist in Spain, in the Rota Base Exch. Latest news is that Ken and Alice expect to be back in FL later this year. Jim and Consuelo Alger have a “lot” in Sotogrande not too far from the Fiore's home. Jim and Consuelo are currently in ME and expect to go back to Maui in late Oct, “when that white stuff starts falling,” as Jim says. In Maui Consuelo suns and swims, while Jim goes to Manila on what he calls his “annual business trip.”

Jane Ramee (Mrs. Eric Per Ramee) is now a resident of The Army Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave, NW, Washington, DC, 20015. Jane is a first for our Class in that capacity.

Arthur and Helen Fickel are on a somewhat extended trip to Europe combining business with pleasure. Daughter Susan and 2 grandchildren are along. Art is on GE business, Helen has some family business in Switzerland, and they want Susan and her children to meet their Swiss relatives.

Charlie Hoy writes from the Ashley House in Charleston, SC that life is quite comfortable there, but it was too hot last summer to play golf so he swam a lot.

Joe Wiechmann, 9 Seymour Pl W., Armonk, NY 10504, wrote a newsy letter to tell of his and Jean's activities. They see Bob and Marian Murrin in NJ occasionally and also Iron Man and Dottie Russell in Cornwall-on-Hudson, the last time on 22 Jul when Rooney and Betty Rynearson were down from Norwich, NH, as guests of the Russells and also returning son Charlie Rynearson to begin his First Class year at USMA. Joe also included clippings from the 21 Jul NY Times concerning Bill Lapsley. Bill is now Pres of Con Ed, which is one of the biggest, if not the biggest, utilities in the world. Bill went with ConEd as Asst VP in 69, became a VP in 71, and is now Pres. The Times article also describes a substantial reorganization of ConEd so that Bill will have all central opns, production, engr, and data processing reporting directly to him.

Last May Ray Firehock with his Grampian 26 entered the Palm Beach Sail Fish Club race to West End, Bahamas, 65 miles, and back. During a storm at night on the way over they all 6 aboard got very wet and Mary got tossed out of her bunk. The others didn't even try to go to bed. Ray took 3d place going over, and again 3d place returning, and to cap it all, best elapsed time over and back. Needless to say he was and still is elated. About mid Jun Ray and Mary together with Walter and Margaret Bryde made a trip to S.A., to Caracas, Lima, and points in between.

Floyd Pratt moved up on 1 Sept from asst prof of business admin at Wittenberg U., Springfield, OH, to assoc prof. Floyd got his MBA at Stanford in 49. Last Jun Floyd and Juanita made a big loop up into Canada, out to Vancouver and Tacoma, and then south to San Leandro and the Bay area before returning home in mid Jul.

George Ruhlen wrote a newsy letter reporting good ratings from his friends in Class of '33 who enjoyed their sojourn at Bear Mountain Inn during their 40th Reunion. As mentioned in last issue we have that Inn reserved for our 40th. George says he is still enjoying being the one-man R&U team at his house—thinks he may have missed his calling—and that he goes bird hunting with



1935: Standing (L-R): Frank McGoldrick, Gene Walter, Fred Cummings, Alice Cummings; seated: Ruth McGoldrick and Marge Walter.

Bud Russ and bass fishing with Sailor Hawkins.

Ed Niles has been with NM highway dept for some years and has recently been promoted to Ch Engr of Const. Rather than move his home from Albuquerque, however, he now commutes to his new office in Santa Fe.

Monty Saxton was in DC on a one-day business trip from Los Altos, CA, where he is with Lockheed. He reports that he and his are fine except for a broken arm Patty suffered recently, but it is mending well, and that their youngster Kevin is age 16 and 6 feet 2.

Kay St. John reports the lovely wedding on 8 Sept at Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg, VA, of Mary Abbott Symroski, 2d daughter of Chuck and Ann Symroski of that city to Mr. Stephen Douglas Koop. The reception was held in the Symroski home afterward.

Don and Sis Bernier's younger son Bruce is engaged to marry Miss Barbara Nemeth of South Bend, IN. The wedding is to be held 20 Oct in the Log Chapel at Notre Dame U. Bruce got his degree in Engr at ND.

Frank McGoldrick sent this nice picture of a gathering at their home when the Cummings stopped overnight on their way up to RI.

The DC contingent's first luncheon of the season, 26 Sept, got off to a good start with 21 in attendance—20 of the more familiar faces plus Russ Smith who drove down from Middleburg, PA for the occasion.

Somers Dick reports that so far as he has been able to determine no new Class Sons have showed up to join the USCC. Charlie Rynearson '74, mentioned earlier, and George Blackburne Jr. '75, constitute the crop.

Norm Skinrood reports with great pleasure that the youngest of his and Gail's 5 children has "finally got a job." David S. Skinrood who spent 2 years as a member of USMA '70 only to be discharged with a physical disability, went on to Brigham Young U. and got first a Master's degree in EE and then another one in Business Admin, got married last May, and now has taken a position with Exxon Corp in Houston in data processing, probably starting at a salary such as Norm and I were getting when we ret.

'36

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After a relatively calm summer we bring these Class Notes to a close with a big get-together, the Annual Whispering Pines Tournament (soon to rival Crosby's Pebble Beach) and the Army-GA Tech game.

But first, on a very humid, hot, and (h)air polluted holiday (Labor Day) Gordon Austin and I painfully crawled thru DC traffic to a wonderful lunch at Bolling AFB. He and Joyce had spent a cool exhilarating summer in the north count-ree and made the mistake of returning too soon. To rectify this, they will go back to Switzerland in the winter for a couple of months. Gordon received recently a French DeGaulle decoration (his 2d). It having been somewhere since I've heard from the Burnetts, I wrote—receiving rewarding results: Bob is "slaving 3 days a week as a VP of our local bank, but have announced my intention to give that up come the first of the year. Bodines live just up-lake from us in the same subdivision. See the Morrisises as often as 12 miles and our

varied activities permit. So far they've (Cec and Bev Combs) been a bit tied-down: Bev broke an ankle, was in hospital . . . and on crutches since. Cec has eye problems and will have cataract surgery. Davis (Bill) is still teaching math in a Catholic HS (San Ant), (but) we see them occasionally when they are up here." Living near each other: Burnetts—Box 573, Kingsland; Bodines—Box 4, Kingsland; Morrisises—Box 533, Marble Falls; Combs—Star Rt 3, Box 404, Marble Falls; and Bill Davis—(no lake address, just home in San Ant). Bob says Powells are still in Harker Hgts outside Killeen.

Spent an often indulged pleasant evening in the cool oasis of the Carmichaels' home the last of Aug. Young Richard was married in CT early the same month. Talked to Ted Clifton briefly on phone, and to Aggie Davis. Ben was exhausted from hard work, exercise, and the heat. Abe and Julie were in S. Amer. He was to be main speaker at DC-Sept luncheon. Our CS also was featured in a detailed interview in Aug 6th US News. Catos moved to The Gardens, 124 Aspen Circle, Seminole, FL, only short distance from former abode. Ray is tax-evaluating large real estate properties. Last son, Bob, USMA '65, married in Mar and finished Stanford with two MAs. He's at WP. Richard, USMA '60, is in Pentagon. Dorothy made a long visit with dau Barbara in England last summer. In Jul Audette Kimball, after visiting her children in AL, spent evening with Gages (Betty Cox, PSG '09, Sallie [Betty's dau from Italy], and sundry other Gages of '36). Roy Cole wrote a beautiful letter concerning the passing of Len Shea on 1 Jul. Len and his beautiful 15-year-old dau Laurie were in an equitation class. Len fell from his horse and was taken to a nearby hosp. He died the following day as a result of a brain hemorrhage. According to Roy, no man could ask for a better way to leave than to be riding with his lovely daughter and die with his boots on! And now Roy, who was Len's roommate and guardian of Laurie, will have with Nancy the joy of little Laurie living with them. Roy further states that Roy III, USMA '62, after 2 tours in Nam has turned to the ministry, and will become an Episcopal priest next year. (Other 36er's sons in the cloth—Lampert and Gage.) Bill Connors wrote they had visited the Westmorelands and Yarboroughs in NC and were "crankin' up" for Whispering Pines and the Army-Tech game. Both of our '73 USMA



1936: Dickens, Grubbs, Landrum, Katz, Broyles, Covington, Stokes, Quinn, Connor, Layne, Champion Waters, Smith, Turnage, Dawalt, Page and Pack at Whispering Pines Golf-Kloch.



1936: L-R (front row): Juana Quinn, Jean and Ed Dunn, Anita Quinn and Liz Gage; back row: Bob Quinn, Rob Quinn and Gage—Atlanta, Aug.

grads, Jon Jacoby and Jack Daly, thanked the Class for their graduation gifts—silver bread dishes (I was impressed to see one of these still prominently displayed in the home of Haneke '62 last month). It was a pleasure to receive a visit from young Jack Daly Jr. in mid-Sept on his way from Benning to Knox. I believe he saw at Club 50 some of his own family's pictures that he'd never seen. The cover of an Aug Construction-weekly caused some comment: pictured are 4 men, each regarding a glass of wine, and each an engr. The Pres of IECO (i.e., Tommy Hayes) was the central figure, and the inside story more than the vine described some facts—in 28 yrs his company has produced 350 major projects in 45 countries including the world's biggest hydro project on S.A.'s Parana River—a \$3 billion job. Coincidences such as they are, when I started writing this the phone rang—and it was Tommy saying he'd be in Atlanta in 30 minutes. So this is after meeting him and Jean at airport. They had been at Benning 25 Sept for swearing-in of Barbara's husband Dave as a 2d-louie. Tom donned his uniform for the function and was indirectly chided by the principal speaker who denounced "long-haired" officers. Jean and Tom went on to visit her family in Denver before returning to Coast. Tom said he sees Joe Nazzaro frequently—they have offices in the same building. Heard from Helen Hess twice. In her first she was coming to Whispering Pines and in her 2d, they couldn't make that distance. They received a granddaughter



1936: Non-golfers' lunch at "Grey Fox": Lynn Dorland, Juana Quinn, Lucile Broyles, Norma and Bill Yarborough, Dette Kimball, Margaret Grubbs.

in Jun. The Hughes were in Atlanta for an Aug graduation from Tech of son Jim. We all had a pleasant dinner, and reunion. Received a nice letter from Ralph King, who ret. from Lockheed recently and enjoys golfing in CA climate. I was fortunate to be able to chat with him one evening from Monterey airport, but could not reach either Ace Miller, who's building a new home at 4265 Tolando Trail, Carmel; nor could I get a phone no. for Fergussons in L.A. However, Liz and I had a very grand short visit with Louie and Marge Chappelle in a Sept-Sunday airport lounge. Dan Kingman was full of life and happiness when he visited the Sutherlands in Jul to install son Ralph as a Plebe in Class of '77. Dan says the doctors can't find any more cancer to treat him for. Gracie and Clyde Layne have recently opened their real estate business in Alexandria. Jean McCarthy passed away 13 Jul—possibly a stroke. Fran McElheny has sent several notes and pics. She said she'd phone—talked with Ken Madsen and George



1936: Back row: Gen Hendrickson, Granny Gunn, Lynn Hosmer, Fran McElheny; middle row: Bill Hendrickson, Clark Hosmer, Dan McElheny; in front: Ginny Gunn—Florida, Apr.

Finley and they were planning to get to Army game in Atlanta. Mike sent in a new address: Apt 701, Unit 3, 5130 Brittany Dr S., St. Petersburg, FL. He had been in Korea. In mid-Aug there was a pleasant weekend reunion between Duns, Gages, and Quinns. The latter were here for the wedding of a godson. MAJ Rob and Anita Quinn were accompanying them. The Duns were on way to Europe; they have suffered the loss of their youngest, Pat, in Mar in an automobile. Cece Spann wrote from FL, stating he doesn't leave his apt much anymore. Had a quick lunch with Howie Snyder in Columbus in Sept, and he and Lo hosted a cocktail party for the Hayes when the latter were in town. The ever-moving Wallnau leaves this new address: 2400-A Griffen Ave, New Bern, NC. He received an Honorary Citizenship from Boynton Beach to indicate that the Floridians still love "our Confederate Colonel."

The 4th World Championship Golf Tournament was, as expected, beyond expectation and better than any previous affair—in attendance, about 20% better than previous year. As coincidences run, there were 36 guests at this '36 party (Al McCormick men-



1936: Gage '09, Audette Kimball, Betty Cox, Gage '36—Atlanta, Aug.

tioned that probably the golf cmte had set "par '36' for 9 holes"). The happy visitors to the pine-thick sandhills of NC were: Lucile and Daddy Broyles, "K&K" Dawalt Randy and Lazelle Dickens, Gil and Lynn Dorland, Dave Edwards, George Finley, Margaret and Elmer Grubbs, Henry Katz, Peg and Ted Klock, Dette Kimball, Bill and Peg Covington, Bill and Betty Connor, Jim Landrum, Clyde Layne, Nip and Eileen Page, Charlie Pack, Bob and Juana Quinn, Steve and Jane Smith, Norm and Betty Spencer, Orv Stokes, Ben and Fronnie Turnage, Vic and Blue Wagner, Charlie Waters, Ed Wallnau, and Norma and Bill Yarborough. From the "interior" came a young chief who "apologized" for only being 3d in "hivey" among the tribesmen, but who showed his prowess "physically" by winning the 4th World Championship, the '36 "Grand Master": Charlie Waters! Plans for non-golfers proved a big bonus for Gage since he found himself lazing with the lovelies—Dette Kimball, Juana Quinn, Margaret Grubbs, Norma Yarborough, Lynn Dorland, and Lucile Broyles. We really were given the planned tour for real estate and horse buyers ending with a dessert at 160 Hillside Rd, Southern Pines (new address) where Bill and Norma showed us a career's collection of attractive art appurtenances from Austria, England, Korea, etc. It was a special treat to see and chat again with Bill who is now engaged in investigating terrorism for the American-African Affairs Assn, and who was off to Africa following our departure from Whispering Pines. It was noteworthy that this gath-



1936: Two Bill Hanekes; Marion and Gage—Richmond, Sept.

ering attracted such far-away visitors as Steve and Jane Smith from CA and Jim Landrum from HI. From the notes of those who desired but could not come to the Championship, there is some news: Kitsy and Westy were moving into their new condominium; Binx Sikes was miraculously recovering from what was a year ago thought to be terminal lung cancer; Bill Sievers (who was present last year) was incapacitated by long lung illness; 3 were overseas—Heintges, Mohlere and Norris (who lives permanently in Garmisch-Partenkirchen at Box R, APO NY 09053).

For the 4th time the Class can applaud and praise the 4 stalwart, enthusiastic, and hardworking Broyles, Covington, Dickens, and Katz for doing so much for so many. They set a fantastic example for all the rest of us.

'37

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Although it may seem pretty far in the future, our 40th Reunion plans are beginning to really get rolling. One of the principal activities connected with the Reunion is to set up a Class Fund, earmarked within the WP Fund, for a Class Gift to the Academy at the time of the Reunion. The Committee set up by Finn Unger has already done much ground-work, including circularizing all class members for an expression of interest and support. The response has been excellent—\$1785.00 already received from 25 members and deposited, with pledges of more in the future. Your Scribe was one of those who missed connections on the original letter asking for support, so there probably are others. If this is all new to you, and you would like to get the word in detail, let your Scribe know, or get in touch directly with Finn Unger, Bill Hipps or Gus Prentiss, who are carrying the ball.

The DC contingent of the Class is still holding its monthly luncheons at the AN Club on Farragut Sq in DC on the 3d Thurs of each month at 1200. They urge classmates who are visiting in the area to plan to come—as well as, of course, the classmates who live close enough to make it—at least occasionally.

Our Class passed an historical landmark on 31 Jul when Fred Clarke ret. as Army Ch of Engrs at Ft Belvoir—he was the last member of the Class to wear the uniform on active duty. Fred was honored by a ret. review and presented a first OLC to the DSM. He will become exec dir of the new Natl Study Comm on Water Quality Mgt concurrently with joining Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton, which is executing an agreement to support the Comm. Finn Unger, as Class Pres, congratulated Fred on behalf of all of us, in part as follows: "On behalf of all members of the USMA Class of '37, we salute you as the last surviving AD member of our Class to wear the uniform of a commissioned officer in the service of our beloved country."

We regret to tell you of the passing of Pat Steely, Oscar Steely's wife, on 31 Jul. Finn Unger expressed sympathy for all of us in a letter to Oscar.

We knew Bull and Peggy Oden were in Iran but now, via a note to Gus Prentiss, we have them pin-pointed: MG (R) D.M. Oden, Box R 29, APO New York 09205. Bull is chief honcho (Pres) of Bell Helicopter



1937: The Cullens and Hallaways.

Intl. Congratulations and our best to both Bull and Peggy.

Paul Cullen sends a pic of him and Edith when they entertained Bruce and Frances Hallaway at Paul's home on Long Is. Bruce was visiting the area for a meeting as Trustee of the NY Inst of Tech. Referring to our lead item in these notes, Paul's note also forwarded a contribution to the Class Fund.

Coy Curtis checked in from 4622 Grandview Ave, Tempe, AZ 85282 with an appeal for Gus Prentiss's address (5600 Wyngate Dr, Bethesda, MD 20034) so he can send a contribution to the Class Fund—also with some class news from the area. Coy lives in Tempe but runs Coy Curtis Realty Inc. in Scottsdale, AZ, which he reports is healthy and keeps him the same way physically and financially! He reports Bob Stegmaier at 10052 Peoma Ave, Sun City, AZ. Bob is doing research and writing including a recent visit with wife Ruby for historical research at Ft Huachuca. Dan and Florida Russell live at 5925 E. Donna Ln, Phoenix, AZ where Dan is a civ tech with the AZ NC. Dan reports Luke Elkins in Tucson but no recent contact—any confirmation?

A most interesting and welcome item on Jack Tolson was received through the courtesy of Gil Dorland, Class of '36, who apparently appreciates how we Scribes agonize for news! The item is a "Capsule Profile" from the magazine North Carolina which briefly summarized Jack's career and went further to quote the point of view he brings to his new position as Secy of Mil and Vet Affairs for the State of NC. Congratulations to Jack and the State of NC for a fortuitous relationship!

The Hilton Head Is contingent checked in via a phone call from Burt Connor to Don Shive. Burt is doing fine and playing golf with Bud Underwood who is also doing nicely and must have decided to settle there since he is building a home. Pony Scherrer is active in church work and almost in the new home we previously reported him building. Pete Hyzer has re-ret. from his position with the Hilton Head Corp and is also

building a new home. On behalf of all, Burt says that the latch-string is out for any classmates visiting Hilton Head! By the way, when Don Shive reported this news he also said that daughter, 1LT Franny Shive is now stationed at Tripler Hosp and that he and Fran plan to visit her in Jan.

Bill Easton is sufficiently recovered from a heart attack to be back at work. He and Jean are in Stillwater, MN where Bill is with the First Natl Bank. Their son (USMA '68) is in JAG Sch and was recently married to the former Jennifer Newell.

George McDowell gave us a fine run-down on several classmates in the San Ant-Houston area. He and Rae had Ed Ingmire and Dotty over for a few on 21 Jul and learned that Ed is entering the real estate business in Wichita Falls; Jack Donohew and Dotty stayed 3 days with the McDowells starting 26 Jul; on the 28th they arranged a small gathering of the clan at Rae's parents' home in San Ant attended by Ray Cheal and Edna, Render Denson and Rosemary, Swede Ohman and Sis and Frank Harrison—Jean Harrison was still in Brooke but doing fine after open heart surgery; George Holcomb could not attend because Jesse was in the hospital; George McDowell reports Jack Donohew bug-eyed on a tour of the Astro Dome—a condition that says a lot about that 8th wonder. Two other notes from TX—Helen Rumph was reported visiting the Clarks in El Paso recently and Milt Clark and Phyllis hope to be in the DC area at the time of the Nov luncheon.

Dick Fellows sent a picture from (guess where?) the Air Academy showing him, Swede Ohman and Mort Magoffin at the Natl Conv of the Order of Daedelin. Curt Low and Moose Hackford were thereabouts but missed the picture formation, Dick sees Bill Harrigan occasionally back home in Santa Monica where Bill is still with North American.

Ginger Gildart is home and recuperating under therapy from a hassle with the medics; we extend our deepest sympathy.

Your Scribe is writing from Cleveland, OH, where he and Ginny are lending peripheral support to the arrival of a 3d grandchild. With the forbearance of the Editor of ASSEMBLY, hopefully these late notes will appear in the Dec issue. So—

Xmas and New Year's greetings to all of us from all of us!



1937: Fellows, Ohman and Magoffin at the AF Academy.



1938: L-R, front row: Sherrard, Jacunski, Amick, Coleman; rear row: Mechi Sherrard, Mary Jacunski, Muriel Amick, Pat Coleman.

'38

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As anticipated in the last ASSEMBLY column, our new class leadership has initiated action toward a 40th Reunion goal of a meaningful and enduring gift to USMA. By the time you read this you will have had a letter from Pres Dick Stilwell on the subject. The committee that he appointed to speed our drive, i.e., Jim Taylor, John Jannarone and Mick Amick, is bound to be a winner. The job for the rest of us is obvious. In addition to a generous contribution from each, we should all try to help out with ideas for a gift that will symbolize how very much the Academy had meant to us. We should also respond promptly so that our cmte will know for how much they can count on each of us.

For those of you who have misplaced Dick's letter, contributions should be made to the West Point Fund of the AOG with "Class of 1938 gift account" in the lower left portion of your check. For those planning to spread their gifts over several years, please advise Mick Amick who as our Class Treas will keep book.

No doubt most of you know by now that Dick Stilwell was promoted to GEN during the summer and was reassigned as CinC of the UNCmnd in Korea. Our warm congratulations to him and Alice.

On 21 Sept the DC chapter of '38 lunched together in the Pentagon. Attending were Beverley, Bixby, Conell, Corbett, Damon, Harrington, Healy, Kelsey, Lahti, Mrazek, Skaer, W.W. Smith, Stout, Taylor, Thomas and Walson. These luncheons are great sport. Generally held every other month, out-of-town classmates who happen to be in the area should make a point of attending. Jesse Thomas arranges them, so contact him for schedule and details.

At our Sept luncheon Bill Beverley, our local Pres, said he had left his job as Business Mgr of Anderson Clinic and had joined the

ranks of the permanently ret. along with Tracy Harrington and a number of the rest of us. Frank Norris, whose absence was noticed, was reported to have had a run-in with a horse and will be laid up at his home in The Plains, VA, for about 6 mos.

Classmates from the hinterland who have come to DC recently have included Jack and Jo Ryan and Jim Isbell who attended the AF Assn Conv in Sept. Jack and Jo, looking hale, hearty and refreshed, seemed to give proof that San Ant is a good place to ret. after an arduous 4 yrs as AF CS. Jim Isbell who came down from AK as a delegate to the conv related about the terrors of living in the most expensive place in an expensive U.S.A. He, too, is a completely ret. classmate now and said that he and Ginny may move back to the "lower 48" before long. Come winter they plan to do a bit of tripping around the southern part of the U.S. to see if they can take it after their years up north.

Also in Sept Henry Huglin came in to DC from his base in Santa Barbara. Henry who is still very much involved in writing and speaking on intl politico-military matters had just finished a speaking engagement in MI. En route to DC he had been calling on newspaper editors to interest them in the column that he launched about a year ago. So far he has his column in 13 publications. He says that progress is slow but steady. More importantly, he is doing something that he likes very much and in his adopted home, Santa Barbara, where he is now firmly established. From time to time he dines with Sam and Patsy Eaton who live in nearby Ojai.

Dapp and Dottie Dapprich have been galivanting around again—this time last summer through part of S.A.—Colombia, Ecuador, Chile, Argentina, Paraguay and Brazil. High spots for them were the fabulous Inca city of Machu Picchu in the Peruvian Andes and the famous falls at Iguazu where Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay meet. Apparently they were able to keep out of trouble in the politically charged atmospheres of Chile and Argentina and were impressed negatively by

the long lines waiting to pay the highly inflated prices of Santiago and by the graffiti on the buildings in Buenos Aires. Dapp didn't say in his letter whether or not he had checked in with our "south of the equator" rep, Sam Hogan, in Quito. As I have mentioned several times, Sam has quite a spread and would be delighted to see any of his fine classmates.

In closing I deeply regret to relate that Eleanor McCrary died of a heart attack on 25 Aug. She was buried in Arlington Cemetery. I'm sure that you all join me in expressing to Tom our sincere and understanding condolences.

'39

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The '39 active duty roster was reduced to a total of 8 with the ret. of Frank Mildren in Jul and Bob Ploger in Aug. Frank was in DC to doff his uniform; then he and Audrey headed for SC to shop for a ret. home. Bob's ret. ceremonies were held at Ft Belvoir where he was CG. A special edition of the Belvoir newspaper, The Castle, featured Bob's career from cradle to ret. At the Aug class luncheon in the Pentagon, Bob received an engraved tray in exchange for the IOU for same which, as reported in the Sept ASSEMBLY, was presented to Bob and Marguerite at the DC group's spring festival. MI is the lucky state selected by the Plogers for their next career.

Prof Joe Coffey of the U. of Pitt completed a one year sabbatical tour with the Inst of Strat Studies in London, England, where he focused on MBFR and other arms control subjects. On a swing through Europe, Art Allen visited Joe McChristian in Athens, Greece, where Joe is the CO of the Athens Water Works. He also saw the Mike Davisons in Germany. Later Mike came to DC for the funeral of ADM Radford. Mike is a nephew of the Radfords. Matt and Eleanor Bristol



1939: Joe and Vi Dietz.



1939: Harvey and Jean Fraser and Ed Hamilton.

are enjoying life in San Ant, TX, according to Dotty Chapman who visited them in Sept.

Riggs and Jane Sullivan and Bill and Mary Martin are enjoying the refreshing air and glorious surroundings at their ret. abodes in Aspen, CO. Bill is a wheel in a land devl corp called Snowmass American that is attempting to develop 3,500 acres of mountain territory into condominium homesites. They have an 18-hole golf course at the bottom of a beautiful ski mountain which Bill says is probably the largest single ski mountain in the U.S. On visits to the parent company hq in Newport Beach, CA, the Martins frequently see Fran Bestic. Last summer Fran's son Jeffrey worked on Bill's Aspen golf course—the one at the bottom of that big ski mountain. On a tour of other resorts, Bill spent an evening with Higgle and Anne Higgins at Sea Pines, SC and played golf with Higgle, BG Kriedler (USAF) and Henry Collins. Roscoe Crawford attended the Aspen Skiing Corp's Ski Week. He was in the same class with Jill St. John and graduated. Nice going, Roscoe!

Grace and Ed Hamilton returned in late Jul from a 5 week, 9,000 mile auto trip during which they visited several classmates. Here is Ed's report:

"In San Fran we enjoyed Swede Larsen's hospitality at lunch. Since ret. he has been asst to the Mayor for Devl, a job which he seems to enjoy and which recently brought him to DC to testify before a Congressional Cmte. He retains a dedicated interest in the Army and strong views on what should be



1939: "Squaw" Hamilton and Sioux Chief.

done to improve the quality of our Armed Forces. Nell has recovered from her past illness and is doing nicely. They have purchased a home in San Fran.

"I phoned Bo McCutchen but unfortunately our day coincided with the first day of the BART strike when management, including Bo, was trying to devise a 24-hour watch.

"In Tacoma, WA, we were guests at Joe and Vi Dietz's lovely home. Joe is gung-ho on flying and teaches it as a paying avocation. Being an avid sportsman any spare time usually finds him with his camper, hunting, or fishing. Vi, a qualified accountant, keeps the records straight for a local real estate entrepreneur. Joe reported that Bob and Claire Coleman, who also live in the Tacoma area, were away with 2 of their children on a 500-mile hike through the wilderness of Canada—an Infantryman's holiday.

"In Rapid City, SD, we were guests of the Pres of SD Sch of Mines and Tech and Jean Fraser. Harvey has to be the only college Prexy in the world with a drive-in football stadium arranged in tiers with numbered parking spaces and you know whose space is on the 50-yard line. He also has an outstanding paleontological and mineralogical museum of which he gave us a



1939: Frank Mildren.

personal tour on a Sunday morning. Their beautiful home is strategically located on the 12th green of the local country club which allows the Prexy to escape his onerous duties with a quick 13th hole tee-off. Jean devotes her spare time to the Ellsworth AFB hospital.

"In Eau Claire, WI, we were drawing closer to home and enjoyed a pleasant respite with Mahlon and Cele Caffee. Mahlon runs Schwan-Seyberth Co., which wholesales sporting goods to outlets in WI, MI, and MN. He not only sells sporting equipment but uses it extensively, also. He still shoots a very respectable game of golf and carried me on his back during an 18-hole match. They have a beautiful home, also own a condominium at Lake Dillon, CO, and are considering ret. to AZ. Cele is an expert at assuaging the palate as we can well testify.

"All in all we had a marvelous trip thanks in part to the hospitality of those classmates whom we visited and I can heartily recommend the therapeutic value of such a venture."



1939: Bob Ploger.

The Want Ad section of our column in the Sept ASSEMBLY produced instant results. Ed Hamilton, our social mentor, reports that Dick and Adelaide Cleverly have volunteered their poolside home in Alexandria for the DC group's annual festival. Three cheers for Dick and Adelaide!

Attendance at the monthly Pentagon luncheons declined somewhat during the summer months due to competition from vacation activities; however, by Sept things had bounced back almost to normal. The drop-off in local patronage was compensated for to a considerable extent by the welcome appearance of new faces—and stories—from out of town. George Zethren, in from CA, added spice and charm to the Aug affair. In Sept, Carl Buechner, fresh from a visit to WP, joined the group and gave an up-to-the-minute account of discussions with Frankie Joe Kobes on preparations for the 35th Reunion.

On the subject of the 35th Reunion, all reports indicate that the reunion fever is spreading rapidly and predicted to reach major epidemic proportions by next May. Planning for the event is progressing smoothly and on schedule. Frankie Joe Kobes has again been designated Reunion Chmn, assisted by a local staff composed of Frankie Joe's bride, Lydia, and Mike and Alys Krisman. Off-campus kibitzers have included the DC group, which has maintained a running correspondence with Frankie Joe over the past year, and individuals such as Carl Buechner, Sam Kail, and Sam Samuel. Some detailed planning remains to be done but an interesting program, tailored to desires and needs of vintage '39 grads, is assured. The key days are the last Wed, Thurs, and Fri of May 1974 (May 29, 30, and 31). Circle these times on your new 74 calendars and plan to join the party.





1940: Don Bennett, CINCUSARPAC.

'40

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This summer has been eventful for the class. There has been sadness and triumph. Attrition creeps upon us and I must report the death of one of the special people in our class. Don Yeuell died in his sleep in Jul. I was flying from Colombia on the day of his burial at WP so missed being there with Mary. If all goes well in ASSEMBLY, an article on Don stitched by me around the words of Tony Wermuth and Bill Kintner should be in the "Be Thou at Peace" section of a future issue of ASSEMBLY.

Triumph comes to Bill Kintner who just the day of this writing appeared before the Fullbright Cmte and was confirmed as Amb to Thailand. Dr. COL, Bill Kintner now picks up another title of Ambassador. The move to Thailand will be made in the middle or late Nov.

Don Bennett takes over as "the man" in the Far East and carries his 4 stars with him to live in HI.

LTC Shoemaker bids farewell to his men in El Paso and takes over Dick Cassidy's men at ARADCOM in Colo Spgs.

Kramer reports that there are some live



1940: Bill Kintner, Ambassador to Thailand.



1940: Cassidy and Adams with "Capt Bill" (Lawton '22) at Wu Pu Pus reunion.

grads in the Class of '40 living in the San Ant area. He sent me a group pic of Nancy and Bill Francisco, Mary Ann and Dennis Barton, Thelma and Les Shockmer, Babs and Don Briggs, Mary Lou and Don Stewart, Sissy (I taught her to swim) and Ray Bates, Flora and Morrie Shoss and Vi and Pete Kramer. All were assembled, close order, to greet Wendell Sell, a MG in AF Reserve for his mobilization training as asst to the CG of the Air TC. Wendell remains the Pres of Hoffman Elect. The mind boggles at the fact that Stewart, Barton, Shoss, Francisco, Shockmer, and Kramer are all school teachers. As Pete so aptly put it "quel brain power."

A letter long delayed in reporting comes from Helen and Ham Hamelin who are running a hotel checking out salt licks or something like that in Thompson's Falls, Kenya.

Stan Smith is in the brokerage business in San Ant.

Lanny Witt and classmates entertained COL and Mrs. Pace, Herb's parents (I knew them when I was in high school), when the Paces came through El Paso. They wanted to see Pace Hall, named after Herb. COL Pace talked with the group and told them the story of Herb's ring. When he was killed, the ring was missing. Four years later when

"we had returned" an Army sergeant found the ring on a dead enemy soldier and saw Herb's name engraved on the inside. He sent the ring to COL Pace who wears it proudly.

Pat Davis featured in a column in a West Coast paper by Dix Brown called "Tennis But No Flying." Pat lives in Coronado and is a past pres of the Chamber of Commerce there. Pic of Pat makes him look like a brand new MAJ—fit and trim.

The Muellers still in Munich. Hope my daughter Jeanne, now studying in Spain, gets to visit them.

Wendell Coats has retired from U.S. RED-COM MacDill AFB, FL to 1601 Stardust Dr, Colo Spgs, CO 80906.

Listen, fellas, I need addresses, new ones, accurate ones, to get ready for the 35th Reunion.

Am still waiting for report of reunion (Ft Scott WP Prep School) but Krisman hews so close to deadlines that I am taking no chances. Maybe next time if Orman stirs himself. Walt Mullane of '41 has reported the event but all the '40 news from Orman not yet available.

'41

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On 1 Aug 73 as Secy Schlesinger presided, the DOD Gen Counsel held the Bible and read the Oath of Office. The office: CS USAF. The guy with his hand raised might have been surprised, but nobody else was. And standing in the wings with the sparkle and grace that had played such an important part in reinforcing his success was the new first lady of the AF. George Scratchley Brown '41 thus became the 8th CS USAF.

The Class proposes a 41-gun salute to you George, and Godspeed in your new and most challenging job.

"Brown Comes Equipped" the newspapers said, and they had done their homework. Setting the pace from the start, George never lost the momentum that had led him to Cadet Regt Adj and CPT of the Polo Team. A Cav brat, he had heard about Marching toward the sound of the guns—George Brown flew! In the first B-24 Gp to deploy to England in the summer of 42, LT Brown was an aircraft comdr. On 1 Aug 43 as the formations assembled for the famous Ploesti raid, MAJ Brown was Dpty Lead in the 2d wave. As the Gp approached the target area the CO's ship exploded from a direct hit. George rallied the force and led them through the already flaming inferno to inflict devastating damage on Hitler's primary source of oil. His award, the DSC.

Back in England, he continued to excel in the very difficult days before our fighter escort helped us take cmd of the air. He set a big Class first 1 Oct 44 by pinning on eagles less than 2 months after his 26th birthday. Next stop Div Ops—for the duration.

After VE Day, with the max number of overseas stripes on his sleeve, he returned and moved to Ops in the Air TC. The next 8 yrs broadened his already considerable experience; he commanded a Tp Carrier Gp and a FIWg en route. By the time our country had managed to bungle itself into another war, George was ready. In May 52 he became Asst Dir and then Dir of Ops, 5th AF, Korea—Joint Air Opns—highest level. By Jul 53 when he took cmd of the PTWg at Williams there were few indeed with more total time eyeball-to-eyeball with the enemy.



1941: CS George Brown receives his appointment and congratulations from Secretary Schlesinger.

The NWC was next, Class of '57. This led him into a new and more formidable arena—the E-Ring of the Pentagon. For the next 6 yrs he was at the elbow of key mil decision makers and for more than half that time his judgments went directly to the SECDEF, himself.

Another class first—BC on 1 Aug 59, a rather special anniv.

Winning his 2d star in early 63 helped liberate him from the Pentagon and he was back in the cockpit as Cdr, E. Transport AF, MATS. A Joint cmd was next at Sandia organizing and running JTF-2. Aug 66 brought the 3d star and another key spot in the E-Ring—Asst to the Chmn, JCS.

Two years later George Brown flew to war for the 3d time. Pinning on his 4th star on 1 Aug 68, he took cmd of the 7th AF and the Air War in SEA. His predecessors toughed out one year in this near impossible contest—George stayed 2!

In Sept 70 he took cmd of the AFSC at the time when everybody and his brother was telling the AF how to build and buy aircraft and weapons. George proved that he can handle ax grinders with the same deftness he has repeatedly displayed against other enemies of the nation.

When time came to select the next CS USAF, the task was easy. But it was more than picking the guy with all the right tickets—6 full years of combat ops; experience in every command in the AF; and intimate knowledge of the inner workings of the JCS & DOD. It was more than picking a guy with the bearing, the family, the poise and the correct approach. It was all of these and more. It was bringing to a critical job at a crucial time in our history a guy who had just what the AF needed at the top—character, intelligence and guts.

Walt Woolwine reported the joint '40-'41 party a huge success and that the Sept luncheon featured guest of honor, Jack Christensen—plus John Deane, "Kwait" Tanous, George Stalnaker, Henry Wixon, Curt Chapman, JOG Green, Howdy Clark, Ed Buttery, Rod O'Connor, Andy Anderson, Fred Ascani and Joe Canella. Walt plans a max effort to improve the proportion of '41ers who belong to the AOC and subscribe to its publications. Don't be surprised if you get a letter asking you to contact an old roommate and ask him if he wouldn't care to rejoin our special fraternity for the ride into the sunset.

We get not a few visitors in CO in the

summer, and we love it. After Kay and Jasper Vaughn's Jun trip, we caught them on the back leg after he had landed a job with the Selma Corp. New address: Box 174, Old Greenwich, CT 06870. In Jul we had a visit from Bernie and Betty Woodruff out in their mobile home with daughters, Louise and Dianne, for their annual trip to Gunnison's fresh air. They stopped for the evening chez nous but we didn't have enough warning to rally the troops. We did phone farmer Hayduk in Grand Junction and got an "all's well." Bernie and Betty raved about the mountains, and pressed on to OH where Barney took the Adv Cse in Square Dance Calling. He is now I.P. qualified for those who'd like to pitch an Allemand Left bash.

In early Sept got a call from Perk and Jane Perkin who stopped en route to the West Coast for son Bob's wedding. CPT Perkin, USAF DC, will be stationed at USAFA which suggests where he stood in his class at recently completed dental sch. Perk and Jane looked great, said they are both involved and much enjoying the Blue Shield business but that they are really feeling the urge to move back out West.

And a phone call the other day from Houston brought the voices of Jim and Ann Sykes to chastize me for moving them to FL complete with burned bridges. Said Jim, "How the hell do you expect us to get any Xmas cards?" Like all the modern gutless journalists I ducked the issue by blaming my source, Pete Tanous. Jim said, "In these times you can't trust anyone who comes from the Middle East." He did admit that there was a "for sale" sign in front of his house but when he told me the price I suspect it will be there for a while. His next abode will be about 90' long and comes with a sail. He's getting out of the pipeline business and into tennis courts. He explained that in a recent mixed doubles match he was racing across the court to retrieve a drop shot when he crashed into his female chauvinist wife and, sprawling to the concrete, broke both elbows. He now has an interest in a company which builds courts with more forgiving decks. He didn't say what he planned to do about his partner who is still smirking.

On 16 Sept the Colo Spgs gang journeyed to Sportsman's Paradise at the Swiss Chalet of Mal and Alma Troop. Imagine living on one of the country's best trout streams in a controlled access community. Dave and Mary Gauvreau, Geo and Betty McIntyre, Ben and Harrie Spiller, Kay and I savored Alma's great cuisine and surveyed Mal's front yard pond where you could count the rainbows.

Much as we hate to admit it there are some beautiful people who are not members of the Class of '41. Bob and Hancel Evans (I hate to give space to Hanst) came by in Aug



1941: George and son, Danny, flanking the First Lady of the Air Force.

for a temporary respite from Montgomery's heat. They look marvelous, have a new elegant home with a 1-acre pond "where the lawn should be," and report son Billy 6'5" and 230#, already on the Auburn varsity though a freshman.

Talked to Andy Evans who ret. 1 Sept and reports that Clair is indeed a very sick gal. Son Dick is home on emergency leave from Uh Dorn where he has almost completed his tour as a back seater in the F-4. Write Andy at 17 Country Club Rd, Shalimar, FL 32579.

In another richly deserved promotion effective 1 Oct Pete Crow moved up to AVCS USAF. Pete's keen understanding of things fiscal plus his low key approach and southern charm have for years made him the clean-up-batter for the Air Staff on trips to the Hill. With George running the Cmd and Pete running the Air Staff, I'm ready to reenlist.

Dick and Peggy Scott from 63 Curlew Rd, Manalapan, FL 33462 laid on a mini reunion at their sumptuous home in honor of Jack and Lucy Millikin of DC and Bill and Karma Gleason of Miami. A color photo in the Scott pool attested to their youth and beauty but (sorry Peg) color snaps are on the no-no list. And in the same mail came another color snap of 4 more youthful, beautiful '41ers—Hilda and Ham Avery and Wire and Anne Coakley. Writes Wire, "Ham and Hilda were visiting VA Beach to attend a WWII reunion, then back to USC where he is completing his MS. Buster Boatwright also at USC is having problems with math—he misses Bob Ellsberry's coaching. Kaiser, Danforth, and I still support the beach. I too am a schoolboy, Hotel-Motel Mgmt. We made grandparents for the 4th time when Heather arrived 24 Aug."

Ed Buttery, who is doing a great job as Class Secy, reports no luncheon in May; a good turn out in Jun with the academic types, Roy Clinton and Woody Garrett being out of school. Ed Rowny was also there and reported that he and Phip Seneff were at the Paris Air Show and watched the Sov SST go in. Brad Smith has 2 new addresses, PO Box 186, Kitty Hawk, NC 27947 and 205 Huntington Ave, Apt 115, Alex, VA 22303. Ed missed the Jul bash while attending son's graduation at U. of TX.

A nice note from Jeannette La Bondano (Atkinson) reports that daughter Corinne and husband visited recently with their 3 darling children and that son Burt lives in the FL Keys and that his wife presented a grandson last Mar. That's at least 6 clusters on the grandfather ribbon for old Jonat who still maintains that Merrill Lynch and the Bradenton city council can't afford to let him go for a week of skiing with me.

Joe and Maurine Reed are relishing his new position as Proj Mgr for Computer Sci Corp. They moved to Tehran in Oct as Joe will automate the Iranian Army's Cmd and Contl and Mgmt Info Sys. New Add: IACI-CSC, Bx 12-1277, Tehran, Iran.

Bouncing Julie Easton wrote another of her fabulously cheerful letters saying that John recently had to go back for his 5th ACTH treatment. It is most discouraging to have to undergo this very rigorous treatment every 3 months but John fights on and in fact, is still working for Bristol-Myers as Julie cheers. They are welcoming Kay and Jasper Vaughan to the CT Chapter. Daughter Betsy and husband have moved to GA and son John is still single and practicing law in VT.

One of the nicest old soldier type functions I've ever heard of took place at the

Pres of San Fran on 25-26 Aug as LTG Wm S. Lawton '22 was honored by the Ft Scott types he had prepped for WP many years ago. This moving reunion will be covered in a separate article in ASSEMBLY, but let the record show that Walt Mullane, Bob Tuttle and Merritt Hewitt put it together. Joining the '41 contingent from points distant were Norm and Chappie Coker, Eric and Helyn deJonckheere, John McIntyre, and Ben and Marge McCaffery.

The CO Chapter is eagerly looking forward to a mini reunion for the Army-AF game. Already scheduled are Pat and Justine Tansy. Bill and Jerry Brier, George and Skip Brown, Bucky and Isabel Miller, Wally and Doris Lauterbach and Jim and Ann Sykes. After the game we plan a small rally in Hidden Valley.

I'll have the Xmas letter poop out soon—let's make this the biggest and best since that mad New Year's Eve when we gave a Long Corps for 38!

'42

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Shed a crocodile tear or 2 for Betty and Lu Clay. After all that basking on the beaches of HI, they must now bite the bullet and try to adapt to 'il ole Colo Spgs where he will head NORAD. He's keeping his promises better these days, isn't he, Betty? I had a recent jaunt to that fair city and enjoyed the superb hospitality of the Gernerts, McAdams and Ray Murphys (well ensconced in qtrs at Ft Carson). Garvins came up from Aurora,



1942: Heidelberg hospitality never wanes.

complete with heaps of corn from Pappy's garden, and we did have fun. If you get to Vail and see a color postcard entitled "Winterfest at Vail," look twice because the dog sled depicted is being pushed by Pappy himself who keeps winning all the races. All the '42ers are planning a blast for the Army-AF game and expect to attract a fair share of outlanders. If anyone will write, I'll report on their doings in the next column. Also saw Don Connolly while we were at Ft Carson to talk to ret. on the Survivor Benefit Plan. Considering all the gang in that area, perhaps we should plan a first—an exchange Reunion at the AF Acad! Let's flaunt tradition and invite ourselves out for the 37th!

The ones more entitled to your tears are Kitty and Bill Shedd who were given a whole week's notice to kiss Heidelberg goodbye and come here for a tour in the J5 office of the Joint Chiefs. Since Bill has had only one brief exposure to the Pentagon in his 31 years, I guess he owes them this one. It appeared at first blush that someone sympathized when they were given qtrs at Belvoir. Now comes word that they're next door to the Rienzis!

The accompanying snaps from Kitty S. evidence the kind of hospitality that the Shedd-Kraft-Koisch gang were putting on for their visitors, Ryders and Raymonds at one time, Lois Newman and son Jim plus the Hansts at another.

A card from Dowillie Divers changing their address from Sun City to 176 Hillcrest Dr, Rocky Mount, VA 24151. No word as to how come, but a later note from Jim Vivian says Dowillie expects to get back to AZ in a year or so.

A move of sorts sent Frank Clay to the office of the Dpty Asst of Def for Drug and Alcohol Abuse. No big deal unless you have some drugs or alcohol you'd like to have abused.

Another local switch has brought Jack Deane back from DIA to home turf as Ch of Army R&D.

USAA's formal dedication of their new regional office brought Joan and Ted Michel to our town in late Aug. Thanks to the British, there's a one-word description of the party—POSH! Being taken drunk, we invited the Michels home with us, and being likewise, they accepted. Offsetting the subsequent Monday morning blues/blahs was the pleasure we had meeting young Ted and his bride who are part of the local scene. Jo and Ted had just come from Tampa where they'd helped Doc Charbonneau with the ribbon-cutting at USAA's new facility there and were leaving on a trouble-shooting jaunt to London, Frankfurt and Athens. Lucky Ryders!

A recent surprise visitor was Helen Kraft. No pending move as we all surmised; she was just satisfying a long-held urge to own a house in this area and proceeded to mortgage body and soul to acquire a town-house in Alexandria. Don't cry, Bill. No more decisions as to what to do with your spare dollars!

The deadline for decisions on the SBP brought calls from Stan Josephson and Paul Cerar. Paul reported attendance at a reception given by Caroline and Garth Stevens in Charlottesville for their daughter. He didn't report—but other sources did—on his recent hospitalization for some repairs.

A late late phone call in Aug, courtesy of Burt Andrus of one of those older classes, provided an incoherent but gay conversation with Hancel and Bob Evans plus Ted McAdam. Bill Gernert played it smart and stayed home in bed with flo—flu? A bad



1942: Ken Hanst, Bob Offley and Spanish waif.

connection. The Evans' dream house is finished, and they celebrated with a trip to Colo Spgs via Odessa where young Bob and bride are living. Billy is close enough for laundry purposes, at Auburn. If you follow football, you may have seen his name this fall.

John Reid brightened up the Jul luncheon by bringing along Fat Jack Ryan who has apparently conned his neighbors into believing that his name is John, but had little success with those of us who knew better.

Our summer was all down-hill after an early Jul trip to Salisbury, MD, to help Betty and Pat Williams enjoy son Craig's wedding. Knew we were at the right place when we opened the door to the ballroom and were happily engulfed with the sight and sound of Pete Fountain and band doing their thing. What a blast! When they finally closed the open bar at noon Sunday, you-know-who was able to convince me that I had more than adequately demonstrated my appreciation of the super hospitality, and off we went to a "do" at Pat Gates' lovely place, Le Vesinet, on the Bay. Two observations. (1) Don't play croquet with Sam Koster. (2) If you wish to destroy any impulse to take up sailing, take a ride in a catamaran crewed by Lee Cage and Butch Offley! And speaking of the Offleys, the accompanying photo is submitted as proof that there is a Bristol 1 and 2 in Los Boliches on the Costa del Sol where the sun shines bright, the gin is pink and the living is easy. (It was Barbara's turn to be the photographer!)

A note from Lee Jones advising that he and Don Simon had not received their copies of Threads-'72. Lee is busy trying to get his employment service off the ground. Lois Simon confirms receipt of their book and says they're showing it off with much pride and pleasure. I still have copies for those of you who didn't order (\$15) and for those who want to order a spare (\$5). Joel Dilworth just did the latter and reported that he, Tom Furey and Jay Jaynes were assembling out



1942: Ink oversees AEC Nevada operations.

there in mid-Aug—and we don't even get to see Jay here on his home grounds.

The Aug luncheon gave us a chance to welcome Dan Raymond aboard. He gave Bobbie 2 weeks to get the old homestead settled before sending her back to work. Also learned that Mickey and Larry Vogel followed us to Greece in May but concentrated on touring the ruins instead of imposing on the Ryders.

An enthusiastic letter from Mother Lyn Koisch advised that daughter Mary was appearing in the Georgetown Theatre Co.'s production of WARP as Sargon, "that courageous, Barbarellian freedom fighter." We saddled up with the Offleys and had a look. I can't explain what we saw except for Mary who was cute, cute, cute! She was later honored with an interview by a local radio station—which rarely recognizes the poor and struggling—over luncheon at La Grande Scene, no less!

Proudest in-law of late was Andy Low when the press featured a picture of son-in-law Fred Willis scoring the winning touchdown as Houston beat Dallas for the championship of TX. Andy spent from May to Aug in Worms spreading knowledge and cheap dollars.

Claire and Tom Rienzi had a visit with Marcela and Olmedo Alfaro in mid-Jul and urge all visitors to Panama City to do likewise. How 'bout that patio as an inducement?

Shirley Sheffey was all set to show their little gal the beauties of Europe this summer when she tangled with a bug, and the bug won. Being of good heart, John volunteered to take over and did. Reports have it



1942: Two Rienzis plus three Alfaros.

that Shirley would have had a very good time!

I regret to pass along the word that Bill Ford's mother and Don Fiskens father have passed away since the last writing. Belated sympathy to you both and to the families.

Never again will Ink Gates get a mention in 2 consecutive columns. Look at his latest contribution! Pam had been there for a visit, and they'd had trips to Disneyland, San Juan Capistrano, Zion Natl Park, etc. Don't count on calling Ink when you get to Vegas unless you write first. I tried recently and found that he has an unlisted number!

On 15 Sept we had our annual outing, courtesy of the Sheffeys. Al Hunter's efforts made it a huge success for the 70-odd in attendance. He even had Larry Caruthers and George Allin helping him set up the chairs and tables Saturday morning!

Crit Crittenberger is now asgd to the MBFR talks. Because of the backing and forthgoing, Kitty will stay here except for shopping trips to Vienna, while Crit commutes!

Bob Clagett has been elected to the Ft Belvoir Retiree Council.

Dick reports that Claire Horridge has been seeing more of the doctors than she cares to. Let's hope that by the time you see this she'll be fit as a fiddle and that Dick will be fiddling.

I'll close with my standard plea for news, especially this time when the Newsletter skims the cream. Have a very merry and an outstanding 74.

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'43

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Although our 30th Reunion at WP is now a thing of the past, there remain pleasant and humorous anecdotes with respect to the classmates who were present and the events that transpired. In this connection, I was privileged to obtain a xerox copy of a memorandum from a scribe of the underground press to those of our classmates whom he identified as "the chosen few," i.e., the "I" Co. clan. But for the limitations on the length of class columns, I would be inclined to publish this single-spaced, 11-page memo in its entirety in this column. Instead, I shall compromise by including the following extracts from the witty, nostalgic memo of this underground scribe:

"Needless to say, the I Co. ladies were the best looking, most intelligent, best conversationalists, always the best dressed and most appropriately for the various occasions, each with a real good sense of humor, in fact just the cream of the crop in every respect. They made the whole stay most enjoyable and pleasant.

"Talking about Stew Meyer, he still looks young, trim, and spry enough to get right back into cadet uniform. If there were a special tax on staying young, Stew would owe a bundle and some of us would be getting huge refunds. Some others were giving Stew a close chase and the other I Co. files did look exceptionally good and surprisingly young, considering 30 long years.

"Whoever planned the weather did a fabulous job; it could not have been better. The only rain of any consequence was during the cocktail party and that just made it wet inside and outside both. For those with balding heads, hats are suggested as it gets hot on the Plain—a lot hotter than 30 years ago.

"One of the highlights was when the band struck up 'Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here' as the reunion classes lined up over by the library area for the long march to Thayer Monument. Just a few of the comments overheard during the march were:

- Nobody called for route step.
- Johnny Baer, you sure need a haircut.
- Look at the way those generals march.
- Don't you remember, you're supposed to hold the cigarette in your left hand when you're marching.
- It's been 30 years, but we are still sitting on the 10-yard line.
- Sure wish I had my chiropractor here.
- Pappy hasn't changed a bit in 30 years—still smoking in ranks, and it doesn't look like he can afford the price of a barber.
- It's a good thing we've got Doc Smith with us in case we can't make it all the way.
- From the Jun '43 Rabble behind us, remarks like, we march better than they do because we had a rough plebe year.

"The cadets don't march as well as we did, but we knew the place would go to pot when we left. They don't even line up the right way any more for a parade. They come out of sallyports everywhere like hordes of ants and finally wind up caterwomping, on a bias diagonally across the Plain. I guess the old-timers miss Diagonal Walk so they put the parade on a diagonal to make up for it. I'm not positive but I think Diagonal Walk as we knew it has... They even moved the reviewing stand over on the wrong side of the Plain. I never did get it real straight, but it looked like they had a bde, regts and/or bns, companies and staffs all over the place. By the time the command for order arms filters down through all the chains of command, some are bound to have muscle cramps.

"Bring canes if the Corps gets any bigger by 78, because it takes a long time for them all to pass in review. I would not want to be in that last company in the parade. They start at the corner of the Plain over yonder and march practically all the way around it—right back to where they started from.

"You ought to see the stripes those dudes wear these days; stripes and sub-stripes run every which way. I would hate to have to memorize all the titles that go with the various stripes. With so many in a class, they must have created a lot of new slots to take care of the First Classmen. They must have started to run out of ideas for stripe designs because some looked like they were copies from some of the new intl hwy sign symbols.

"The day we all rode in with Gregg Henry, everybody was talking so much that no one spotted the turn-off we should have taken, so we got off on a road that wound around by Lusk Reservoir. We could not remember for certain how much water was in it. I think Bob Smith was right at 39.2 million gals when the water is flowing over the spillway, but not sure. We asked the Supe (Bill Knowlton) later and he was not sure and it's his lake. With everything else going up so much, it probably holds more now anyway. Just wait until the metric system gets here and we will have to do that calculating all over again. By the way, did anyone else have any trouble getting out of Camp Buckner? It's a good thing we had a full tank of gas when we left Newburgh. We drove here, there, and everywhere trying to find the way out. We saw parts of NY that I bet aren't even on the map. I felt like a



JAN '43: Recent meeting of key USAA execs include (L-R): Bill Starnes, VP; George Sykes, VP; Jack Daye, Exec VP; and Bob McDermott, Pres.

pioneer wandering around there at night. Something changed around after dark.

"I never should have mentioned Diagonal Walk to begin with; who knows, it may still be there. I started to go over that way one day to throw one last rock at anything I could see in Jack Lovett's special big tree, but I am sure that tree has disappeared also. Smokey and I would never be able to make it all the way to class without throwing snowballs at squirrels in that big tree. Smokey, if you had only come from Moul-trie instead of Atlanta, you could put your own tree there to replace the one that has disappeared and we would have something to throw at in 78.

"I know those who were there will tear the remaining hair out of their heads if they have to hear anything more about that telephone and gun rack—famous gun rack, that is. I was surprised at how many in the Class had never heard about our private telephone in the room. As word spread around, I had to repeat the whole tale dozens of times. The Supe was the main speaker at the Ft Knox Founders Day dinner last year, and he was extremely accurate in relating all the details of the telephone, gun rack, and other escapades of the Mole and Pappy. Everyone there roared so a repeat may not be too boring for those who were not at the 30th. Jane and I drove up to the Academy in 69 when they were tearing Old North Bks down. What a shock! I tried to make them stop, but they said that was progress and they made me move my one-man picket line aside. They were right down to the 27th Div and most everything was already torn out of the rooms by then. I scrambled over rubble and looked in room 2713. The gun rack had already been torn out of that room, but the one in room 2712 was still there. We had friends with us and had to get on back to NYC. However, during the middle of the night we decided to head out early in the morning and get the gun rack. I was afraid it would be gone if we didn't get there early. When we got there, it had been torn out of the wall, but it was still there. I found the construction supt and went around and around with him. He quoted all the strict rules about the disposition of anything in the barracks. I kept insisting I was going to get the gun rack and didn't have time to go through a bunch of red tape. I did warn him that if I had to go anywhere to get clearance it better not be moved until I got back. After I went through all the explanation of

how Smokey Joe Lovett and I slaved to get that telephone installation in the gun rack, he said, 'It's yours—you really deserve it and I'll take it apart for you myself if you want me to.' He said the gun rack would have already been gone, but he was mystified by the wires that popped out when they tore it loose from the wall. He told his crew to wait a while before tearing it all the way out as he wanted to see what those wires had to do with a gun rack. I had to show him all the major points of interest with respect to the entire installation, from the beginning point in the moat to the gun rack. I told him Smokey Joe engineered it—always give credit where credit is due. He was impressed. He kept wondering how we didn't get caught. I told him we knew the Tacs knew about it, but they never could figure out where it all started and ended because we made sure all the wiring was completely hidden. At this point in time, with Watergate so prominent, I wouldn't dare say we had the wiring covered up. The job supe took it all apart, trucked it over to the other side of the Plain (in the general vicinity of where we took the oath) where we were parked and placed all the pieces gently in the trunk of our car. He refused to take anything for his work. All he said was, 'The look in your eye is pay enough for me.' To make a long story short, I took the pieces to a moving company in Binghamton to get them professionally packed. There were plenty of words when that guy wanted to know why I wanted all that 'scrap lumber' packed so carefully. After hearing a lecture about priceless antiques, I am sure he thought he was dealing with someone who had 'flipped the sanity switch' the wrong way that morning. It was a lot worse trying to explain the contents when I insured the shipment home. We got all tangled up over actual versus sentimental values. I know the man at that express office thought someone had really 'slipped his trolley.' I could see him standing in the doorway watching until I got clear out of the parking lot. After the gun rack got here, I called Smokey Joe and he said he had the telephone. He refuses to give the phone to me and he thinks I should give him the gun rack. Now let's be reasonable, Smokey, I'll let you come over and use the phone when we move back to FL. I would probably let you have the whole works for display at weddings and banquets, or maybe even share it with you on a 50-50 basis. I will keep it 50 weeks out of the year and you

keep it all the rest of the time... just don't be difficult, as I would hate to see this dragged through all the courts. I know a lot of the outsiders thought all that talk about our telephone in the room was just some more of the tall I Co. tales... always did wonder what those other folks did for kicks, probably just sat around for hours memorizing the Hudson's Manual. They were really skeptical when I told them we kept the telephone right in the shoe box and polished it up for Saturday inspections... sure never should have told some of them about that snake. Most will never believe that one, but I guarantee those in the 27th Div will never forget the consternation the night that Smokey Joe hollered out wanting to know if anyone had seen our snake.

"Smokey, those steam tunnels need a good inspection the worst way. In fact, the whole place is slipping out of round and about the only way it will ever get back on the ball is some energetic I Co. missionary work."

Thank you, Pappy Doyle down there in Louisville, KY with the Mech Contractors Assn of Kentucky, Inc. Anytime you'd like to contribute a column, just let me know.

Meanwhile, the following members of the DC contingent of our clan convened for a quarterly luncheon in the SA's mess on 10 Jul 73: Dee Armstrong (who is still hard at work on his book), Jack Armstrong (who's combining a bit of consulting with a business mgt enterprise), Bob Baden, Joe Benson (who's our new Entertainment Chmn), T.Q. Donaldson (who seems to be vacillating between being the owner of an Arabian horse farm in PA and remaining here in VA), Ace Elliott, Bob Fiss (who has returned to DC with his attractive wife Barbara), Flip Fenili, Jim Frankosky, Pete Grimm (who arranged the luncheon and has agreed to be the editor of our 35th-year book), B-ball Harrington (our Class Pres), Charlie Hetzel of the VA, Gregg Henry, Bill Hume (who is building a new ret. home in none other than Hume, VA), your scribe, Darrie Richards, Jack Ross, Jim Schofield, Ted Seith, Jack Shaffer (who is the owner of Pioneer Van Lines and an agent for Engel Van Lines and still finds time to represent Garrett engines in Paris, Moscow, and Peking), and Jack Wood.

My right hand man, Pete Grimm advised me that Kirby Gean ret. from civ employment with the AEC on 1 Jul and has spent most of the summer just relaxing at the beach. John Kuffner also ret. from the AEC Div of Mil Applications (DMA) on 1 Mar and, after a 3-month break, went right back to work for DMA, which is now headed by Frank Camm. Down in Leesville, LA, Gray Wheelock, who ret. in Feb of this year as the CG of Ft Polk, married Ms Lena B. McRae. Pete Grimm also reported that Mac Hatch is back in the DC area.

Other recent marriages include that of Audrey Andrepont (daughter of the Paul Andrepoints) to Edward Weiss in Dayville, CT on 29 Jul, which was reported by Bill Knowlton, and that of Arlene Camm (daughter of the Frank Camms) to Samuel Williams in Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Alexandria, VA on 8 Sept with Jim Schlesinger, the new SECDEF in attendance. Humorously enough, 2 invitees to the Camm-Williams marriage went to Immanual, rather than the Emmanuel Episcopal Church also in Alexandria, VA and walked in on another wedding in which Sam Karrick was giving away the bride. Joe and Marie Conny are still telling what really happened.

Articles that appeared here and there

include one by Francis Kane (out in CA) on Arms Control and Def Spending in the 1st issue of the Strategic Review and one by Bill Neale (out near Colo Spgs) on Terror, the Oldest Weapon in the Arsenal in the Aug issue of the Army magazine.

From José Benson came the following brief report on the fall gathering of some members of the clan here in DC. "Since we have reached that age where most of the children have gone on their way and the grandchildren are too young to play softball, the annual fall picnic for our DC group became a night out for mother and father at the Harlequin Dinner Theatre. In spite of some folks having previous commitments and being out-of-town, we did have a small, distinguished group in attendance to enjoy a superb meal and the human side of thrashing out the Declaration of Independence in the musical "1776." Those who were able to attend included: Bob/Robin Baden, Joe/Nancy Benson, Dake/Tommy Dakin, Ace/Lorrie Elliott, Bob/Barbara Fiss, B-ball/Ginny Harrington, Bill/Jean Hume, Frank Kajencki, John/Irene Norris, Milt/Marilyn Stevens, Charlie/Yutta Wirt, and Bob/Cecily Wood.

We were grieved to learn of the death of Jackie Shultz at Madigan GH in Tacoma, WA, after a long struggle with cancer; Jake was buried at WP.

So goes another column. Don't ret. "into the woodwork" now that the 30th is past; let us hear where you are and what you're doing.

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There I was in the cool of the evening at Art Surkamp's grand lawn fête, innocently sipping sarsaparilla and water and humming a few bars of "Country Gardens" while listening to one of Sandy Sembach's improbable tales. Then Les Hardy came posting along at a regular adj's pace, planted himself in front of me, and announced: "Deke Childs says he has to give up the column. It's all arranged. You have to do it." Grasping the situation with my usual lightning-like rapidity, I said "NO"—at some length, and in language not suitable for your family-type magazine. These remonstrances, however, including threats against Hardy's person, did not impress him. . . . "It's settled. Don't argue. You have to do it."

Some may recall that in Mar 66, upon being ordered to VN, I turned the column over to Deke, and he has had it continuously since—surely the longest stint served by any scribe in our class history. We owe him and Betty Ann a real vote of thanks for this



JUN '43: Jack and Gerry Morris look on with pride at son John, USMA '73, as Jim Keck presents class gift during June Week.



JUN '43: COL (Ret) and Mrs. Neal W. Lovsnes about to leave Carlisle Officers Club following wedding reception, 14 Jul 73.

service, notably and most recently for the thorough coverage (in the preceding issue) of that magnificent 30th Reunion.

What with barber's prices today and all that, I let my hair grow out about 3/8" longer than in days of yore, and my son the law student claims I have become positively decadent. Despite such vagaries, I'll get back in harness—at least until another volunteer columnist comes along! Deke left me some notes he had gathered for this issue, and I hope his network of correspondents will keep those cards and letters coming in to me as they did for him. Arch Hamblen, another former scribe, now ret. at Falls Church, VA, has contributed many of the items below, and, with Fred Proctor, gets the pic credits.

The 30th Reunion will never be forgotten. It was one of those rare, incredibly successful times when everything is right and nothing—not even the weather—goes wrong. Here are 2 more stories to add to the lore. Les Hardy the Ruthless, now assoc in real estate with the Malone firm of Fairfax, VA, has provided a final report on the class mini-park and fountain area dedicated during the reunion period. "A total of 203 classmates contributed \$16,950 to The West Point Fund for the park. An additional \$200 was contributed on behalf of deceased classmates and we drew \$234.44 interest from The West Point Fund for a total of \$17,384.44. The mini-park cost us \$15,292, so we have a balance of \$2,092.44 in The West Point Fund. In addition to the foregoing, 17 of the class contributed \$1,175 to our Class Fund after we reached our original goal of \$15,000. Our grand total collection was \$18,559.44. Many thanks to all of those who contributed."

While Hardy was collecting the money for the delightful mini-park, Proctor—then assigned at USMA—was concerned with the design and construction of the project. Here's a story that I think will warm your heart, as it did mine. Late in the afternoon of the day before the dedication, Proctor drove by the park by himself, for one last look to see that all was ready for the ceremonies next morning. Picture the tranquil beauty in that

wooded area below the stadium and reservoir, just off the familiar road going down to the Thayer Hotel. All seemed to be ready, but with that true engr instinct, he tested the fountains. Gadzooks! Water was on, but pressure was so low it was impossible to drink! Quickly securing a few tools from his car, Proctor, in what may have been his final field expedient, adjusted the valves to a good, strong pressure and calmly drove off into the sunset. At the dedication next morning, the fountains functioned as planned. Right on, "Essayons!"

Since ret., Art Surkamp has been working for a subsidiary of Westinghouse, in Alexandria, VA. He and Barbara, in Jun, moved into a beautiful traditional home on their recently acquired 70-acre farm in the rolling VA countryside. Later they plan to have some horses and cattle. Address: Fairmont Farm, PO Box 796, Middleburg, VA 22117. Besides house, barns, and acres, there is now a fine concreted swimming pool in the backyard, and on 11 Aug Art and Barbara invited the class contingent from the greater DC area for a combination afternoon-evening house-warming, cook-out, and swimming party that proved to be one of the finest gatherings ever held in these parts. Those present included (with abject apologies for errors and omissions): Ned and Nikki Burr, Deke and Betty Anne Childs, Clare and Jane Farley, Steve and Edie Gordy, Arch and Rundy Hamblen, Les and Betty Hardy, Ralph and Shirley Hill, Lee and Ann Hogan with Patty and Beth, Cobe Hurley, Walt and Lyllis Hutchin, Tom and Betty Johnston, Alan and Lynn Jones, John and Peggy Lucas, Bob and Elinor Mathe, Dick and Connie McAdam, Jack and Gerry Morris, Bill and Laurie Naylor, Jack and Allayne Novak, Bud and Rita O'Connor, Jim and Helen Phillips, Sam and Elsie Pinnell, Bob and Florence Plett, Fred and Mary Proctor, Bud and Nancy Rundell and Bud's mother, Ned Schramm with Bonnie Pinto, Sandy and Chris Sembach, Don and Lee Spiece, Grumpy Steele, Art and Barbara Surkamp with Robin, Betsy, and Artie, Tommy and Pauli Tomlinson, Dutch and Ginny Umlauf, and yours truly. The country moon came up, the stars were brilliant, the sky was deep purple, the breeze was cool and everything was just right. (Play that guitar nicely, Leon!)

Hogans and Proctors were house guests of Surkamps at this time, a particularly happy



JUN '43: Cassidy, Hallenbeck, Brannon, and Roger Kullman at Roger's daughter's wedding, 6 Jun 73.



JUN '43: Sitting (L-R): Novak, Childs, Walt Hutchins; Farley (standing) at Surkamp's swim party.

occasion since Lee and Anne had not been able to make the Reunion and many of the locals here had not seen them for too long. Their address is now 670 W. Grant Ct, Satellite Beach, FL 32937. Lee survived a severe heart attack, ret., looks great and is VP of an advertising concern: Circulation, Inc.

The Proctors are now at 26 All Saints Rd, Princeton, NJ 08540, and Fred is working for the Educational Testing Service. They made the Army-Tenn football game this fall at WP, and there met Leo and Dorothy Hayes of Coscob, CT; Pete Ryan, still the thriving lawyer from Greenwich, CT; and Larry and Doris Pavy from Poughkeepsie, NY.

There was joy at the AWC on 14 Jul 73 when Bob McCanna's widow of 10 yrs, lovely Bev, was married to Neal W. ("Wally") Lovnes, a dynamic, ret. redleg COL. The wedding reception that followed the beautiful ceremony at the Carlisle Bks Memorial Chapel was funderful—great dinner, fine orchestra, and much dancing, toasting and reminiscing. With Bev was her son Bob, who is seeking a commission in the CG, and her "3.0" red-haired daughter, Sherri, who had been married herself only a few weeks before and was preparing to join her Finance Cps husband in Korea. Bev has faithfully attended our class functions since Bob left us, and shared in our 30th last Jun. At her wedding, a number of classmates were happy to be on hand to wish Bev and Wally long happiness and to give the Jun '43 blessings. These included: Jim and Heather Darden, Jim and Dottie Lothrop, Wally and Peggy Magathan, Clare and Jane Farley, Bill and Nancy Malone, Les and Betty Hardy, Nan Bucher, and Arch Hamblen.

Harry Schroeder and Wally Magathan both are working with Gen Rsch in McLean, VA. Unfortunately, Peggy Magathan has been out of action for several months with viral hepatitis and it will be several more before



JUN '43: New AOG Veep, Bill Malone, and Nancy at the 30th.

she's her usual peppy self. It seems her enzyme action is too high.

Harry Schroeder's chest is popped way up. On 27 Aug 73 Betty Page gave birth to Mary Byrd Schroeder who weighed in at 8 lbs, 4 oz. Congratulations to all! Mary Byrd is pleased to report that on 21 Sept she slept through her 0200 feeding for the first time. She further claims that she is in complete control at her home at Crystal House #2, Apt 927, 2000 SE Eads St, Arlington, VA 22202.

Congratulations to Allen and Antoinette Burdett. On 28 Sept Allen became CG of III Cps at Ft Hood, TX, and was promoted to LTC. Antoinette had arrived a bit earlier to put pretty Margaret into her senior year in high school and Doug into 9th grade.

Pat and Hal Parfitt have moved from Dallas to Qtrs #1 at Ft Belvoir, where on 1 Sept Hal became the CG. They miss their 16-year-old daughter Karen whom they left back in Dallas to complete her senior year in high school—she's a varsity swimmer and member of the student council. Beverley, their 14-year-old, is with them at Belvoir.

Since he ret. in Jan 71, Bob Plett has been working in the petroleum business. Now he seems to be shah of the stuff, for he is the admin of the Natl Petroleum Allocation Prog with the Dept of Interior. He,



JUN '43: 30th Reunion (L-R): Proctor, Callan, Moore, Short.

Florence and Margaret Mary, a soph at Old Dominion U. in Norfolk, VA, have so far made the most of their new heated swimming pool in their back yard. I'm keeping an eye on it, though. If he starts converting this pool to a gasoline storage tank, we'll get the word out to you somehow.

Congratulations to Sam Pinnell who is now the Dir of the Mid-Atlantic Regl Service Office, USAA, in Fairfax, VA, and located in new, sumptuous facilities. Sam and Elsie's boys, Douglas and Bruce, have finished college. Nancy, their older daughter, has also finished college and is currently a mgmt intern for the govt in St. Louis. Soon their youngest daughter Joan is to be married. Then, there will be no kinder at home, and watch Elsie's golf score drop!

Roger Kullman ret. 31 Aug and he and Ann plan to stay in Colo Spgs. Their daughter Kathleen became Mrs. Tom Butler on 6 Jun. Present at the happy occasion were Cab Brannon, Ben Cassidy, and Ralph Halenbeck.

John Hudson was recently promoted to LTC. Congratulations again—this is a bell we like to ring! John now becomes Vice Cdr, AFSC, at Andrews AFB, so he and Myla will remain there. Jamie Philpott ret. this fall, we hear, and we will publish his ret. address when received.

Ed and Rita O'Connor are moving from



JUN '43: 30th Reunion: the Farleys, Pat Buyers and Cecile Cover.

Andrews to W-P, Dayton, Ohio, where Ed will be Vice Cdr, AFLC. Their address: W-P AFB, OH 45433. Jim and Bobbie Keck are moving from Barksdale to Omaha, where Jim will be Vice Cdr, SAC, Offutt AFB, NB 68113.

From Dave Schwartz in W. Covina, CA, we have a welcome report which can best be quoted in full: "The highlight of the summer of 73 for the S. Cal contingent was a pool and dinner party given by Ann and Pres Easley. Most everyone got wet, some even in the pool. Jack and Lois McGregor were touring from Fairfax, VA, where Jack teaches Avn Tech at N. VA Community College. Pat Buyers was visiting from her USMA Cadet Hostess position. Betty Thomas is back, and Lorry will return in the fall from his position in Arlington Hgts, IL. The Hughes Aircraft contingent was represented by Dave and Kay Galas and Chuck and Marion Dickinson. McDonnell-Douglas sent us Dick and Alice Wheeler and Bob and Betty Rooker. TRW sent Steve and Bernie Sherrill. Dan Shea came from Logan in San Pedro. Bill and Miriam Roos showed pics they took at the Thirtieth. Undoubtedly it was an exciting event! After seeing the slides and group pics, Juanita and I agreed that it must have been just an enjoyable as the 25th was for us." Thanks, Dave—keep the news coming.

A note from Dutch Umlauf advises that Ed Geaney is now working for the city govt of Worcester, MA, as Dir of Safety and Training. Ed's daughter, Patricia Ann, became Mrs. Patrick Kerrigan on 14 Jul 73. Let's have a good Irish chorus of "K-E-RRIGAN spells Kerrigan," in honor of this occasion! Ed Jr., who with some assistance has provided 2 grandsons, is an Inf CPT with SF on Okinawa; 11-year-old Janice is with Ed. Dutch himself, he says, has just finished a master's degree in Public Admin with the U. of OK. As an old goat, he bragged



JUN '43: Surkamps and Hogans at Surkamps' farm, Middleburg, VA, 11 Aug 73.

blatantly about his academic average; but I'm not going to say what it was because no one will believe it.

That well-known tycoon, raconteur, and bon vivant, Bill Malone, and Nancy have recently acquired a 17-ft Scatcraft boat to help them relax on Chesapeake Bay after long weekdays in the real estate business. Their cottage at Scientists' Cliffs is just a few knots cruise away from Wickert's landing on the beach below the Padrone Wick's châlêt—where yours truly now and then takes academic refuge. Boats are the thing now, and I learn from Able Seapersons Nick and Cynthia Parker that they are sailing an "Ericson 25"—a sloop that sleeps 4. If they tell me what rope to pull or slack-off, I'll try to do a travelogue later. Joe and Norma Weyrick are with relatives at 117 Sequams Ln, West Islip, NY 11795, pending completion of a new home at Punta Gordo, FL. Joe had seafaring ideas, too. However, he was talking about a vessel in the size range of the Cutty Sark clipper, for some kind of operation in the Caribbean. He wanted me to ship out with him under the assumed name of J.W. Krobar, but this project seems to be in abeyance. Norma recently was hospitalized briefly at WP, but is reportedly now recovered and rarin' to get that house finished.

Tommy Tomlinson had by late summer almost finished his pursuit of that elusive union card, the PhD, and he and Pauli have moved to Jacksonville, FL, where he will teach at the U. Finally, we have a change of address card from Bud Bolling giving his perm address effective 1 Sept as c/o Planned Marketing Assn, 600 Braniff Tower, Exchange Park, Dallas, TX 75235. A similar card from Bill Wilson gives a new perm address as K-48 Bent Tree, 3464 Colonial Ave, Roanoke, VA 24018.

In Jan Pat Buyers will be leaving WP where she has been Cadet Hostess for the last 5 yrs. She is to be married to E.O. Kristjansen and will be living in La Habra, CA, near Bill and Miriam Roos.

Despite my whimsical remarks at the outset, I hope you enjoy reading this news as much as I did putting it together. Now that most of us are ret., settlement patterns rather than service asgmt patterns would seem to be the governing rationale for news. Arch Hamblen has suggested a regional approach. More on this next time, and Happy New Year!

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It's the first day of autumn in Germany, welcomed by our first cold front here in the hills. The leaves are beginning to turn to autumn colors and our thoughts to football, skiing and Xmas. And Reunion.

Rock Staser, our new AG for the State of AK, wrote to tell that Jack Peterson came through Anchorage en route Washington from Tokyo, where Jack, who is in charge of Army clubs worldwide, had been on business. Betty Lou looks great in the color snapshot; I am going to assume that the red noses on Jack and Rock are from a round of golf in the Alaskan sun rather than from Jack's sample case.

Jim Connell ret. from the Army and duty with the JCS Org where, as Dpty Ch, European-Mid East Div of J5, he was a great source of strength and help to all of us in



1944: Frank Merritt and John Donaldson at Air Force Academy, Apr 73.

Europe. Best luck, Jim, in American U. law sch!

Dave Silver, chaperoned by B.J. and daughter Stephanie, was the Stasers' house guest over 4 Jul weekend. The ladies were en route NJ and Rutgers U. where Stephanie is in school this fall; Dave came as far as Anchorage to continue his life-long hassle with Rock which not even the Pacific Ocean and ret. can long interrupt. By Rock's account they visited Mt McKinley Park "where, as an old goat, Dave fitted right into the scenery."

On 6 Jul, the SECDEF announced the appointment of H. Minton Francis as Asst SECDEF for Equal Opportunity. Hank comes from a job as VP, Avco Manuf Corp.

Audrey and I were guests at a dinner given by a local German VP of Bosche with George and Beth Blanchard. George is CG VII Cps, hqd here near Stuttgart.

We were pleased to see the Pres's nomination and the Senate conf of Hennessey to LTC, finally bringing up his grade to match his life-long title of "3-star."

Lou Norman again visited our hqs in Aug and again we missed him; I'm sorry Audrey and I were away.

We have received a news announcement that the Bd of Trustees of the Coastal Plains Marine Cen, Wilmington, NC, has appointed COL Beverly C. Snow Jr. Exec Dir of the Cen. The Marine Cen has the mission of supporting the conservation of the coastal zone and continental shelf resources of the Carolinas and GA by providing free tech consultative svcs in biology, engr, geology and oceanography.

Many classmates have known Bev Snow's parents. Bev's father died 4 yrs ago; his mother recently married BG William W. Wanamaker, USA Ret., Class of Nov '18, a classmate of Bev's father. We're looking forward to seeing Bev at Reunion-30 and to meeting Cathy whom he married 6 yrs ago.

The DC Urban League has announced that Mary Grace Cutrona, its former Dir of Volunteers, has resumed her vol work with the League since returning from Germany, where Joe was CG V Corps Arty. Joe is now back in OSD, Public Affairs.

Now that Hennessey has moved on to greater things, the Washington Post has announced his successor, effective 1 Sept, as CG, Ft Leavenworth, will be Jack Cushman, who moves there from job as CG 101st Abn Div, Ft Campbell, KY.

George Hoffmann, Dir of Intl Log, accompanied GEN Catton, Cmdr AF Log Cmd, on a recent swing through Europe and the Middle East. Your scribe, on TDY, missed him.

On 27 Jul the DC group met at luncheon to compare waistlines, discuss a 6 Oct clam-

bake at Ft Belvoir "volunteered" by Scott, a '44-'45 Xmas party at Bolling being set up by '45, a trek to the Miami game at WP 10 Nov and 30th Reunion plans. Roster: Cheadle, Czapar, DeArment, Farris, Gruenther, Hayman, Maish, McElvey, McKeever, Micklewaite, Morrison, Moulis, Norman, O'Brien, Patton, Peterson, Peugh, Richards, Rivers, Robinson, Scott, Steger, Vitullo and Wear.

Chan and Marie Gilson very kindly invited us to their 18 Aug Hacienda Fiesta in L.A. Chan was not as safe as he thought: for some weeks I was scheduled to be at Livermore, CA on 16-17 Aug. I had great visions of trying the CA life-style for a day, courtesy of the Gilsons, but my trip West fell through. We were pleased to learn the Gilsons' son Larry is at the AF Acad. His first letter home was from the sinks after taps by flashlight. Sounds familiar.

Chan informs that Jas O'Connor, now an atty in Phoenix, was representing Pres Nixon's former atty, Herbert Kalmbach appearing before the Senate "Watergate" Cmte.

Guffy Ingalls writes from Vicenza, Italy, where he is Dpty/Plans and Opns, 5th ATAF.

Guffy plans to ret. in Reno, NV upon completing his tour in Italy next summer. Ralph Sciolla, G3 of the Army's SETAF has also been there 3 years. Guffy has just waved goodbye to Ralph, Claire and their 4 children who are en route to Ft Devens, MA. The Sciollas had the Ingalls in for dinner honoring Jim Dunham who was passing through.

I was happy to note that Ev Mire represented the Mayflower Dist at our summer meeting of the Trans-Atlantic Council, BSA. Ev had 12 growing troops of 180 growing Scouts at the British site, with 11 other troops on treks in the British Isles. He has a good program going there.

My morning messages included one reporting Ken Cooper, DA Dir of Installations, scheduled to testify before the House Armed Svs Cmte on the 74 Const Auth bill.

John Donaldson reports Tom Mahoney and wife Natalie, presently touring France by house-boat and canal, floated into Paris and John's office during the summer. They plan to do the Danube next year. I recommend Regensburg, the ancient Roman outpost and free city (Ratisbon) at the northern-most bend of the Danube. A university town with an over-size share of beautiful college girls, parks, great and small restaurants, the world's best sausages and a major launch-point down river to the Crusades. Younger daughter was in university there in 71-72. Try it, you'll like it.

Phil Barnes checks in from 2346 Outlook Dr, St. Louis, MO 63136, where for a year-and-a-half he has been with the IG, AMC. Phil and Maxine's 3 children have presented 3 grandsons. Son Bob is an Army CPT in Italy (one son), daughter Kay (Gerstenberger) provides 2 more; Kathy is a junior at U. of Kansas.

It is with deep sadness that we learn from Phil and the St Louis Post Dispatch that COL Edwin R. Decker died by gunshot in his home in Kimmswick, MO on 16 Jul. Ed was serving as Exec Secy for the St Louis Const Users' Council after ret. in 70 from 4 yrs as St Louis Dist Engr. Ed is survived by his wife and 4 children to whom our deepest sympathy is extended.

It is with deep sorrow, mixed with admiration for his stunning courage to the end, that we note the loss of George B. Brown Jr. on 2 Aug 73 in the VA Hosp, Richmond, VA. Services at Ft Myer Chapel and burial in Arlington took place in the presence of classmates and a host of other

friends and admirers. He is sorely missed in SHAPE and among all American forces in Europe, for whom he performed splendid service with an inspiring mixture of warmth and professional service.

The Class Exec Council reports on 22 Aug that 128 of 400 classmates contacted have responded to the request for financial support of the class gift to the Acad: 7 stained glass windows in the Cadet Mess Hall. \$14,700 in pledges, over \$10,000 in cash, have been received. Classmates also had provided \$1365 for Reunion admin expenses and supported the devl of a 30-year book after reunion.

This should be among the great events of our lives. Your advance support and your presence June week will make it so. Let's fall out, '44, and fall in!

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1945: Sons in the Class of '73 (front row L-R): Bob Holcomb, Matthew Raymond, Craig Landrith, Doug Hartline; rear row: Paul Trotti, Bill Snow, Tom Godwin, and Bob Hoffmann.

Jim Holcomb represented our Class at June Week 73, and presented bronze class plaques to class sons who graduated with the Class of '73. They were: Bob Holcomb, Matthew Raymond, Craig Landrith, Doug Hartline, Paul Trotti, Bill Snow, Tim Godwin, and Bob Hoffman. Congratulations to the new LTs and to their mothers and fathers. I personally remember Walt Hoffman who was in my Cadet Co. The academic dept got to him Plebe Year and he left WP to go into the active army, was commissioned and back as a 2LT about the time we became yearlings. There were a good many of us, at that point, who wondered whether Walt might not have got the best deal after all. Walt and his wife are now living in Sacramento. Jim Holcomb reported that he and his wife Ann met most of the parents during June Week, to include Tom and Anita Godwin, Bill and Elizabeth Raymond, Bill and Margaret Snow, Marion and Martha Trotti, Dick and Harriet Hartline, and Walt Hoffman and his wife. Jim missed the Landriths through one of those seemingly inevitable tie-ups. The presentation was made by Jim at an 0900 coffee at the WPAM. Thanks, Jim.

Shortly after the deadline for the Sept issue, I received a "Report from Wisc Contingent," Class of '45, reported by Earl Bell. On 9 Jun the WP Soc in Milwaukee held a family get-together at St. John's Military Acad in Delafield, WI where a fabulous picnic dinner was hosted by the Acad Headmaster, Bill West of the Class of '46. Ed Michalek and Nil Soik arrived early for a leisurely round of golf after depositing families at the pool. Earl added that he, as

usual, arrived late but not too late to enjoy the booze and bratwurst. Sally Bell is quick to point out that Earl's waistline is proof that he was true to form. Ken Paape did not make the meeting because he was becoming a grandfather. Earl says: "The news scared the hell out of me and I had to have another drink to calm my nerves. My 2 sons have recently been married and I thought this was part of the parental emancipation process. To find that I might be pressed into service to fulfill a new era of unspecified 'duties' is very disconcerting. To date, the only rule I was aware of is 'Raise your children and spoil your grandchildren.' Perhaps the grandfathers in the Class could compile a set of guidelines for those of us not yet initiated in this phase." Earl said that all the classmates in his report are doing well with no change in status except for himself. He's become an independent agent selling refrigerator coils. Earl told me that he only writes once every 20 yrs. I hope that's wrong as your report was most welcome, Earl.

I've received word that 2 classmates have been honored with the award of the DSM. George Bush received his award at the time of his ret. this spring from his job as ADCS-LOG in the Pentagon. George and Theo are living in Cincinnati. On 7 Aug Harry Amos received the DSM for his work in Cambodia as Def and Army attaché from Sept 70 to May 72. Harry is presently in Intl Security Affairs Office keeping track of Cambodia and wondering how that little place goes on holding together. Congratulations to both of you!

Nick (Offa S.) Nichols recently moved to Dallas, TX from Wiesbaden, Germany. Nick commands the Def Contract Admin Svs Rgn. Pat Powers left ACSFOR for asgmt with Army Readiness Rgn II at Ft Dix. Gus Cavanaugh returned from the Pacific area for asgmt at WSMR. I'll bet he's commuting from El Paso as that's where Ouida kept house while he was overseas. Bill Trefz moved from Ft Monroe to Rock Is Ars. Rino Rinearson made a nearly coast-to-coast move from Aberdeen PG to Ft Ord. Jim Hunt left Ft Monroe for duty in Thailand. Ken Russell has been reassigned from VC ESD to the Air Staff in the Pentagon as Dir of Devl and Acquisition, DCS R&D. Slade Nash has

planned on his 2d star and gone to Taiwan. Bob Hippert has transferred from ESD to Hqs AFSC. Ricky Brett has gone to Iran. Mart Pulliam, Arch Arnold, Art Lozano, Rock Rochefort, Willie Blum, Gene Love and Pete Pratt have ret. J.J. (Jake) Knight has ret. and is living in Lancaster, CA. Ward Protsman is scheduled to ret. 30 Sept from his job as Cmdr of Arnold Devl Cen at Tullahoma, TN.

I received a copy of the minutes of the 6 Sept meeting of class Bd of Govs. Plans for the 30-year book were discussed. Before you read this you should have received 2 mailings—1 in Sept advising that a \$10 deposit is required and also to update the class roster, and a 2d in Nov enclosing an updated roster with more details on the 30-year book. A format similar to the 20-year book is planned. After discussing class finances, Jim Holcomb reminded the board that the class should think about a class



1945: Harry Amos receives DSM—with (L-R) wife Peggy, Paul David and Jane.



1945: Nick Nichols, CO Def Contract Admin Region in Dallas.



1945: George Bush receives DSM at retirement.

gift to the Acad. Hap Argo and Jim agreed to have recommendations ready by the Dec board meeting.

DC area social events include a clam-bake to be held on 6 Oct at Ft Belvoir, and a Xmas party on 23 Dec at Bolling AFB. Both of these affairs were planned jointly with the Class of '44.

I have 2 class sons in the Vanderbilt ROTC unit—Bob McBride, a senior, and Ira Hunt, a freshman.

If your news isn't here it's because I haven't broken your code. As we shortly will leave active duty to the Generals, I'm particularly interested in getting news from the civ sector. Do write, and send glossy black & white pix. Deadline to me for the next issues are 31 Dec for Mar issue, 20 Mar for the Jun issue, and 20 Jun for the Sept issue.

'46

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(108) The opening game of the current football season is behind us, as of this writing, and in all honesty this team looks sharper than last year's, despite the loss to #10 ranked Tenn. By the time you read this the season may be over—Beat Navy! Sitting in the immediate vicinity of this writer and his wife for the opener are season ticket holders Stan Love, Dan Mahony, Marty Zorn, Howie Giebel, Tony Cucolo and Ralph Ellis.

From Jul issue of AFJ (and not previously



1946: Halls, Collins, Creveling, Keehn and Blum—Founders Day 73, Tehran, Iran.

noted) the list of Temp MG's include: Elmer Ochs, Charley Daniel, and O.D. Street. The list of Perm BG's include, of the 31 listed, 15 classmates as follows: Herb Schulke, O.D. Street, Charley Myer, Bob Shoemaker, Hal Hallgren, Charley Simmons, Sam Walker, Danny Graham, John Thurman, Charley Daniel, Charley M. Hall, Elmer Ochs, Pat Crizer, George Patton and Bert David. That's a pretty good percentage of that list—right! Congratulations, gentlemen. Note that those selected for Perm BG were at the time of selection either serving as Temp MGs or were concurrently selected for MG. I would suggest that they are all wearing 2 stars today.

It seems I missed the following changes made early in 73: MG Charley Hall (then BG) from Dpty CG, USARAL to J3 EUCOM Stuttgart, Germany, and MG Hal Hallgren (then BG) from Cmpt ArMC, DC to OACS Fce Devl. The following changes are from Jul and Aug AFJ: MG Herb Schulke from Dpty Dir Plans, DCA, DC to OJCS; MG Ken Tallman from ADCS/Pers for Mil Pers & Cmdr, USAF Mil Pers Cen, Randolph AFB, TX to Dir Pers Plans, DCS/Pers Hq USAF; BG Jack McWhorter from CG USA Natick Labs, Natick, MA to CG USATSA, Ft Lee, VA; and BG O.D. Street from ACS HAF CE to CG 1st Rgn ARADCOM (Stewart Fld, NY)!

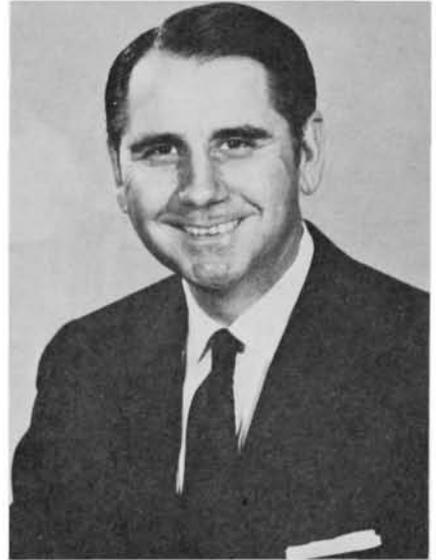
Received a rather interesting release from Fifth Army Hq dated 30 Aug 73 about Paris Burn of Las Cruces, NM, who has been appointed new Civ Aide for NM to the Secy of Army and was so honored with a formal mil ceremony in the quadrangle of Fifth Army Hq at Ft Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX on 4 Sept. He was on the reviewing stand with LTG Cassidy, Fifth Army CG. Rus assumed the position 1 Aug and this was his initial visit to Fifth Army Hq. In his position as aide he will interpret and relate Army policies to the citizens of NM and will in turn keep the Secy of the Army, Howard Callaway, informed as to their opinions on matters of interest to the Army. Rus is pres and bd chmn of Burn Const Co. and also dir of the Farmer and Merchants' Bank in Las Cruces. Rus was accompanied by his wife and they were dinner guests of GEN and Mrs Cassidy. They received guided tours of local points of interest both in San Ant and on the post. Sounds like a very interesting asgmt.

Dick Sandoval has recently joined the staff of the Los Alamos Sci Lab to work for the Asst Dir for Weapon Planning. He was formerly CO of the US Army CDC Nuclear Agcy, Ft Bliss, TX. Dick has an M.S. in phys from UCLA. He and Kathleen have 8 children.

Bob Channon was graduated from the non-resident course at AWC, Carlisle Bks last Jul. Bob has 2 JSCMs, 2 CMs, 2 PHs, and the CIB. He received an M.S.A. in 71 from G.W. U. He and Carolyn reside at 800 Queen Elizabeth Dr, Virginia Beach, VA.

Last Jun, Tom Hirschberg was appointed staff VP-Ins for Sperry Rand Corp. He will head the corp's employee benefits and ins depts, and has been serving as asst treas-ins since 72. Tom joined Sperry in 53, as an admin engr with the Gyroscope Div in Great Neck, NY. He has held various positions concerned with labor relations, personnel and employee benefits. Tom lives in Larchmont, NY.

An adv degree in Counseling from Shippensburg State College was recently awarded to Joe Collins. Pete Jacula has joined Town & Country Properties, Inc. as a sales rep. He resides at 4205 Evergreen Lane, Annan-



1946: Charley Jaco, Plant Mgr, Midland-Ross.

dale, VA 22003. Bob Kren, dir of Public Info at U. of MO-Columbia has received accreditation from the Public Relations Soc of America, their highest membership status. Kren has been an active member since 67. Such status is designed to raise the standards and improve the practice of the PR profession, and is gained by both written and oral exams.

Founders Day 73 found 5 classmates in Terhan, Iran. For a single class, we had the largest group present, and of the 5, 4 are on AD. Kent Keehn, ret, is mgr of Pfizer Pharm in Iran. AD files are Alex Halls, Ch of the J4/6 staff sec of ARMISH-MAAG; Woody Collins, Ch of Field Adv Tm #3 at Shiraz; Lou Creveling (who mailed photo and data) Adv to Natl Def U.; Stan Blum, Ch of Field Adv Tm #1 at Kermanshah. Hal Horne left the area in 72 after 4 yrs to go to Heidelberg, Germany. Lou has at least one year to go, as do Stan and Alex. Visitors to Iran this past year have been Ben Bellis, Bert Stringer and Dave Bradburn. Lou also stated that in addition to Bill Evans, Lew Allen is also a



1946: Tom Hirschberg, VP, Sperry Rand.



1946: Sons in the Class of '77: Standing L-R: Warner Lewis, Dave Schneider, Julio Somoza, Dewey Blyth; Squatting: George Fink, Ken Bresnahan, Jim Callahan, Fred Alderson, Walt Frankland.

LTG. I noted Bill's star status in Sept issue, but was not aware of Lew's status, so wish to extend our congratulations to Lew as I did for Bill in the last issue.

Charlie Jaco has been named Plant Mgr of Midland-Ross Corp's Midrex Div metallized pellet plant in Georgetown, SC. Such pellets are used in elec furnace steel making. Jaco joined Midrex in Toledo, OH, as a senior proj mgr earlier this year. He had been with Dravo from 66 to 73. Charley has an MS in chem engr from U. of Del earned in 56.

George MacDonald mailed a news item taken from the Aug 73 issue of Wards' Auto World. As of 1 Aug, George Griffith became GM of GM's Hydra-Matic Div. For the next 12 months his main interest, besides transmission quality and cost, will be getting the division's rotary engine (GMRE) line rolling. He's boss now of the div's proj to manuf the first GMRE's to go into the Vega.



1946: Bob Channon, War College graduate.

Lou and Jane Elsaesser have headed west. They went by car this past Sept. He left his position as Dir of Rsch of the Edison Elec Inst in NY City effective 1 Sept 73 to join the newly formed Electric Power Rsch Inst as Asst to the Pres, with Hq in Palo Alto, CA 94304 (3412 Hillview Ave).

Gibb Sharkoff, 112 Castlewood Trail, Sparta, NJ 07871, wrote to state that he ret. from USAF in 66, went to Princeton on the staff for 3 yrs and came to Picatinny Ars, Dover, NJ in 69. He is now on the staff of the Tech Dir and is running the Feltman Rsch Lab for him. Gibb and Maribel have 2 daughters, Tammy 12 and Kim 4. Frank Schoen has just finished a tour at the now defunct Munitions Cmd at the Ars and is headed for HI, HQUSARPAC, DCS LOG (GPLO-MD).

Once again we come to that point where I list the missing. And once again we have been able to reduce the list but only by 4, down now to 36 from 74. COL C.G. Memminger, 3530 NW McKinley, Corvallis, OR 97330, was reading a borrowed ASSEMBLY when he saw his name. He is currently the PAS at Ore State U. and has completed a year there. He had been 4 yrs in HI where he was with CINCPAC staff, a very rough tough duty. Brick Bentz arrived in HI as Chuck was leaving. For Memminger, before CINCPAC, it was VN (AC-47's) War College and 20 yrs in SAC. He and Melba have 3 sons—Lucien, a youngster (3dCl) at Annapolis (of all places), Charles Jr, a soph at O.S.U. and Steve, a 10th grader in local schools. When ret. comes in 76, they expect to return to HI.

So for the list of men that AOG would like addresses: Don Adair, Bill Baisley, Rod Blyth, Roy Calogeras, Jim Carter, W.D. Cronkrite, Rolly Dessert, Danny Finnegan, Ben Gay, Alex Gerardo, Roy Gillig, Joe Giza, Jack Grace, Cliff Gray, Steve Gray, Phil Hopkins, Al Ives, Dick Kellogg, Ed Lembeck, Bill Mason, Joe Meerbott, Tom Owen, Lloyd Powers, John Riedel, George Sheffer, Sam Smith, Stan Tharp, Les Thompson, Bob Toole, Earl Van Sickle, Al Victor, Josh Wallace, Bill Webb, Stan Welch, Bob White, and John Whitmore.

Just received Jesse Green's address (1755-B Chennault) who is still on active duty at Kelly AFB, TX. George Bailey, publisher of Winter Garden Times, Winter Garden, FL mailed me the data.

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Another summer has come and gone and as we settle down to the year's routine it's time to catch up, look up, and pay up—and those will be my 3 subjects for this edition of 47.

In the catch up dept: recent DC Social Events included lunch on 27 Jul at the Pentagon with John Kennedy, now in AMC Intl Log; Jim Johnson now Dir Mil Engr, OCE; Chuck Stewart ret. to Braddock, Dunn, & McDonald; Howie Sargent, ret. to VP for Corp Planning, Metropolitan Life in NYC; Wayne Hauck; John Hoover, now Dpty CG STRATCOM at Ft Huachuca; Bill Sullivan; Bill Reckmeyer; George Maloney; John Miller; Wally Lukens; Bob Lilley; and Harry Kain.

New in town: Buck Fernandez, Dir Data Automation, AFSC; Jim Breedlove, Dpty Dir, Def Mapping Agcy; Bill Grant, Aberdeen; and DANIEL WEBSTER KENT, newest class son. John Kennedy reported that in addition to himself, Wally Nickel and John Lauterbach are at AMC Hq.

Sept 7 saw a small but select group of the Class with their brides sippin' and sippin' at Bolling AFB. The group included Dixie and Harry Kain, Butch and Bob Lilley, Mike Bellovin, Dot and Wayne Hauck, Sam Starobin, Ann and Paul Callan, Jane Shields, Marge and Bill Henry, Betty and Bill Reckmeyer, Lyndda and Chuck Stewart, Ann and John Lerohl, Jean and Don Robb, Nicky and John Lauterbach, Dave Odell, Sylvia and Wally Lukens, Naoma and Buck Fernandez, Mary Ann and Jim Breedlove and Beverly and me.

Sometimes we get overtaken by events and time but I'll run through the summer mail: A note from Lou Rachmeler tells of a trip to the Far East in Jul where he saw Hank Emerson at his 2d Div Hq. Lou notes that Hank's troops share his enthusiasm for the job they have to do there. In HI Lou saw Betty and Pete Boerger, Ann and Meade Wildrick, and Mary Lou and Jim Eddington. Lou notes that Ann is making headway with her ailing back, and other than that and a few grey hairs all appeared well and doing fine and in fine spirits. He also saw Mary and Harold Eberle in L.A. where they have been for the past decade. Harold is with the Maverick Prog at Hughes Aircraft. Lou, incidentally, is coming to DC shortly to take Jim Johnson's job in OSD. Also on the move is Pete Boerger to Div Engr in Omaha, NB, where he joins Dick McAdoo.

At one of our recent meetings Bill Reckmeyer gave me a scrap of paper with some notes that read about as follows: Betsy (Reckmeyers' oldest dau) and Ray Crawford '72 had dau Hilary Elizabeth 7 Jul in Germany; Bill II received his MA at AU and has been awarded a 3-year fellowship. Bill's note doesn't say in what but congrats anyway, on both scores. The Reckmeyers helped the Monahans celebrate their 26th Anniv, and then there's something about a Sears Order.

The Army Times reports that MG Gordon Duquemin, CG, 1st Div and Ft Riley, won the 73 Ft Riley singles tennis championships. Billie Jean next? At the end of Jun, Martha

Jane Reel, dau of Marie and Kermit, became the bride of PFC Michael Lloyd Leming. Our best to the new couple as they settle in Fayetteville, NC. I haven't seen Kermit recently but I see Marie fairly regularly since she also has a piece of the action on the DC subway as a specifications engr with the DeLeuw Cather Co.

Miscellaneous notes from Sam Wellborn advise that he is now 1st Dist tech engr with the GA DOT, from Bob Halligan in L.A., from Bernie Abrams in Atlanta. Two notes from the Burners this summer. Jean and June announced the marriage of dau Leslie to Robert MacKool 14 Jul in E. Lansing, MI. Bride and groom are both grads of Mich State U. Bob just received his Master's and is going with Corning Glass in Elmira, NY. June reports that Jean survived the ordeal pretty well but can't say the same for herself. Right after the wedding the Burners left for a quick trip to Ft Riley, where they visited with Pat and Duke Duquemin who look great. June says they just missed seeing Al Geraci who had been there for ROTC summer camp. Al has a problem I guess—I came home one evening to find a note that I had just missed Al Geraci who had been thru.

A note from Tom Hayes reports that he and Jackie and oldest daughter and youngest son flew to Europe, picked up a car in Köln and drove 2500 miles thru Germany, Switzerland, Austria and Italy. Along the way they helped Elise and Bob Haldane celebrate their 25th; and visited Toby and Forrest Crowe in Rome. Forrest is VP and GM for Univac in Europe. The Crowe's live in a "charming refurbished convent within walking distance of the old Coliseum. Thanks to the Crowes we saw more of Rome in 3 days than most people do in a year."

Evelyn and David Jarvis report in from L.A. where Dave is with Lockheed. "The Jarvis' are all well. Our Susan was married a year ago. The others are busy working and going to school. We see the Greenbergs, Dells, Levenbacks and Littlestones. Met at a Gala for Bernie's 50th Birthday. Our children complain that we never write into your column so—" Thank you children. If I have any other young readers who see this, how about complaining to your folks too.

In the look up dept: Both the AOG and the Class have problems from time to time with correspondence returning "address unknown." In some cases it's people we haven't seen or heard from in years, in others it's people who have recently moved and just don't get the word out. The latest list included the following: Howard B. Arnold Jr., Thomas E. Benson, Theodore C. Biel, Otis E. Brannon, Wm S. Carpenter Jr., Frank J. Kremser, Allen F. Learmonth, J.S. Mallory Jr., Oliver L. McDougell, Charles H. McKnight Jr., David Newcomb, John B. Reese, Robert W. White, Francis R. Perry. To all who read this, if your name is on the list above please send us your address; or if you know the whereabouts of any of those on the list please drop us a note.

And finally, the pay up dept. Tom Hayes, Bill Henry, and Bing Perry have been carrying the ball on the class gift to the Academy. You all have been getting mail from Tom. Bing now has the title to the old Railroad Station for presentation to the Supe, and plans are underway to design and execute the renovation. Tom promised the Class at our 25th that he could raise \$65,000. Thru his and Bill Henry's untiring efforts over \$54,000 of that has been pledged. What is bugging us is that that amount represents only 45% of the Class. 105 people have

pledged 80% of our goal. We need the rest of you. This should be a gift from 100% of the Class. If you've misplaced your pledge card a note to Tom at Phila Gear Corp, King of Prussia, PA 19406, or to me will get you another. Or just put a check in the mail. As Tom said, "We need publicity, participation, and response from 100% of the Class."

P.S. Late releases from AF Hometown News Cen: Dick McClure, Maint Con Off, 303d Cons AC Maint Wg, recognized for contributing to 8th AF earning the coveted Collier Trophy. Dick's outfit is at Anderson AFB, Guam. George Harrington has assumed duties as CS for USAFE at Ramstein, Ger.

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A piece of 25th Reunion business shows in the attached photo. We are as proud of the boys as their parents. Incidentally, the scene is the Buckley's yard.

The Hoffmans are now at Ft McPherson, GA, 13 W. Wheeler Dr, where he is DCS-FOR and on the road a lot. The Ed Callanans are down the street and Willy and Sandy Bertram live nearby. Willy is XO in Tom's office. Les and Ginny Carter are also there.



1948: The Hoffmans and the Brattons.

The entire contingent entertained the Meinzens, up from Benning on 4 Jul.

A recent story in the Post told of Ken and Carol Olsen's son, Tor, and his bout with viral hepatitis in Mar 72. Tor, an AF sgt, lay on the operating table with no pulse, no heartbeat, no brain waves, and no blood in his body, just saline solution. The technique, performed at Wilford Hall AF Med Cen in San Ant, was a total "washout" of Tor's blood. His was the 3d case tried and he was the first to survive. After removing all blood and replacing it with saline solution, Tor then received donor blood. In the 10 minutes of suspended animation the liver regenerated enough to resume its filtering operation. He is now back on full duty at Westover, and the picture accompanying the story looks great. A tragic experience with a very happy ending.

Recently, Lem Robinson called me from San Diego. It was great hearing from him. His son is in the AF in San Ant, and Lem was looking for a classmate in that area to check on a medical problem the boy had. Trust all worked out well.

Two of our own have graduated from the AWC nonresident course. Randy Beirne and



1948: Ash Foote.

Ash Foote are shown in their latest mug shots. Congratulations, men.

Jake Pompan has ret. to the DC law scene. He is a partner in the firm of Wachtel, Weiner and Ross at 1100 Connecticut Ave. Good to have them back in town. Others who have returned, some recently, some a while ago, are Don Swenholt, the Stellings, the Plummers, and the Smiths. However, losses also have included Gene Forrester, who has left to command Ft Ben Harrison in Indianapolis. Carter Clarke, whose ret. was reported last time, is with Castro Convertibles, I am informed. That firm has the most interesting showroom of any at Tysons Corner Shopping Cen here. He is a VP with the firm.

Called Norm Robinson in late Jun and found him at home. He sounded great, and I trust is fully recovered by now. Fred Tibbetts has ret. and must be living in Steamboat



1948: Randy Beirne.

Spgs, CO, as I recall his purchasing a place there some years back.

Larry Hoyt was married to Miss Dorothy Alford on 30 Jun at Ft Benning. Bill Thomas was best man. The happy couple are living here in Arlington. Congratulations. Bob and Peg VanArsdall's Janet was married to Thomas M. Nelson on 9 Jun in Scarsdale, NY. They are living in Tallahassee, FL, 940 W. Brevard St, Apt A5-4. Very best to them both.

Warren Graves is reported in San Ant in the private sector there. Further information needed, Warren.

Congratulations to Eric Schlotterbeck, Walt and Peg's youngest, who is a Merit Scholarship finalist.

A recent listing of real estate transfers has W. E. Bertoni purchasing a home in VA. Nice to have them here.

'49

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By the time you read this issue, you should have received a copy of our latest reunion bulletin; however, as with any large group, we are experiencing address difficulties. If you have not received your copy, please contact the writer, address at beginning of column. Orton Spencer on the Program, Jack Carr in Housing and Rocky Marder on the Yearbook are chugging along. Also, relative to our Class Memorial, WP has somewhat changed their mind relative to devl of Constitution Is and we were asked to look at other alternatives. Although not confirmed as I write this column, it appears that we will build the same type of year-round facility at a Delafield Pond location where it would be more readily accessible for Cadets and class parties. Gil Kirby and Phil Feir are working on the WP end while Walt Milliken is surveying the large DC contingent and coordinating with Bill Gustafson. Our tentative program to be interleaved with the official program calls for an initial picnic get-together on the afternoon of Wed, 29 May, to be followed by a cocktail party at the Steffy's. Thurs will include a Class Busi-

ness Meeting and a cocktail party hosted by the Feirs at the Cmdt's Qtrs. Fri will bring either a boat trip or another picnic and on Sat we will decorate classmates' graves and dedicate the class memorial. Current indications are that over 200 members and wives will participate.

Pat Vollmer is back on the job as Ch, AAG, JUSMAGTHAI after a bout with a ruptured appendix in Aug. Pat took over that asgmt in Jun. Jerry Lauer the PM for HLH in St Louis has had a busy summer, what with taking on a new program, daughter Kathryn's marriage in St Petersburg on 4 Aug, and having to attend a 2-week crse in PM at Ft Belvoir. Heard that Chuck Smith is now selling Cadillacs for Fuller Cadillac in Boston. John Chandler dropped a note from Ft Riley—Kirby Lamar and George Wentsch were both through on official visits. Also Bob Brewer, John and Oggie Jones had the pleasure of dining with Bo Calloway on one of his official trips to Riley. Guess most of you read where Bob Pursley was one of the people familiar with NSC meetings whose phone was officially tapped. With all of Bob's teenage daughters those tapes probably run for hours per day—hope their boy friends weren't offended. Basil Pafe mentioned he had heard from Dr. T.D. Wilcox now teach-



1949: Ted Campbell.

and wife who died in a car accident in early Jun. Jerome held a bachelor's degree from Wright State and Susan was a junior in political science. The fund was created at the request of LTC & Mrs. Joseph Fetsko and COL & Mrs. Charles Wason, parents of the couple. They told senior VP Frederick A. White that they were sure the couple would have wanted the fund to be devoted to foreign students."

BG Frank Barnes recently received his 2d LM just prior to pinning on his stars and is now DCS Civ Engr at WPAFB. Bob Bradley with USACDC at Ft Knox completed the AWC non-resident course as did Rollo Peixotto who is now at Ft Belvoir. Doug Weart finished a T-37 pilot instr crse at Randolph and returned to Keesler AFB where he is Cmdr 3389th PTSq. Harry Griffith was awarded the State of AL DSM for his



1949: GEN Jack Catton, AFLC, presents LM to BG Frank Barnes '49.

ing at E. Carolina U. Basil has moved from AF plans to a special asgmt in ARPA. New asgmts noted were Frank Clarke to TRADOC, Harry Griffith as Dist Engr SWD, Kirby Lamar to DCA, also hear that Joe Kingston and Chuck Nulsen are headed for DC. Other newcomers in the DC area include Ted Swett, Punch Jamison, Jim Neil and Buzzy Barlow is in town heading a Task Fce study for a few months. John Magnotti head of the Natl Council of Prof Service Firms made a large periodical lately with his comments on consultants as follows "anybody can get into consulting—it's one of the last examples of free enterprise." John does the above as a secondary duty, he's still employed by Plan Rsch Corp.

Tom and Joan Marsh's daughter Teri was married to 2LT John Holly '73 at Bolling AFB on 20 Jul. The young couple is stationed at Ft Knox prior to heading for Germany. Trudi and Lee Surut's daughter Chris was married at Annapolis on 29 Sept to Ens Dennis Crane. Pat Kimball has assumed a position as Prof of Mgmt at Pace College in NY and will continue his consulting svcs part-time. Fred Westfall's son Chris '73 is enrolled at Ohio State Med Sch and working hard. The following article is from the Wright State U. paper in Dayton, OH:

"A scholarship fund for foreign students has been established in the memory of Susan and Jerome Fetsko of Xenia, a husband



1949: Bob Bradley.



1949: Rollo Peixotto.

contributions to the State as Dist Engr, Mobile; his new job as DESWD encompasses OK, TX, LA, AR, MO, KS, CO, and NM. Terry Powers has been named PMS at John Carroll U. in Cleveland following a tour as CO Log Spt Cmd and ACS Log, USASF in Panama. Ted Campbell is at Ramstein AFB, Germany, as Cmdr 86th TFWg, arriving there from duty as VCmdr, 26th TRWg. Phil O'Brien recently completed a civ tour in SEA and is now living in Reston, VA.

The DC contingent under the Pres of Bill Lambert held their first luncheon of the year in mid-Sept and were fortunate to have Bob Calloway speak on the intricacies of his job as SA.

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The pile of news for this issue is a little sparse, so how about a note with some news of your?

The picture of Pookie Crittenberger with LTG G.P. Seneff Jr. was taken on 7 Sept 73 when Crittenberger Range was dedicated and memorialized by a ceremony in honor of our own Jack, at Ft Hood, TX. GEN Seneff dedicated the range and Pookie unveiled the plaque, with all 8 children in attendance. The range is unique and perhaps the most innovative of any the U.S. Army has—specifically built to permit us to test the M60A2 tank before it is deployed to Europe. Pookie said they all were thrilled to be part of the memorialization, which was in honor of Jack's heroism in VN. He was awarded 2 SS and a DFC while serving there, and as you know, was KIA 17 Sept 69. Pookie and Jack had served 2 tours of duty at Ft Hood. Clyde and Marilyn Spence were there for the ceremony, and Clyde was kind enough to send on the news of the occasion.

'50 Wives have certainly carried their share of the load with the Engr OWC—witness the picture of Malvene Lewis (right), outgoing Pres, handing the gavel to Carolyn Hughes, who has taken on the job this year. We're proud of you!

Bob Gard is shown being served food in a mess line at Ft Jackson, SC where he visited on his way to take cmd at Ft Ord, CA. Joe Griffin (behind Bob to the right, with his mouth full of food) has the Bde at Jackson that provides Cmbt Spt Tng—so he was happy to be host for lunch. Jackson is the CST Cen for the eastern U.S. and Ord handles the western half, so Bob was there to look at their opn. Thanks for the photo and info, Joe.

The pic of Mary Pharr and Joe Love was taken in Aug when Robin and I had an all-too-



1950: Gard and Griffin at Ft Jackson.

brief visit with them at Ft Bragg. They both are thriving there, where Joe now has COS-COM. It was good to "feel" Post life again, after so many years in the DC area. Joe even wakened us with Hell Cats' Reveille before the gun went off! We were glad to see Ted and Stella Crichton while there; Ted is CG of nearby Pope AFB.

Bill Ward sent a good letter recently, telling of attending a football game at WP and the now traditional spaghetti supper afterward. '50 is a small group there now, but Bill and Elaine saw the Blairs, Camerons, Bob Hoisington, Reinharts and Rogers. Andy and Doris Byers, Bill and Peg Miebe and Jim and Jeanne Lee were visiting. Bill said he hasn't the opportunity to see many classmates, but in Mar on an OCONUS USAR tour as G5 of USAREUR, he saw Saalberg, Hansen, Roehm, Gard (also visiting) and Lynch.

Fran and Andy Pick tore themselves away from the home-building business in Auburn, AL, to come up for a long weekend in Sept. They look great, and it was like old times having them back here; we shuffled the cards, and talked long into the night—hurry back, Picks!

Ann Leavitt said Parents' Weekend at USAFA is a great idea—she was glad to see son Trig (L.R. III) hadn't starved to death! She and Dick saw George and Betty Earnhart there—their son George is also a "doolie" this year.

Hale Hubbard dropped a line just as he was finishing up the AWC Nonresidents' Crse 73. Jared Schopper and Bill Berry graduated with him. Jared took over as ACS Resources Mgt, MAAG, Taiwan in Feb; he and Carol became proud parents of a little girl, Melody Dawn, on 20 Mar 73. Bill and Trema Berry are at Knox, where Bill is the PE. Hale, Jo Ann and Trent are in Thailand where Hale is Ch, R&D Sec, USMACTHAI. He says he'll replace stones lost from Princess rings, and will ship elephants (porcelain or alive, if available) upon request. The address is USMACTHAI Box 344, APO SF 96346. Your mailbox may be loaded, Hale.

Faith and Morris Herbert are back at Carlisle, this time on the Faculty, joining Hooper and Helen Adams and Lou and Elaine Dixon. Lyman and Sara Anne Hammond are at Ft Ritchie, MD, where Lyman is ACS Log, USASTRATCOM-CONUS. Paul Gorman is at TRADOC at Ft Monroe, VA; he received orders one week after he and Ruth moved into their new qtrs at Carson. Chuck and Ann Means left Ent AFB in Sept for Chuck's new asgmt at Redstone Ars. Dick Trefry, who has been in Thailand, has been reasgd to the USAELM of DIA in Vientiane, Laos. Tug Greer, after receiving his 2d star, left the 2d Div in Korea to be the senior mem-

ber of the UN Cmd, Mil Arm Comm in Yongsong; Patty and the children have joined him there.

Ann Byrd Meredith called in Sept just before returning to Frankfurt. Son David is at SMU in Dallas and Leland at Randolph-Macon in Lynchburg, VA; must be quiet in your house! Ann Byrd had talked to Maggie Duggins in St Louis, Ginny Vannoy in Lynchburg and the Bangers in Waynesboro. Jim and Ruth Donovan are also in Frankfurt, where Jim has the USAREUR Engr Cmd.

Irene Flynn dropped a line from Ft Bragg, where they joined Joe and Mary Pharr, plus John and Ann Howard, Volney and Janice Warner, Ray and Gladys Maladowitz and Bill Mastoris. Forgot to mention that Joe told me he saw Buzz and Lila Baxter at Reese AFB where Buzz is the CO.

Betty Veley wrote they'd had a busy summer. She and Kelly drove to MO for Chris' wedding (mentioned in the last issue); on the way back at a Howard Johnson's, for want of some excitement she set Kelly on fire. Apparently he was giving her a hard time, she slapped his thigh—and set off 2 closed packs of matches in his pocket. Did he ever move fast! She won't live that down for a long time. Son Craig entered the CG Acad this summer.

Rick Genuario, Lou and Rose's older boy, was the recipient of one of the DC area Engr Offs' Wives Club's scholarships; these are memorial awards dedicated to Engr Offs killed in VN. Rick entered the U. of VA in Sept.

Cloyce Mangas has ret.; he and Joan have moved to Richmond, IN, after many years here in the DC area; we miss them. George Scithers wrote a note saying he also ret. and is now an engr, transit div, Dept Public Prop in Phila. George says they have plenty of extra bedrooms for visitors, and their address is 4413 Larchwood, Philly. Carm Milia is also among the ranks of the ret; Barb wrote that it was sad but fitting that the ceremony was at Knox where they had started out 23 yrs before. Carm is a Proj Mgr with Chrysler in Detroit, is getting used to the new styles in civ clothes, but just can't let his hair grow! No. 2 son Mark entered WP with the Class of '77.

Frank and Franny Thompson are at W-P AFB. Daughter Terri-Lynn is at Fla State studying Criminology—will live 6 mos in London working with Scotland Yard. Frank says George and Carol Patterson are also at W-P. Their daughter Leslie is a college senior and they also have 2 small children, whose names I didn't get. Ralph and Corinne Detherow are at Ft Leonard Wood where



1950: Pookie Crittenberger at Ft Hood with LG Seneff.



1950: Joe and Mary Pharr Love at Bragg.



1950: 50-50—Engineer Wives Club Presidents.

Ralph has the 3d TB. Their address: 4 MacKenzie Dr. Charlie and Joyce Kuyk are at Dover AFB, DE, where Charlie has the 436th Mil Airlift Wg.

Rose and Lou Genuario had a good visit with Ralph and Claudia Pinto in Sept. Ralph teaches law at U. VA. He and Claudia have 6 girls and a boy, the most recent arrival being a little girl born in Aug. Marshall and Marion Talbott, newly moved to Charlottesville, were there too, so there was a lot of catching up between the 3 couples. John and Evelyn Fahy had a marvelous trip to Europe after they were married in Jun, and were kind enough to send postcards to their friends; now they're back here where John is digging into the books again.

Sam Smithers was elected Chmn for '50 in the DC area. Some of our newcomers: Bud and Jean Blank, Claude and Maureen Doughtie, Dick and Bonnie Drury, Chuck Eshelman, Pete and Joan Farrell, Linc and Ginny Fauser, Charlie and Dottie Gabriel, Chuck and Alice Graham, Bob and Bobbie Grow, Helen Koehler (Jack's in Korea), Dave and Bev Monihan, Jack and Peg Parish, Gerry and Miriam Rusch, Jim and Ann Tormey and Ted and Clara York. We have lots going on here, with 3 parties a year, monthly Couples' Bridge, plus the wives' get-togethers. So let us know if you're within shouting distance so we can let you know when something is coming up.

There are a few weddings to report. Anne Christine Leavitt and Richard D. Whitmyre were married 2 Jun 73; Patricia Slavins and Dudley T. Schutendorff exchanged vows 30 Jun 73; Gigi Maresca married Gregory N. Pinkerton on 11 Aug 73; David R. "Randy" Schnoor and Elizabeth Jan Uthoff were married 18 Aug of this year.

Dave Cameron was kind enough to supply me with the list of '50 sons who entered WP this year, so here it is: David Bolte, Ray Dowe, Ed Freedman Jr., Tom Grow, Steve Hunt, D.B. King Jr., Burke Lee Jr., Mark Milia, Van and Allen Price and Chris Pritchard.

I regret closing the column with the unfortunate news of Dolores Hoisington's death on 18 Aug 73 at WP of cancer. I know you all join me in extending our heartfelt sympathy to Bob and his fine family: Mary Beth Brown, Margaret Ann, Kathy Burns, Bob Jr., Nancy, Gregory, Barbara Jean and Douglas. Their address is 44 Wilson Rd, West Point, NY 10996.

This should arrive just before Xmas. If you have an extra card, how about sending one to catch me up on your latest news; my next deadline is 7 Jan, then 30 Mar, 30 Jun and 30 Sept. Have a lovely holiday and a great new year.

'51

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First off, for all of us I'd like to thank Pete Foss for the great job he's done for our column. Pete ret. and he and Marie are now settled in Rockport, MA, a stone's throw from the beach and 10 minutes from Pete's work as Dir of Comm at the local college. Good luck Pete.

Certainly one of the high points of the summer social season at WP this year was the Robin Grugin-Mike Flannery ('73) wedding. Bill and Betty were joined, among others, by Dan and Mary Foldberg, Paul and Sarah Coughlin, Red and Patsy Forrester, Red and Louise Wilson, the Tony Delanos and Buddy and Carolyn Hill. The Grugins are off to Peru where Bill will be looking into the Tuna business. A welcome note from Shy Meyer accompanied the pic of our class members who were graduated from the AWC non-resident course, class of '73. Sel Graham is an atty with Humble Oil in Houston. John Granicher is here in DC as Dir of Opns, USA Topographic Cmd, Gorman Smith, BG USAR, is VP, Info Concepts Inc., Arlington, VA. Max Scheider is in ODCSLOC, DA and Wayne Miller is with SAFEGUARD at Redstone Ars, AL. Charlie (Deacon) Crowe arrived just in time for the formation from the building in the background where he is Chmn, Dept of Cmd and Mgmt, AWC. Shy's note listed Frank Waldman as leaving the Carlisle faculty for TRADOC at Ft Monroe where he will be working with ROTC curricula.

Members of the 73 Regular Crse at Carlisle include Ray Toole who is on his way to Cambodia, Ken and Estelle Herring who are going to FORSCOM at Ft McPherson, GA, and Joe and Jean Rogers going to the IO at Fifth Army, Ft Sam Houston, TX. New arrivals are Ed and Carol Lukert to join the faculty and the Kermit Johnsons. He will be the Dpty Post Chaplain at Carlisle. We would like to congratulate Frank Bashore's

wife Irma on her nomination as Military Wife of the Year from the OWC, Ft Bliss, TX. Besides putting up with the usual hassel of Army life, Irma has found time to take care of 5 youngsters, gain tri-lingual status, a reputation as a gourmet cook and many civic and people oriented community activities. Continued success to one of our great ladies. Recent arrivals in the Pentagon include Bill Depew, now with OACSFOR and Tom Harold and Jim Boatner with the Cmpt. Ernie Piexotto took Bucky Harris' place as Asst Cmdt of The Engr Sch at Belvoir. Bucky is now with Mgmt Info Sys after a fast weekend move. Jim Rockwell has joined the OASCE, DA from a tour in Korea. Dick Wells, coming off a DE asgmt in Chicago is now Ch of the Engrs Br. John Byers is handling a similar task for the tankers. Brad and Ken Holle are in DC. Ken is a senior exec in the DAR Org and Brad is in the OCE. Ed Partain is back from vacation at Bragg and now working at DCSOPS. Ed mentioned being with a much improved Bill Lemnitzer at a party here recently, a welcome sign. Let me hear from your people and BEAT NAVY!

'52

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This issue, the article is being written under a slight handicap. I received a letter from Sallie Hulley with photos of the Shea Memorial on Yongsan Compound in Seoul, Korea. They were color prints and the ASSEMBLY doesn't use color prints any more since they don't reproduce well, so I got myself transferred to Seoul to get better pictures. And, as of this writing, we're not yet settled. Our household goods contain much of my background material and they won't be here till next month. Seriously, the move was a sudden one. I had no idea I was leaving the Pentagon until Jul and we arrived here on 2 Sept. Charlotte and my 2 daughters, Cheri and Lynda, came with me and my son, Ralph III, stayed at WP. My asgmt here is Dist Engr.

I spoke to Bill Raiford about continuing to write this article from Korea and he felt that this would be acceptable. He will forward to me any info received in the class box so you can write to me either at the



1951: L-R: Graham, Crowe, Granicher, Meyer, Smith, Scheider, Miller.



1952: Shea Memorial.

APO address I've indicated above or at the class box, "The Army & Navy Club—Box 52, Washington, DC 20006."

Two of the first people I met when I arrived here were Irene & King Coffman. He is Yongsan Garrison Cmdr and was able to get me the pics of Shea Memorial which are included with this article. King has only been here a few weeks longer than I so he didn't know about the memorial until I asked him. The memorial is located near the South Post Chapel by Picnic Area #2. Speed Hulley was instrumental in having it moved there from some less desirable location. There is an on-going action to change the name to "Shea Park" and include the whole picnic area. I didn't find out anything about the dedication ceremony Sallie mentioned, but with King Coffman now in charge, the appropriate recognition will be forthcoming.

In her letter alerting me to the Shea Memorial, Sallie Hulley also indicated that Speed didn't transfer to HI as indicated in the Fall ASSEMBLY. The family is now located at 35645 Wood Dr, Livonia, MI 48154, where Speed is Sr Adv, 300th MP Cmd (PW). Sallie issued the usual invitation to classmates passing near the area.

Included in the material which I don't yet have is that mailed to me by John Garver on 1 Mar. The PO finally came through and delivered it to me on 24 Jul. (I guess the Pony Express pony died and it had to be hand carried on foot. And, to take almost 5 months, maybe the boy on foot sprained his ankle besides.) After I received it on 24 Jul, it got mixed up in my hurried move. Either it'll be here next month with my household goods or it'll turn up in 2 years when I get back my non-temp storage things. It seems any original news contained in that package must not be destined for early release. By the time you read it, it'll be a year old.

Right after the last article was mailed in, Tom Fitzpatrick informed me he had visited the 1st Cav Div, from whence Tom Ayers, CS, and Jim Jagers, Bde Cdr, send their greetings.

Also, I received the following from Ken Simonet: "Dear Ralph, Tell '52 that I received the welcome home sign and put it on the wall outside my room at the hospital at Maxwell AFB. Well that's not completely true. It was put there by persons unknown. I let it stay there till I left the hospital. Finally the hospital staff admitted that they 'got the word.'"

"I also received the very thoughtful gift of a reunion decanter. Many thanks to everyone for their thoughtfulness.

"I hope to get an MBA at FL Atlantic U. under the AF's AFIT Prog. It just so happens that the school is 15 minutes from my front door in Boca Raton. My family will be very pleased at not having to move at this time.

"I haven't figured out what to try for in the AF after AFIT. I'll stay in and let the AF decide how to get some mileage out of me after they get me 'some smart.'"

"No sense in trying to comment on all the changes in the U.S. I don't have enough time to mention the hundreds of changes I've noticed.

"Once again—thanks to all. Sincerely, Ken Simonet."

June Hubeli reports that Bob is Ch of Maint for the 513 TAW in Suffolk, England. They love it there and June extends an invitation to all classmates and families any time you're in that area.

Bob McGowan reports from Ft Knox that Kathi and Gene Stokes hosted an evening affair in late Jun for all '52ers at Knox. The honored guests were the Johnny Misich's, about to ret. The Ollie Bovard's were to leave Knox for the DC scene after a long and successful bn cmd tour. The Art Stebbins', also finishing a cmd tour, were expecting a possible asgmt to the Detroit area. And the Bob McGowan's were to report to Benning in early fall to find out what the Cmbt Arms Tng Bd is all about. Tom Leggett and Sam Wetzell were visiting Knox en route to other places; Tom to Ft Ord for a Bde and Sam to Ft Carson for a Bde. The Corwin Mitchell's were expected in at the Armor Sch in Aug.

Mike Duerr reports that he and Janet are moving to the FL Keys to run a vacation resort. They found such a beautiful spot on Windley Key (about one-third of the way down the overseas highway from Miami to Key West) that they decided the time was ripe for ret. and bought it. It is called



1952: Dennis Mullane.

Pelican Cove at Islamorada, FL 33036: PO Box 633; phone (305) 664-2811. There are 11 living units, a big, protected anchorage, and 3 clay tennis courts (not much night life but plenty of sun, breeze, fishing, skindiving, bird watching and general beach combing). If any classmate is interested, Mike will send a brochure on request. (Special privileges to all members of Group II, '52, who never made it to Tampa.) (I guess he figures that we Group IIers are still saving our money for Tampa.)

Denny Mullane, Senior VP, CT Mutual Life Ins Co, was elected Vice Chmn of the bd of the Life Underwriter Tng Council in Jul. Congratulations, Denny!

George Rule received the MSM for his service as prof at the USAFA. The announcement credits him with graduating in '52 from the USAFA, but we won't hold that against you, George. We still claim you.

Jane and John Claybrook left Carlisle Bks this summer for Hq Third Army at Ft McPherson, GA. In addition to a diploma from the AWC, John carried away an adv degree in Public Admin from Shippensburg State College and he received his eagles around the same time. Congratulations on all 3 counts, John.

Walt Ulmer has been hitting the books lately, too. He was awarded a Master's Degree in Regional Planning by Penn State on 16 Jun 73.

In Jul, Drake Wilson became Dist Engr at Mobile, AL, where he and Ann reside at 232 Rochester Rd. As Mobile DE, Drake picks up a workload estimated at \$165 million for FY 74.

Bob Tanguy assumed cmd of the 29th FTWg at Craig AFB, AL, on 28 Jul.

Fern and Bob Woodward are back in FL again. Bob took cmd of the 6555th Aerospace Test Gp in Jul. He'll be responsible for launching all of the AF and DOD space launches from Cape Kennedy on the Titan III and Atlas agenda space boosters. Bob says he's even launching satellite sys for Jack Albert and Bud Wynne.

Class activities for the next yr will be: Tues, 8 Jan, class luncheon; Fri, 17 Mar, Founders Day dinner with the WP Soc of DC; Tues, 9 Apr, class luncheon; Sat, 1 Jun, annual class meeting; and Tues, 8 Oct, class luncheon. The locations for each function will be decided by the Exec Cmte.

Keep those cards and letters coming!

'53

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As you can see, the "contingencies of the service" have intervened and Hugh Lacquement has departed the DC area for a command at Ft Bliss, TX. I have agreed to take up the pen and try to carry on in the fine tradition of "Mac" McIntyre and others who have preceded him. Kudos are in order for Mac for the outstanding job he did as scribe for the past year.

By the time this goes to print, our 20th Reunion will be history but I promise a full report in the Mar issue.

Ed and Sue Dinges received a note from Ann Miotke indicating her appreciation for the many thoughtful expressions of the Class in connection with Bill's death reported in an earlier issue. Her new address is: 12096 Fallen Leaf Lane, Los Altos, CA 94022. The Dinges also reported that Stu and Abbie McLennan are still at Ft Ord, CA.



1953: 20th Reunion celebration in Heidelberg.

Young Stu has just entered Tex A&M on a ROTC scholarship.

In case you missed the notice in the last ASSEMBLY, Cadet Jay C. Willis was awarded the LTC Rodney G. Smith Memorial Award, established in 68 by Rod's colleagues who served in MA&E. Rod Jr. made the presentation for the highest rating in Civil Engr.

The following were able to make it to a class luncheon on 27 Sept at Ft Myer, VA: Tom Brain, Ray Eineigl, Jim Pigg, Pete Conzelman, Chad Friedersdorff, Ken Sweeney, Tom Williams, Harl Graham, Bill Jewell, Bill Harris, Larry Davis, Ed Dinges, Bill Jolin, Don Meyer, Walt Henderson, Jim Wade, Bob Zargan, Herm Gilster, Bob Breckenridge, Jim Bambery, Spike Fletzheim, Al Merritt, Steve Vogel, Bob Schroeder, Cliff Neilson, and George Waters.

Bob Blum stopped by from the AWC at Carlisle after delivering his daughter Jennifer to the U. of VA to begin her jr year. Bob expects his #1 son to join the Corps next year.

Congratulations to Sheldon Lustig on his recent promotion to COL. Sheldon is currently stationed at Vandenberg AFB. Congratulations are also in order for Rich Miller on the occasion of his recent assumption of cmd of the 3d Bde of the 1st Inf Div Forward.

While visiting NY on a ICAF UN field



1953: Priscilla and family watch as Dr. Payne, DUSA(OR), presents LM, 1st OLC, to Max Noah.



1953: Dave Horner selecting best photo: Reunion in Heidelberg.

trip, yours truly bumped into Bill Walker who is asgd to the staff of our mission to the UN. Bill, who resides at Ft Totten, is on the short end of his tour and looks no worse for wear.

Now to the mail bag: From Ed O'Hair comes word that he and Bob Rose are collaborators in "the hottest program in the AF" -LASERS. Bob joined Ed at Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, NM, last summer after an asgmt at the AF Acad. Ed also reports the following: Max Satchell is also stationed at Kirtland working in the Nuclear Def Agcy. He's on TDY most of the time. Bill Horton has left Albuquerque. Bill's departure is the Engr Dist's loss. Jim Knox is still making money for all the local investors. He heads up the new Dean Whittier office in Albuquerque. Jim Loedding passed through on the way to San Fran and a new job with American Plan Investment Corp. His address is: 121 E. Seminary Dr, Mill Valley, CA 94941. Ed and Jim went snow shoeing at 11,500 ft on the day of his visit. Ed reports that Jim has lost a little of the old ranger spirit over the years. They ran into some "nice" ice covered rocks and a snow storm. Ed expects to remain at Kirtland until next summer. This will enable daughter No. 1 to finish high school. He also passes

on the following heretofore "unknown" addresses: Bob Rose-2120 Eastridge Dr NE, Albuquerque, NM; Max Satchell-7512 Vista Del Arroyo NE, Albuquerque, NM. Ed asked the whereabouts of J. C. Calhoun-so I'm passing the request on to you.

Bob Schofield sends the 2 snapshots taken at the European 20th Reunion organized by Dave Horner and held at the Casino Club in Heidelberg on 2 Jun. Attendees, including most of the wives, were Dave Horner, Doug Waters, Bob Schofield, Al Horwedel, Bob Fernandez, Dick Boyle, Paul Floyd, Tom McKenna, Jim Miley, Ed Daggit, Dave Rice, and Bill Yuengel. Bob reports that a good time was had by all and the steaks, in these times of tough steaks and tougher prices, were truly exceptional. Bob and Susie Fernandez proudly announced that their daughter was class valedictorian at Frankfurt HS. At the time of his letter, Bob's departure for Washington and the cool Pacific NW was imminent.

Rich and Ann Leonard report from Carlisle that they are in their 4th year there and don't even think about departing. Bob and Ann Blum are in the class of 74, having just completed a tour in Germany. Weemo Wubbena is a "Road Scholar," attending classes at the War College but commuting to the DC area where Marie and the kids remain. The civilians nearby reinforce the Carlisle contingent for parties. They include Spike and Martha Holman, Bob and Carole Bartlett, Jack and Lois Hughes. Rich also notes that Pauli (Mrs. Rodney Smith) Tomlinson and family have moved from Annandale, VA to Jacksonville, FL. Her husband, Bill Tomlinson ('43), is with the U. of FL at Jacksonville.

Short notes from here and there: Glenn Otis moved from BC to CS of the 1st AD. Rick Vander Meer recently took over the Cmtc Gp at the tng cen at Ft Knox. John Fitch asgd to TRADOC. Charlie Zipp to DCSLOG, HQ USAREUR. Retirees: Bob White, Bill Jewell, Bill Burkhardt.

Finally, a plea from your new scribe for help. There's no time like the present to sit down and drop me a note. Remember, your classmates care. Cliff.

'54

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Once again we have lost a classmate. Don Kirklighter died from a heart attack on 22 Jul, and was interred in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Covina Hills, CA. Our sympathy to his wife Patricia, and daughter Tracy, who reside at 629 Chestnut Hill Dr, Walnut, CA 91789.

Change of Status: Phil Brewster from Air Staff to FS Inst in Aug for Sr Seminar on Foreign Policy. Bill and Pat Gager arrived in DC, duty post as LnO, USAFI (Pentagon). Bill acquired his PhD at U. of FL in 69. Anyone needing a HS diploma should make inquiry to Bill. George Kourakas returned from duty with the 54th RVN Regt (during the NVA offensive near Hue) to be assigned to OCRD, Tech Div. John Hincke returned from the 34th RVN Regt to be assigned to OACSFOR. Bob Resley joined OCRD, Tech Div in Jun as a replacement for Mel Remus who is attending the AWC. H.C. Tanner and family now located at Norton AFB, CA. The WP homesteaders now consist of Norm Matthias, Fletcher Buckley, Jim Cooper, George Chancellor, Warren Palmer, Cliff

Flanigan, George Storck and Hugh Robinson, who furnished me with this info. Bob Mischak has left the AAA to join the Oakland Raiders as coach/adm per Dick Ziegler's letter. Dick also reported seeing at the 1st ROTC Region PMS Conf, Ft Bragg, Dick Baughman, PMS at W. Maryland; Howard Hunter, PMS at Johns Hopkins; Bob Washer, PMS at Campbell College, NC; Dick is now PMS at Gannon College. Bill Clark finished the Def Sys Mgmt Sch at Ft Belvoir and is now back at Andrews AFB with DCS Devl Plans, AFSC. Dick Hobbs accompanied the Under-Secy Intl Affairs on a 25 day tour of Europe and the Mid-East. Dick reported seeing "Woog" Wooge in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Frank Hicks in Tehran, Iran (G3 Sec MAAG), Jack Galvin (Hqs EUCOM at Stuttgart). John Shelter, Montclair, NJ, reports that Tiny and Dot Tomsen have been stationed at Tulsa, OK, from Alaska. Tom-sen's daughter Tina is at Rice U. in Houston. John also reports that he is the Membership Chmn for the WP Soc of NY (NY, NJ & CT area) and would appreciate if all classmates would send \$10 and a line (127 Valley Rd, Montclair, NJ 07042). In return he promises Hon Membership to all and eligibility to attend the monthly luncheons at Momma Leone's. Other news from NJ includes a letter from Warren Alverson, mainly concerning the death of Les Kirshner. As many of you recall, Warren spent quite a few years in VN with ESSO but returned to the NY area about 5 yrs ago. Presently, he is with a Mgt Consulting firm and spending most of his time traveling between NYC and Chicago. I see Bill and Sally Paul frequently when I am at Ft Monmouth. Their oldest boy Skip is now at WP, Class of '77. Since we have quite a little group of class sons now at the Acad I have levied the mission on Hugh Robinson of a group picture of them, which I hope to have for the next column. Bill Paul tells me that Vic Hugo is an AD Bde Cmdr in the Sandy Hook, NJ area. Bob Marcum has taken up a semi-residence at the BOQ, Ft Monmouth, so he can attend his duties as SGS to the CG, ECOM (Mon-Fri) and burns up the turnpike to spend weekends with the family at Springfield, VA.

News from Ft Sill per Martin Lachance: "Last year there were 3 of us and this year there are still 3 of us, but Jim Chapman left for Germany and Don Rhea moved in; by that meaning actually moved in to the Chapman house on post." Don is Dir of TAD. (Target Acquisition Dept.) Bob Cottle is still Bn Cdr of the 3/9 Bn, and Martin is the Ch, Opns Div of Cmd Leadership & Tng Dept. Martin states that martinis are available at 229 Sheridan Rd after 1700 hours daily.

News from Ft Bliss via Buck Weafer. Buck had the privilege to swear their oldest son into the Army in El Paso and then sent him off to Ft Dix for Basic Tng and subsequent asgmt to USMA Prep Sch. Buck's son reports that Jim Hay's son is also at the Prep Sch. Roger Brown (wife, Ginger) has one of the Bns in the AD Tng Bde, while Pete Jones (wife, Terry) and Buck have Bns in The School Bde. Buck and Marie heard from Vin Suppicich at Xmas and reported a grandson as of May 72. Does this make Vin the first grandfather of '54? Vin is AF stationed in Goldsburg, NC. Buck also reported Tom and Kathy Flaherty having left Bell Labs, NJ, transferring to Lynnfield, MA, and enjoying all aspects of MA living.

News from Thailand: Bob Hunt wrote a short note shortly after arriving in Korat from



1954: Buck Weafer and Son.

asgmt STRATCOM-CONUS, Ft Richie, MD. He is presently the Sr Adv to the 2d Royal Thai Army, hqs in Korat, but is being out ranked and will revert back to being Sr. Clerk-Typist, XO, and Div-Sr Combat Arms-External Base Def Adv for the det. He reported Jerry Anderson writing last month to state that he goes to DLIWC, Monterey next month for a concentrated Spanish Language course to be followed by a 2-year adv tour in Venezuela. Bob also reports seeing Marv Kortum, who is Ch of the Engr Det, Army Adv Gp, JUSMAG (Bangkok), so I assume Terry is with him as I had dinner with her on one of my Far East Trips in 70.

News from Ft Bragg by way of Paul and Betty Powers. Betty writes that Paul turned off the lights in Danang, RVN, on 31 Mar and was on the last aircraft to leave Saigon that evening. Last summer Paul spent 5 wks at Ft Stewart, GA, evaluating a NG FA Bn in OSD Test 2. He is now in the Ret. Service Div until next Jun at which time Winston-Salem looks like a ret. choice. Paul and Betty's daughter Susan now attends the U. of NC as a freshman, and Paul Jr. on post in the 9th grade.

News from Africa: Bob Morris writes from Malawi where he assumed the post as Def Attaché to Malawi and Zambia at the end of 72. How about providing us with some photo coverage and a little more correspondence about any unique experiences you and



1954: Skip Paul, USCC Class of '77.

your family may be having Bob? Bob noted that 2 of our classmates, Sandy Samouce and John Pappageorge, have had articles published in the 2 recent issues of ASSEGAI (the monthly magazine of the Rhodesian Army); apparently the articles appeared originally in one of our own service journals. Bob's nephew, Jame M. Morris IV, entered WP Class '77 following his father (class of '45) and his grandfather (class of '07).

News from Boston: (All hearsay by Rufus Hutcheson.) Hutch is at the Elect Sys Div, Hanscom Fld where he is the SPO, Dir of Combat Grande (50 million modernization of the Spanish Air Traffic/Air Def Sys). I was lucky to have lunch with Hutch as he commutes to Spain the way most of us drive to work. Also he and the family have acquired an Island in ME for recreation and speculation. Hutch had seen Ron Gamble, still with Sylvania but now in Nuclear Effects-EMP area), also thought he had seen George McMillan, but no info on what he is doing, and that John Morris is stationed at ESD with BISS (Base Installation Security Sys).

Walt and Renate Evans hosted a great party in Jul at their lovely home in Potomac, MD. Attending were Phil and Evelyn Brewster, Paul and Carolyn Jenkins, George and Marie Kourakas, Obbie and Barbara Obendorfer, Bob and Kay Keener, and Yale and Phil Weatherby. Nobody went swimming even though Walt provided a beautiful pool complete with paper swimsuits for men which Ev Brewster examined and pronounced water-worthy and completely equipped with creature comforts in the interior. While we did not use the pool we all made fine use of the large and generously stocked bar provided us. We all posed for many photo shots, and for the first time Ev Brewster was to have her picture in the class column... and you would have Ev, if I had not failed to slow down my shutter speed for my flash.

LOST AND NOT YET FOUND

I have decided to publish the remaining names of the classmates who are lost, at least to us and the AOG as last column we published 14 names and so far have only been able to come up with 2 missing from that list. This will make it very difficult to compile the 20th Reunion roster. Let's hope to have better/some response on locating these people. Jim Chandler, Lee Gilbreth, Bill Grace, Richard Grifenhagen, Charles Hanson, Lewis Ham, Sam Harover, Robert Harvey, Dave Holtam, Jack Horner, Ed Judd, Jack Kincaid, John Lawson, Ken Luckey, Bob Lykens, John Marcus, Tom Martin, Walt Martin, Thomas Moore, George Milligan, Bob Muns, Jack Munsey, John Neas, Thomas Paprocki, George Petley, Bill Phillips, Howard Prescott, Bob Preuitt, Tom Poor, Bill Royals, Harry Ruhf, Bill Sagmoen, Ted Sanchez, Tom Shukay, Lowell Sisson, Chuck Stodter, Perry Studt, John Sulik, John Swaren, Richard Townsley, Phil Vollman, and Bob Washer.

SCRIBE REMARKS

I have informed Chuck Wilson, our Class Graves Registration Officer of the AOG phone no: 914-938-4600. Upon the death of any classmate, Chuck should be notified and he will inform the Assn to activate their system with the family relative to the personalized obit section of the ASSEMBLY. I was very pleased at receiving 8 letters during this quarter, please keep writing but also send black/white photos of your parties, etc. If I don't use them I will give them to Lou Wagner for the year book. Deadline for the next column will be 30 Dec.



1955: Pat Strati with examples of needlepoint.

'55

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Our classmates at WP have had a very active summer with 3 get-togethers so far this year: a boat-ride on the Hudson in Aug to welcome new arrivals, a luncheon with Coach Tom Cahill, and a cocktail party at the LaFrenz's after the TN game. Marvel and Bob LaFrenz are acting as Class Coordinators at WP and have given to me a list of classmates stationed there: Joan and Ken Ginter (Dean's O), Susan and Will Holbrook (1st Bn), Marvel and Bob LaFrenz (Phys), Kathleen and Don Olvey (Soc Sci), Maree and Joe Skaff (CAO), Jackie and Bill Street (Dean's O), and Mary Ellen and Bill Wix (Soc Sci).

The WP group have started to plan for the 20th Reunion and have scheduled a meeting to choose a "20th Reunion Coordinator." Bill Wix looks like a leading "volunteer" as he is on the permanent faculty. I'll let you know of the final selection. The major decision is "when." We can either have it during the 3-day alumni portion of June Week or on the Homecoming weekend in Oct. Some thoughts are: June Week seems more like reunion time—we have last priority on facilities during June Week but high priority during Homecoming, although it's crowded then too because it's a big weekend for the Corps—Homecoming reunions are very short (Fri night through Sun morn), while the June Week alumni period is 3 days—when are more people free to come? I'm sure you may have other factors. Please send your comments to LTC Robert LaFrenz, 259 Beauregard Pl, WP, NY 10996, and he will get them to the coordinator. Or, you may send them to me with your class news!

Another subject that the class should be considering is a class gift or memorial to WP. It is traditional to present the gift at the 20th or 25th Reunion. The selection of the gift could be done by a cmte. Although no actual gifts have been discussed, several classmates have suggested that the gift be dedicated to classmates who were killed or captured in the VN War. Again, please send us your ideas.

Bob Werner, an Army Res LTC, has been named the top grad of the C&GSC for 73. He was presented the GEN John J. Pershing Award, the highest honor the school can give. Bob, a stockbroker with Merrill Lynch & Assoc, lives in San Ant.

Dick Baker graduated from the NWC in Jun and is assigned in the Pentagon with the Army Civil Disturbance Section. Al Coleman not only graduated from the AWC, but

also received a Master's Degree in Public Admin from Shippensburg State College. Bob Meissenheimer graduated from ICAF and is now Base Cmdr at Webb AFB, TX. Roy Lynn is at W-P AFB, with the F-4 SPO. He came through DC in Sept en route to Europe TDY. Roy will go to the AWC next summer. Del Jacobs, now stationed in AF R&D at the Pentagon, has been selected to attend NWC next summer. Ruth and Ron Rule left the Pentagon this summer for Hill AFB, UT. Pat and Bob Strati have moved to DC from Colo Spgs. Pat has been very active in needlepoint and has several original WP designs.

I saw Bill Volkstadt at the Andrews AFB club in Sept, when Sandy and I were having our weekly Sat morning breakfast together. Bill is now stationed at Andrews AFB with the AFSC IG team. Kaye Lathrop recently was promoted at Los Alamos Scientific Lab, where he has worked since the early 60's.

Sandy and I are looking forward to the coming Xmas season and hope that you will include us on your card list. And include some news!

'56

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I know that most of you are doing great and noteworthy things; however, unless some of you tell me about it, I may have to resort to writing poetry or "help wanted" ads to fill this column. At least talk a friend into telling me what's happening with you, otherwise, I'll have to make up some wild rumors.

John Bray was cited for his outstanding duty performance as ch of the Inland Range Fld Office, Space and Msl Sys Org (SAMSO), WSMR. He received the MSM at Vandenberg AFB. Speaking of SAMSO, Bob Stein currently is serving as a Dir of Prog Control there, and reports that Denny Butler and Darold Clonts have recently been transferred into the same organization. Denny's asgmt is Dir of Computer Tech, while Darold's is connected with the Athena Msl Sys area.

Hugh Filbey received the MSM during a ceremony at Richards-Gebaur AFB, MO, for his outstanding performance as a pilot with Hq, AF Comm Service (AFCS). AFCS provides global comm and air traffic control for the AF.

Al Bowman has arrived at Sculthorpe RAF Sta, England, for duty as cmdr of the 7519th Cmbt Spt Sq. Prior to this, he served as a member of the faculty at the Air C&SC at Maxwell AFB.

On the academic front, the following have recently received adv degrees from Shippensburg State College: Bob Bacon (in comm), Jerry Hutchison (in counseling), and John Foss, John Nicholson, Charlie Prather and Arv West (in public admin).

I am looking forward to your cards and letters this coming holiday season and hope you will call me at home (213) 377-7780, if you don't have time to write.



'57

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To begin, let me apologize for an error in the Sept column: While naming the green-suited classmates on the full COL's list, I indicated they would be the first of '57 to wear eagles. But people who read last Jun's column know that Moon Mullins and Buck Rogers already wear their AF birds while J.O. Hanford, Don Kutyna, and Jim Murphy are on the latest AF 0-6 list. Don Kutyna, by the way, is XO for the Secy of the AF, and Buck Rogers is at MacDill with Freddy Smith.

This month's "Be-Kind-to-Class-Scribe" Award goes to Giles Harlow for his long and newsy letter. Giles and Ann spent part of the summer in England and ran into Bill Meyerholt and Frank Knight. Bill is on the EUCOM Staff at Patch Bks and Frank is on the USAFE IG Team. Frank's AF nickname, by the way, is "Nails" (Yikes). According to the Harlows, Les Prichard is in Italy. P.K. Morrill is with Pacific Architects and Engrs in Greece. (When I last saw P.K., he was in VN trying to unhook the generator that was powering the light at the end of the tunnel.) Jerry Dwyer is also at HQ USAFE and Junior Gaspard is XO to EUCOM CS. B.B. McDonough is Dpty Post CO at Patch. Archie Barrett is at Ramstein AB and Charlie Wheeler is nearby at Sembach.

Other news is that Ace Chase is at Holloman AFB, Dick Scholtes left NWC to become G3 of the 4th Div at Carson, Bob Gadd flies T-38s at Williams AFB and Herk Carroll arrived safely at Hood with family, car, trailer, sailboat, and a large gas bill. Herk now commands the 17th Engr Bn in the 2d AD. Also at Hood are Champ and Pat Buck. A recent newspaper article from Killeen, TX, featured Pat and her recently published cookbook entitled "Please Don't Paint the Peas." The book combines the graphic and culinary arts which resulted from Pat's experience while teaching art classes and also trying to feed Champ and their 3 hungry boys.

From DC comes word of the DC class cmte officers: Pres and DC coordinator is Mike Houser; VP is Gordie Williams; Dick Bone is secy; George Iverson is treas; and Don Wells is social chmn. Also in the DC area is Parks Houser who, according to one



1957: Jack McDaniel, with VOLAR haircut.

report, is trying to change Deutschmarks into real estate.

Those of you who have had tours at WP will recall Jim Hill, an assoc classmate when he served in the Dept of Chem. Jim is back as Asst Dean for Plans and Programs and wife, Elaine, is helping out in the Cadet Hostess Office. Also, Cornell McCullom's family (minus Cornell, who is in Thailand) is living in Highland Falls this year.

Russ Ramsey was recently elected to a 3-year term as City Comm of Gainesville, FL. Russ received an M.A. in Hist from S. Miss and a PhD in Latin Amer Hist from the U. of FL. He has published a half-dozen books and zillions of shorter articles and book reviews. As if that weren't enough to keep him occupied, he is also principal of the Lincoln Vocational Cen in the Alachua County PS Sys.

A recent news release from Phoenix announces the formation of the McDaniel Devl Corp headed by Jack McDaniel. Jack was formerly a Senior VP and SW Reg Mgr for Levitt Multihousing Corp. His new company will develop large-scale residential complexes in AZ, NV, and CA. One of the planned communities will cover 400 acres, and will consist of 1,500 residences, with shopping malls, office and medical parks.

Bruce Turnbull and I visited Atlanta for the Army-GA Tech game and, between the 2 of us, saw scads of classmates. Bob Veal, Bob Faulkender, Wayne Nicoll, Hal Jordan, and Bill Yates are all living in or near Atlanta (Bill is Secy-Treas of the local WP Soc). Hal Carter and Ted Voorhees attended from Ft Benning. B.J. Tullington came down from Ft Campbell and Dick Murtland flew in from Dallas.

A recent letter from Bill Ringer bore the sad news that his wife Nancy passed away last Jan, after a long illness. I know I speak for the entire class in extending our deep sympathy to Bill.

Many thanks to those who have been keeping me posted the last few months. Hope you all have a happy 74.

'58

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My deadline for submission of this column is before Homecoming but I know that by publication time our 15th Year Reunion will have been a great success. Our thanks to Stew Willis, John George, Fred Hall, Pat Mellin and many others who labored long hours to put together a memorable program and wrestled with the myriad details of transportation, housing, etc. I will try to pass along reunion news at the next writing—no doubt we have a good fix now on some classmates that we had lost touch with after graduation.

The women of DC are in mourning! Butch Ordway and Brad Johnson have taken Jeanne Hundley and Carol Sutley as their brides in a double wedding on 31 Aug 73. Congratulations and best wishes from the Class! George Walker's parents continue to track a great many classmates and offer their home at 1808 New York Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11210, to any who are in the area. Sorry troops, George's 3 pretty sisters, Pat, Karen and Diane, are all happily married to policemen in the area.

Courtesy of Dave Swanson we have the following rundown on classmates who graduated from CGSC last Jun. Nels and Georgia Conner are in OCRD; Jerry and Ann Cook



1958: Founders Day 1973, Bangkok: Miller, Williams, Zimmer, Garlick, Scales, Trainor, Abernathy, Davies, Coffey.

are attending U. of S. Miss for grad sch and a follow-on ROTC asgmt; Jack and Linda Crandall are staying on the faculty and no doubt enjoying being near home in Ottawa, KS; Gary and Tommye Durkee have allegedly rejoined the faculty, but this is unconfirmed; Jack and Ann Eliot are in HQ, USAElm, CENTAG; Frank and Andrea Franks have returned for a 2d asgmt in the OCSA; Goose and Henriette Gordon are on S&F, CGSC; Bruce and Cookie Hamilton and Jim and Sue Kernan are in 32d AD Cmd, USAR-EUR; Ash and Sally Haynes and John and Frances Schneider have joined GEN DePuy in TRADOC Hq, Ft Monroe (This is the Schneiders' 2d tour at Monroe); John and Patty Hill are with DIA; Art and Jackie Mace are at Ft Sill (102 SE 68th, Lawton, OK 73501) where Art is in the Dir of Cmbt and Tng Devl, FA Sch (How is the golfing Art?); Jack and Elizabeth Madigan are jumping again—Jack is XO, Div Arty, 82d Abn Div at Bragg; Jo Makowski is waiting in Silver Spgs, MD, for Paul to return from Cambodia; Dave and Sharon Swanson are staying put at 1306 Third Ave, Leavenworth, KS, while Dave does grad work at the U. of Kan.

AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY

Harry and Jane Hubbard have left DC for duty as Dpty G3, 32d AD Cmd, Europe. John Shetler is JUSMAG-K Det CO at Kwang Ju, Korea, and recently signed a host-tenant support agreement with Chuck Davis who is USAF Base CO. John Stone is with the CATB at Ft Benning.

ARMOR

Bill Graf is now in OCINFO after earning an MA in Journalism at Wisc. Charlie Miller has departed Thailand for Berlin. According to Carl Sullinger and other spies, George Michael attended at CATB training conf at Benning in connection with his duties in the Armor Sch Army-wide Tng Spt Dept. George is still a very eligible bachelor, although several KY lasses have other plans. Thanks to Dick Garlick and J. Barrie Williams we have a good fix on Sammy Sookmak.

He is G3 of the Thai CAV Div and despite the demands of his duties managed to make Founders Day dinner in Bangkok last year.

ENGINEER

Bill and Sara Cooper are still with DNA and very happy with the tour. Terry and Jackie Howard arrived 15 Jul as Facilities Engr, Presidio—Qtrs 326B Inf Terrace, PSF, CA 94129 and invite classmates in the area to join them in watching the Golden Gate Bridge from their qtrs (sounds like a tough tour Terry). Joe and Grace Lupis' address is USA Engr Div N. Atlantic Rgn, 2SFAA, NY, NY 10007. Jennifer Allen Sands was born to Tom and Barbara on 9 Jun 73 in the first natural childbirth ever at Andrews AFB. Congratulations. Tom used his alternate OPMS skills to assist 2 mid-wives in doing the honors!

Tony Smith slipped into town in early Sept on a business trip (no tennis racquet). Carol is enjoying Brussels and Tony Jr, Brian and Michael are chattering French in their Belgium schools. Tony has located the long lost Fred Stritsinger V—sp security officer to U.S. delegation, NATO Mil Cmte.

FIELD ARTILLERY

Belated congratulations to Will and Andrea Collett on the birth of their twin daughters while Will was at CGSC. The Colletts are now in Tehran, Iran, for a 2-year tour. Ben Barta has departed France and is now with Hq, 2d ROTC Rgn, Ft Knox, KY 40121. Buzzy Bruzina is keeping artillerymen straight on maintenance as a Div Ch in the FAS Materiel and Maintenance Dept. Jack and Kenda Carson are in DC area where Jack is wrestling with quantity/quality trade offs to make the Vol Army work—good luck Jack! Mike Daley is now applying his nuclear phys grad work at Tulane in DNA. Jack and Marge Downing have left HI and are now at AFSC. Dick Garlick sent a letter on classmates in Thailand, including a great shot of the '58 contingent at the 73 Founders Day dinner. Dick is in the cmpt's shop: USMAGTHAI/JUSMAGTHAI, Box 599, APO SF 96346.

Bob Higgins is back from his 2d VN tour and serving in the new Operational TE Agcy at Ft Belvoir. He and Janine are living at 3606



1958: George Walker's parents in Brooklyn, NY.



1958: L-R: The Halls, Reidys, Downings with offspring at Jack's parents' in Las Cruces, NM.

N. Woodstock St, Arlington, VA 22207. John Nun mans a desk next to Hugh Trumbull in OCRD and is helping Hugh keep the DC area roster straight. John and Mimi are living at 8723 Accotink Rd, Newington, VA 22122. Kyle Rector has reported to Hq FORSCOM in Atlanta where he will do ADPS work for the cmpt. Kyle was on the next to last plane load out of VN and spent the last several weeks of his 3d tour flying ICCV missions. Kyle and Darlene spent a few weeks in Europe before reporting to Atlanta in a new MGB purchased in England. Dick Reynard extended his tour in Europe to get a bn at Crailsheim. Dick attended a Lance Cadre crse at Sill in spring of 73 and is ready to honcho the switch of his bn to the lance. Unofficial reports have Bill Serchak as an attaché in Stockholm, living in a mansion complete with servants, maids, etc. John Nowack and Ted Smith are in the ODA Cmdt for Tng and Ed at Sill. Carl Sullinger wrote a long letter filled with news of classmates, especially cannon-cockers. Carl is with the Army-wide Tng Spt Dept of the



1958: Downing, Hall and Reidy (L-R) having a cool one.

FAS grappling with "MOS studies, battery officer handbooks, and monographs on VN" and grinding on his 23d hour of grad work for an MPA from U. of Okla. (Bet he still finds time for Susan and son, Scott Carl!) The Sullinger's address is 1208-A Conner Rd, Ft Sill, OK 73803. Don Williams is not at Colo Spgs as reported earlier. According to Carl Sullinger, Don is "alive and well" at the FA Msl Sys Eval Gp, Ft Sill. According to Dick Garlick and J. Barrie Williams, Wick Zimmer was with classmates at 73 Founders Day dinner in Bangkok and attended a MITRAPAB Parachute Demonstration in Nan Province, N. Thailand on 20 May 73.

INFANTRY

Chuck and Patsy Densford have finished AFSC and reportedly are going to a RED Rgn job at Meade. The USMA Prep Sch cadet candidates thought so much of Chuck that he was carried as Asst Cmdt of the Sch and attended grad ceremonies during the period he was an AFSC student. Les and Barbara Gibbings are in civil schooling at Shippensburg College. They are living outside Ft Ritchie's gate at RRD, Blue Ridge Summit, PA 17214. Fred Goodenough reportedly has the inf bn at Crailsheim, is the post cmdr and kept busy securing Dick Reynard's lance msls. Phil Pryor, with tennis racquet and ORSA degree from Tulane in hand, reported to the studies office, OCRD



1958: Sammy Sookmak flanked by two flanker friends.

in Jul 73. J. Barrie Williams has written from Thailand that he sees Gene Scales frequently. Jude Theibert has moved from DIA to ODCSPER effective 9 Jul. He and JoAnne are still living at 6008 Larkspur Dr, Alexandria, VA 22308. Cliff Victorine received the MSM on 19 Jun 73 for outstanding service in OCSA. Cliff and Noreen are in language sch in the DC area boning up on Arabic for a G3 adv job in Saudi Arabia.

MI

Pete and Janice Brintnall are in AFSC with a probable follow-on asgmt to Brazil. In Jul 73 Pete accompanied Long Tom Rienzi and wife to Brazil for a communications meeting. Pete served as translator and had to learn "signal power is combat power" in Portuguese! J. Barrie Williams kept us posted on classmates in Thailand. Barrie worked with Wick Zimmer on MITRAPAB—a joint Thai/U.S. charity that holds jump demonstrations all over the country to raise money for schools in rural Thailand. Barrie is now G2, 1st Inf Div, Ft Riley, KS.

MSC

Ed Dodd transferred from TC several years ago. He is now with the Med R&D Cmd, running a research prog that includes lasers, body armor devl and radiation pathology. He and Kathy are living at 6260 Occoquan Forest Dr, Manassas, VA 22110.

ORDNANCE

Pat Donovan made the Army Times for shining 160 pair of boots in B Co of his 123d Maint Bn, 1st AD as a reward for top membership in the 1st AD Assn. KIWI and VOLAR forever? Dick Reidy has left WSMR for an ROTC asgmt at Gettysburg, PA.

SIGNAL CORPS

Tony Bauer has left branch and is now commanding the 123d Sig Bn, 3d Mech Div. Clyde Brown is reportedly in HI commanding the 125th Sig Bn, 25th Div. Jim Frick is with OACS-E and living with Carole and children, Denise, James Jr, and an undisclosed number of poodles in Woodbridge, VA. Bill Ganey is with ODCSLOG. He and Angela are at 4610 Pickett Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030. Jim Hall reported seeing Alan and Florence Salisbury and their beautiful 7-month-old daughter, Kathy, in San Fran. Al has finished up a 2-year battle for a PhD in EE and computer sciences at Stanford and is headed for Ft Monmouth. Jay Tirre



1958: Dr. James C. Castle.



1958: John Shetler watches Chuck Davis read the fine print.

nailed down his MBA from St. Louis U. last Jun.

USAF

Dick Garlick, Inf, and J. Barrie Williams, MI, have brought us up to speed on blue suiters in Thailand—John Abernathy, Tom Davies, Don Edwards, Ernie Hasselbrink, John Schroeder and Pete Trainor are (or were) there and attended the 73 Founders Day dinner. (Hope John Abernathy finds the skies more friendly than those over the Mu Gia Pass in 67.) Ernie Hasselbrink is reportedly headed for the Philippines. Bill and Jean Bicher are with the Def Nuclear Agcy. Mike and Grace Dugan are in the Doctrine and Concepts Dir, Air Staff. Mike is a LT(C/P) "fast burner" and says since the AF wouldn't give him a sq, he started one of his own (3 girls and 3 boys!) Chuck Davis is commanding in Kwang Ju, Korea, and sent an interesting photo showing him signing a host-tenant agreement with John Shetler, JUSMAG-K Det Cmr. Chuck is headed for Plans, HQ, USAF. Hank Gardner has left Arden and the children at PO Box 1586, Stuart, FL 33494 while he is at George AFB for F-4 training. Hank is slated for duty with the 432d Rec Wg at Udom. Mike Jones is at Andrews AFB with the AF Sys Cmd. He and Bonnie are living at 911 Ivanhoe Rd, Oxon Hill, MD 20022. Walt Patterson is Asst Prof of Math at the AF Acad. He and Susan are justly proud of his PhD from Syracuse. Frank and Jane Phillips are at Bitburg AB, Germany, where Frank has earned the title of "Top Gun Pilot" in the 36th TFWg. Nice shooting Frank! Frank Smith is a safety officer at Hq, 5th AF, Fuchu AS, Japan, reportedly headed for Edwards AFB, CA. LT(C/P) Mac Williams is reportedly Dpty Cmr for Ops at a B52 base in TX (Dias AFB?). Congratulations to Frank Wright who received a PhD in political sci from the U. of Colo in May 73. Frank is with the Soc Sci Dept at USMA.

CIVILIAN

Jim Castle has been made GM, Sales Dept, GE's Info Svs Div headquarters in Bethesda, MD, effective 27 Aug. Congratulations Jim! Dottie invites Classmates to call 301-349-5627 and visit their new farm home at Rte 2, White's Ferry Rd, Dickerson, MD 20753. George Huff and his attractive bride were seen in San Fran by a usually reliable source. George is still VP of the Capital Funding Corp. Tell us when (or if?) to buy George. Stew Willis saw Don Martin at a physics

teacher's conf in Reno, NV. Don is in the reserves, and magazine editor of the Officer's Christian Fellowship. Don's address is 1688 S. Garland Ct, Lakewood, CO 80226. (Phone 985-2582). He and Karen invite classmates to drop in.

Keep the letters and black and white photos coming.

'59

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The poop is pretty slim from you guys this time, and I recommend that you start writing if you want this column to continue.

Of importance and deserving of best wishes is the birth of Elizabeth Jane to Pat and Ray Beurket in DC on 3 Aug. Ray, I believe, is about halfway through a tour in Korea.

A nice note from Marge Ranch enclosed the only photo this time, that of Lew receiving an MSM from MG Shedd in Heidelberg. Looking on were Marge and the two oldest sons, Jeffrey and Christopher, but new son, David, born 9 Dec 71 was left at home. Marge reports that Lew ran into Bill Zaldo and Jim Adams just before he left Heidelberg, and she further comments that with the poor dollar-mark conversion rate, Germany is not now the great place to be stationed that it once was.

George and Barbara Friedel with children, George, Chuck, and Jeanne, are still in Parsippany, NJ, and say they are looking forward to coming to WP for 15th Reunion activities next year. George, who was serving as exec dir of the state Dept of Environmental Protection, has recently been appointed dir of the state Div of Water Resources.

Rog and Pam Schlemmer also announce the birth of a child, their first, this past Jul, and her name is Katherine Elizabeth. Our congratulations. Roger is practicing ophthalmology in Pittsburgh, KS, after finishing his residency at the U. of KS med cen.

There are now only 12 classmates at WP, and they are outnumbered by assoc of the class. We may have a roundup on new arrivals for the next issue. This time, however, Carl Groth reports having seen Al Morefield, who works for Ford in Detroit, at the Tenn game; and Bob Ranalli, who was up for the Cal game. Carl Weaver was up to visit Bill Zierdt recently en route to his new asgmt in opns testing at Ft Rucker. Bob Shane is with the ROTC at the U. of HI and was seen around WP in early fall, and Art Bair was up for business with MP&L in Sept. Carl also reports that Jerry Stadler is in Germany with an armd div.

Jack Neal reports that the start of the new school year finds 14 classmates as students and another 7 as perm party at Leavenworth. They began the year with a class party and compiled the following information



1959: Ranch and family at MSM ceremony.

regarding the new students. Hank and Joyce Adamson came from Hank's asgmt as DCS, FRAC (MACV). TV and Frieda Borlund came from the FAO course at Bragg, and while there he saw Ben Dishman, Chuck Lytle, John Cox, Tom Boyle, Warren Smith, and Rody Conway. Marv and Marian Thomas came from an asgmt with the 82d Abn Div at Bragg, and are busy breeding cats and afghans. Marv says he has heard from Fred Manzo at Ft Sill and Bill McCoy at Offut AFB in Omaha. Emmett and Teddy McCracken came also from Bragg, where Em was OPNSO for the 1st COSCOM. Dick and Margaret Welch came from DC and a CSC asgmt. Margaret, in a burst of enthusiasm, is taking flying lessons with the Leavenworth Flying Club. Rich and Mickey Skowronek also came from the CSC, and he reports that Wiley Harris, who transferred to the AF in 70, is now working in the Pentagon. Bill and Sharon Murry came from Korea, she from an AF asgmt and he from Hqs Cmr of ICorps Gp. Bill is still in the Army, a correction from a previous report; and it is Sharon who is in the AF, and she is pursuing an MBA from the U. of Kan under auspices of AFIT. Andy and Jan Kuschner arrived from WP where Andy spent 3 years with the Math Dept. George Harrison was an adv to the VN Inf Sch and came to C&GSC after a short snowbird tour at Tulane U. Dave and Gladys Carrier came from Neu Ulm where Dave was with the 1st Bn, 81st FA (Pershing). Dave sends word that Whit George was last seen en route to Ft Monmouth where he is getting involved in the counter-mortar radar business. Jay and Camille Warren came from CDC at Redstone Ars where Jay was Ch of the Doctrine Branch, Msl and Munitions Div. Their chief pastime is sailing. JJ and Elaine Koisch arrived after JJ returned from MACV where he was with the Joint Mil Comm. They brought word that Jack and Arlene Bohman have bought a home in El Paso, and that Jack was last seen digging a well to provide water for his swimming pool. Bob and Carol Cyr came from Ft Hood, where Bob was Ch of the Maint Div for MASSTER. Remaining at Hood were John Corby, Ron Brass, and Don Eckelbarger. Skip and Linda Tyler came from Ft Sill where Skip was Registrar for the Arty Sch. You may have seen Skip's picture in a recent Army Times, displaying one of the mil figures he has made and which are currently on loan to various museums. The Tyler's spend much of their spare time antique hunting and relic collecting. They own, among other things (it says here) a life-size fiberglass horse and a stuffed buffalo head. Permanent party members at Leavenworth have been mentioned here recently, so I will save an update on them for next issue.

Undoubtedly the largest conglomeration of classmates is now in the DC area, but I have no idea how to come up with accurate statistics. Recent bits and pieces of news from the Pentagon, however, include the following. Pete Dawkins has returned from Korea and is currently working as a White House Fellow in the ODEPSECDEF. Joe Enright is back after closing down the war in RVN and is now with Hqs AMC. Charlie Getz is assigned to Inf Branch, Bob Novogratz is with DCSLOC, Jim Hahn is in the Office of Congressional Liaison, and George Day has completed grad work at Amer U. and is now with OPD, MILPERCEN. Guy Heath has departed Concept Analysis Agcy and is now at Amer U. studying full-time for an MBA. John Moellering departed AVCSA, was awarded a White House Fellowship, and

is now working with Anne Armstrong in the Exec Office Bldg. Lou Hightower is on orders for the 3d In Div in Kitzingen, Bill Mullen departed DCSOPS to command an Inf Bn with 1st Inf Div at Ft Riley, and Pat MacLaughlin is in Albuquerque as CO, AFEES.

A last minute piece of poop was passed to me in the form of a very clever birth announcement from Bill and Sharon Murry. Their new arrival, a girl, is named Melissa Erin, and she was born on 18 Sept. Congratulations.

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1960: The Jilberts—Jeanna, Marilou, and Jerry.

Sadly we must report the passing of 2 classmates since the last issue. Humphrey "Mickey" Windsor was killed in an automobile accident in Georgia on 27 July. Mickey was interred in the WP Cemetery. He is survived by his wife Paula and 2 sons. Tom Tamplin passed away unexpectedly on 19 Sept. He was buried in Arlington Cemetery on 24 Sept. He is survived by his wife Susan, and 2 children, Adair and Tommy. The Class of '60 passes on its sincere sympathy to the wives and children of these departed classmates.

It seems that the deadlines for these outpourings of class news are getting closer together. Thankfully, a number of classmates responded to our quarterly plea for news despite the fact that I provided Frank Cremer and John Seely the addresses only 3 weeks ago.

Army has, at this writing, dropped its first 2 contests. Unfortunately, the difference between the Tenn contest and Cal was definitely more than one week. However, classmates still continue to drift back. The tailgate picnic before each game is attracting more attendees. I'll list a few, but, as usual, I didn't carry a pen and paper. Over the last 2 games Michie Stadium saw the likes of Carol and Lonnie Coose, Toni and Bill Carpenter, Butch and Helga Nobles, Hank and Pat Watson, Harry and Mary Grace White, Herm Marmon and Roy O'Connor. Russ Dunn, practicing law in AK, was on a business trip to Phoenix, AZ, and since he was halfway, decided to travel on to WP for the Cal game.

Hank Maloney is presently attending the Def Sys Mgmt Sch at Ft Belvoir. Jim Hopper recently completed a Master's degree in law and is stationed with JAGC in the DC area. Bill Harnagle's orders from DC to WP appeared in a recent Army Times, but he hasn't shown up yet at Thayer Gate. A recent

meeting of the WP Soc of NY brought together Jim Humphries, Duke Snider, Tom McGinnis and Ed Handler. Jim had spent the previous evening with Bob Anderson. Bruce Devins was recently named a VP of the Levi Straus Co on the West Coast.

Lee and Judy Clark are now located with the 2ACR in Nuremburg, Germany. Lee is the S3 of the unit. They have five children, Kathy (10), Becky (8), Jessie (6), Debbie (2) and Jason (6 mos). The Clarks moved to Europe after a tour with AVCSA. The tour is somewhat sentimental since Lee married Judy when he was stationed with the Cav as a LT. Jud Bierly is in Nuremburg also as the XO of the 3/17 Arty. Lee Allen passed through on a trip as part of his asgmt with the CATrng Bd at Ft Benning.

John Berry is the asst Army attaché in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. He hopes to rotate to Ft Lewis, WA, about the time this column hits the newsstands. Hal Ladehof is also in Thailand, and Tony Blackstone is stationed at Ft Lewis.

Suzu Witherspoon, Marie Healy and Ursula Mercado are recent summer arrivals at WP. I mentioned their other halves in the last issue.

Glen Dawson, now out of the AF, is the pres of his own computer mgmt consulting firm, ALLTECH, Inc., in Cherry Hill, NJ. Glenn received a MSEE from the U. of MI. He and Barbara have four daughters, Lynne (13), Karen (8), Kathrine (5) and Jeanne (2).

A recent press release from the Hertz Corp announced the promotion of Jerome B. York to the pres of the Hertz Equipment Rental Corp—not bad for a guy who used to tie up the minutes. Congratulations!

At this writing, Russ Baldwin should be busy in his new job with the Mgmt Info Sys Dir in the CS office. Russ just finished a tour in Korea as the XO of the 51st Sig Bn, Camp Red Cloud. Beverly and Russ were married in Apr of 69 at WP. Jennifer (2) was born at WP in Apr of 70. Mike was born at Leavenworth in Dec 71. The Baldwins are now living in Alexandria.

Ralph Gerenz recently surfaced and announced that he has been working for RCA for the past 4 years. Janet and Ralph live in Lexington, MA, on a 3d of an acre in the rolling countryside. As yet, Paul Revere has not ridden past the homestead. The

Gerenz's have 4 children, Peter (12), Karen (9), Dianne (8), and Eileen (5), one Welsh pony, 2 ducks, 5 chickens, one Siamese cat and one poodle. Next year they plant the pear tree!

Hank Phillips is with the ROTC at Florence State U., in Florence, AL. Hank's last assignment was at Aberdeen with the Ord Cen where he received the MSM. He hopes to remain in AL for another 2 years. Mimi keeps track of Hank Jr. (12), David (10), Anne (7), and John (4). Hank reports that John Williams is at Redstone Ars. Hank was at WP this last summer for the ROTC summer workshop.

Ben Fegan is in DC at OACSFOR and lives in Annandale with wife Pat and Lisanne (8). John Steele is a staff supervisor with C&P telephone in DC. Wilma, John (8), Carin (6) and Tracy maintain the home in Vienna, VA.

Jack Misura dropped a line from Alexandria, VA, as the new secy of the DC contingent. The new officers for that area are: Chuck Luton—Chmn; Bob Ammerman and John House—Vice Chmn; Bill Harnagle—Treas. There are 65-80 classmates in the DC area. Jack's phone numbers are MILPERCEN 325-8386 or AUTOVON 221-8386.

Terry Rich passed on the news from the DC area party on 21 Jul, albeit no pictures. Because of weather, the party was moved to the Rich's home. A total of 30 couples attended. A champagne drinking set was won by Joe Felber. Joe then proceeded to put a champagne cork through the Rich's newly remodeled kitchen ceiling. I won't include the list of attendees—the editor of ASSEMBLY has already threatened to charge me by the word.

Don Stukel finished up his year as a White House Fellow and will remain for another year on the NSC staff. The highlight of the fellowship was a trip on the Trans-Siberian railroad last Feb and a trip to China in Jul. Joyce and Don, with 4 children, live near Mt. Vernon.

Chip Fenton writes that he and Dee have been on the DC merry-go-round since Jul. Chip is with the DNA, having come from C&GSC and purchasing Andy Ennis' home.

Dick Carnaghi is in a new job at Sandy Hook, CT, as the asst to the Pres of Heritage Devl Group, Inc. They are building planned cities, etc., in CT and NY. Dick and Jean built a "dream house" on 2 acres in Newtown, CT. I have 10 acres picked out in this area, but they are on the impact area at Buckner.

"Hawk" Hastings is also in CT working out of Hartford. He and Joy have a 2d home in the Maine ski country. Get your reservations in early!

Joel Berstein is the admin mgr for HILTI, Inc., a company in the construction fastening field. His wife, Edie, Alan (9), Michael (5), David (3) and Joel live in Stamford.



1960: Watson receives MSM from BG Malley.



1960: RPI gathering—Seated: Carol Champ, Soo Reber, Elizabeth Chamberlain; Standing: Reber, Chamberlain, Champ.

Jerry Gilbert writes from Ft Bliss that he has received one of the 3 cmds in ADA available to a MAJ. He is the CO of the Officers Stu Btry with the interim duty of Bn CO just to insure that he doesn't back up to the pay table each month. He reports that John Hynd just arrived at Bliss and is working as a physicist in the R&D Group, Joe Hutchison is working with the Sergeant Majors Academy, Don Hubbard is with the Dist Engr in Okmulgee, OK, and Jack Fanning has moved over to become XO, 2/55 Arty. Marilou Gilbert runs a tight ship at home with Jeanna (10), Marilou (8) and Jerry (5). Sheila Hickman is also in El Paso while Stan does his time in Korea.

Bob Totten just became the point of contact for classmates at Leavenworth. Bob is teaching in Strat Studies and should remain in the area until about 75. He and the former Lynn R. Brown were married at Leavenworth on 10 Feb 73. Congratulations! Vince Chitren arrived at C&GSC recently but as yet I don't have an asgmt for him. There is a total of 36 classmates now encamped at Leavenworth.

Received a bullet from Brooklyn Poly Inst that Bob Clancy had received an M.S. in Civil Engr. I assume it is a recent achievement, so "right on," Bob.

The marines have landed, and Jerry Stewart now commands the 2/11th Arty Bn in the 2/11th Marine Regt. He says he spends a lot of time at 29 Palms, CA, training in desert warfare. That's strange!!! Myo, Jerry and 3 children live in Oceanside, CA, with home station being Camp Pendleton. Oceanside is on-base housing. For excitement, Jerry had his pocket picked in a Mexico City subway. See—marines still can't handle that close in contact!

Walt Tousey has established a Wayside Inn in Champaign-Urbana for all classmates passing through. (No confirmation on that from his wife.) Walt has just completed his dissertation, "The Sammlung Campaign of 1897-1898 and the First Navy Law." Pretty deep for a guy who used to spend his time selling "Beat Navy" T-shirts and 6-footers. Walt says Walker Flint drops by occasionally (and Helen).

Jud Bierly discovered that Pat's (my wife) mother provides an excellent mail drop at Williamsburg, VA. (Use Pat's name!)

Dick Daniel writes that in Jan 74, he, Jeanette, Debbie (11) and Kathy (9) will board a big bird, and barring any unwelcome passengers, will land in Jordan for a tour with MAAG. Right now Dick has been at Rock Is for 2 years working in the Procurement Dir. His last asgmt was as Ch of Retrograde in Qui Nhon. Dick said the asgmt was interesting—probably an understatement.

John Reber dropped a line midway through a PCS. He just departed RPI en route to an accompanied tour in Korea. While at RPI John finished a mgmt degree at night while working as an asst PMS by day. Bill Chamberlain is still at RPI. Latest change at RPI—Bill Chamberlain's marriage in Mar. Al Champ snowbirded en route to C&GS; his new sideline is the antique clock business.

That completes the latest update. I would like to express my sincere thanks to the large numbers of classmates and wives who are dropping a line or responding to our quarterly mailing. The information is really flowing which makes this job a lot easier. Please don't assume that I have enough material—I guarantee I'll use anything I receive. The next deadline is 3 Jan. Any pics are welcome, but black and white are preferred.

By the way, the tailgate picnics thus far (2 games) have been a limited success. Also, for those who aren't aware, we do have one classmate at WP each year who is the focal point for ticket needs. I'll be back during gloom period.

'61

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The sources of information are dwindling at WP as our class roster dropped below 40 this year. Don and Kathy Dreesbach joined the Mech Dept as the only arrivals that have not made this column earlier. With this in mind I make my plea early in this writing for your notes on what you are doing where.

The files were very thin until Bruce Cowan came through with his annual blessing for the scribe—the H-1 newsletter. Bruce and Arlene are still in Ft Worth where they are expecting their 2d child in Mar. Bruce also advises that he took on the C&GSC by correspondence and won—congratulations. Additional H-1 news: Mike Brady is still in Valparaiso, IN where he has become involved in devl and continues officiating with hopes of making the Big Ten staff next year. Russ and Carolyn Cornelius are settled into their new home in New Orleans where Russ plans to complete his law degree and take on some "rich" clients. Todd Counts returned from Korea where he served as Div Arty S2 and as a 105 Bn XO, picked up Millie and the kids who spent the year here, and is now stationed at Ft Carson. Bachelor Mike Eiland continues his campaigns in SEA. After 4 yrs in RVN he has now moved to Thailand as a B-team cmdr and sr adv to the Thai SWS which includes airborne, ranger, HALO, and underwater opns. All that and Bangkok, too!!! Nick Plodinec is also in Thailand with an elect warfare outfit after completing the Naval C&SC at Newport. Classmates with him at Newport included Tom Myerchin and Rusty Dyer. Rusty and Donna passed through WP on their way to Germany for an asgmt with the 32d Army ADC. Butch Robertson was assigned this summer as Asst Cmdt of the USMA Prep Sch at Belvoir. Butch stopped by to see me briefly while up on a liaison visit and will have been back with his class of 1978 hopefuls by the time this goes to print. Mike Underwood is teaching and revising the Adv Crse at Sill. Mike



1961: Jim Scott receives Freedoms Foundation award from BG Feir as Judy looks on.

remarried in Mar to Diane Maureen Phillips and his acquisition of an IH double cab truck appears appropriate as their combined brood consists of 5 children and 6 pets. Congratulations, Mike.

Frank Tilton, here for his 2d tour in case you'd lost track of him, passed me a note from Nancy Greeley. Mac, our only gyrene pilot, is serving an unaccompanied tour in Japan while she waits with the kids in Palo Alto. Mac's address is MWHS-1, 1st MAW (G3 Ops) FPO, SF 96602. Also in Japan I am told is Denny Lenhart who was seen in DC after completing the attaché school there. I hesitate to pass this on as somehow I can't picture the "Bear" as an attaché.

Congratulations are in order to several classmates for recent accomplishments. Don Anselm was the 73 recipient of the Military Man of the Year Award from the NY Federal Business Assn for his work in directing relief and restoration efforts in NY following hurricane Agnes. Don is stationed at Ft Totten, NY as the Asst Dist Engr for Civil Works. Jim Scott, Dept of Tac, received a Freedoms Foundation Medal for his paper on "The Price of Freedom" written in the Freedoms Foundation annual program to bring about a "better understanding of the American way of life." Jim Nicholson, after several years of hard work, has recently joined a law firm in Denver. Jim Connolly has completed pre-med and is now attending med sch in San Ant. And finally, Jack Raible whom you'll find on the last page of our Class in the REGISTER, has completed his Master's Degree in Education. Jack and Linda are still in Carson City, NV where Jack is teaching.

K-2 files are beginning to respond to their annual request for news updating so I can pass on that Mike Urette recently took a position as VP, Systems Corp, a subsidiary of the Hartford Insurance Co. in Tampa; a job he describes as fun, challenging, and a great opportunity. Tarey Schell, Pris, and their 4 children are living in Stone Mountain, GA. Tarey is assigned to the newly formed FORSCOM at Ft McPherson. Jim Corcoran has had solid schools for the past few years but is excited about it. He is currently at the American Embassy Sch of Chinese Language and Area Studies in Taiwan after a year each at DLI, U. of HI, and C&GSC. He will complete his FAO-China training next year by traveling throughout Asia for familiarization and orientation. Ken Siegenthaler writes from the AF Inst of Tech (AFIT) that he has received his MS in Engr Phys and is now enrolled in a PhD program in laser engr which will be followed by 2 yrs



1961: Founders Day 73—Bangkok: Williamson, Eiland, Covington, and Pollard.



1961: Don Anselm receives "Military Man of the Year Award" from MG Hightower as VAdm Engle and Herbert Klein observe ceremony.

of research for his dissertation. John Sommercamp just left AFIT and is currently at the AFSC. Larry Noble is a student at the Air C&SC where he reports classmates Jim Evetts, Bill Wright, Bob Yavis, and Warren Miller.

The football season is bringing some classmates back and with them some names which haven't appeared for awhile. Don and Jo Sawtelle and Tom and Francie Gordon were here from DCSPER for an MP&L reunion. They inform me that John Sullivan and Mike Hale are in DCSOPS. The Asst VCS's office is partially staffed by Bill Reno, Pat Hillier, Bruce Holmberg, and Ray Starsman. Contacts out of DCSPER have located Serge Olive as the Asst G1, 82d Abn Div and Sam Wilder as Aide-de-camp to GEN DePuy at TRADOC.

Word comes from Gary Hyde that we have approximately 40 classmates at Ft Leavenworth. They had a good turnout for their opening party at Frank and Barb Gibsons who continue their homestead at Leavenworth in his 3d job there, currently as an instr along with ex-classmate John Purdy. Also assigned there in "working" jobs are Gary Flack, Joe Mayo and Bill Parks, all assigned to CACDA. The only news I received on students there is that the Olejniczaks have a baby—sorry, no details—and Phil Sykes and Dick Jackson moved into the same double house with 12 children between them, which I'm sure was exciting news for their neighbors.

Larry Budge is running the school's desk in Inf Branch. Jerry White is in Inf Branch, too, along with Bob Frix.

Pat Trinkle has or will soon finish DLI en route to an 18-month unaccompanied tour in Indonesia where he will attend the Indonesian War College. Mary and the children have returned to Cornwall, NY, to wait for their mid-tour reunion.

J.J. McCann is now corporate counsel and secy for Keyes Fibre Co. He and Helena are at 36 Deerfield Lane, Upper Saddle River, NJ. Lee Sager is still working on Wall Street and lives in Matawan, NJ.

Ron Hannon, Dept of Hist, has been in touch with Burke and Valerie Mucho. Burke is working on the F-5E fighter at WPAFB in Dayton, OH.

The opening '61 party here was an enjoyable success as we searched for clues around post to "Find the Party." The search itself was enjoyable as we discovered bartenders ready to serve us on floating bars in Delafield Pond, in tanks, and on the Supe's boat, until we found the party in the old train station. Jim and Mary Looram, Gabe and



1963: At C&GSC 14 Sept 73.

Joanne Gabriel, and Chuck and Rosemary Westphaling are to be congratulated for organizing this one.

By the time you read this Merry Xmas and Happy New Year will be appropriate. Best wishes for the Holidays and the coming year from your class officers. Please send me your notes and pictures of holiday gatherings quickly as my next deadline is 3 Jan 74.

'63

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1963: At C&GSC Party (L-R): Larry and Brenda Capps, Judy and Tom Carr.

Greetings. The mail bag is nearly empty but with the reunion only 3 weeks away, next issue will more than make up for this short article. Have received word from the editor that '63 will have a photographer present to take pictures for ASSEMBLY at class reunion functions to ensure lasting memories of what promises to be a real blast. Joanie and I had lunch a few weeks ago with Frank Lennon; he's still with Pan Am and doing a great job.



1963: Rich Goldsmith does his thing at the Stevens-Morris party.

Hank Morris and Pat Stevens share a bachelor pad in Platte City, MO, while attending C&GSC. They had a '63 party on 14 Sept and enclosed some photos as proof. Also received a short note from Tony McKinnon. As an atty for Delta Air Lines he recently took a business trip to the West Coast and had a chance to renew friendships with the Cooks, Vannemans and Bivens. Carl Beach and Tony Johnson are in Lubbock, TX, to attend grad sch at Tex Tech. Carl will study for an MBA in Data Processing.

Not much else to report, so I'll close with promises for a long, newsy column next time—provided you contact me.

'64

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These past few months formed a quarter that saw many enjoyable letters come in from far and wide, and here at the hub of our professional universe, a very nice gathering of the faithful at Camp Buckner's White Oak Is, hosted very graciously by Bob and Edie Cary. This issue will contain notes on each of these letters and events and, of special interest to all of you, some initial planning information regarding next year's reunion that, hopefully, will welcome a great number of the class back to these long-remembered environs.

Allow me to begin by offering congratulations to Larry and Dixie Bryan on the



1964: Class at White Oak Island, courtesy Bruce Sinclair, taking up most of the foreground.

birth of their daughter, Julie Elizabeth, and to George and Betsy Lonsberry on the arrival of their 2d son, Carter George. The Bryans are now located in Katy, TX, where Larry is working for the Exxon Corp. The lovely new arrival, who is noted as having "bottomless tanks" and a "water-cooled exhaust" was born on 1 Jun. Larry says that the new job is keeping him busy, but that he has seen Phil Sleet at the last A&M game, Jim Koster, who is now stationed happily at Ft Bliss, and has talked on the phone to Bob Magruder, who is now with the Materiel Cmd at Ft Sill. Larry and Dixie ask me to note that the door is always open to those of you who pass their way. George and Betsy Lonsberry are now located in Chatham, NJ, at 24 Oliver St, and also want you to know that guests are always welcome. George doesn't note what he's up to these days (Carter George, born in May, is one indication, I suppose!), but whatever it is, one can be quite sure that it is being done with great skill. Congratulations again to Steve and Alice Bettner upon the birth of Steve Jr. It seemed that the great event would never occur (as Alice will be the first to note for you), but Steve is now the very proud father of a brand new namesake—I'm told he already has the boy out waterskiing on the Hudson, but this is as yet unconfirmed!

Denny Gillem writes that the San Francisco move has been accomplished with minimum loss of sanity by all concerned. He notes for us that Jeff and Sandy Larson and Jim Harding are also part of the class action there. All appear to be enjoying their stay at AFSC. Denny says that Bill Connor and family arrived at Stanford about the time the Gillems departed, so Bill must now be knee-deep in his study of history—this to lead to future assignment to USMA. Hal and Barbara Winton are striving for their Doctorate while Hal is at C&GS; they, too, are USMA bound. The Tom Crains and son, now out of the AF and living in Cincinnati, OH, are now positioned with Scudder, Stevens & Clark, where Tom has recently been appointed Investment Mgr. Brendan Quann received his adv degree from the U. of IA at the end of May, and Frank Fly completed, with honors, the Chaplain Basic Crs at Ft Hamilton, NY. Frank and Barbara are now stationed at Ft Devens, MA. Frank and Billie Watson are now attending the AFIT Log Sch at W-P AFB, where Frank was recently awarded his 2d AFCM for services rendered

at Offutt AFB, NB. Also under the AFIT program, Doug and Maria Dailey are presently working toward a master's degree in Aerospace-Mechanical Engr in Reno, NV. The Class seems to be an intellectual bunch, for sure; is anyone doing any work out there, however?

As I recall, we last left the wandering Irishman, Art Kelly on a slow freight headed for the mystic orient. Those gentle people at last felt that they had quite enough internal and external problems of their own, however, and humbly requested of the Pres (or was it his designated rep?) that Art be re-routed to some other clime. Well, folks, the Kellys are now firmly ensconced in Vicenza, Italy, where (if you know Art you can really appreciate this next) they were met by a staff car and driven majestically to their new assignment. Kelly, despite the fact that all he is today he owes to me, refuses to write to me and give any details of what is happening in that sector of the world. Keep posted here for all the details, however. Also, Dave Kirkpatrick, a neighbor of mine for the past year, has threatened me with a nasty, unsigned letter if I do not get him into print; so, dear Dave, here you are. Oh, the power of the press! Actually, Dave, with Sandy, Jason, and Jennifer do such classy things to their home and yard (which my own wife is always the first to note) that I have hitherto made it my unbending policy to ignore them as much as possible. I should really stop bewailing my lack of talents and get busy!

As noted previously, a lovely affair was held in early Sept at White Oak Is that included a series of games, picnic dinner, and the talents of Steve Bettner's musical group for a sing-along style of warm relaxation. Add to these the sincere camaraderie of all present—many of whom had traveled long miles to get there—and the beauty of a late-summer's eve, and you can judge for yourselves what a fine gathering it was. To my personal embarrassment, there seemed to be far more faces that I couldn't recognize, than those I could! I am told, however, that this is far more typical than one would care to believe. It has been nearly 10 years, hasn't it? All thanks go to Bob and Edie Cary and their crew for a charming afternoon and evening.

Yes, the 10-year mark is fast approaching, and so I should like now to outline what committees have been formed to give a measure of direction to this fast-approaching

event. Homecoming Weekend activities now tentatively planned include a Fri evening social, Sat tailgate picnic and Alumni dinner, and Sun Memorial Service and brunch. Anyone of you with suggestions for improvement should offer the same to Huba Wass de Czege, the Reunion Chmn. Huba is being assisted by Denny Gilson who is chairing the Accommodations, Registration, Correspondence and Publicity Cmtes, Wayne Wheeler, who heads the Social Activities Cmte, and Dave Bramlett, who is in charge of the 10th Year Memorabilia/Yearbook Cmte. If any of you have any ideas or needs of assistance with accommodations (and places are quite hard to find after Apr), please contact any of the above—all here at WP. We would like to have all planning finalized by Feb next in order to facilitate cost estimates getting to interested parties at the earliest possible date.

Just received 2 additional bits of glad information that you should be apprised of. Sam and Sandy Burney have been blessed with twin boys, Curtis Wade, and Christopher Wayne, born on 26 Sept. Mother and sons are reported doing fine; I noticed that Sam's bowling was off the other night, though... A note from Mike and Joyce Davison announce the birth of their 2d son, Paul Woolsey, on the 24th of Sept. Mike is presently doing yeoman service as Sr Armor Inst with OMI. Sincere congratulations to all the above from all of us.

A couple final notes, and then I'll close. Met Jack and Rosa Lee Richards at the Post Chapel recently, and it looks like this handsome couple will be blessed with a new addition by the time you read this article. Then, too, by the time you are poring over these poorly crafted columns, the Xmas season should be at hand. Therefore, please allow Gwen, Buddy, Ryanne Marie and yours truly to wish each and all of you the most joyous of Xmas seasons possible, to be followed, of course, by a most rewarding of New Years!

'65

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The class members at WP held a rump meeting this Sept. Actually, there was enough authority to elect John Mogan pres of the local group. Joe Anderson was elected veep; and Jack Lowe and Jim Golden were confirmed in their jobs of secy and treas, respectively. While I was at the meeting, John Malpass thanked me for the error regarding his reassignment in my last column. He said that he has heard from more friends who were checking to see if the item was really accurate. I am just trying to see if you are awake out there!

Tom Fergusson wrote from Durham, NC. He is busy at Duke grad sch. Then too, adjusting to married life requires much of his energy. Beverly Wolfe became his wife on 13 Jun, and the newly-weds went off to Martinique. Linda and Barrie Zais and Sue and Ernie Westpheling are also at Duke.

Mr. Jay Stephenson is enrolled in Harvard BS. He is living in Bedford with Leslie, Katy (4), and Jeff (2). Also at school was Ralph Shaw. Ralph moved from the ROTC dept at Bowdoin to the education sch at U. of ME, Portland-Gorham.

Sonny Arkangel spent the summer at Ft Riley running into classmates. Leo Koner-



1965: Lloyd C. Briggs, 1st National Bank of Chicago.

man is at IA State but should now be off to the AF Vet Cps. Nate Kniker worked on the mountaineering cmte; he is at N. Ill U. at DeKalb. Bill Browder is spending his time at State College of AR (Conway) writing a book on VN and relaxing with Glinda, his wife since Mar. Steve Aron is at Widner College, Chester, PA. Look for him to be off to law sch. Sonny is now in Rutgers Med Sch (Piscataway). He is looking for suggestions on a med sch hair style. The only one he has come up with so far is the Don Ho look, modified for an Abn Ranger.

Word from Thailand is that Joe Kosciusko is teaching sociology for U. of MD between hours in the cockpit. Word from Calif. is that Henry Klinger is in Paso Robles running two motels!

I talked to Pete Cahill's bn CO. I was proud to hear the praise for the job that Pete is doing with HHC, 35th Engrs. Maria and he are enjoying HI, too. From the other side of the world: Glenn Menninger is an adj in TUSLOG (Turkey). It is an unaccompanied tour, so wife Joanmary is in Union, NJ, for the interim.

John Knowles called in Aug. He is in the Baltimore Dist Engrs, but is moving to Andrews AFB. Seems that there is an exchange program whereby he will work for the AF for several years as an engr. Stan Genega just returned from Germany where he was on an Olmsted scholarship for the last 2 years in Bonn. Stan did not want to go directly to grad sch. So he is now stationed at Ft Meade in the Baltimore Dist Engr office. Chuck McClosky just left that office for Europe. He did not know his final destination, but it will be very different work from the Chesapeake Bay model that he was a proj engr for. Don Hall, who is in the AF, is stationed at Langley AFB, VA. Norm Boynter is teaching nuclear engr at USNA. Frank Hennessee is still at Aberdeen. Larry Strassner works in Baltimore as a portfolio mgr for Mercantile Trust Co. He handles accounts for as little as \$10,000 and as much as \$76 million. Jim Tillman works for the gas and elec company of Baltimore. Bob

Wolfe is in Cambodia with the military equipment delivery team. Wayne Scholl is the education officer for Engr branch.

New young 'uns at WP: Jeannine Walter and Robert Bruce Clarke.

Last issue I neglected to mention the departure of Lloyd Briggs from Soc Sci to the 1st Natl Bank of Chicago. Lloyd has the important responsibility of determining whether a new depositor receives a 2 or a 4-slice toaster when he opens an account. Katherine and the 3 kids live with Lloyd in Arlington Hgts, IL.

Nancy Hecker writes from Huntsville, AL. Bill is now with the Adv Ballistic Msl Def Agcy. He is putting his degree from Tulane to work on some high-level stuff. Outdoor life is great according to Nancy. Also at Redstone are Donna and Rick Bunn (MICOM). Marge and Mike Drinkwater just moved from Colo Spgs to join the SAM-D people. Sylvia and Bob Molepske are also with SAM-D. Nancy saw Maria Cooley over the summer. Jack finished at Notre Dame, and was taking the bar for IL. Meanwhile he is working as a law clerk in Chicago.

That is it. ALOHA!

'66

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Even though it's only 26 Sept, I have a feeling I ought to wish all of you a very Merry Xmas and the best of health and good fortune in the New Year.

Speaking of good fortune, recent additions to the class include: Thom Hoyman, born to Bill and Nancy on 11 Aug; Susan Meredith DeBolt, born to Patty and Barry; and Brian Lee Moffett, born to Jane and Don. Art and Karen Lincoln (Law Dept, USMA) are expecting their 4th in Mar.

The following bits of information have come to my attention via the grapevine, underground and various other illicit sources. Phil and Betty Benham and their children, Rachel, Rebecca and Tug, are at Colo U. Phil is working with ROTC there. Marc Tumas is now living in Dracut, MA, and working in Boston. Bill Stone finished at USC in Jun of 72 and is now teaching at USAFA (Engl, I believe).

There's plenty of news from the former inhabitants of the D-4 Zoo! Steve "Crow" Singer paid a long overdue visit to WP early in Sept. Steve graduated from USC in 72 with a Master's in Fine Arts and has been



1966: Rock Salt — doing what comes naturally.



1966: Nan and Tom Carhart.



1966: Maryanne and Jere Moll, Marcia and Art Bonifas.

working in motion pictures ever since. His latest adventure is a TV film called "The Assemblage"; it's about WP and Crow hopes to have it on TV in the 74-75 season. Mike "Fox" Mewhinney wrote a 3-pager on his adventures since graduating from Harvard Bus Sch. Fox is living with wife Linda in Dallas, TX, where he's working for Goldman, Sachs & Co while Linda is managing their growing chain of women's apparel stores (5 of them). Fox reports that Bill "Snork" Stalker is finishing dental sch at IN U., that Tom Miller is now a bona fide lawyer practicing in Monticello, IL, and that John "Sappas" Pappas is also with Goldman, Sachs in NYC (Sappas called me to say hello, the golden Greek is doing quite well, still a bachelor and enjoying a swinging life in Manhattan). Fox goes on to say that Gene Atkinson is also with Goldman, Sachs in NYC, Jerry Lawrence is a student at U. Cal, Tom Hayes is managing a condominium business, Doc Crants is still at Harvard and Charlie Moore is at SMU law sch. Thanks Mike!

Received a long overdue letter from Tom Carhart. Tom and wife Nan are living in Amsterdam, Netherlands, where Tom is working with the Bureau of Fiscal Documentation. Tom would like to hear from any classmates in his area, just call him at the Bureau, 944944.

Ted Borek wrote from Phoenix, AZ. Ted, wife Karen and son Christopher are, by now, in Germany where Ted will be working with JAGC.

From Israel, Jouni and Pam Keravuori write of what must be an extremely exciting and rewarding assignment. Jouni is a mili-

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1966: Rog and Pam Grugle.

tary observer with the UN Truce Supervisory Org. Pam and Jouni have had an opportunity to visit several exotic places in the Middle East and invite all travelling in the area to drop by (don't forget your flak jackets and steel pots), the address is courtesy the U.S. Embassy, USMOG-UNTSO, APO NY 09672.

John and Maureen Dubia and sons write from Ft Hood, where John is assigned to DivArty of the 2d AD. John ran into Ed and Janet Hathaway who were just winding up a tour with HQ MASTER.

Regards from Colin Bludau, also at Ft Hood (HHC 2/7 Cav, 1st Cav Div) seems Colin would like to get hold of Hank Simon who hasn't been seen or heard of since his recent marriage!

A note from Bob Guerriero, who recently underwent surgery to replace an ailing kidney. Bob is recuperating at 14 Dover Dr, Latham, NY 12110. Bob and Marian have 3 sons (saluda), Robert, Michael and Chris, and while Bob is pursuing his second master's, this one in Opns Rsch and Stat at RPI, Marian is also working on a master's. Good luck and a speedy recovery to you, Bob.

At a recent class luncheon I heard someone say that over 80 of our classmates are on the S&F here at WP. That's about 20% of the S&F. There's bound to be a long lost roommate or buddy here, and with that as an incentive—why not write us and tell us what you're doing, enclose a black and white photo of you, the wife and kids, your pet boa constrictor etc. Good health, fortune and much happiness to you.



1966: Back Row — Rog Grugle, Sally and Hank Langendorf; Front Row — Pam Grugle, Heather and Rock Salt.



1967: June Class get-together at Atlanta (L-R): Harris, Caldwell, White, Ramsey, Risseeuw, Mather, Pennington, Shumate and Bryla.

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Since the last column, our contingent at WP has grown considerably. Included among those recently assigned are Bob Angeli, Ed Dewey, Terry Hand, Earl Hughes, George Kellenbenz, Steve May, Al Nahas, George Pejakovich, Hobie Pillsbury and Tom Schwartz.

Congratulations to Margie and George Kolesar, who had their 2d son, Mark Edward, 11 Jan 73 in El Paso, TX. They are now in Itzehoe, Ger., where George is CO of the 75th Arty Det. Tony Cortese is an instr at the Cmbt Spt Tng Cen in Oberammergau. Arlene and Bobby Knapp are completing a 4-year tour in Ger., and are returning to the Mainland for a Jan Car Crse. Bobby has been assigned to USAREUR HQS for the last 14 mos as ADC to GEN M.S. Davison. Also in

Ger. is John Severson, who is stationed in Wurtheim.

Congratulations are also due Gael and John James, who had a dau, Fiona Ellen, 8 May 73, at Oakland Naval Hosp. John is presently teaching EE at the Point. Double congratulations to Kathleen and Paul Bigelman on the birth of their twins, Sarah Elizabeth and Brian Joseph, 30 March 73, in Fayetteville, NC. Paul recently completed Abn and Pathfinders, and is now a BC with the 1/319th, 82d Abn at Ft Bragg.

Judy and John Caldwell, along with Sherry and Bob Harris hosted a class get-together in Jun for our contingent in the Atlanta area. Those in attendance were the Kreegers, Bob Millers, Brylas, Shumates, Penningtons, Risseeuws, Mathers, Bob Whites and Anson Ramsey.

Vern Saxon is working on a Master's in Engr at the AFIT, W-P AFB, OH. Greg Rice and Tom McManus received their Master's this past May; Greg received his from



1967: June Class get-together at Atlanta standing (L-R): Ed and Meg Bryla, Dean and Nancy Risseeuw, Kay Goodwin and Anson Ramsey; seated: Carol and Bud Shumate, Bonnie and Bill Pennington, Linda and Walt Mather, Bob and Esther White, Judy and John Caldwell, and Sherry Harris.

Rutgers, while Tom obtained his in Phys from Penn State.

Having completed the Inf Adv Crse and Abn Sch, Dave Blanchard now has a ROTC asgmt at Hofstra U. Yen and Mike Dunn are assigned to Thailand, Mike also having recently completed the Inf Adv Crse. Steve Viney is a ROTC instr at N. GA College in Dahlonega.

The Cadet Chapel set the background for 2 marriages recently. Dick Waterman was married 25 Aug. He and his bride Janet are now at Ft Gordon, where Dick is attending the Sig Adv Crse. Bill Pollitt and Doug Brown stood in their wedding. On 2 Sept, Barbara and Tom Curtis were married. Barbara is an Army CPT, and is stationed along with Tom in Stuttgart, Ger. Standing in their wedding were Buzz Alshuler, Jeff Madson, and George Winton.

Hester and Rick Hill are now stationed at Ft Devens, MA. Tony Nida graduates from MIT in Jan. He and Angie are on orders to DC, where Tony will have a utilization tour in the Engr Labs. Jim Warner is mgr of an Audio Store in Boston. Nancy and Jim Jones are assigned to Ft Riley after Jim's branch transfer from Inf to Ord.

Janet and Bob La Raia, along with their daug, Laurie and Ginger, are in Norman, OK. Bob is completing his last semester in Law Sch at OK State. Bob Libutti received an MBA from OK State, and has returned to NY. Chuck Streit is living in Stillwater, OK, while he is on ROTC duty at the U. of OK.

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Greetings from Ft Knox, everybody!

The Armor Car Crse and I are becoming accustomed to one another, and the news this time is more plentiful.

I was sorry to learn during Sept that Eric Thomas' mother passed away in Jun this yr. I hope Eric will accept the class' sympathy, however tardy it may be. I heard from Dennis Manske late in Jun. At the time he was holding an ADP job on the staff of CINC LANT in Norfolk, VA. By now he has left the Army and is working on grad degrees in PE at UTA. Larry Rapisarda's wife Barbara also wrote in Jun to say that they were en route to car crse at Ft Gordon after leaving MIT. She said that they will be going to WP in



1968: Dick and Sandy Bowers and son Ricky visiting with Barry Conway in Dallas.



1968: Beckers, Throckmortons, Ackermans, Bowlands, Hedleys, Andersons, McDonalds, and M'Hamed Ben Laibi (Exchange Officer from Morocco) at birthday party for Arthur III.

Jun 74. Barry Conway's wife Diane wrote in Jun to say that they had seen Dick and Sandy Bowers in Dallas. Dick was selling real estate in Atlanta then. Diane also mentioned Fred and Cynde Burdette, who were expecting in Jul in Germany, and Paul and Claire Joseph who were in Brewer, ME. Dick was then with Golding Bros Div of W.R. Grace there in Dallas.

Bob Kimmitt wrote in Jul to say that Dan Carroll had graduated from the Arty Car Crse in Jul and was then instructing in The Arty Sch. I also heard from Drew and Sheila Allen in Jul. They have 2 sons now, Andrew III (2½ yr) and Mark (8 mo). Drew was at Inf Car Crse at Benning along with Charlie Beckwith, and Rick Rhoades. They also mentioned Claude & Tina Johnson who are out of the Army now and living with their 2 children in Indianapolis; and John & Jonnie Kruger at Ft Lewis.

I got a letter from Kim Henningsen at Syracuse in Aug. He wanted to announce his marriage on the 18th to Rachel Wood from Atlanta. Welcome to the Class, Rachel! Kim said that Joe De Blaquiere was his best man and was studying EE at Syracuse. Also there were Steve Osborne (Army Cmpt prog) and Tom McNaugher (ROTC). Also in Aug I heard from Bob Lorbeer who sent me news on classmates at Tulane with him. John & Ginny Strand were expecting a 2d child in Dec and were graduating in Jun 74. Bill & Loy Gardepe were also graduating in 74. John & Barbara Spengler graduate in Aug 74 and welcomed their new daughter Jessica this last Jul. Fred & Diane Johnson graduate in Jun 75 and will then go to WP where Fred will teach in MP&L. John & Camille Johnson also graduate in Jun 75. Bob said that he and Carmen were expecting their first child in Dec and that he would graduate in Dec 74.

Art Ackerman's wife Rosemary wrote in Sept to say that Art had left for Korea in Jun after the Armor Car Crse. Art was currently a Bde S3 in the 2d Inf Div. Pres Miller's wife Clementine sent a letter from Teheran, Iran, where Pres is flying for the MAAG. She announced the birth of their son, Charles Preston IV, on 29 Aug 73. Dave Martin also wrote in Sept to say that his wife Suzanne



1968: The Burrell children, L-R: Dorinda Luise, Dennis Max Jr., Cass David, May 73.

had just delivered their new daughter, Stephanie, and that he had left the Army and was at the Harvard BS along with Craig Carson, John Dodson, Joe Durkan, Mike Palone, Frank T. Robinson, Neil Tangen and Tay Yoshitani. Dave said that Ken Haven had resigned and was studying Oceanographic engr at Ore State; Monte Anderson was studying PE at Ind, then to the PE Dept at WP; and John Throckmorton was en route to WP to teach Economics via Princeton. The last letter I had before deadline time was from Denny & Dorinda Burrell. Their 3d child, Cass David, was born on 23 Feb 73. Denny was still with AMC in DC. The news they had was prodigious and follows: Jerry Weeks had left the Army and was roaming Europe; Bill McAdams had also left the service and was in law sch; Tom McConnell was in Korea; Lynn & Lee Shaffer had a new daughter in Jul at Ft Bragg; Barbara & Tom Banks also had a new daughter in Jul in Gainesville, FL, where Tom was going to school; Chuck Parker was going to school in DC; Bob & Angela Younts were attending

school in TX; Chuck Steele was married in May 73; Mike and Diane Billingsley had a daughter in Mar 73, and Mike graduated from Dental Sch and was at Bragg; Bob & Carol Shimp were in Okinawa; and Mike & Sue Fisher were at the U. of VA.

Among our classmates here at Ft Knox: myself, Ed Larson, Dave Schulte, Jim Stetler, Jim Swinney, Chuck Vehlow, Jon Anderson and Jon Dodson are students in AOAC 1-74; Jim Stefan teaches Mil Hist; John Buckley teaches Cmd & Staff; Larry Stevenson teaches Arty tactics, Pat Moe has a company in 5-33 Armor, Tom Martin is in 7-1 Air Cav and was getting married in Sept; Larry Main and Bob Hunt both had BCT companies in the Tng Ctr and Bob McDonald was in Cbt Tng & Devl.

I want to thank Ross Nagy, John Morris and Jack Cochran for organizing and running our first reunion at WP. My deadline occurred before the reunion did, but by the time the ASSEMBLY appeared again the reunion was history. I'm sure the reunion will be/was a success.

That's all for now—everybody take care!

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Those of you who have been following this column recently should be totally confused by the address above. Suffice it to say that a change in plans has brought me back to Ft Campbell for at least one year and possibly 2. If anyone is interested, I would be glad to go into more detail on my decision, particularly if it would help to increase the amount of mail I receive for the column. This last statement leads me into a few admin comments before getting to the news.

Letters, and particularly photo-bearing letters, have not set any all-time records in the past months; quite frankly, I am concerned about the future of this column if the volume of mail continues to be so poor. We are reaching a critical stage in our class history with the end of our period of mandatory service fast approaching. If we really want any sort of class esprit or pride to continue, we must make more of an effort than in the past, for shortly a significant number of classmates won't be on Army posts or at Army functions too often. I honestly believe this column should be the focal point for class activities, announcements, and information, with your support in the form of letters and photographs, it will be. I will gladly continue my role in this effort, but it is largely one of compiling and editing



1969: John Legere, Barbara and Bob Glacel in Amsterdam, Holland.



1969: Geoff and Katheryn Prosch on their wedding day.

input from you. Let us all strive to make an honest attempt to do our part, particularly over these next few months and years. They will largely dictate our future.

Speaking of that future, our Class Reunion is coming up at Homecoming 74. Frequently in the past I've mentioned this fact, but to date have received only a very small number of suggestions on what people want to do during the reunion. If you have any comments, or can offer any help, the class officers would be most appreciative. The most important action for all of us, however, is to attend, so let's start making plans and budgeting to that end. Out of curiosity, I'd like to know how many of our class plan to be out of the military by then, so if you've made definite plans along those lines I'd be interested to hear what the future holds for you. Enough of my rambling; let's get on to your news.

Returning to Ft Campbell was like coming back to a class reunion. There are over 20 classmates here including Ken Bevis, John Brundage, Ernie Bubb, Rog Caris, Joe Cornelison, George Demetriou, Joe Gelineau, Ron Gray, Tom Hall, Steve Hunt, Bill Johnsmeyer, Tom McCord, John Morris, Denny Moulder, Ken Nowak, George Olson, Jim O'Toole, Bob Ramsey, Jim Russell, Cliff Rock, Randy Wilson and Bill Zook. Dave Hayes had just departed for the Adv Crse at Ft Sill, but was due to return from there with Dave Hofstetter and Paul Kedrow for Joe Cornelison's wedding on 7 Oct. Bob Ramsey just received his orders for the Inf Adv Crse and was due to depart shortly. I'll include some photos of Joe's wedding in the next issue.

The largest group of letters this time was from Ft Bragg. Geoff Prosch announced his marriage to the former Katheryn Melissa Powell of Charlotte, NC, a "girlfriend of high school vintage" as Geoff put it. Mark Waple and Cor Westerhoff were ushers for the ceremony. Pete and Pat Bazzel were in and settled, with Pete stepping right into a btry cmd in XVIII Abn Cps Arty. In the same bn was Steve Hammond. He, Marilyn, and the girls had just moved into a new home in Fayetteville and mentioned seeing Brooks and Linda Christian Boye who had just arrived. The last note from Ft Bragg was from Jay and Ann Marie Harper who proudly announced the birth of Joseph Norwell Harper III on 21 Aug.

Doug Madigan and Frame Bowers were in touch from Ft Knox, where Frame was joined in the Arm Adv Crse by Ralph Crosby, Mike Fisher, Bob Ivany, and Jim Rowan.

Frame mentioned that Ralph Artigliere, Fred Dibella, Hank Schroeder, and Don Smith were also at Knox, Nick Psaki and Pete Mirakian were at Ft Carson, and Ken Christiaan was at Ft Hood. I received the news from other sources that Frame was awarded the 73 Daedalion Fellowship Award for study in aerospace engr and flight. From the Madigans, I learned that Doug, Mary, and their son Tony were waiting for the next adv crse to begin. In the interim, Doug was in 7/1 Cav, and he had seen Bill Foster, John Hamilton, and Don Wagner since arriving at Ft Knox.

Paul and Cindi Raglin dropped a note from Purdue, where Paul was refreshing himself with a summer phys crse. They had heard from Mike Pettit who was the IO at Ft Wainwright, AK. Jim and Peggy Love sent word from Ft Riley that Halley Margaret was born to them on 28 Jul. Dave Hofstetter sent a long letter from Ft Sill which also included some birth announcements: Karine Gloriod (4 Jul), Todd Mastaglio (1 Sept), and Kristin Raymond (9 Aug). Dave also said that orders were in for class 4-73, with Rog Hoopengardner, Tom Mastaglio, Bob Pitz, Denny Tighe, and Don Warner en route to Germany. Tom Kiehne, Jerry Morelock, and Brian Raymond were staying at Ft Sill, while Jack Gloriod had orders to Ft Bragg. Some in class 5-73 had their orders, including Art Hawking to Korea, and Norm Eyrich and Vern Bettencourt due for grad sch at GA Tech. New arrivals at Sill included Jim Fouche, Al Erb, Paul Kedrow, Guy Nanney, Mike Taylor, Dave Wallestad, Doug Williams and Barney Wintermute.

Don Crosby sent a note from WP where he is still with the Admissions Office. Don said that Dennie Haydon was at the Acad to teach Soc Sci, while Mike Nardotti had departed for law sch. He also mentioned that Bob Jannarone was at the Engr Adv Crse, Tony Curran and Doug Farel were at the Sig Adv Crse, and Dave Merhar was at Purdue for grad work. Dan Gruenke was in touch from Ripon Coll where he was busy teaching mil hist to ROTC cadets. He picked up an additional duty as the college soccer coach and said he thoroughly enjoyed the job.

Phil Clark was en route to Ft Huachuca for the MI Adv Crse and wrote that he was awarded an Olmsted Scholarship to study at the U. of Bonn in 74. Dutch Schulz dropped a card from Ft Carson and passed



1969: John Champagne receives the ESD Junior Officer of the Year award from MG Shiely at Hanscom Field, MA.

along that Spud LaVallee was in Yuma, AZ, while Nick Stafford had just arrived at Ft Carson. John Champagne wrote from Hanscom Fld, MA, near Boston, that he had received the Base's outstanding junior officer award from MG Shiely (C1 of Jun '43). He said that he, Margaret and Marie were en route to a 4-yr tour at Torrejon AFB near Madrid.

Three waiting wives were in touch while their husbands were completing tours in Korea. Mary Alice Friese said that she and Wendy were making plans to join Bill and live in Seoul. Ann Rowe and her 2 sons were in Ft Lauderdale waiting for Bob to return. She mentioned that Dave Harvey and Bob Guest were with Bob in Korea, and that Dave's wife Adrienne had just given birth to their 2d child in Apr. Lastly, Kim Church and son Blake were living with their parents while Scott finished his btry cmd time with a unit close to Seoul. She had seen Glenn Ferraro, Kip Carson, and Donny Parmeter on trips to VA to see Scott's family.

The last letter from the States was sent by Bob Berry. He located Terry Strickler and Rich West in Korea, Bill Holbrook, Bob Seitz, and Bob St Onge at Ft Bragg, Larry Sadoff, Bill Burke and Carl Ozimeil in grad sch, and Walt Ballenberger at Ft Huachuca. Bob also mentioned Steve Metcalf had departed the DC area en route to flight sch, leaving Mick Zais and Jay Wheeler as the area's most eligible bachelors. He said it— not me!

Overseas news was sparse as usual. Bob and Barbara Glacel wrote from Germany, where Bob was still the 3d Inf Div Arty S2. He was due for the adv crse, followed hopefully by grad sch. Doug and Ginny Rogers were in touch from their remote arty det in N. Germany. Doug said they definitely plan to attend the reunion in 74.

Rick Frykman and Mark Dillon wrote from Korea where Mark was a Sig Co Cmdr. He had seen Jim Kulbacki, Jeff Furbank, Bruce Eisentrout, and John Hahn. Rick was with the 4th Msl Cmd, and had run into Bill Bahr, Steve Davis, Leo Carrigan, Doug Jeffrey, Bob Jenkins, Ed Jahnke, and Bill Selecman.

My desk is clear, so I'll close for now. My very best wishes to you and yours for a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year! Drop me an Xmas card if you have the time; my next deadline is 3 Jan 74. Till the spring, God bless to all in '69.

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You may have noticed the absence of the Class report in your last issue of the ASSEMBLY. The letter was misrouted through the mail system. We will just include all the news in this issue.

Many more of our Class have recently completed flight sch. Mike Boise, John Wells, Rob Stewart and Art Lucia graduated together. Art and Maureen Lucia are going to Ft Lewis, John and JoAnn Wells to Ft Campbell, Rob to Ft Bragg and Mike to Korea. John McDugal, Paul Fardink and Phil Bunch also earned their silver wings at Ft Rucker. After finishing flight sch John Epley, with his wife Carol and daughter Gale, has been assigned to 2/1 Cav at Ft Hood. John saw classmates Butch Haislip, Rolly Carter, Bill Jackson, Bob Wagner, Kurt Rorick, Chris



1970: Wells, Stewart, Lucia and Boise (L-R) after earning wings at Ft Rucker.

Wittinger and Bill Wessels at Ft Hood's Founders Day. Bruce Shall and Gil Tam recently completed Cobra Sch and are heading to Korea.

John Norton received 3 awards for distinguished service in RVN. He earned the BSM for Valor, the BSM for Meritorious Service and the CM. Congratulations John.

Bill Patterson took time from his busy aide duties in Cambodia to write. He saw Bill Geist who had been working in N. Thailand. Bill Geist will attend a Spanish crse and then go to a Spec Fcs asgmt in Panama.

Dave and Debbie Trammel are proud as peacocks with their new daughter Katie Ann. Katie was born on 22 Feb. Debbie wrote that Katie was as bald as Dave, but we know she is much prettier! Congratulations to them.

While visiting Mainz, Germany, we saw Fred Zillion and Dave Smith. Fred has assumed command of A/2/509Inf. Dave Smith was OIC of the 8 Div EIB testing in May and was doing an excellent job. While attending the USAREUR CO's course in Oberammergau I visited with several classmates. Don Frazier is Det CO of HHD/106th Sig GP at Stuttgart. Don arrived in Germany in May from RVN. Randy Clarkson was attending the CBT Intel Crse. He is S2 for 11th ACR in Nurnberg. Bob, Joyce, and Erin Hilliard were in O'Gau for the sp weapons sch. Bob branch transferred to chem cps and is now Chem officer for 1st Div Forward. We also saw Ken Clow and Mike Taylor at sch.

Don and Anne Pratt are now stationed at West Point where Don is aide to BG Feir. Don reports that the Corps "has not" and the new regulations are working well. Also at West Point are Clint Anker, Supe's Jr. Aide, and Byron Price, Plebe Team coach.

John and Page Reitz are stationed at Ft Lewis. John is S4 of 9th Avn Bn. Also at Ft Lewis are Larry and Jane Horacek and son; Steve, and Marla Cook and son; John and Missy Hennessy and son; Bob and Linda Beziat, Lenny and Pam White and daughter, Terry Johnson, Tony Sobul, Fritz Goeth and Bob Zolo.

Roy and Susan Marshall wrote from Ft Knox where Roy is flying with A Tp 7/1 Cav. Scott Knight is aide to BG Williams. The Marshalls visited with Pete and Brenda Lilly who are on their way to Ft Lewis. Roy reports that Mike Mullady is CO of MP det in NYC.

My original Beast "roomie," Bill Spracher, wrote from Bamberg, Germany. Bill is now S2 of 3/35 Arm and is scheduled to go to Branch school in Nov 73. Bill seems to still have a soft spot in his heart for a young lady in the US so we may be seeing more about him in the near future. Bob, Gerrie

and Robbie Laird are also in 3/35th where Bob is Bn Maint Off. Bill says that John and Gail Ekegren are doing well and enjoying their new status as civilians.

Skip Lane's new bride Katie (married in Apr 73) wrote us. Skip is now in Korea as Anti Tank Ptl Ldr with 2nd ID. Peggy is anxiously awaiting Skip's return from Korea and spending her time teaching at the Ft Bragg School. Rumor has it that our class has gained a real gem in Peggy. Welcome aboard. Peggy also wrote that Dan and Mary Schilling are at Ft Bragg where Dan is with the SF. Bob Mullard's wife Cindy is at Ft Bragg while Bob is in Korea.

Don, Susie, and Bryan DeCort recently left Ft Bragg for Ft Sill where Don will attend the Arty Adv Course. Before they left they had a fine party sponsored by Ed and Linda Kelly and visited with Dave and Debbie Brown.

Frank Monaco wrote from Korea where he is Emergency Action Officer for 2d Div. Frank, Paulette and son recommend Korea as an outstanding tour for anyone. Chuck Wagner recently arrived in Korea where he is commanding the American Plt of the UN Command Honor Guard. Wally Kaine is commanding a firing battery on the DMZ. Ed and Carol Mitchell are happy to be in Ft Lewis after a tour in Korea.

Tom and Ninette Dockery wrote from Babenhausen, Germany, where Tom is CO of 9th MP Det. Security at a NATO Site. Tom asked old C-4 members to send him info for a C-4 newsletter.

Paul and Wendy Dixon also reported class news. They have a year old son named Dwayne. Lary Kimmel called Paul to tell him that he was on his way to an asgmt in Warsaw, Poland. Bill Campbell is working on his Master's at MIT and is enjoying R&D in the AF. John Hanna and Bob Hillard are working in 1st Div G3 Opns and Mark Barbour is GEN Haldane's Aide.

Here in Baumholder Art and Jackie Alden are the proud parents of a boy named Timmy, their 2d child, and Bob and Mannie Walton's 2d child is a beautiful girl named Laurie.

Sean Maxwell sent us notice that he has found the girl of his dreams. He married Nora Egan on 25 Aug in NY.

The wives of "70" are writing well. Husbands get busy, the next deadline is 30 Dec.

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I must once again commence our article with tragic news. Taylor Dempsey was killed in a motorcycle accident in Colo Spgs on 18 Aug 73 and was buried at WP. It is always hard for me to comprehend such losses. I know I speak for our whole class in expressing my sympathies to his loved ones.

I would like to take this opportunity to make a desperate plea to the '71 Chapter of the "Power Fraternity." Believe it or not, planning has been initiated for our 5th year reunion and the possibility of a 5-year book is not remote. As such, I am attempting to make a complete list of all names and addresses. If you haven't dropped me a line recently, please do. What I need to know is your perm and temp address, and your

wives' and children's names and perhaps those of your '71 neighbors, if they don't receive the article. This would be of invaluable help to me in my work and I could, in turn, be able to provide you with any address you desire. At present, I can account for the addresses of about 70% of our classmates.

"Back to school" seems to be the theme of this article as a disproportionate number of us are again hitting the classrooms. Those that I have not previously mentioned are Tom Suermann (Princeton), Robin Miller and John Moore (Harvard), Larry Merkl (MIT), Bill Tryon (U. of NM Law) and John Marsala (George Washington U.). Jack Reed has graduated from Harvard where he was pres of his class. I'm sure he's putting it all to good use at his new asgmt with the 197th Bde at Benning. On the mil side of schooling, Jim and Gretchen Cox (Russian), Bob Armbruster and Bill Hotze (Thai), and Ron Gladney (German) are all at the DLI at Monterey.

Still more nuptials have been announced. Joe Thomas married Annie Bald at the Walter Reed Chapel on 15 Sept before moving back to HI. Carl and Vicky Marriott were wed at WP this summer. Mike Ritchie came all the way from Panama for Carl's big day. I understand that Mike's wife Jean is now "Airborne." Satch Sanders, ex '71, was married at Ft Monmouth where he teaches in the sig cse as a Spec 5. I was glad to see that a lot of our classmates made it to the festivities. Finally, Fred Smith was also married last summer, although I have no specifics. Not much news on the baby side of the ledger. Bill and Debby Currie are, however, the proud parents of Keith Patrick, born 22 Aug. Congratulations to you both.

Our classmates continue to rotate through Korea. Kevin James reports there in Jan via Pathfinder school in Benning. His wife Rhonda will be going back to NY until Kevin's return. Gary Nichols has arrived in Camp Edwards, Korea, and works in the capacity of Class B Agent. Jo Anne will stay in Seoul. After returning from Korea, Bill Quinlin went to the Yuma PG via the Nuclear Wpns Crse at RSA. Other new jobs include John Marsala as a Briefing Officer for the ASA in DC. Steve Thomas branch transferred from Inf to Engr and took Tom Suermann's XO job in the 307th Engr at Bragg. Tom managed to earn his senior jump wings before leaving for Princeton and his quest for a Master's in Aerospace Engr. Tom Mannle is now the OIC of the China desk of the rsch intel div in the 7th PSYOP Div in Okinawa. As veterans of the wine and sunny clime of Vicenza, Italy, Pete and Mary K. Weddle will now be joined by some more members of our fraternity as the 3/509th ABCT has been established there. Joining the group are Russ Howell, Jack Stevenson, Danny Odom and Mike Penhallegon. I would like to recognize Chip and Jan Hindes, who I have overlooked in my article since it's conception, perhaps because he is in the Marines. They are stationed here in HI at the Kaneohe Marine Air Sta with the 1/12th Marines.

I was happy to hear that some of you picked up on my suggestion to begin company newsletters. It's a good feeling to keep in touch. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy Xmas season. Many thanks for your efforts to keep me informed. BEAT NAVY!

DECEMBER 1973

'72

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Just now as this column is inked for the Dec edition of ASSEMBLY the '73 version of Army Football is taking on Tenn in the season's opening game. By printing time, however, the season will have finished up and we all shall know just how our Alma Mater did on the gridiron. I will extend an appreciative thanks to the team for a good effort, because we know that is what it gave on the field. My prediction was Army 17, Navy 13. How did I do?

Let's start out with some news from over here in Europe. It seems that the Cmbt Spt Tng Cen in Oberammergau, Germany, has been a favorite meeting place for the Class of '72. There last Jul for a couple of weeks were Bennie Harrell, Scott Nahrwald, John Langlois, Doug Wise, Jim Lyon, Mike Rudzisz, Joe Drach, Gary Moore, and Tom Pollard. Scott, Don, Doug and Gary had their wives accompany them. It proved to be a good time for all, and provided a nice get together.

Dennis Gray writes from Ludwigsburg, Germany and the 34th Sig Bn. He and his wife Nancy have plenty of '72 company in Ron and Marge Bodre. Phil Hurst is close by taking care of his finance co. Other names have passed this way, Greg True in Wurzburg and John Crouse in Heilbron. Hopefully, a rundown of the class in the 1st Inf Div will be forthcoming since that unit will have completed the field exercise here in Germany by late Oct '73.

From here it's across the Atlantic and a little south to Panama. There has been limited news from that area, but I have heard that Chuck Hiatt, Fritz Henneman, Dan Kelso, Phil Drumheiser, and Pete McDonald are alive and well in the warm Panama sun. This came my way in a letter from Mike and Frances Ceniceros.

Before hitting CONUS for news there, let's go further north. An informative letter from Brian Travis spreads the news about the Class of '72 in AK. Brian and Lois are at Ft Wainwright with B Co, 4/9th Inf, 172d Light Inf Bde. Brian, along with Jeff Spira and Jim Kelliher, went to the Northern Warfare Tng Cen at Ft Greeley for 6 weeks or Artic tng. Jeff and wife, Marie, are also at Ft Wainwright with C Co 4/9th and Jim is in A Co 4/23d Inf. Understood also that Charlie Zimmerman and wife Jody have bought a house in Anchorage. Charlie also is in A Co 4/23d. Others stationed in the cold North at Ft Richardson include Barney Coale (C Btry, 1/37th), Chris and Kathy Fornecker, Jim Lefebure, Rich Gorzelmik, and Scott and Deborah Helgeson. Oh yes, I should include Larry Gromoff in that crowd.

From sunny HI a short report of John Corbett in his 2d year at the U. of HI and the names of Russ Hall, Chuck Drobnay, and John Donovan have drifted into this column via a nice note from John and Joyce Lasala. John, at Stanford U. getting his master's in physics, reports that a frequent visitor to his place is Ralph Fader. Ralph is stationed at Ft Ord. All the way over in GA at Emory Med Sch is Sterling West and his wife Brenda. Ed Freund and Jim Rackley are enjoying Ft Carson and their work too, I hear. Paul Johnson is at Ft Bliss and Doug Radzieski is having fun in Oakland, CA. Doug would appreciate a word or two from

former members of G-4 in the class. His address is: 3408 Richmond Blvd, Apt #406, Oakland, CA 94611.

From Ft Bragg comes a word from Chris North. Chris is with B Co, 3d Bn 2d Bde, 82d Abn, serving as a Plat Leader. In the same Bn with Chris are Joe Ivey (Wpns Plt, A Co), Ed Murdock (Rifle Plt, C Co), Harry Stumpf (Wpns Plt, C Co), and Bill Chamberlain (Spt Plt, HHC). Also in the 2d Bde are Steve Smith (S1 Shop), Pat Flachs, Stan Florer, Andy Eiva, Joe Ergos, Jim O'Brien, Bill Tierney and John Johnson. Airborne!

Some of the most interesting news this time comes from our cohorts in a sister service, the Navy (Booooooo, right?!). Not for the likes of George McFetridge, Don Costello, Pat McGann, and Bob Coonan, who are '72ers that infiltrated to the Navy. George has been in adv jet training at Pensacola NAS. Congrats on your Master's in Aeronautical Sys from U. of W. FL, George. Keep up the good work. Also there is Don Costello, who married Ann Spadafore last summer, in San Diego with the civil Engrs. Pat McGann, having married Debbie Wolfe, spent a few months in RVN aboard the USS Horne. Now living in Milton, FL, are Bob and Chris Coonan. Bob got his Naval Flt Off Wgs at Navigation Sch at Corpus Christi, TX. Sounds as if the '72 "squids" are keeping busy. Hope each of you can keep in touch with the rest of the Class.

That's all for this time. Remember that the column is written by you, so keep those letters and photos coming in. Auf Wiedersehen!

'73

LT William Quinn
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Just off patrol and "on rappel," this installment comes from the Dahlonga campus of the college on the Upatoi. The common call of MS 501 hardly applies to Ranger Sch as many of us have referred it to the branch schools. Jasper Cersosimo summed it up well when he said that "Ranger has made a strong impression on the non-inf grads of '73." Rick Bauer equated Ranger to WooPoo—but is that fair to Ranger?

From what I have gathered it seems that the opinions on Branch schools vary as to the individuals. Some have expressed their occasional dissatisfaction—seems some want to make a big thing of haircuts. Tom McKernon and Rich Diver, however, say that ADA is OK. I've heard nothing bad about Armor basic either. It's good that most everyone is complaining though—when we stop complaining, I'll start worrying.

I've heard that Art Brown has continued his Audio business at Sig basic. Bill (OZ) Feltes sends regards to the beachhead of A-3. The word is that he can't wait for his patrol car.

IOBC is a tale in itself. It sounds great to have a 7-week crse, says Murray Ritter—but he never thought that they'd take the 12-week crse and squeeze it into 7. That's really not quite as bad as those few of us who went to the 2-week Abn crse and found that it included the weekends. It's no good unless it hurts, Right!

"Lane six on belay." I guess that it's time for me to close. I used to wonder about how high we are here on Mt Yonah until I saw the C141 which just passed below me.

Write to let me know of any news.

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Be Thou At Peace

We, sons of today, we salute you—You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.



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Clarence Self Ridley

NO. 4342 CLASS OF 1905

Died 26 July 1969 in Carmel, California, aged 86 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York



CLARENCE SELF RIDLEY

CLARENCE SELF RIDLEY was born in Corydon, Indiana, on 22 June 1883, the son of William and Margaret (Inman) Ridley. He attended grammar school and high school in Corydon.

Appointed to the Military Academy from Indiana, Clarence, known to his intimates as "Riddle," graduated fourth in his class in 1905. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Corps of Engineers.

Soon after graduation Clarence attended The Engineer School and began his engineering career by doing land defense survey in Honolulu, Hawaii, and mapping the city of Luzon in the Philippines. River and Harbor work in Wilmington, Delaware, followed; he later was in charge of that District.

In 1916 he was assigned to the Office of the Chief of Engineers in Washington, D.C., and the following year became the Military Aide to President Wilson, with the rank of Colonel. He was in charge of public buildings and grounds in Washington, and Superintendent of the State, War and Navy Department buildings until 1921.

The next three years were spent in the Canal Zone as Assistant Engineer of Maintenance, Panama Canal. In 1924 he completed the course at the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth as an Honor Graduate and was next assigned to San Francisco, where he was District Engineer in charge of River and Harbor improvements on the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers. In 1928 he became Commanding Officer of the Post, and First Engineer, at Fort DuPont, Delaware.

Hurricane Relief Work in Puerto Rico sent him next to San Juan and from there he entered the Army War College in 1930.

After a short tour of instructing at the Army Industrial College, Clarence again went to Panama, first as Assistant to and then as Engineer of Maintenance until 1936 when he became Governor of the Panama Canal.

He rose through the grades to Colonel in 1935, Brigadier General in 1938 and Major General in 1941.

Back in the States in 1941 Clarence became Assistant Division Commander and then Division Commander at Fort Lewis, Washington, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, and Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, until 1942 when he was sent to Teheran, Iran, as Chief, Military Mission with the Iranian Army. He remained in Iran until 1946; then, after a short tour at the Presidio of San Francisco, he retired in 1947.

Clarence Ridley was decorated at the White House in 1919 with Officer Order of the Leopold, by King Albert of Belgium. He received the Distinguished Service Medal in 1945; Medal of Merit, Iranian, in 1946; and the Order of Harmayon, Second Class, Iranian, 1946.

Clarence married Bessie Thomson of California in 1907. She died in 1961 in Carmel, California. In 1965 he married Mrs. Gladys P. Kay who survives him. Of her husband she writes:

"His military record speaks of Clarence Self Ridley the soldier; it is Clarence Ridley the man of whom I speak. He was an honorable man, faithful to his God, his country, his family and friends... a man respected and loved by all with whom he came in contact... a just man, modest, compassionate and generous. Few knew of the many he helped when they needed help.

"Although our years together were far too few, I felt it an honor and joy to have spent them with him.

"Engraved on the stone which marks his grave at West Point are four words—no more were needed to describe my dearly loved husband:

"One With The Father."

Hugh Hunt Broadhurst

NO. 4416 CLASS OF 1905

Died 6 January 1973 in Andalusia, Alabama, aged 92 years.

Interment: Magnolia Cemetery, Andalusia, Alabama

HUGH HUNT BROADHURST was born in Goldsboro, North Carolina, on 14 July 1880, the ninth child of Captain David J. and Martha Jane Baker Broadhurst. During his boyhood in eastern North Carolina, "Towhead" became intrigued with the idea of pursuing a



HUGH HUNT BROADHURST

military career, and recognizing the need for a firm military foundation, he vigorously sought to attend West Point. After spending two years at the University of North Carolina, he entered the United States Military Academy on 11 June 1901 on an appointment from the Honorable Claude Kitchin of North Carolina.

Following graduation on 13 June 1905 and subsequent commissioning in the Cavalry (the *only* branch as far as Towhead was concerned), he went to Fort Ethan Allen and then on to three years of map survey work in Cuba. These Cuban years (and a later three years in the Philippines) became fond memories and Towhead often chose to describe his experiences there to his many friends. Between Cuba and the Philippines he had a short assignment at Fort Myer in 1909 where, among other duties, he took part in War Department tests of the "Wright Flyer," the world's first successful military airplane. He was quite proud of his personal association with this significant historical event.

After other short tours (chasing bandits in Mexico and duty as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at North Carolina State), Towhead's demonstrated reliability and competence earned him an important assignment as Military Police Commander, and later, Provost Marshal for the Second Division during its initial World War I engagements in which he actively participated (Verdun, Chateau Thierry, Belleau Woods, Vierz, Soissons, and Pont à Mousson). Returning to the States in early 1919, he commanded the Recruit Depot at Fort Ogelthorpe, Georgia, and then, after graduation from the Cavalry School in 1921, he received successive assignments to Fort Leavenworth, the Alabama National Guard and the Kentucky National Guard. During the latter, Towhead found time to attend the University of Kentucky Law School and was admitted to law practice in Kentucky.

In 1934, after service with the 2d Cavalry at Fort Riley, he was assigned as coordinator of Organized Reserve activities in the Kansas City and Western Missouri Districts, and was promoted to a full Colonel of Cavalry. He retired on 21 July 1940 with over 39 years of complete dedication to the time-proven tenets of "Duty, Honor, Country" which guided his every thought and deed.

For a retirement home, Towhead returned to Andalusia, Alabama, where he had established many deep and rewarding friendships during his earlier tour with the Alabama National Guard. He took a job as Secretary-Treasurer of the First Federal Savings & Loan and became quite prominent in local civic affairs. When he was not recalled to active service for World War II, he organized and headed up Andalusia's Civil Defense cadre and also participated in draft board activities.

Towhead's life was beset by deep personal tragedies. His first wife, Ethel, and a daughter, Mary Jane, were killed in an automobile accident. His second wife, Virginia, died after a long and painful struggle with cancer. Despite these terrible blows, however, he never lost his enthusiasm for life. His warmth, his humor, his dignity and his genuine concern for his fellow man combined to bring him the love and respect of his many friends and contemporaries. He was known affectionately by one and all as "The Colonel."

In 1961, old age forced final retirement. His closing years were spent in the peaceful

pursuits of tinkering and gardening and in the company of his beloved third wife, Frances. He quietly joined the "Long Gray Line" on 6 January 1973. He will be sorely missed.

He is survived by his wife, Frances, of Andalusia; two daughters, Mrs. Marion Bell and Mrs. Helene Longley; one son, Hugh Jr., Class of 1952; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Joseph Choate King

NO. 4500 CLASS OF 1906

Died 21 March 1973 at Spencer, Iowa, aged 84 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

JOSEPH CHOATE KING was born at West Liberty, Iowa, on 20 November 1882 to Dr. Elbridge Harrison King and Florence Elliott Richardson. He attended school in Muscatine until he was fifteen, when he enlisted as a bugler in the Iowa Volunteers in the Spanish American War, and served with them when they reorganized as Iowa National Guard at Camp Cuba Libre, Jacksonville, Florida, until the end of the war. He often said he was carried away by the band, but from that time until his death, Joe had a love for the military service that few men possess!

After being mustered out of service he went to his home at Muscatine, Iowa, graduated from the Muscatine High School, attended Iowa State College and later, while attending Dana's Prep School at Highland Falls, New York, he took the examination for West Point, was successful, and received an appointment from Representative J.N.W. Rumpfle of Iowa. He entered the Academy on 16 June 1902.

Joe graduated from the Academy on 12 June 1906, the 104th anniversary of its founding. His first assignment was with the 10th United States Cavalry at Fort Robinson, Nebraska. For the next ten years he lived a military life that would have made John Wayne envious, and the list of assignments reads like the most colorful pages of United States history. He served at such places as Baguio, Benguet; Bontoc, Bontoc Province; Banau, Ifagao Province; Bayambang, Nueva Viscaya; and Camp Wallace at La Union, all in the Philippines.

In 1909 he left Manila Bay on the United States Army Transport "Kilpatrick" for a new assignment at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. The trip took him through the Suez Canal and forty-three days after his departure, he arrived at his destination. In later years he found the speed of airplane pleasant but not nearly as fascinating as his earlier journey.

At Fort Ethan Allen Joe's life took a new turn on 2 September 1911 when he married a charming young lady named Charlotte Ryan. The new Mrs. King was not unfamiliar with military life. She was the daughter of Colonel John Joseph Ryan and Julia Ord Ryan; a granddaughter of Brevet Major Placidus Ord (First Lieutenant, 19th United States Infantry); a grand niece of Major General E.O.C. Ord; a niece of Commander Thomas W. Ryan, United States Navy; a great-granddaughter of James Ord, 28th United States Infantry (War of 1812); and a sister of William Ord Ryan, USMA 1914, who became a Major General in the United States Army Air Force.

In 1913 Joe was again sent to the Philippines and served with the 8th Cavalry and



JOSEPH CHOATE KING

15th Cavalry at Camp Stotsenburg and Fort William McKinley. In 1915, upon return to the United States, he travelled to Hachita, New Mexico, to serve with the 7th Cavalry on border patrol. In 1916, while serving with the Punitive Expedition (the so-called "Pershing Expedition"), he saw action against hostile bandits, and more important, he was promoted to captain. That same year he was ordered to the University of Missouri to serve as Professor of Military Science and Tactics but this was cut short by the United States' entry into World War I when he went to Fort Riley, Kansas, to join the newly organized 21st Cavalry. It was here that he was presented with his first daughter, Julia Ord, and it was here that he received his promotion to major.

In 1918 Joe left for France and soon joined the 342d Field Artillery, and was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel. In Europe he had a reunion with his brothers, Dr. Elliot R. King who was a doctor with the Rainbow Division, and Colonel Albert A. King, Colonel of Cavalry. At the end of World War I he entered Germany with the Army of Occupation and in May of 1919, returned to the United States.

Joe's remaining years in military service were somewhat more settled than those early years, but at times they too contained some excitement. During these years he served at several Cavalry posts in south central United States, and in 1924 attended and graduated from the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; but most of his time was spent at Fort Sam Houston at VIII Corps Area Headquarters. While there he acquired Mary Reid, and later, Josephine Choate, two more daughters.

While stationed at Fort Des Moines in 1935, Joe was promoted to Colonel, and transferred soon after to Philadelphia where he served as Assistant Chief of Staff, and Adjutant General, until the start of World War II when he took command of the 11th Mobil Port of Embarkation at Fort Lawton, Washington. In November of 1942 he was retired for age, and immediately recalled to duty, first commanding the 11th Mobil Port of Embarkation at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey; then to an assignment that he enjoyed, commanding the 14th Port of Embarkation in Plymouth, England.

In May of 1944, after three wars and thirty-eight years of outstanding and dedicated service, Joe was retired for physical

disability and went to his home in San Antonio, Texas. One of the proudest and happiest moments of his life occurred in 1950 when his youngest daughter, Josephine, entered the military service (Women's Medical Service Corps) at Fort Sam Houston, with her bars being pinned on by his classmate and lifelong friend, General Jonathan M. Wainwright, Commanding General of the Fourth Army. Since that time he lived to enjoy two grandsons, two granddaughters, and one great-granddaughter.

In 1966 he re-visited the site of his first assignment at Fort Robinson, Nebraska, along with several other old western forts. The old fort had fallen into disrepair and he expressed some disappointment. But the other stops served to bring many memories and much of our nation's history into the bright mind of an old soldier.

Joseph King was a true soldier—strong, steady, firm, patient (when necessary), and intensely loyal to his country and service. He was a brilliant man, and in later years could always be counted on to enliven any intelligent discussion with his accurate and scholarly observations. He retained a keen mind and intense desire to read and learn until his death at the age of ninety years, four months and one day. The last four years of his life were spent under the care of his son-in-law, Dr. Frank D. Edington, of Spencer, Iowa.

"Halfway down the trail to Hell

In a shady meadow, green,
Are the souls of all dead troopers camped
Near a good old-time canteen.
And this eternal resting place
is known as Fiddler's Green."

—Unknown.

—Robert E. Warner
Nephew

Owen Riggs Meredith

NO. 4688 CLASS OF 1908

Died 5 May 1970 at Pacific Grove, California, aged 84 years.

Interment: National Cemetery,
Presidio of San Francisco, California

OWEN RIGGS MEREDITH was a man of uncommon stature. He believed that a man's word was his bond and so structured his life. Med was intensely competitive and always within the rules. He was stern, impartial and demanding, yet never as much so of others as of himself. Close friends knew that beneath a strongly self-disciplined surface was a gentle and compassionate man. He enriched us all as he now enriches the Long Gray Line.

Med was born 17 December 1885 in O'Neill, Nebraska, the oldest child and only son of six children of John H. and Cora R. Meredith. O'Neill was a small frontier-styled community in North Central Nebraska, where the western pioneering way of life was still much in evidence. This atmosphere, abundant in realism, self-reliance and directness of purpose, gave Med a sense of values which were to endure throughout his life, and which were to mesh well with West Point's Motto—Duty, Honor, Country.

Boyhood was busy with schooling, summer work on farms and cattle ranches, hunting, handball (local champion), and baseball. Med earned his appointment by competitive examination at Kearney, Nebraska, and upon entering the Academy in 1904,

he found the clash between the high individual freedom of the plains country and "The Enclosure" far from pleasing. It was not until Med discovered an old and respected ally—it's all on the square and it's up to the individual—that the tide turned and the service won a soldier to be.

Academics proved challenging and contributed much to the honing of a keen mind. Sports received a good deal of attention with Med winning his "A" in baseball and becoming a member of the class equestrian team. Some spirited escapades along the way acquainted him with the Area and assured him of continued Private status following a brief tenure as a Cadet Corporal early on in yearling year. His deep respect for integrity and fair play won him a place on the Class Honor Committee. Graduation came in February 1908 and following the usual leave, Med reported for duty with the Third Battalion of the 27th Infantry, Fort Sheridan, Illinois.

During his tour of duty at Fort Sheridan, he married—28 September 1910—Marion Olive Willard of Worcester, Massachusetts, whom he had met while a second classman at West Point. There were three sons, two of whom survive, and by the mid 1940's the family had individually and totalling, accumulated something on the order of ninety years of service. This service included active duty in commissioned status encompassing the Army, the Navy and the Air Force. Marion was a lady of discerning taste, high charm and impressive grace. Additionally, she possessed a substantial array of skills, not the least of which was her equestrian competence. The latter is reflected in the following inscription taken from a much-prized silver cup:

"Mrs. Owen R. Meredith in recognition of her valor and endurance in making the annual test ride prescribed for Field Officers July 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1914. Camp McGrath, Batangas, P.I."

There were those times over the years when coping with the masculine, intra-family numerical superiority made substantial demands on Marion's sterling qualities. With unfaltering devotion and strong New England steadfastness, she unerringly met the challenges with tact, skill and success.

Following Fort Sheridan came several years in the Philippines with duty at Batangas, Corregidor, Baguio and Fort McKinley. Early 1916 found Med on the Texas border, followed by a series of assignments centering on the selection and training of officer candidates. Beginning in 1917 and extending to 1920, he became deeply involved with machine gun work which took him to France and concluded with his command of the Machine Gun School at Fort Benning, Georgia. He became an acknowledged expert on the subject and was later called upon in the thirties when efforts were being made to equip the Infantry with a suitable lightweight machine gun.

In 1920, now a Major, Med transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service where he remained until his return to the Infantry in 1928. During his duty with the Chemical Warfare Service, he commanded Edgewood Arsenal, graduated from the Infantry School advanced course at Fort Benning and the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. While at Edgewood he was awarded The Treasury Department Silver Lifesaving Medal. 1925-1928 found him in Panama where he planned and conducted the first successful smoke screening tests of the



OWEN RIGGS MEREDITH

canal at its Miraflores Locks, and on a lighter side, won the 1927 Panama Golf Club Championship—one up, 37 holes.

Beginning in 1928, ten of Med's next twelve years of service were with Reserve Components of the Army. He was first detailed as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky. The Reserve Officers Training Corps unit earned a higher rating in each of the first two years and was awarded the rating of Excellent in each of the final two years of the four-year tour. The following four years saw duty with the Organized Reserve headquartered at Rockford, Illinois. This period also brought the usual summer training camps, maneuvers, and, of course, Civilian Conservation Corps duty. Of the latter, he put "on stream" one of the nation's largest, Camp Skokie, Illinois. Med continued to execute his duties with high competence and many Letters of Commendation came to him. Final Organized Reserve duty (1938-39) was headquartered at Salt Lake City, Utah, with responsibility for the intermountain states of Utah, Nevada, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming which contained some two thousand Reserve Officers. Duty at Salt Lake City was preceded by a short tour of duty at Fort George Wright, Spokane, Washington, where Med commanded and received his Colonelcy 1 January 1937. In the summer of 1939, he participated in Fourth Army maneuvers as Commander of the 104th Division, VII Corps, Fourth Army. The Division received a Commendation for superior performance.

Those same years of service included the depression decade of the thirties. The Armed Forces of the Nation were subjected to harsh economics and were to rank 17th in size among nations maintaining military establishments. Army commissioned personnel on active duty were to number less than two-thirds the New York City Police Force. Paucity and quality of material matched this pace.

Those abroad in the land who sought to prevent the United States from maintaining a prudent level of military strength were aggressive. The success they achieved is history. Important areas of their attacks were components of the Organized Reserves with special attention directed at Reserve Officer Training Corps Units. A poorly informed citizenry displayed a frightening apathy to the failing posture of their Nation's defenses.

For Med, this equation rapidly became a major target. He was tireless in his efforts and left no avenue of approach, contact, presentation or follow-up unexplored. Soon he was in demand as a speaker at clubs, churches, schools and meeting of all "sizes and shapes." Personal contacts founded on mutual respect, subsequently to prove uniquely long-lived, were established with a wide range of community leaders who with growing informed concern contributed much. The tide was not stopped; it could be said that it was blunted in Central Kentucky, Northern Illinois and the Intermountain States as informed efforts wore away at lack of knowledge, misunderstanding and apathy.

In November of 1939, Med was detailed as a member of the General Staff with troops and to the Fourth Army Staff, Presidio of San Francisco, California. A year later he became Chief of Staff, Ninth Corps Area and continued in this duty—which brought the Commendation Ribbon—until May of 1942. Command assignments followed at Camp White, Oregon, Presidio of Monterey, California, and the Ninth Service Command, San Francisco, California. Retirement followed on 31 December 1945.

While at the Presidio of Monterey, Med and Marion purchased an attractive home in the nearby Del Monte Forest. Med continued to maintain an active and participating interest in his Nation's affairs, enlarged his life-long practice of giving to those in honest need, conditioned by the requirement of anonymity, and resharpened his golf game. Marion took charge of the grounds and soon had them to the point where passersby would ask to come in and look about. Light entertaining became their way and both deeply enjoyed the many visits and drop-ins resulting from the warm friendships that had endured the test of time. Marion passed away in January of 1963 with interment at San Francisco National Cemetery. Med continued to maintain their home until his passing some seven years later.

Dating from the Fort Benning days, founded in mutual respect and mutually nurtured over the years, was a deep professional and personal relationship between Joseph W. Stilwell and Owen R. Meredith. The following is taken from a portrait of General Stilwell:

"To Col. O.R. Meredith, a square shooter, who never let hope of reward or fear of punishment budge him an inch. Joseph W. Stilwell, Gen, U.S.A."

Character: Through high standards of Honor and Integrity.

Leadership: Through the acquisition and honest use of knowledge.

Good Citizenship: Through the idea of service as a measure of success.

Amén.

—Sons

Henry Winston Holt

NO. 5957 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 15 October 1972 in Richmond, Virginia, aged 76 years.

Interment: Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia

ANY WAY YOU LOOK at Daddy Holt's record reveals a sense of accomplishment. His life-long work and dedication was to the United States Army. Yet he managed to successfully follow two other careers with unflinching



HENRY WINSTON HOLT

energy and the urge to make his world a better place.

Daddy was born on 4 July 1896 in Staunton, Virginia. From there he moved on to complete his secondary and preparatory education in Virginia schools, entering the Military Academy on July 1915 to finish in the accelerated program of World War I.

His early Army career followed the path of camaraderie and peacetime teaching that is our military's lot between conflicts. Daddy initially served in the 46th Field Artillery and as Aide-de-Camp to Major General Guy Carleton at Camp Kearney, California. He also practiced his early recognized talents as an instructor at the Virginia Military Institute, the Military Academy, and the University of Chicago, through the late thirties. In between was duty as a Battery Commander in the 15th Field Artillery, and school at Fort Sill. He also found time to court and win Mary Mason Williams of Richmond, who became his bride on 10 April 1926. To them were born Henry Winston III and Mary Mason.

Duty as adjutant with the 11th Field Artillery at Schofield Barracks followed from 1937-39. The beginning of World War II brought the Holt family back to Fort Knox where duty with the 68th Field Artillery and 4th Armored Division followed, including a brief stint at what is now Fort Drum, New York.

From there Daddy spent a year on the Field Artillery Board at Fort Bragg before joining the 100th division at Fort Jackson as Division Artillery Executive Officer. In 1944 he moved up to Division Artillery Commander of the 8th Armored Division and saw action with the Division from Holland to Czechoslovakia. During this time Daddy was decorated by the Netherlands and Czech governments, as well as by his own.

After World War II Daddy served as Executive Officer, War Crimes Trials, in Manila, and then spent two tours as Senior Army Advisor to the Virginia National Guard. His third tour of duty in Germany followed, as commander of the European Command Replacement Depot.

Upon retirement in 1954, loath to stand still and take it easy, Daddy became involved again with the Virginia National Guard, as Assistant Adjutant General for Air. In this post he rose to Major General, Virginia National Guard, from which he retired for a second time in 1961.

Although always a subject of love and respect as a father and husband, Daddy added further to his laurels as a family man with the arrival of grandchildren Winston IV and Neely. No phase of their lives missed his observation and he brought joy to their early years that will be part of their memories forever.

As a man who followed a creed of duty, purpose and devotion, Daddy left standards that will be gladly striven for. For those who knew and loved him the accomplishment of these will be a lasting tribute to a man who gave much of himself, at all times, and at all levels.

—H. Winston Holt III

Roger Manning Wicks

NO. 6074 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 7 July 1972 in Southern Pines, North Carolina, aged 77 years.

Interment: Mount Hope Cemetery,
Southern Pines, North Carolina

ROGER, AS HE WAS known to all of us, was born on 7 November 1894 in Utica, New York, the son of State Senator Charles Wells Wicks. Upon graduating from the Hotchkiss School in 1914, he entered Yale as a member of the Class of 1918. Always an outstanding athlete, he quickly made a name for himself in football, baseball, boxing and wrestling activities of the University as well as in its Reserve Officers Training Corps unit. Late the following year, he received an unexpected appointment to West Point from New York's Twenty-third Congressional District. It required considerable thought on Roger's part to decide whether to accept the appointment or to continue as an "Eli" undergraduate. The war in Europe and the seeming inevitability of United States involvement was the deciding factor. On 15 June 1916, Roger was sworn in as a Cadet, United States Military Academy.

From the beginning his career as a Cadet was marked by his dignity, energy, sincerity and savoir faire. His physique and carriage were outstanding, his years at Yale made academics child's play. He promptly became one of our most admired and respected classmates. Football, baseball and wrestling continued as his fortes during the next two and

a half years. His military capabilities were recognized early by the Academy authorities. He was made a Corporal his yearling year and a Captain and Battalion Commander in his second class year. He was a member of the Beast Detail, of the Vigilance Committee and of the Young Men's Christian Association Board of Governors. As a final gesture of confidence and respect, his classmates elected him their President, a position he held for fifty years.

Graduation came early for our class, due to the need for junior officers, but Yale had not yet forgotten its former athlete. By special arrangement, the former member of Yale's class of 1918, was graduated from both Yale and the Military Academy on 1 November 1918, and commissioned in the Field Artillery.

After completing the six weeks Basic Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma (the 49ers) came an assignment to Valhalla, the American Forces in Germany. First at Headquarters Base Command in Antwerp, Belgium, and after demobilization, at Coblenz on the Rhine. With the falling value of the German mark, American lieutenants lived like millionaires. Roger bought a surplus motorcycle and was off to the races.

The Olympic games were held in Antwerp, Belgium, in 1920. Roger was detailed as an escort to the United States Women's Teams competing there. While so engaged, he met Vera Irgens, an English speaking Norwegian American girl detailed as one of the hostesses for the games. We all know the rest.

Roger returned to the United States and to the 6th Field Artillery at Fort Hoyle, Maryland, and in 1924 went back to the Point as an instructor in mathematics. In 1929 he returned to Fort Sill for the Battery Officer course and following graduation was retained as an instructor and remained at Sill until ordered to the Command and General Staff School in 1936. Graduating in 1937, he was returned to his Alma Mater, Yale University, as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

With mobilization prior to World War II getting under way, in 1940 Roger was assigned as Commanding Officer of the 29th Field Artillery Battalion at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He was promoted to Brigadier General in 1942 and assigned as Artillery Commander of the 102d Infantry Division then being activated at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana. He saw action with this Division in the European Theatre and was commanding the Division before returning to the United States for assignment as Chief of Staff of the 6th Service Command in Chicago. Ordered to Korea in 1946, he was assigned to the 7th Infantry Division as Division Artillery Commander. He again ended that tour of duty as Commanding General of the Division.

As his final duty assignment, he joined Army Field Forces then commanded by General Mark Clark at Fort Monroe, Virginia, as Assistant Chief of Training. Roger, Phoebe and the two girls, little Phoebe and Patsy, thoroughly enjoyed their comfortable quarters at Fort Monroe after years of moving from pillar to post.

Roger retired in May 1950, and the family returned to Southern Pines, North Carolina, where Phoebe had spent the war years during Roger's absence.

Both Roger and Phoebe loved golf and with seven championship courses in the immediate vicinity, Roger had hit another Valhalla! Unfortunately bad health eventually



ROGER MANNING WICKS

took its toll of Roger's seeming endless energy and of his golf, but tenacious to the end, he wouldn't give up. Phoebe will stay in Southern Pines. Patsy, the younger girl, now lives in Asheville, North Carolina, close enough for Phoebe to visit often. "Little" Phoebe loves the Northeast and lives in Lakeville, Connecticut, close to Roger's old prep school, Hotchkiss.

—B. E., a classmate

Peter Paul Goerz

NO. 6090 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 28 December 1972 in Naval Hospital, San Diego, California, aged 77 years.

Interment: Holy Cross Cemetery, San Diego, California

PETE BECAME ILL Christmas night while spending the holidays at nearby Borrego Springs, with his wife, Vinita. Upon his return home he decided to visit the Navy hospital on 27 December. He was placed in the intensive care ward and succumbed to a heart attack the next day.

Peter Paul Goerz was born in New York City 2 November 1895, the son of Otto and Francisca Lubach Goerz. His uncle was the founder of the C.P. Goerz Optical Company of Berlin. After taking a competitive examination in the Nineteenth Congressional District he received an appointment as a candidate for the United States Military Academy, and was admitted on 15 June 1916 as a member of the class of 1920. He was selected as a cadet corporal, sergeant, lieutenant, and as a member of the plebe detail before the early graduation of his class on 1 November 1918.

He was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers, and after completing the Basic and the Civil Engineering courses at The Engineer School, served with the 9th Engineers, the Engineer Board, the National Guard of New Jersey, and the 8th Engineers. Then service in the Boston Engineer District was followed by Hawaii with the 3d Engineers, Fort Logan, Colorado, with the 2d Engineers, and temporary duty with Works Progress Administration in Chicago and Los Angeles. Shortly after his arrival for duty with the Seattle River and Harbor District he was directed to make a military reconnaissance of Kodiak and Unalaska Islands, Alaska, "in relation to expeditionary forces for local protection of naval bases against land attack." The reconnaissance required flying and cross country travel under hazardous conditions, and he lost his pack in a crevasse. His comprehensive illustrated report received a superior commendation from the Division Engineer of the North Pacific Division, and on 1 April 1941 Pete was appointed District Engineer of the Seattle District.

After his next assignment as Executive Officer of the Engineer Board from December 1942 to November 1943, he served as Theatre Engineer, South Pacific, and received the Legion of Merit "for his initiative, resourcefulness and devotion to duty and frequently undertaken long, fatiguing, and hazardous aerial missions over combat zones." As Engineer, Strategic Air Force, from July 1944 to November 1945 he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and the Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster. He was selected for inclusion in the 1945 General Officers Eligible List. He served in the Office of the Chief of Engineers as executive officer of the Chief of Military Con-



PETER PAUL GOERZ

struction, and as Chief of the Real Estate Division until his assignment as Engineer, United States Forces in Austria from March 1948 to March 1949.

Upon retirement at his request on 31 March 1949, he moved to southern California and built a home in La Mesa. The following quotation from a letter from the Chief of Engineers expresses the high regard for Pete which was also shared by his fellow classmates and officers. "Your retirement will be a distinct loss to the Service. May I take this means to express to you deep appreciation for your loyalty to the Corps of Engineers and to the Army as a whole. Your service throughout the years has been characterized by the highest standards of performance and devotion to duty." Community and family interests now occupied his time in lieu of the hunting which he had always enjoyed. He was a member of the American Society of Military Engineers, a charter member of the San Diego chapter of the West Point Society, and a past director of the Crossmont-Mount Helix Improvement Association.

Pete was an able, conscientious, and unassuming officer with an outstanding record of service. He had a cheerful personality, and it was always a pleasure to talk with him. He is survived by his wife, Vinita Cawdell of Chickasha, Oklahoma, to whom he was married on 16 October 1937 in San Antonio, Texas, and six grandchildren, Mary Vinita Kendrick, Donald Alexander, and Nancy Lynne Schreiber of Houston, Texas; and Robert, Richard, and Cherie Alexander of Lafayette, California.

—A Classmate

John David Frederick

NO. 6489 CLASS OF 1919

Died 26 August 1972 at Belleair Bluffs, Florida, aged 74 years.

Interment: Sylvan Abbey Memorial Park, Clearwater, Florida

JOHN D. FREDERICK, affectionately known to his classmates and friends as "Lil," was born in Springfield, Illinois, on 7 November 1897. His father, David Culbertson Frederick, a respected railway superintendent, was born in Iowa. His devoted mother, Amanda Evelyn

Adair, was born at Camp Point, Illinois. At the tender age of six, Lil accompanied his father to the World Exposition held in 1904 at Saint Louis, Missouri. Resplendent in gray uniforms, a battalion of cadets from West Point daily executed precision drills which thrilled the young Frederick. It was then that Lil announced his intention to become a soldier.

Lil attended grammar school in Springfield, followed by four years of high school. In the winter of 1916-17, he enrolled in a prep school at Annapolis, Maryland, and successfully passed the West Point entrance examination in April 1917. On the historic Plain, June 1917, he was sworn in as a cadet and earnestly adopted the spirit of our Alma Mater. He experienced little difficulty in adjusting to the restraints, the regulations, and the honor code of the Academy. Innocent in his wisdom and modest as could be, Lil was recognized outwardly as a fun-loving comrade and inwardly as an individual capable of deep loyalties to friend and to principle.

Due to the urgent demand for officers in World War I, his class was graduated early, completing a drastically shortened academic course, during which training, military tactics and techniques were emphasized. Graduating in June 1919, he was assigned to The Infantry School as a student in the first basic course at Fort Benning, Georgia. However, prior to reporting for that duty, Lil accompanied the members of his West Point class on an officially conducted tour during the summer of 1919, including the battlefields in France, Belgium, Germany and Italy. This experience had a definite maturing effect upon the young, freckle-faced, sorrel-topped Second Lieutenant, as it did upon many of the fledgling Lieutenants of the Class of 1919.

Second Lieutenant Frederick reported at Fort Benning determined to apply himself and fully to merit the gold bars he so proudly wore. He made a fine record at The Infantry School, where the students enjoyed the marked advantage of instruction by combat-experienced officers who had just returned from battlefields in Europe.

Following The Infantry School, he was assigned to duty at Camp Pike, Arkansas, and later was transferred to Fort Thomas, Kentucky, with the 11th Infantry. He served at several posts—Camp Perry, Ohio; Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana; and Camp Knox, Kentucky, during the summers of 1922 and



JOHN DAVID FREDERICK

1923. Early in his career as a doughboy, an unusually happy and auspicious event occurred which he stated was "the most important in my whole life." He met and wooed the lovely Marie Jane Cabell. Although thoroughly grounded in military vernacular, he experienced some difficulty with romantic jargon. However, his sincerity and true worth were readily appreciated by the intuitive Marie Jane, known as "Toots." It was a June marriage in 1923, followed by a honeymoon trip to the Philippines where Lil was assigned to the 57th Infantry at Fort McKinley. Those who served with Toots and Lil in the Philippines happily remember their cheery and generous hospitality. Another facet of Lil's accomplishments came to the fore at this time when he was recognized as a highly coordinated athlete, playing a sub-par game of golf.

In 1925, the Fredericks returned to the States. Lil was detailed as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Vermont where he remained until 1929. His next assignment was the 16th Infantry at Fort Wadsworth, New York, where he was stationed for two years. Again he was ordered to the Philippines in 1931, serving at Camp John Hay, Baguio. Returning to the States in 1934, he was assigned to the 6th Infantry at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, then transferred to Fort Benning, Georgia, with the 24th Infantry, and continued there on troop and staff duties until 1941.

Lil and Toots adopted Evelyn Jo Frederick, the daughter of his brother, in 1939. She is now the wife of Colonel R. C. Clemenson of the Class of 1946, and the charming mother of five lovely children.

In 1941, Lil attended the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. Upon graduation he returned for a short tour to Fort Benning. Promoted to Colonel, Lil was assigned to the 37th Division, moving to a combat area at Espiritu Santo in the Pacific Theater as Commanding Officer of the 129th Infantry Regimental Combat Team.

Colonel Frederick was not destined to wear the many stars of military rank, but he richly earned and received many stars for valor. In Luzon he covered himself with glory, receiving heroic decorations from a grateful government, including the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with two battle stars, American Defense Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with a bronze star, the coveted Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the Purple Heart. He had previously been awarded the Victory Medal and the World War I Army of Occupation of Germany Medal.

Lil was seriously wounded in the battle for Baguio but resolutely refused to be evacuated, carrying on and leading the advance of his outstanding combat team.

The citation for his DSC follows:

"For extraordinary heroism in action at Manila, Luzon, Philippine Islands, 23 February 1945, Colonel Frederick, in command of an infantry regiment, was charged with the mission of attacking and seizing Fort Santiago and a section of the Walled City of Manila. This difficult and hazardous maneuver demanded a daylight crossing of the Pasig River at a point three hundred seventy-five feet in width, followed immediately by direct assault on a strongly fortified bastion under constant enemy observation and de-

fended by heavy fire from many automatic weapons. Colonel Frederick led his regiment with such outstanding success that it not only seized its initial objective, but continued to advance for seven hundred yards into the Walled City itself. In preparation and execution of this attack Colonel Frederick's tactical skill, gallant leadership and personal courage were of the highest order, and exemplified the finest traditions of the military service."

He was awarded the Silver Star on 14 April 1944. The citation reads:

"For gallantry in action at Bougainville, Solomon Islands, on 17 March 1944, a regimental commander, Colonel Frederick personally participated in a counterattack and personally assisted in killing several Japanese after the enemy had penetrated one of his battalion sectors. His courageous leadership inspired the offensive spirit and combat aggressiveness of his regiment."

Colonel Frank M. Smith, United States Army (Retired), a distinguished veteran of World War I and World War II, and commended for his own personal qualities of leadership in combat, said, "Without exception, Frederick was the best officer I ever had serve under me (and during World War I, I had some mighty good officers but Frederick stood out as the tallest of them all). I would like to say this of him, as I knew him for many years: He was a man of unquestioned integrity and honesty, and possessed of a character of the highest qualities. He served under me four times during my active service and no one, with the possible exception of General Omar Bradley and General 'Scrappy' Hartle, was closer to me than John Frederick. In fact, I really had a deep love in my heart for John."

After retirement from the Army in May 1954, Lil and Toots resided in Columbus, Georgia, for a few years, but finally decided to move farther south—purchasing an attractive home in Clearwater, Florida. Both Lil and Toots loved life. He, the exuberant raconteur, was also an enthusiastic gourmet, proudly proclaiming the culinary art of his Toots. On the more serious side, he was profoundly concerned about the modern Army and often exchanged friendly critiques with fellow retirees about the reported lack of discipline and dedication on the part of our uniformed services in Southeast Asia. The Frederick home was a mecca for friends in the military service.

The funeral services in Clearwater for Lil were most impressive, with full military honors. The Third Army at Camp Stewart, Georgia, provided a guard of honor, pallbearers and a firing squad; the local American Legion supplied an excellent bugler; and classmates residing in the area served as honorary pallbearers.

In bidding Lil an affectionate farewell, we appreciate his inestimable legacy of service to West Point, to the Army, and to our country—a legacy of unflinching courage, and matchless skill on the battlefield. Through all of his vicissitudes in later years and during the struggle to regain his health, his devoted wife, Toots, faithfully stood by, loyally ministering to his every need.

All members of the Long Gray Line proudly accept the challenge of contributing to the security and well being of our nation. Lil Frederick fulfilled that destiny with great élan.

—A. C. W.

Charles Steinhart Whitmore

NO. 6589 CLASS OF 1920

Died 31 January 1959, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, aged 58 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas



CHARLES STEINHART WHITMORE

CHARLES STEINHART WHITMORE, born 30 March 1900 in Wilmington, Illinois, graduated from high school at age seventeen; one year at the University of Illinois, and then to West Point in June 1918, where he graduated in the first twenty percent of his class in 1920. These are the cold statistics of the first twenty years of a warm, congenial and good natured classmate and roommate. Upon graduation, Charlie chose Field Artillery as his branch of the service, and again we were together in the Field Artillery School at Camp Knox, Kentucky. During leave, after graduation in August 1921, he and Helene Butterfield were married on 4 September in Wilmington, Illinois. At the end of his leave he reported for duty to his first unit, the 76th Field Artillery at Little Rock, Arkansas. He joined just in time to accompany it to Fort Lewis, Washington, and in 1923 he accompanied the 2d Battalion, 76th Field Artillery to Monterey, California.

Charlie's and Helene's first child, Carolyn, was born at Monterey on 8 February 1924.

In 1925, Charlie was assigned to Reserve Officers Training Corps duty, Stanford University at Palo Alto, California. There, in addition to his ROTC duties, he was coach of the polo team. During his tour at Stanford University, their second child, Kathryn, was born, 16 November 1925, at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco.

Following the ROTC assignment he received his first overseas assignment, reporting for duty in September 1929 to the 11th Field Artillery at Schofield Barracks, in Hawaii. Here again he was a member of the polo team and captain of the Inter Island Polo Club, rated two-goal handicap. From Hawaii he was assigned in December 1931 to the 17th Field Artillery at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Then on to ROTC duty at the University of Missouri in June 1934, where he received his captaincy, and again, we served together. Charlie in his quiet, friendly manner soon captivated faculty and

students. In addition to his ROTC duties he was coach of the polo team. In 1939, after five years at the University of Missouri, he was transferred to Fort Lewis, Washington, where he became Post Adjutant, and was promoted to the grade of Major.

Early in 1940 he was sent to Monterey, California, where he received six months Navy and Army training. Following this he was sent to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in October 1940. In 1941 he was transferred from Fort Lewis to Fort Leavenworth where he was assigned as instructor in the G4 section of the Command and General Staff School. Later he became head of the G4 section. While at Fort Leavenworth he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and then to Colonel.

In February 1943, he was assigned as Deputy Chief of Staff, XIII Corps, at Providence, Rhode Island. During 1943, the Corps was moved to Fort Dupont, Delaware. In October 1943, he was assigned to the G4 section, General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area, Brisbane, Australia, as Deputy G4. He became G4 of Army Forces Pacific, 1 January 1945, entering the Philippines with General MacArthur's Staff. He was evacuated by Hospital Ship in October 1945, entering Fitzsimons General Hospital in November. He was retired from active military service in July 1946.

Charlie and Helene settled in San Antonio, Texas; however, the life of leisure was not for him, and he became an instructor in Mathematics at the University of Missouri in 1947.

His old illness returned, and he died in the Station Hospital at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, on 31 January 1959. He is buried in the Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery.

—Wray B. Avera
Classmate



WILMER BRINTON MERRITT

years, intermittently, at the Coast Artillery School, Fort Monroe, Virginia, as a student in the Basic and the Battery Officers' Courses; battery commander and battalion staff officer in the School Troops; instructor in the Extension Course Department; and, lastly, Chief of the School's Training Publications Department. Prior to World War II this invaluable experience at the seat of knowledge of his chosen branch was interspersed with another twelve years, mostly as battery commander, at Fort H.C. Wright, New York; Fort Shafter, Hawaii; Fort Randolph, Canal Zone; and Fort Hancock, New Jersey. He served with distinction (six commendations) in these twenty-one peacetime years and was amply prepared for the crucial years to follow. For him, they began early in 1942 as an instructor in the Officer Candidate School and then as a member of the Coast Artillery Board at Camp Davis, North Carolina. He sailed for England in November of that year.

An insight into the caliber of his service is partly revealed in the way he went about sports. In addition to baseball, there was tennis which he even enjoyed for a few years after retirement. While stationed in Panama, he became champion of the Atlantic side of the Canal and was pitted against another fine player, Dave Hedekin, the champion of the Pacific side. Though Dave won that match, it was a thrill-packed contest which roused the crowd every step of the way as each reached for still another trick out of his bagful. In the last set, facing each other across the net, they kept slamming the ball between them, often while squatted on the court as each strove to throw the other off stride. Upon later transfer to Fort Hancock, New Jersey, Wilmer went on to become a member of the Army tennis group which played in tournaments throughout the East in competition for the Leech Cup Trophy.

This thoroughness in learning to excel and this hammer-and-tong zeal in sports were characteristics Wilmer carried into about everything that he did. As one example, there was the disaster of the crash and burning of Hugo Eckner's German dirigible, "Hindenburg," at Lakehurst, New Jersey, which so shocked the entire world in 1937. It was Captain Merritt's battery at Fort Hancock that was called immediately to the rescue. The dispatch and efficiency with which he executed this emergency mission

received immediate recognition from Fort Hancock's commander and was followed by one from Admiral William D. Leahy, then Acting Secretary of the Navy.

But it was much earlier in Wilmer's career, while a battery commander in the 64th Coast Artillery (AA) in Hawaii, that "the measure of the man" cropped out. This was in 1925 during the combined Army-Navy-Air Corps maneuvers to develop a plan for adequate defense of Hawaii (so badly needed 16 years later). Antiaircraft artillery was in its infancy then and so it is not surprising that Wilmer was in the forefront of innovations that soon caught the attention of his superiors, and even spilled over into the press. The "Honolulu Advertiser" showed pictures of him and two other young officers and hailed them as "... three valuable pioneers... and assets in the advancement of antiaircraft knowledge." It was here that Wilmer's incisive delving into Antiaircraft got its start. It was to prove so necessary years later during his two and a half years in Combat Zone England. From December 1942 till VE-Day in May 1945, he was the Defense Officer commanding the AA Section of Major General Ira C. Eaker's 8th Air Force desperately stemming the Nazi blitz of London. Particular headaches for his antiaircraft guns were those German bombs continually coming so silently and with little warning. When the tide turned in the Battle of Britain, his responsibilities increased as the fight was carried to the enemy and the 8th Air Force became the Strategic Air Force, European Theater. General Eaker praised him in those critical years as "Alert, well-versed, conscientious and thorough."

After the war ended, Wilmer had another year in Europe as a member of the Seacoast Artillery Evaluation Board, United States Forces, European Theater. The President of this Board, Brigadier General Harold R. Jackson, Wilmer's former commander at Camp Davis, North Carolina, now needed him to help assess the hard-learned lessons of the war while they were still fresh in their minds.

Returning to the United States in 1946, Wilmer served four years in Washington, first as a member of the War Department Manpower Board; then, in the Office of the Army Comptroller as Chief, Technical Services Branch of the Management Division and, later, as Chief, Administrative and Service Section of this Division. After that came two years as Professor, Military Science and Tactics at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia. And, finally, he was G2 of Second Army at Fort Meade, Maryland, during his last year before retiring on 31 July 1953.

Consistent evaluation by Wilmer's various superiors during his entire service show us an officer of constant mental and physical action, self-assertive, of pleasing manner and appearance, unequivocal, high-principled, thoroughly loyal and efficient and inspiring confidence alike in superiors and subordinates.

He earned the following awards: World War I Victory Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal and the Army of Occupation Medal (Germany).

While stationed at Fort H.C. Wright, New York, Wilmer wooed and won his bride, lovely Mary Martha McCue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Overton McCue. They were married 18 June 1923 at the bride's home, "Glen Mary," just outside Charlottesville, Vir-

Wilmer Brinton Merritt

NO. 6723 CLASS OF 1920

Died 27 September 1972 at McDonald Army Hospital, Fort Eustis, Virginia, aged 72 years.

Interment: St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Hampton, Virginia

WILMER BRINTON MERRITT was born 9 January 1900 at Pine Bush, New York, the son of Dr. Little John Merritt and Ferna Augusta McEwen Merritt. He attended grammar school at Pine Bush and finished high school at Walden, New York. Congressman Edmund Platt of New York's 26th District appointed him to West Point.

As a cadet, Wilmer was well liked by all for his cheerful outlook and intense interest in the many activities about him. He was outgoing and liked to be with others. An active outdoorsman, he spent little time indoors when he could avoid it. Of sturdy, strong physique and built to fit a horse, he loved to ride the trails in the hills above the Plain. He loved all sports and particularly excelled in baseball. "Ask him a question on baseball and the torrent of rhetoric he will spout on his favorite sport is unrivaled in volume..." it was said of him. He earned a trophy with the inscription, "To most invaluable player..."

He served over thirty-three years in the active service. These included over nine

ginia. His best man was classmate Chick Fowler. After the wedding and reception, the bride and groom departed for three happy years at his next station in Hawaii. Their marriage was blessed by two lovely daughters, Sarah Belle and Martha Pamela, now Mrs. Thomas Pescud Chisman of Hampton, Virginia. Throughout Wilmer's life their many Army and civilian friends will long remember their gracious hospitality.

Before retirement, Wilmer examined various civilian pursuits with his usual thoroughness. Deciding on the insurance field, he chose Mutual of New York to give him schooling from the ground up. Thereafter, for over 15 years until his health gave way, he successfully pursued this profession as a field underwriter in the city of Washington. The Company's District Manager there said of him, "Colonel Merritt was highly esteemed by all of us."

And he always kept in close touch with his classmates. Those of us in the Washington area well remember his untiring efforts all those years in rounding us up for monthly luncheons at the Army-Navy Club, no small feat for a group with varied interests and so widely scattered in the District of Columbia and nearby Maryland and Virginia.

In 1968, Wilmer had a slight stroke which slowed his vibrant vitality. Wisely, he and his beloved wife and daughter, Sarah Belle, decided to move from their home in Arlington, Virginia, to Hampton, Virginia, to be near the family of daughter, Martha Pamela, and her four children and five grandchildren. Later, more strokes came on and Wilmer lost ground rapidly. He died on 27 September 1972.

Wilmer's family has lost a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. We join them in sorrow in the loss of a true West Pointer, Classmate and genuine friend.

—J. A. S., *Classmate*

James Edward Bowen Jr.

NO. 7146 CLASS OF 1923

Died 3 November 1972 at Bay Pines
Veterans Hospital, St. Petersburg,
Florida, aged 72 years.

Cremation

ON 3 NOVEMBER 1972, James E. Bowen Jr. died at the Bay Pines Veterans Hospital after series of strokes complicated by heart disease.

Born on 30 July 1900 in Pecos, Texas, to James E. and Hallie Erwin Bowen, Jimmie spent his early boyhood there until the family moved to El Paso. He graduated from the El Paso High School. His ambition was to enter West Point and this he accomplished when he climbed the hill on 14 July 1919, becoming a member of the Class of 1923.

Plebe year was spent with I Company but at the commencement of the yearling year he had the good fortune to be transferred to E Company. Jimmie soon acquired the nickname of "Twospot," due to his slight frame, from his new friends. He was a sergeant in Second Class year, and acting sergeant in First Class year. A member of the cadet choir all four years, he was much in demand for the song fests that his classmates enjoyed. His ability to make people laugh was outstanding. All people were his friends.



JAMES EDWARD BOWEN JR.

Upon graduation in June 1923 he was assigned to the 23d Infantry, 2d Division at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The 2d Division at that time was a complete division. Two-sided maneuvers were frequently held and there young officers gained an insight in the maneuvering of large bodies of troops. This proved to be of great value in Jimmie's later service. Often on weekends he and his classmates would be flown to El Paso by his Air Corps classmates, where his mother would care for them overnight.

In September 1925, he was assigned to the 31st Infantry, Manila, Philippine Islands, spending two years as platoon leader and adjutant of a battalion. Again maneuvers, mainly on the Bataan Peninsula, added to his military education.

While in Manila, Jimmie was married on 23 November 1927 to Aida Waddington of Manila. Two children were born of this marriage: Colonel James Edward III, USMA 1953, and Colonel Stuart Waddington, USMA 1956.

Upon returning from the Philippines in 1928, Jimmie spent two years of garrison duty in the 8th Infantry at Fort Moultrie, South Carolina. In 1930 he was ordered to Fort Benning, Georgia, to take the Company Officers Course at The Infantry School. He found the course in tactics to his liking and scored high in the numerous problems. Upon graduating he was assigned to the 29th Infantry at Fort Benning as platoon leader. Again his aptitude for infantry tactics was evident. In 1934 he was ordered to take the Battery Officers' Course at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, followed by the next two years with the 3d Battalion, 29th Infantry. These two assignments gave Jimmie an insight into the workings of the Infantry-Artillery team.

In 1938 he was assigned as student in the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He again added to his military education by scoring high in his final grades.

In 1939 Jimmie was assigned to the 20th Infantry at Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. Duties as Post Adjutant and Regimental Intelligence Officer made his tour an interesting one. He was promoted to Major in July 1940.

As a result of Jimmie's outstanding record in tactics, he was assigned to The Infantry

School as an instructor in the Tactical Group and Attack Committee. He proved to be an excellent instructor and his problems were models of tactical value. Upon the outbreak of World War II he was clearly earmarked as a possible Division G3.

His promotion to Lieutenant Colonel, Army of the United States, came in December 1941. Jimmie returned to the Command and General Staff School as a student officer in the G3 course.

This led to his assignment as Assistant Chief of Staff, G3, 104th Infantry Division, Camp Adair, Oregon. During the rapid expansion of the Army there was great need for trained G3 Staff Officers from Theater Headquarters down, and on 25 December 1943 he reported to General MacArthur's Headquarters, Army Forces Pacific, for duty with the G3 Section. All of his prior schooling and training had been realized. His duties caused him to be active in the planning of all of MacArthur's campaigns in New Guinea up to and including Luzon and the Southern Philippines. He was promoted to Colonel AUS, on 1 March 1944. For this work he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal. Then followed duty after the surrender of the Japanese in the G3 section, General Headquarters, Pacific. This earned him his Legion of Merit. For his work in the Philippines he was awarded the Distinguished Service Star by the Philippine Government.

Jimmie returned to the United States in July 1946 with an assignment in Washington, D.C. in the Organization and Training Division of the War Department General Staff, and later in the Unification Control Office, Office of the Chief of Staff. He was promoted to Colonel, Infantry, in March 1948. On 1 July 1948 he was assigned as Executive Secretary, General Staff, Office of the Chief of Staff. Jimmie felt the need of command duty and applied for it after long service as a staff officer.

His wishes were rewarded with the assignment in June 1950 as Regimental Commander of the 20th Infantry Regimental Combat Team at Fort Kobbe, Panama Canal Zone. There he and Aida made their quarters a center of the regiment's social life. Jimmie always had a way of leading troops as he insisted on doing all that his men could do. This led in 1951 to a severe heart attack, as a result of a forced march in the Panamanian jungle. After a long siege in the hospital, he retired in 1952 with one hundred per cent disability.

Thus ended nearly thirty years of devoted service to the United States Army as an Infantry Officer, student, instructor, staff officer and regimental commander.

From 1952-1958 the BOWENS resided in Arlington, Virginia. However, during a visit to Florida, he fell in love with Clearwater Beach where they built a home and lived from 1958 until his death in 1972.

Jimmie will be greatly missed by his wife, two sons and four grandchildren. His friends will remember him for his sunny disposition and his humor which he never used in a malicious manner. He was always forthcoming with his contemporaries and a center of any group with his stories and quips. Life was never dull around him.

Jimmie was a true son of West Point. Throughout his Army career he truly lived up to the ideals of his Alma Mater. All who knew him will never forget Jimmie Bowen.

—A *Classmate*

William Lloyd Richardson

NO. 7311 CLASS OF 1924

Died 21 March 1973 in Vienna,
Virginia, aged 71 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery,
Arlington, Virginia

WHEN WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON entered West Point on 1 July 1920, after completing one year at the College of Engineering of the University of Michigan, he embarked on an exceptional military career which included close association with the development of anti-aircraft defense, illustrious service in command of anti-aircraft units in combat operations, and active participation in the early development of guided missiles as now used in the air defense of the United States and in space exploration.

Upon graduation in 1924 Rich was commissioned in the Coast Artillery Corps. During his early years as a lieutenant he displayed a natural interest in anti-aircraft artillery, a component of the Coast Artillery Corps still in its infancy in spite of some largely ineffective efforts and experimentation during World War I. After completing the Battery Officers Course at the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe, Rich was selected for the Advanced Anti-aircraft Gunnery Course. This was followed in 1936 by assignment to the 60th Coast Artillery (Anti-aircraft) at Corregidor where Rich's reputation as an anti-aircraft artilleryman began to make itself known. This assignment continued until he attended the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth in 1938. After graduating in June 1939 he served for two years as a tactical officer at West Point.

In June 1941 Rich was assigned to the Planning Branch, Operations and Training (G3) Division, War Department General Staff in Washington. This Branch, given the mission of finding a counter to the German "blitzkrieg" type of tank and air warfare, developed among other things the Tank Destroyer Force and the multiple-mount, highly mobile, rapid-fire anti-aircraft weapons.

In August 1942 Rich was assigned to the Eighth Air Force staff in England, to organize and train airdrome defense units. In February 1943, he proceeded to North Africa to study air defense operations and in March he returned to Fort Bliss, Texas, to organize and train the 51st Anti-aircraft Artillery Brigade, at which time he was promoted to Brigadier General. Rich was later assigned to the Fourth Air Force on the West Coast where he initiated and conducted the advanced training of air, anti-aircraft and signal units in combined air defense operations.

In December 1943, Rich was again assigned to the European Theater of Operations, with the mission of organizing and training the IX Air Defense Command of the Ninth Air Force, and of planning the air defense operations for the Continental invasion. His Command was officially activated on 30 March 1944, and an extensive training area was established in Northern England where fighter, anti-aircraft and signal units were given advanced operational training in conjunction with elements of the Royal Air Force.

The build-up of the IX Air Defense Command on the Continent began with the landing of advance elements of the Headquarters on Omaha Beach on D-Day. Two United States Air Defense Wings and two Royal



WILLIAM LLOYD RICHARDSON

Air Force Air Defense Sectors were employed initially, and the Command expanded until it included over 40,000 officers and men organized into six anti-aircraft brigades. These comprised all the anti-aircraft units not attached to Army Corps and Divisions on the Continent, and were spread from Marseilles to Antwerp and from the English Channel to the borders of Germany. Its mission was to defend all ports, supply depots, lines of communication, important cities and operational air bases behind the front of the United States Forces.

A bitter and prolonged battle was fought by two of Rich's brigades in defense of the key port of Antwerp against the V-1 "buzz bomb" attack, from November 1944 through March 1945. During those five months of continuous and grueling battle in midwinter weather, over two thousand V-1's were shot down and only two hundred and eleven succeeded in penetrating the defenses, but with no appreciable effect on the operation of the vital port facilities. The ammunition expenditure during these actions was so great that on a few occasions the on-hand reserve was reduced to one hour. To obviate this condition Rich instituted a resupply procedure whereby ammunition was picked up by air at the depots in the United States and flown directly to the dumps at Antwerp without intermediate stop.

During the Battle of the Bulge, numerous anti-aircraft battalions were released to the First Army for antitank defenses. Two battalions received unit citations for this work and the History of the First Army records that anti-aircraft units from the IX Air Defense Command contributed greatly to stopping the German advance. Rich's command was the only operational Air Defense Command in the United States Army Air Forces during World War II. Its units received credit for participation in the campaigns of Normandy, Northern France, Southern France, the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

Impressed by Rich's outstanding work in Europe, General Vandenburg in December 1945 recommended and secured his assignment as Chief of the newly organized Guided Missile Group in the Headquarters of the United States Army Air Forces. In this position, Rich was responsible for organizing the Air Forces' efforts in the new and important field of guided missiles. There was a profusion of missile systems for a multitude

of purposes, advanced by Army and Navy enthusiasts in the late 1940's. Many projects never got off the ground while others advanced rapidly to the hardware phases. Rich knew them all in detail and was extremely helpful in sorting out the practical ones, discarding others, and in general bringing some measure of order out of a most chaotic and costly situation. Rich also saw the pressing need for a range that could be used for testing the short, medium and long range missiles, a facility that had been all but neglected up to that time. Rich was appointed as head of a study group that investigated possible locations for such a range and the group came up with recommendations to use the vast spaces over the Atlantic Ocean with firing points located at Cape Canaveral, Florida, and down range stations to the south-east as far as Ascension Island.

Those recommendations were approved, and in March 1950 it was only natural that Rich would be promoted to Major General and assigned to command this facility, to be known as the Air Force Missile Test Center. His immediate task involved rebuilding Patrick Air Force Base as the main supporting base, and also selecting the sites for seven new bases between the Cape and Puerto Rico to the southeast. This was a tri-service project and delicate maneuvering was called for on Rich's part to keep the three services satisfied. The establishment of the range also called for contacts with foreign governments as well as for the education of the inhabitants of the islands along the full length of the range. Rich sent small task groups down through the Bahamas with improvised hardware and training aids to show the various islanders what to expect by way of overflights and to enlist the support of the population of the many island communities. Rich did much of the high level political work and his public relations program has been described as a masterpiece. Flight testing began in June 1950 and the test workload steadily increased. By 1953, the project employed some four thousand military and two thousand civilian personnel and the extension of the range to Ascension Island was underway.

In July 1954, having completed thirty years of service in the Army and Air Force, Rich retired from active duty. In recognition of his various services, he had been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and the Legion of Merit, as well as numerous foreign decorations.

In November 1954, Rich joined the staff of Mr. Theodore A. Smith, Vice President of the Radio Corporation of America, as coordinator of the extensive projects undertaken by the Engineering Products Division for the Department of Defense.

In 1956 Rich was appointed manager of Planning for Defense Electronic Products of RCA (Radio Corporation of America). He organized a formalized planning function in this division which required each executive, in an annual cycle, to make a detailed analysis of his business activities and plan for one year ahead, and to outline the objectives to be attained in each of the following four years. The purpose of this function was to attain a condition of "controlled destiny," as well as to provide management with a definite indication of the course the business could be expected to take.

In January 1958, at the time of the award by the Air Force to RCA of the prime contract for the Ballistic Missile Early Warning System, Rich was appointed Staff Director

for that program. He assisted in the management of this very large project which involved the design, development, production, installation, checkout and operation of equipments for missile direction and tracking at Thule, Greenland; Clear, Alaska; and Fylingdales Moor, England; and information displays at North American Air Defense (NORAD), Colorado Springs, Strategic Air Command (SAC), Omaha, and in the Pentagon. The RCA portion of this program amounted to approximately three-quarters of a billion dollars.

In 1964, as Assistant to the Vice President for Missiles and Surface Radar, Rich participated in the broad management of the extensive military and space electronics business conducted by that Division. He continued in this position until retirement from RCA in 1966, but was retained as a consultant until 1968.

Rich and Georgia moved to the Washington, D.C. area in 1969 where they bought a new home in Fairfax County, Virginia. Although Rich's health was generally good, he suffered a coronary attack on 21 March 1973, and passed away shortly thereafter. He is survived by his wife Georgia, two daughters, Mrs. H.J. Zmolek and Mrs. E.P. Andrews, and several grandchildren to whom his classmates extend their heartfelt sympathy. Rich was loved and respected as a husband, father and officer by all who knew him.

Practically everything of a technical or operational nature that Rich undertook was pioneering work that had never been done before, yet he managed to cope with problems in an outstanding manner as they came along. His contribution, not only to the air defense of the United States but also to the present state of development of space exploration, is of inestimable value to the nation. West Point is truly proud of him.

—His Classmates

William Henry Kendall

NO. 7440 CLASS OF 1924

Died 4 May 1970 in Sarasota Memorial Hospital, Sarasota, Florida, aged 68 years.

Interment: Sarasota Memorial Park, Sarasota, Florida

ON 4 MAY 1970, William Henry Kendall left the country he loved so much. Bill spent the early part of his thirty years in the Army in China, Hawaii, the Philippines, and the western part of the United States where he demonstrated his ability as a leader, organizer, and administrator, mainly as a Coast Artillery Officer.

Bill was born in 1901 at Fort Clark, Texas, in military surroundings. His father, Henry Fletcher Kendall, graduated from the United States Military Academy in the Class of 1878. His mother, Mary Adair Jordan, was the daughter of Colonel William H. Jordan who graduated in 1860 from the United States Military Academy. After graduating from high school in Portland, Oregon, in 1918, Bill attended the University of Washington in Seattle for one term before entering West Point.

In the years immediately preceding Pearl Harbor, he acquired experience as a brigade trial judge advocate, motor transport officer, Civilian Conservation Corps company commander, harbor defense commander, and



WILLIAM HENRY KENDALL

plans and training officer of the harbor defenses of the Columbia River.

In 1941 Bill graduated from the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and in September of that year was assigned to Camp Davis, North Carolina, and two years later became Commandant of the Barrage Balloon Training Center at Camp Tyson, Tennessee. In this capacity he was responsible for the development of all barrage balloons, the manufacture of helium and hydrogen gas, and the training of thousands of officers and men to man the balloon crews.

His exceptional business ability became apparent in the Army, particularly in his revolutionizing of the Post Exchange Service, making it not only self-supporting but profitable after he became Chief of Army and Air Force Exchange Service in 1947. He was the architect of a basic plan that is still the foundation of the successful exchange system today. He possessed a rare ability to bring out the best in people, so inspired warmth, respect, admiration, and unity in those associated with him. He was outspoken: there was never a question of knowing where he stood on an issue, but this, tempered by a dry wit and sense of humor, was a delight to his friends. He was tough on those who did not share his high sense of values.

Colonel Kendall became Chief of the European Exchange System in October 1951 and again demonstrated leadership and business ability, the base of which was integrity.

He expressed appreciation to all who were a part of an endeavor as he knew what he owed to others and wasn't inclined to say, I did this alone.

Upon retirement (for physical disability) in September 1954, he and his wife settled in Sarasota, Florida, where he became highly interested in his community. In 1956 and 1957 he made numerous studies regarding the advantages of completing the West Coast Inland Waterway from Fort Myer to Tampa. This waterway was completed in 1966 and has been of tremendous economic benefit to the West Coast of Florida and a great boon to pleasure boating as well as barge traffic. He realized a safe pass also was needed into the Gulf of Mexico for commercial and pleasure craft, and with others helped to secure federal funds for the dredging of New Pass.

While President of the Siesta Key Association, and as Chairman of the Taxation Com-

mittee, in 1961 he completed a scholarly and conservative study on the detrimental results of the doubling of the State tax on intangibles, and was instrumental in getting the tax reduced back down to one mill in 1964. During this time he became an advocate for a central water and sewer system to combat pollution.

He was President of the first Conservation Society in Sarasota County; President of his neighborhood association, a Director on the Sarasota County Chamber of Commerce, Member of the Retired Officers Club, Episcopal Church, and others. His most enjoyable hobby was boating, with classic cars coming second.

Colonel Kendall is survived by his wife Thelma and many friends.

John Archer Elmore

NO. 7552 CLASS OF 1924

Died 11 November 1971 at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 68 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

JOHN ARCHER ELMORE was born 29 December 1902 in Montgomery, Alabama. He was a direct descendant from the Revolutionary War General, John Archer Elmore, for whom Elmore County, Alabama, is so named. He received his appointment to West Point from that state and graduated in June 1924.

After graduation, John served at Fort Benjamin Harrison and Hawaii. He then attended the Infantry and Signal Schools. During the four years he was stationed at Fort Jay, New York, he met and married Muriel Metcalfe in 1935. He was ordered to Tientsin, China in 1936, then to Fort Lewis, Washington in 1938, when the 15th Infantry was pulled out of China.

In World War II, he served as Chief of Staff of the XI Corps in the Southwest Pacific theater under General MacArthur and participated in the New Guinea, Morotai and Philippine campaigns. He was Chief of Staff of the Amphibious Task Forces which assaulted the Island of Morotai and the west coast of Zambales on the Island of Luzon. He was also the Chief of Staff of the initial amphibious force landing in Japan at Yoko-



JOHN ARCHER ELMORE

ASSEMBLY

hama on the same day the treaty of peace was signed in Tokyo Bay. He was responsible for the coordination of the initial military occupation and the establishment of civil affairs in the central area of the main Japanese Island of Honshu.

After World War II, John served two tours in the Pentagon as Chief of the Operations Group of the Plans and Operations Division, War Department General Staff (1946) and as Chief of Operations, G3 Army General Staff (1952). He also served as Deputy Chief of Staff of the United States Forces in Austria, Commanding Officer of the 350th Infantry Regiment and as Commanding General, Linz Military Post, during the Austrian occupation. He later served as Assistant Division Commander of the 47th Infantry Division at Camp Rucker, Alabama, and then in Germany as the Assistant Division Commander of the 1st Infantry Division.

John was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal with V. He was entitled to twelve campaign medals. He also graduated from the Command and General Staff College and the National War College.

After his retirement for physical disability in January 1956, he was employed as Assistant to the President of the Sweda Cash Register Company for approximately two years. From 1961 to 1968 John was a consultant and member of the technical staff of the Research and Analysis Corporation of McLean, Virginia.

He was Chairman of the Washington Committee for Equalization of Retired Pay and also served as President of his Class for a period of time.

John is survived by his widow of McLean, Virginia. He also leaves his son, John S., of Detroit; two daughters, Mrs. Madeline Ryan of Champaign, Illinois, and Mrs. Jane Spears of Fairfax, Virginia; and twelve grandchildren.

John Elmore was very proud of being a graduate of West Point and truly lived up to its motto, "Duty, Honor, Country."

Ralph Augustus Lincoln

NO. 7688 CLASS OF 1925

Died 1 March 1973 in Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, aged 73 years.

Interment: Mt. Lebanon Cemetery, Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania



RALPH AUGUSTUS LINCOLN

His schooling was typical of a young Engineer officer during the middle twenties; a degree in Civil Engineering from Cornell in 1927; later, attendance at the Engineer's School at Ft. Belvoir.

In addition to the usual company officer assignments during this period, Ralph was to spend much time as an instructor, including four years with the ROTC Unit at the University of West Virginia at Morgantown.

In 1936 he received his first District assignment as Assistant District Engineer, Pittsburgh District. He found himself in a position to supervise construction work to correct conditions which contributed to the record flood of 1936. Later, after World War II and Korea, he was to return to Pittsburgh as District Engineer and make further contributions to the flood control program within the District which was to protect Pittsburgh during the flood resulting from Hurricane Agnes in 1972.

As the war year 1941 commenced, Ralph was a Captain; other promotions followed rapidly, and by the following October he was promoted to full Colonel. During the early days of the war, he organized and trained troops and as Assistant Civil Affairs Officer, Headquarters Eastern Defense Command, developed "dimout" procedures and regulations for the Eastern United States.

In 1944 he was sent overseas and, as Base Engineer, Headquarters Base F, Fincaffen, New Guinea, he had responsibility for all engineer matters in that area as well as command of twelve thousand engineer troops. As the war progressed to the Philippines, he became Chief Engineer, Philippine Base Section with similar responsibilities there. After the war, he served in the Memphis District and with the Air Force.

The advent of Korean hostilities found him in Japan where, as Deputy Engineer Japan Logistical Command, he had major responsibilities for providing engineer support to the forces in Korea.

His last assignment prior to retirement was as District Engineer in Pittsburgh which during this period had a major civil as well as a military construction program.

Ralph was proud of the fact that he was related to the twelfth President; his great-great grandfather and Abraham Lincoln's grandfather were brothers. However, he never boasted about it and stated: "I had to carve my own career and not ride the coat tails of somebody else."

He was a loyal and devoted member of the Long Gray Line and remained active in West Point affairs after retirement. He was a founder of and Past President of the West Point Society of Western Pennsylvania. One of his last acts was to submit his reservation for the local Founders Day affair.

His wife Elinor died in 1967. He married Mary E. Williams, who survives him, in 1970. Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Caryl Slater of Wooster, Ohio; a son, John Pugh of Pittsburgh; a sister, Mrs. Marie Joseph of Washington; and four grandchildren.

John Cline Strickler

NO. 7946 CLASS OF 1926

Died 21 October 1968 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 64 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

THE CLASS OF 1926 suffered a great loss when John Cline Strickler, after a long illness, died at Walter Reed Army Hospital on 21 October 1968.

Strick was born in Vidalia, Louisiana, on 12 April 1904, the son of Jesse and David Strickler. He attended public schools there and graduated from Vidalia High School in 1921. He attended the University of Louisiana in Baton Rouge for one year and in the spring of 1922 received an appointment to the Military Academy from his Congressman. Strick spent all four years in "H" Company, being appointed corporal and sergeant his last two years. He was a member of the Beast Detail and also manager of the Lacrosse Team.

Strick had no problem with academics and graduated exactly in the middle of the class. He chose Field Artillery and in October reported to the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston. During the next four years he served as Battery Officer and also as Post Police Officer. In September 1930 he was assigned as a student in the Battery Officers' Course, Fort Sill. He could hardly wait for graduation and the day after, he returned to San Antonio and was married to Flossie Adelle Davis on 14 June 1931. Their honeymoon was a de-



JOHN CLINE STRICKLER

lightful trip to Hawaii where Strick was assigned to the 13th Field Artillery. During the next three years at Schofield Barracks Strick served as Battery Officer, Battery Executive, Motor Officer, and completed the motor course conducted by the 11th Field Artillery Brigade.

In 1934 he was reassigned to the 15th Field Artillery and Flossie was able to return to her home town. A son, John Cline Junior, was born 13 November 1935. Strick continued to serve as Motor Officer until he was promoted to Captain in 1936, after which he commanded Service Battery and later, "B" Battery of the 15th Field Artillery.

In August 1937, Strick was ordered to Columbus, Ohio, as a Reserve Officer Training Corps instructor at Ohio State University. For the Stricklers this was a delightful assignment, but the shadow of war was looming and the United States Army began to expand. In 1940 Strick was ordered to Fort Bragg where he served as a Battalion S3 and participated in the First Army maneuvers at McKinney Lake, North Carolina. In July 1942, he was sent to Fort Sill, where he served as an instructor and also took the Advanced Officers' class at the Field Artillery School.

Strick was sent to Fort Riley in July 1943 to command a battalion of the 79th Field Artillery Group. This unit went to Fort Bragg and on to England in 1944, and crossed the Channel on D-Day plus Six. In 1945 he became the Group Commander, and after the war he remained in Europe in various assignments in Heidelberg and Garmisch. In August 1947, he returned to the States for a three year assignment with the South Carolina National Guard at Spartanburg, South Carolina. In September 1950, he was ordered to the Pentagon and served as a staff officer and later as chief of the North American Branch of G3. In June 1954, he became the senior advisor to the District of Columbia National Guard and served in that capacity until he retired on 31 July 1956.

After retirement the Stricklers remained in the District of Columbia where Strick continued his interest in class activities. Their greatest sorrow came on 20 January 1966 when their son, who had graduated from Cornell Engineering School in 1959 and was a Regular Army Captain in the Corps of Engineers, lost his life in Vietnam. John Jr. is survived by his wife, one son and two daughters.

In 1963 Strick became ill, but his ebullient spirit and his refusal to complain made it difficult for his family and friends to realize the seriousness of his ailment. On 28 October 1968, Flossie's beloved husband joined the Long Gray Line.

—A Classmate

Ralph Bishop Strader

NO. 8681 CLASS OF 1929

Died 6 August 1972 at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, aged 65 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

ON 6 AUGUST 1972, Ralph Bishop Strader died at his home in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Death was immediate, and according to the best medical authority, painless. Graveside services were held at Arlington National Cemetery on 9 August 1972.

Ralph was born in Midland, West Virginia,



RALPH BISHOP STRADER

on 9 January 1907. He began his military career in 1925 when he entered the United States Military Academy after graduating from high school in Clarksburg, West Virginia, and attending the University of West Virginia for one year. He graduated in 1929 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry.

His first assignment was with the 8th United States Infantry at Fort Moultrie, South Carolina. This was a significant time in Ralph's life for it was here that he met and married Sarah Rebecca Richey—the winsome, wee woman who gave him his life-long nickname of "Strate."

Ralph remained in the Infantry until 1936 when he transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service. To this point, he had experienced a fairly routine and normal career pattern for a young Infantry Officer—performing various company level assignments; attending the Company Officer's course at The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia; and a special assignment with the Schofield Barracks (Territory of Hawaii) Post Exchange. This change would allow him to distinguish himself as an outstanding Staff Officer and brilliant logistician for the rest of his military career.

The next ten years saw Ralph in varied assignments with the Chemical Corps. His first assignment was at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, with the Administration Division which was charged with the responsibility of planning Arsenal operations and procurement of Arsenal property and supplies. While at Edgewood Arsenal, in 1938, his son was born and named Ralph Bishop Strader III. In 1940-1944 he attended the Air Corps Tactical School at Maxwell Field, Alabama; served as Commanding Officer, Company "C," 2d Chemical Regiment at Fort Benning, Georgia; attended the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; and served as Chemical Officer, Air Service Command at Patterson Field, Ohio. These tours provided him with the opportunity to prepare himself to assume greater command responsibility during the latter years of World War II when Ralph was assigned to the Mediterranean Theater as Chemical Officer, Army Air Forces Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations (the Senior Air Force Logistical Headquarters), with additional duty as Chemical Officer, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of Operations (the Senior Air Force Headquarters). In these capacities, he was heavily

involved with the procurement of all chemical munitions required by both the Strategic and Tactical Air Forces in Italy, and operation of the Theater Air Force Chemical Depot System. His successful performance led him to the office of Director of Administration, Headquarters Army Air Forces Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations which was responsible for supervising activity pertaining to Personnel, Intelligence, Planning, Operations, Headquarters Command, Judge Advocate General, Protection of Unused Airfields, Operation of Air Force Rest Camps, and Clearance of United States Military Aircraft into and out of Italy. For his performance in these duties, he was awarded the Bronze Star.

Upon his return home, Ralph continued to enhance the skills he had acquired during the war years. In 1946 he served as Director of Operations and Training at Buckley Field, Colorado, where he organized, as Commandant, the first post-war Air Chemical School. He next attended the regular course at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and upon graduation was assigned to Third Army Headquarters, Fort McPherson, Georgia, as Senior Chemical Officer. After a two-year tour at Fort "Mac," Ralph's next assignment was to lead him to Washington, D.C., where he was to reach the apex of his military career.

His first assignment at the Nation's Capital was that of student—at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Upon completion of the regular course dealing with sources of National Power, Strategy, and Problems of Total Economic Mobilization, he was next assigned to the Joint Strategic Plans Group, Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Here Ralph would serve as an Action Officer at the highest levels involved with national defense during the years 1950-1953. In mid-1953 he left the Joint Chiefs of Staff to become Chief of the Plans, Training, and Intelligence Division in the Office of the Chief Chemical Officer of the Army. This one-year assignment would propel him into what would probably be his most important command responsibility.

In 1954 Ralph became the Chemical Officer, United States Army in Europe, Headquarters, Heidelberg, Germany. Here, he functioned as the Chief of the Chemical Corps Staff with the Senior Army Command in Western Europe for three years. At this point he also entered the Department of the Army's Logistics Officers' Career Program as a fully qualified logistician. In 1957 he returned home to assume his last military assignment in the Office of the Inspector General, Department of the Army.

During 1957-1959, Ralph was the de facto Chief of Staff for the Inspector General of the Army—responsible for, and charged with the determination and accounting for, the state of discipline, efficiency, and economy that existed within the Army. In 1959, Ralph retired from active service and was awarded the Legion of Merit in recognition of his consistent performance as a staff officer of the highest caliber.

In the Fall of 1959 Ralph suffered a heart attack. To many men this would have been a devastating blow—a heart attack on top of retirement after thirty active years of service. However, Ralph was determined to keep active—to continue to build upon his storehouse of knowledge and experience.

In 1960 he became the Vice President of the American Trailer Company, Inc., of Alexandria, Virginia. Also, during 1960 he

performed some consulting work for the Ryan Aeronautical Company in the industrial engineering area.

In 1961 he decided to go back to college on a full-time basis, and in 1963 he was awarded a Master's in Business Administration from George Washington University. After a brief period of semi-retirement, he accepted his final assignment.

Ralph became an Instructor associated with the University of South Carolina in its Coastal Center at Myrtle Beach in 1964. For the next eight years he taught accounting, economics, and American history to aspiring students. In June of 1972, as a Professor, he retired for the last time.

He is survived by his wife Sarah, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; his son, Ralph B. Strader III, Jackson, Mississippi; and his grandchildren, Mark and Susan Strader, Jackson, Mississippi.

To those who knew him, Ralph was a very private man, possessing an iron will and a keen mind. However, to those closest to him, it was obvious that he had a natural liking for people and an extremely quick wit. He will be missed!

John William Mackay Read

NO. 9221 CLASS OF 1931

Died 28 September 1972 in Reno, Nevada, aged 66 years.

Cremation

LIEUTENANT COLONEL John William Mackay Read, sixty-six, West Point graduate who served in the Army for twenty-two years, died 28 September 1972 in a Reno hospital.

Born 11 July 1906 in Washoe City, he was the son of John Theodore Read, Reno's first real estate agent, and Florence Moore Read, and was a third generation Nevadan. His great-uncle, Theodore Winters, bred thoroughbred race horses in the Washoe Valley.

John Read graduated from the West Point Military Academy in 1931. He belonged to the Field Artillery and served in China, Burma, India, Germany, Austria and Italy. During World War II he was Battalion Commander of the 413th and 335th Field Artillery Battalions at Fort Campbell, Ken-



JOHN WILLIAM MACKAY READ

tucky, and took a Pack Artillery Battalion overseas from Camp Carson, Colorado.

An expert horseman, he was a member of several Army polo teams. He was also a hunter and fisherman.

Retiring in 1953, John returned to the Old Read home on Vassar Street in Reno, where he was reared. His children are the fourth generation to occupy the house which was given to his maternal grandfather, Edwin Moore, along with five acres in 1900 by Nevada mining pioneer, John Mackay.

Surviving are his widow, Cornelia Potter Read; daughters, Neal Potter Read and Carol Moore Read, University of Nevada students, Reno, and Mrs. Harry Stafford, Los Angeles.

A funeral service with full military honors was held at the Mountain View Cemetery with the Reverend Richard W. Engeseth officiating. Cremation followed.

Robert Everett Quackenbush

NO. 9284 CLASS OF 1931

Died 29 August 1971 in Walson Hospital, Fort Dix, New Jersey, aged 63 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

ROBERT EVERETT QUACKENBUSH was born in Closter, New Jersey, 1 August 1908. His family later moved to Paterson, New Jersey, where Bob graduated from High School. He received a congressional appointment to West Point, entered in June 1927 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Infantry, upon graduating in June 1931.

Two weeks before reporting to his first post, Plattsburgh Barracks, New York, Bob and Elizabeth (Libby) Youmans were married.

Four happy years were spent at Plattsburgh where our two children, Ann and Bob Jr., were born.

A year at Fort Benning, then on to Fort Francis B. Warren. In the spring of 1939 the family went to Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands, where Bob was battalion commander with the Philippine Scouts.

Two weeks before we were due to catch the February 1941 transport for "stateside," Bob was informed that he would be "frozen" but that the family would be evacuated. Bob was among the lucky, however, for he did come home on 1 October 1941. He was assigned to Fort Leonard Wood but stayed there only a short time. Shortly after Pearl Harbor he joined the cadre forming the 81st Division at Fort Rucker, Alabama.

Bob stayed with the 81st throughout the War serving in the Far East. When Japan surrendered, the 81st was one of the first units to go there on occupation duty. In the spring of 1946 Bob returned to the United States to attend the Second Command Class at Fort Leavenworth.

Upon completion of the course Bob had to return to Japan. The 81st Division having been deactivated by then, Bob was assigned to IX Corps Headquarters in Sendai. The family joined him in Sendai in late summer, 1946.

After Japan there was a four year tour at the Pentagon where Bob worked as a planning officer from 1947-1951. While in Washington, Bob got his Master's Degree in International Relations from the University of Maryland.

From the Pentagon Bob went to the Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, from



ROBERT EVERETT QUACKENBUSH

whence he was ordered to Germany. After three years in Germany he was appointed Chief of the Military District of South Dakota where you can bet he did his share of hunting and fishing.

Bob's last assignment was as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Temple University, Philadelphia. When he retired from the Army Bob stayed with Temple Administration, first as Director of Corporate Relations, and then as Founder and Director of Campus Information Services.

Bob thoroughly enjoyed the academic life at Temple, but of course his first loyalty was with West Point and the Army. He was twice President of the West Point Society of Philadelphia and he became active in civic affairs.

Bob was an enthusiastic (if amateur) gardener and an avid trout fisherman, which he was able to do at our summer place on the Neversink River, New York.

He was very proud of his children. Ann, married to Lieutenant Colonel Giles D. Harlow Jr., USMA Class of 1957, United States Air Force; and Bob Jr., USMA Class of 1956, Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, and his lovely wife, Mary. Ann and Giles have two boys and two girls while Bob and Mary have four boys.

Death visited Bob with no warning at all, which was a blessing to him but very hard on us who loved him and who miss him very much.

-His Family

Robert Middleton Booth

NO. 10438 CLASS OF 1935

Died 16 October 1970 at Keesler Air Force Base Hospital, Biloxi, Mississippi, aged 58 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery
Arlington, Virginia

ROBERT MIDDLETON BOOTH, an Army brat later to become known to his closer friends as Rob, was born in New York City on 24 July 1912, a son of Colonel and Mrs. Lucian Dent Booth. He attended grade schools in Washington, D.C., and in Boston, Massachusetts, while his father (Class of 1907) was stationed at those places on Ordinance assignments.



ROBERT MIDDLETON BOOTH

At the formative age of fourteen years, his father's tour at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, opened up a whole new world to the city-bred boy. This was the beautiful and exciting world of nature which Rob loved all his life. The vast areas of the Proving Ground abounded with deer, and the creeks and coves of the Upper Chesapeake were the feeding grounds for millions of ducks and geese on their annual pilgrimages north and south. Although Rob found his life at Tome School, eighteen miles from the Proving Ground, to be stimulating and enlightening, it was the untouched rural atmosphere of the Proving Ground that was most inspirational to him. This was his first experience in living on an Army Post, and there was little doubt left in Rob's mind from then on that he wanted a military career for himself.

In 1931, having graduated from St. Albans School for Boys in Washington, D.C., and having prepped for his entrance exams at Colonel Stanton's School near The Point, Rob won a Presidential appointment to the Military Academy. Upon graduation in 1935, his first tour of duty was Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. Two years later he was assigned to the Philippines where he served with many friends and classmates from the Academy during the halcyon years before World War II.

Those years over and World War II upon the country, he served in pre-war assignments in London and, after this country's entry into World War II and his further training at Fort Benning, he returned to England and, thence, to France and Germany where, as a battalion commander in the 8th Armored Division, he was captured during the Battle of the Bulge, in December 1944. Released by his own forces, he was assigned to Camp Gordon where he married Dahlis McMurdo Marshall in the chapel at the Oliver General Hospital in Augusta, Georgia, on 10 October 1945.

Post World War II assignments took Rob to Fort Benning, Georgia; Little Rock, Arkansas; Italy; Greece; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Saigon; and again to London and Atlanta, Georgia. His family accompanied him on all but the Saigon assignment. His service awards included the Silver Star for Valor (in World War II), the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Legion of Merit, and the Commendation Medal, with Oak Leaf Cluster.

Retiring from active duty in July 1965, Rob first settled with his wife and sons in Atlanta, later accepting a teaching position in Columbia, Tennessee, and finally settling down at Fort Walton Beach, Florida, where, with rapidly declining health his final illness overtook him. He died on 16 October 1970 at Keesler Air Force Base Hospital, at Biloxi, Mississippi.

Rob leaves his widow, Dahlis; his sons, Robert Middleton Booth Jr. of Wappingers Falls, New York, and Bernard McMurdo Booth, 1st Lieutenant, United States Army, now stationed in Germany; his stepsons, George Frederick Marshall Jr. of Fayetteville, North Carolina, and Michael Playfair Marshall, of Atlanta, Georgia; as well as his mother, Louisa T. Booth, of Roanoke, Virginia; his sisters, Catharine B. Britton, of Bedford Village, New York, Frances B. Kincanon, of Roanoke, Virginia, and Leila B. Morris, wife of Lieutenant Colonel James M. Morris Jr., of Fort Benning; his brother, Colonel Cornell D. Booth, United States Army, Retired, of Tallahassee, Florida; and, also, three grandchildren. He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

—His Family

John Henry Zott Jr.

NO. 12608 CLASS OF 1941

Died 21 February 1971 in Elmont, New York, aged 52 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

JOHN ENTERED WEST POINT in July 1937 and was graduated in the Class of 1941.

He served in World War II and was awarded the Soldier's Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Commendation Ribbon, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three Bronze Service Stars, Army of Occupation Medal with Germany Clasp, and National Defense Service Medal.

After service in Germany, he returned to the United States. Having earned his Master's Degree in Petroleum Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh, he served a tour of duty in Saudi Arabia. He also attended Quartermaster School (1948), and



JOHN HENRY ZOTT JR.

Command and General Staff College (1951-52).

John retired from the Army 9 December 1953 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. After his retirement from the Service, he went into the educational field.

The following tribute was given him by the Principal of his District, Howard W. Nordahl:

John lived his life by the traditions we have grown to expect from West Point graduates. He was a devoted husband and father, a master teacher, a superb administrator, and an Army Officer of valor. As a community leader he was President of the Floral Park, New York Lions Club.

His ability and his talents were recognized by Central High School District #2 when, after three years of teaching, he was appointed Chairman of his Department.

John was known as an Educator-Soldier-Community Leader-Veteran of World War II-Faithful Friend.

He is survived by his wife Mary of Elmont, New York, and three children: Ersilia, a sophomore at Princeton University where she is a Merit Scholar; Robert, aged nine; and Johnny, aged five; and two step children: Mrs. Jo-Ann Griffin and Nicholas Ventimiglia, an honor student at Oswego University, New York; his mother, Mrs. Perna A. Zott, and his twin sister, Mrs. Robert A. Campbell, of Chevy Chase, Maryland. His brother Robert, West Point Class of 1944, died in 1949 and is also buried at West Point.

William Oliver Peak III

NO. 13619 CLASS OF JUNE 1943

Killed 9 September 1972 at Grand Island, Nebraska, aged 53 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

WILLIAM OLIVER PEAK III, eldest of four sons of William Oliver Jr. and Ella W. Peak, was born on 18 November 1918 at Munson, Florida, a logging camp no longer on the map in Santa Rosa County. He grew up in hard circumstances, earned everything he ever got, was rewarded with a loving wife and four daughters, and lived a life of exemplary service to his country in peace and war. Having received many honors and having survived many perils, Bill Peak retired from the Army in 1971 secure in the particular blessings of family and friends and the admiration and respect of all who knew him. He and Bernice settled in Grand Island, Nebraska. There in their newly-built home on the night of 9 September 1972, in a spasm of senseless, unexplained violence by a person or persons unknown, Bill and daughter Barbara were shot to death, and Bernice fatally wounded.

They are survived, in the immediate family, by daughters Kathleen (Mrs. Craig Dunbar) of Arlington, Virginia; Patricia (Mrs. Stephen Klintberg), also of Arlington; and Elizabeth, at the University of California (Santa Barbara); and by a granddaughter, Barbara Elizabeth Dunbar, born 18 November 1972. Bill's father and step-mother, Carolyn V. Peak, now of Carson, California, survive; also a step-sister, Mrs. Mildred

Bickers of Hawthorne, California, and Bill's brothers: Frank, of Norfolk, Virginia; James of Rock Island, Illinois; and Donald, of Moline, Illinois, and their families. Of Bernice's family, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Allen, of Grand Island, Nebraska, survive, and Bernice's brothers: Bruce, of North Platte, and Robert, of Hastings, Nebraska, and their families.

A brief account of the tragedy and of the interments that followed is contained in the class column in ASSEMBLY for March 1973, and need not be restated here in the same detail. It can be said that by mid-May 1973, despite intense pressures by family survivors and the personal intervention of the governor of Nebraska in the investigation, the case has still not been solved. Our purpose here, however, is to review and memorialize the life rather than the death of Bill Peak.

Bill's brother, Frank, (Lieutenant Commander, USN Retired) has described the early years this way: "We moved several times when we were small. Our mother died in 1927, and we were raised by a grandmother, an assortment of housekeepers, and a stepmother until 1935. Bill attended public school in Aledo, Illinois, until his junior year. Then, because of our Dad's injuries, we went to live with an aunt in Lexington, Kentucky, and Bill finished high school there in 1936. He was always an able student, easily maintaining a position in the top three per cent of his class. He participated in all sports and was the high school ping-pong champion. After high school, he managed to get in one year at Berea College in Berea, Kentucky. Then he worked as a house painter in Aledo and Rock Island. He was driving a cab in Rock Island just before he joined the Army."

Bill enlisted in the Army on 1 July 1938 at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, and served in the 80th Field Artillery. He gained admission to West Point the hard way—as a Regular Army competitor. Having qualified for the United States Military Academy Preparatory School at Fort Omaha, he attended the course there from 10 September 1939 to 11 March 1940, took the entrance examinations and returned to Des Moines. He won his appointment, was discharged on 30 June 1940, and sworn in as a cadet along with the rest of us the following day. After Beast Barracks, he was assigned to old "M" Co.—where he fell in with R.C. Grady and Dick Snyder as roommates.

Bill's cadet years, in his role as the "other wife" of Ducrot Pepys, are immortalized in Academy lore. After Bill's death, Grady reflected on those times again:

"Bill's young years had put strength in him, given him a wry sense of ridiculous humor, and maybe most important, afforded him a base of experience upon which his own clear judgement could put a solid structure of honor and integrity. Not a few of the rest of us, from time to time, had to ask the Honor Representative what was right in this case or that. Bill—with reason—had no need. A better companion and cadet wife never was."

During those years a young lady named Bernice Allen of Lincoln, Nebraska, visited West Point a number of times as the guest of her college roommate, Barbara Jones—the future Mrs. Grady. On her first visit, Bernice met Bill. Time passed, the class graduated on 1 July 1943, and two days



WILLIAM OLIVER PEAK III

later Bill and Bernice—who became known in the Army as "Beenie"—married.

Today's television often shows a flickering sequence of scenes, then fixes them, for the overall view, in a montage of separate segments on the screen. We can do the same for Bill and Beenie. The kaleidoscopic sequences flash by, the montage is invoked in memory, and the whole is more than the sum of its parts. To their families, friends, and those who lived the life—it will have its special meanings.

After graduation from the United States Military Academy, Bill attended the Infantry Officers Basic Course at Fort Benning. He was then assigned to the 326th Glider Infantry Battalion of the 13th Airborne Division, and went through Glider and Parachute school in 1944. As a company commander, he went with the division to the European Theater in January 1945, and returned with it in August. Realizing where the future priorities would lie, Bill volunteered for the new four-year Russian language and area studies program. This decision set the principal direction of his career from then onwards. After about a year at Columbia University, Bill and Beenie joined Detachment "R" at Regensburg, Germany, where intensive studies continued for the next two and one-half years. This was the first class in the Russian Foreign Area Specialist Training Program.

Returning to the States, Bill was assigned to his first Pentagon tour as a Soviet affairs specialist in the office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G2 (later OACSI).

Bill and Beenie lost their firstborn, a son, William IV, in infancy, but by 1952 the family included three daughters—Kathleen, Patricia, and Elizabeth; and Bill had been promoted to major. He and Beenie again went through the familiar Army ritual of packing, shipping, and moving, and spent the next year at Fort Benning in the Infantry Officers Advanced Course. The Peaks returned to Europe in May 1953, where Bill served two years with the United States Army, Europe (USAREUR/G2) at Heidelberg and one with the 41st Armored Infantry Battalion at Mannheim. The next phase, 1956-57, was attendance at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, where contacts with many classmates were renewed, then back to the Pentagon from 1957-60 for another tour as a Soviet

specialist in OACSI. Barbara was born in 1958, and Bill made Lieutenant Colonel in 1959.

After a year in Korea as Exec and Deputy Commanding Officer of the 1st Battle Group, 5th Cavalry, Bill rejoined the family and packed off to Carlisle for the Army War College year of 1961-62, during which he also earned his Master of Arts from George Washington University. During the next two years, Bill served in staff and command positions at the Special Warfare Center, Fort Bragg, and returned again to Washington in 1964—and again to estimates and analysis of Soviet/East European affairs, but now in the new Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA). He and Beenie bought a home in Fairfax—next door to Bill and Cecile Cover. Soon afterwards Beenie went to work as a real estate sales agent, in a firm whose sales manager was Bill Malone. Bill Peak was promoted to Colonel on 20 October 1965. Having transferred earlier to the Military Intelligence Branch, he served from November 1966 through October 1967 as Commanding Officer consecutively of the 149th and 525th Military Intelligence Groups in Vietnam.

He was then again assigned to DIA, in a senior managerial position. The years were spinning by now. Kathleen graduated from George Washington in January 1968 and was married in February. Patricia was at the University of Nebraska. In June 1969, Bill and Beenie, with Elizabeth and Barbara, returned to Europe and joined the American Embassy staff in Budapest, Hungary, where Bill was Defense and Army Attache for two colorful and eventful years. For outstanding performance of this duty, he received the Legion of Merit, as he had previously received the same award for his service in Vietnam.

On 31 July 1971, at Fort Myer, Virginia, Bill retired from the Army. He and Beenie then moved to Grand Island, Nebraska, where he became Comptroller and Vice President of Allen Drugs, Inc., the family firm built up by Beenie's father and brothers, with stores in Grand Island, North Platte, and Hastings. In the short time remaining to him, Bill made his mark in business, as he had long since done in the Army. Patricia graduated, and, later, was married in December 1971. Elizabeth was progressing well at the University, and Barbara in high school. The new home, a lakeside property, was built to Bill and Beenie's specifications. Surely this was snug harbor, and all storms weathered. Until 9 September 1972.

Take your HOWITZER for June 1943 and turn to page 424. Look at the picture if you will, for a moment—but in particular look at these words, none truer ever written in a light-hearted HOWITZER sketch: "The Army is getting something it can really use..." It did. General Westmoreland wrote to Bill on 8 October 1971: "Throughout your career, your efforts consistently advanced the ability of the Army to promote the security of our Country." The signatures on the letters of commendation in Bill's file, from the time of his first Pentagon tour, are a roster of familiar names of distinguished commanders and Intelligence and Operations chiefs in the critical years of 1950-1971. For example, Mr. Sherman Kent, then Head of the Board of National Estimates of the United States Intelligence Community attested to Bill's outstanding performance in an unusual letter in July 1960. Privately, Mr. Kent has stated:

"When Bill began to talk, everyone else began to listen. He was one of the best staff estimates officers I have ever known."

Upon learning of the tragedy of 9 September 1972, Lieutenant General Joseph F. Carroll, United States Air Force (Retired), the first director of DIA, described Bill as "an invaluable asset to the Intelligence Community not only because of his competence and dedication, but also because of his warm and engaging personality. He was a superb intelligence officer, an outstanding and courageous soldier, and, as a man, he personified all that is good in the accolade 'An officer and gentleman.'" Lieutenant General Alva R. Fitch, United States Army (Retired), former Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence and former Deputy Director of DIA, wrote: "For over twenty years I knew Bill Peak well. In the Russian field he was a mainstay of Army and Defense Intelligence. He was known and respected throughout the Intelligence Community. The specialist can become typed, to the detriment of the broader interest of the Army. Not Bill. He always sought opportunities to return to troops. He was both an expert and a soldier's soldier." Another former Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Lieutenant General William P. Yarborough, United States Army (Retired), is perhaps better known as "father" of the Special Warfare Center, and it was in this capacity that he knew Bill best: "He was a gentleman in every sense of the word and a professional soldier of the highest quality. His personal life was unimpeachable, and Beenie was a perfect companion to him. She radiated warmth, charm, and good breeding. During the formative years of the Special Warfare Center, we were most fortunate in having Bill as liaison and interpreter between the school and the academicians of the civilian echelons concerned. The security of the United States was a sacred trust with him."

Out of some dark, irrational malaise, a hand flailed and struck Bill down; but his life shines through that darkness. In all mythology and legend, it is said, there is some element of original reality. Lately, the concept of the American Dream has taken a lot of abuse from those who deprecate it as mythology without value or even existence. How about this scenario, then, for a true modern personification? "Born in a logging camp, house painter, cab driver, soldier, scholar, father, troop leader, expert specialist, business executive, friend and classmate, and always-gentleman." Those who deprecate might well look at Bill Peak's life—then very quietly ask themselves if they have what it takes to match it. . . .

Over in Spain, an old "M" Co. typewriter clattered again and the first biographer rightly has the last rough words:

"Well, he's dead. Those behind have the comfort of having known him alive to keep as they should keep a lucky piece. It'll bring them more than luck. It'll give them strength, and it can't be lost.

"The friends who mourn him will remember a fine, unflappable brother-at-arms who had the ability to laugh at the hard right time, to prod when prodding was needed, and to go out in front and walk when that was called for.

"Words are marks on paper. Bill's life was marks on people. Good, solid lasting marks, with people happier for them."

—RCG and WWC

William Warren Gude

NO. 21376 CLASS OF 1957

Died 20 March 1973 in the skies over Holbrook, Arizona, aged 38 years.

Interment: Sunset Memorial Park,
San Antonio, Texas



WILLIAM WARREN GUDE

ON THE EVENING of 20 March 1973, in the skies over Holbrook, Arizona, two F-111 planes crashed and Bill Gude was one of four pilots who perished.

His body was brought to San Antonio, Texas, and his funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on 26 March 1973 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Grayson Street. The services were conducted by Father John Fowler of St. Michael and All Angels of Tucson, Arizona. He is a friend of the family. The following is the eulogy given by him at the funeral services for Bill Gude.

"The death and last honors of the Church for one of its sons, and the burial of his body, are, of all times, not a time for shallow sentiment and comfort. There is comfort to be had, but it goes deep into grief. There is sentiment in every healthy human reaction to death, but it is the sentiment that comes from love and the suffering of love. The death of our dear husband and father and son and brother, William Gude, strikes everyone who has known him and loved him with grief and the deepest regret.

"The death of such a man, in the full pride of life, must be honestly seen as an event of tragedy and regret. We believe that God snatches victory out of tragedy, but that does not obscure the necessity to mourn decently and humanly the profound loss of so good a man. There is a triumph to death, because Christ has died and lives again, and men and women on earth die to go to Him. But in the death of a man who could expect many years of life more, there comes a long period of separation which has a bitterness it would be dishonest to deny. There are those of us who still need him, and we shall not have him near us for a while—for some it will be a long while—until we go to Almighty God with him.

"Still the bitterness is mixed with a sweetness, as all the real sufferings of love have a bitter-sweet quality. All that we now do,

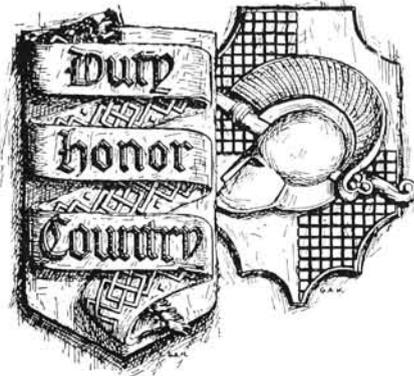
this place, this occasion, these great acts at the altar, proclaim that the man we come to pray for, the one we love, is living this instant in the care of God. What we offer here is nothing less than the suffering and death of the Son of God. And His death is the prelude to His resurrection. The only reason we are able to offer the sacrifice of Christ in the Mass at all is because Christ is alive forever in His human Body. The mass is the regular proclamation that Jesus Christ is alive forever—and that His people live with Him forever after they die on earth.

"The Church does not encourage us to dwell at length on the attributes of its people when we come to give them back to God. But I, for my part, cannot forebear to mention, for us all, certain of the traits of William Gude which make of his death a solemn occasion, even though we know that death cannot hold him. He was a man of the broadest interests and accomplishments—a man of more sides than most of us—creative art, music, literature, the technology of flight, friendship, unaffected human love for the people God gave him to love. He wore all of these utterly without affectation or self-consciousness. The attractions of his personality were immediate—but to know him better was to know more of what he brought to a friendship. If an old veteran may say so, he was the sort of humane gentleman that the United States military cannot afford to do without. There are few enough of him. For all of these things, we mourn his going, but we give him with confidence into the hands of God whom he loved and worshipped—and the Body of Whose only Son he received each week at the holy altar.

"The best things are not ended by death—generosity, beauty, love, friendship. That is why you and I have come here to do these things today for the soul, the honor, and the memory of William Gude. We plead the holy sacrifice of the death and resurrection of Christ for him—and we plead it for ourselves, so that we may take courage and comfort to go on without him for a while. I read the other day a passage from the diary of Sir Walter Scott, which he wrote at the death of someone he loved. I happened to read it on the day I heard of Bill Gude's death: 'He is sentient and conscious of my emotions somewhere—how we cannot tell—yet would I not this moment renounce the mysterious yet certain hope that I shall see him in a better world, for all that this world can give me.' Thank God for the poets who know more about the human things than all of the philosophers. There was a book of poetry on Bill Gude's bedside table when he was killed. That's the kind of man he is."

Bill Gude was born at the old Post Hospital at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, on 17 June 1934. He enlisted on 22 August 1952 and the next year entered the United States Military Academy on 7 July 1953. When he graduated on 3 June 1957 he went into the Air Force, and among his many stations he served at Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, from 6 October 1963 until 18 July 1966 and at Cam Rahn Air Base, Vietnam, where he flew the F4C from 27 December 1966 until 12 November 1967. His combat record shows that he flew 186 aerial missions, 326 combat hours and 74 out-of-country missions.

Bill is survived by his wife Marilyn, daughter Lisa, son Warren, two brothers, Frederick and Daniel Gude, two nephews, one niece and by his parents, Colonel and Mrs. Elmer W. Gude of 224 Calumet Place, San Antonio, Texas 78209.



Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the September 1973 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Hugh H. Broadhurst	1905	6 January	1973...Andalusia, Alabama
Ernest J. Dawley	1910	8 September	1973...Fort Ord, California
John R. Walker	1910	3 September	1973...New York, New York
Rudolph C. Kuldell	1912	30 August	1973...Houston, Texas
Michael F. Davis	1915	31 August	1973...San Antonio, Texas
Clyde R. Eisenschmidt	1915	17 August	1973...Tulsa, Oklahoma
William W. Cowgill	Apr 1917	22 September	1973...Washington, D.C.
Christian G. Foltz	Apr 1917	16 January	1973...Palmyra, Pennsylvania
John R. Nygaard	Apr 1917	24 October	1973...Great Lakes, Illinois
Paul W. Cole	Aug 1917	22 September	1973...Oakland, California
Leo M. Kreber	Jun 1918	5 September	1973...Chillicothe, Ohio
Curtis Welborn	Ex-Jun 1918	28 April	1973...Winnetka, Illinois
Bonner F. Fellers	Nov 1918	7 October	1973...Washington, D.C.
John B. Hughes	Nov 1918	3 May	1973...San Francisco, California
Joe D. Moss	Nov 1918	8 August	1973...Washington, D.C.
Isaac H. Ritchie	1919	21 August	1973...San Francisco, California
Charles M. Adams Jr.	1920	15 October	1973...San Diego, California
George W. Bailey Jr.	1920	8 October	1973...Newport Beach, California
William I. Brady	1920	27 September	1973...Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
Robert Edwards	1920	13 April	1973...Healdsburg, California
Wayne S. Moore	1920	15 September	1973...Point Clear, Alabama
Charles H. Swartz	1920	August	1973...Tacoma, Washington
Edward T. Williams	1920	14 October	1973...San Antonio, Texas
James E. Bowen Jr.	1923	3 November	1972...St. Petersburg, Florida
Francis P. Molloy	1926	13 September	1973...Farmington, Connecticut
Guy E. Thrans	1927	6 June	1973...Barberton, Ohio
Herbert Milwit	1929	22 September	1973...Washington, D.C.
LeRoy Bartlett Jr.	1930	15 September	1973...Walnut Creek, California
Phineas H. Adair	1931	6 September	1973...Saginaw, Michigan
George M. Wertz Jr.	1931	20 October	1973...Arlington, Virginia
Harold Walmsley	1932	10 October	1973...San Antonio, Texas
Charles J. Bondley Jr.	1934	14 October	1973...Orlando, Florida
Charles M. McAfee Jr.	1937	30 May	1973...Washington, D.C.
Robert R. Little	1939	19 May	1973...San Diego, California
Gilbert H. Woodward	1940	17 October	1973...London, England
John J. Shultz Jr.	Jan 1943	11 September	1973...Tacoma, Washington
George B. Brown Jr.	1944	2 August	1973...Richmond, Virginia
Edwin R. Decker	1944	16 July	1973...Kimmswick, Missouri
Keith A. Boss	1948	29 January	1973...Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Philip Sheridan	1951	28 October	1973...Guam
William F. Tamplin Jr.	1960	19 September	1973...Washington, D.C.
Kenneth D. McArthur	1965	3 August	1973...Louisville, Kentucky
Jimmy M. Ford	1969	6 October	1973...Bamberg, Germany
Paul T. Dempsey	1971	18 August	1973...Fountain, Colorado

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1912 STOCKHOLM	1932 LOS ANGELES	1952 HELSINKI
*GUY V. HENRY, JR. '30 RIDING	*HARRY B. CHANDLERLIN '10 RIDING	*GUY W. TROY '40 HOB. PERT.
*JOHN C. MORTONBERRY '03 RIDING	*JOHN T. COLE APR. '17 RIDING	*FREDERICK L. BURNAN '51 HOB. PERT.
*EPHRAIM F. GOODMAN '05 RIDING	*EDWARD V. ARGO EX-JUN. '10 RIDING	*HARLAN W. JOHNSON '51 HOB. PERT.
*SCOTT B. BRECKENRIDGE EX-'04 FENCING	*JOHN W. WOFFORD '26 RIDING	*JOHN E. B. WOFFORD EX-'53 RIDING
*GEORGE S. PATTON, JR. '08 FENCING, HOB. PERT.	*LEROY J. STEWART '22 RIDING	1960 ROME
*HAROLD H. RAYNER '12 FENCING	*EARL F. THORSON '22 RIDING	*GARLAND S. O'QUINN, JR. '50 GYMNASTICS
1920 ANTWERP	*ANDREW A. FRIERSON '24 RIDING	*EDWARD FAGGONAS '50 TRACK
*JOHN W. A. BARRY EX-'02 RIDING	*CARL W. A. RAGUSE '24 RIDING	*RONALD L. ZIHN '52 TRACK
*FRANCIS W. BONEYCUTT '04 FENCING	*RICHARD W. HAYO '28 HOB. PERT.	1960 SODAN VALLEY
*BERKELEY T. MERCHANT '05 RIDING	*BROOKER W. SPADY '29 HOB. PERT.	*LAWRENCE J. PALMER '58 HOCKEY
*WILLIAM W. WEST '05 RIDING	*RAYMOND W. CURTIS '27 RIDING	1964 TOKYO
*BLUAK OAK '07 RIDING	*CLAYTON J. HANFIELD '29 HOB. PERT.	*JOSEPH S. ARLOFF '51 ROWING
*ROBERT SEARS '08 FENCING, HOB. PERT.	*GUSTAVE H. HEISS '31 FENCING	*RONALD L. ZIHN '52 TRACK
*HARRY B. CHANDLERLIN '10 RIDING	1936 BERLIN	1968 MEXICO CITY
*KARL C. BRECKENRIDGE '12 RIDING	*DEAN HUDNUTT '10 SHOOTING	*MAURICE T. LOUGH '64 HOB. PERT.
*HAROLD H. RAYNER '12 FENCING, HOB. PERT.	*CORNELIUS C. JADVIN JUN. '10 RIDING	*MICHAEL B. SILLIMAN '68 BASKETBALL
*ALEXANDER H. WEYAND '16 WRESTLING	*EARL F. THORSON '22 RIDING	1972 MUNICH
*EUGENE L. VIDAL NOV. '18 TRACK	*CARL W. A. RAGUSE '24 RIDING	*ROBERT S. BOW EX-'68 FENCING
*THOMAS S. BERRY NOV. '18 TRACK	*E. STANTON BARCOCK '25 RIDING	
*JOSEPH A. CRANSTON '18 BOXING	*MILD H. HATTESON '25 RIDING	
*HERRY I. SZYBANSKI '18 WRESTLING	*JOHN W. WILLERS '25 RIDING	
1924 PARIS	*RAYMOND W. CURTIS '27 RIDING	
*BLUAK OAK '07 RIDING	*THOMAS J. SANDS '28 FENCING	
*EDGAR W. TANDECK '10 RIDING	*FREDERICK H. WEDER '30 FENCING, HOB. PERT.	
*ERNEST H. HARRIS APR. '17 HOB. PERT.	*GUSTAVE H. HEISS '31 FENCING	
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