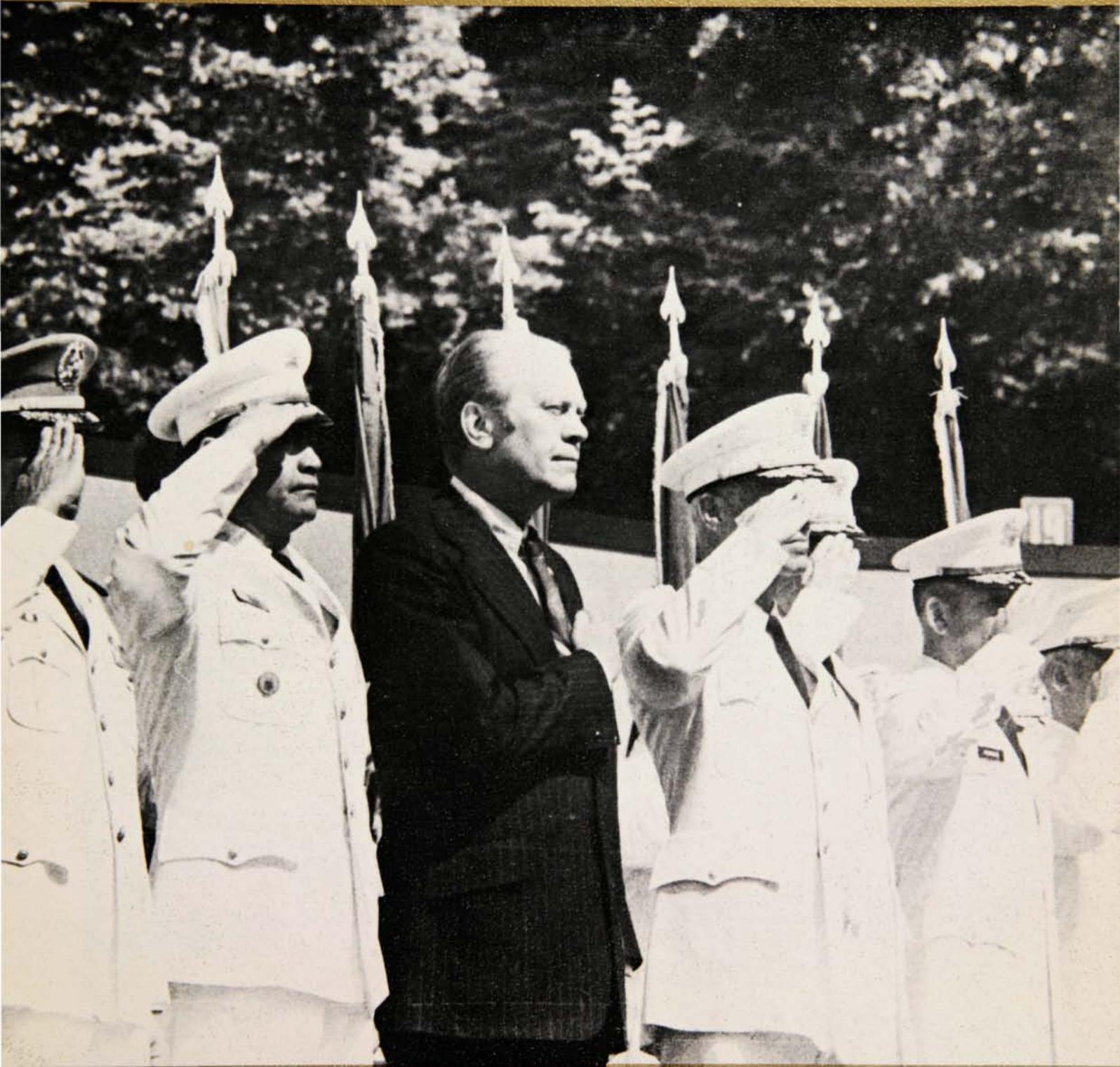


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Fellow Graduates and Friends of the Military Academy:

President Gerald R. Ford's graduation address highlighted the events of a superb June Week 1975. Paying tribute to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces, acknowledging West Point's contribution to the nation and its people, and supporting a strong national defense establishment, the Commander-in-Chief delivered an inspiring message to the 862 graduating members of the Class of 1975 in this 174th year of existence of the United States Military Academy.

Members of the Class of 1975 were commissioned in the following branches of the United States Army: Air Defense Artillery - 61; Armor - 131; Field Artillery - 172; Infantry - 262; Engineers - 125, and Signal Corps - 76. Ten members of the class will enter medical school in the fall for eventual service as Army doctors, and one was graduated but physically disqualified for commissioning. Eighteen were commissioned in other services with 16 going into the United States Air Force, one to the United States Navy and one to the United States Marine Corps. Three foreign cadets graduated and have returned to their native countries of El Salvador, Nicaragua, and the Philippines.

Major General Frederick E. Uhl, Class of 1910, led the always impressive procession to Thayer Monument for the traditional Alumni Exercises. Over 950 alumni in attendance during June Week constituted the single largest alumni group on record ever assembled at West Point. A full schedule of class activities completed a memorable June Week.

The Class of 1979 entered the Military Academy on July 7th. Of the 5847 candidates nominated and examined, 2360 were found qualified and 1435 were admitted. Ninety-two percent of the class ranked academically in the top two-fifths of their high school class with 757 being members of the National Honor Society. Of the 1435 admitted, 1139 were varsity lettermen, 529 were athletic team captains, and 301 were class or student body presidents. Of the 132 cadets who identified themselves as members of ethnic minority groups, 86 are Black Americans; 19 are Spanish Americans; 18 are Oriental Americans; 6 are Puerto Rican Americans and 3 are Native Americans. West Point continues to attract top quality young men with high potential from all walks of life and from all segments of the American people.

New Cadet Training is as tough, demanding and challenging as ever with increased emphasis on physical conditioning and military field training. The New Cadets met well the challenges of an intensive physical conditioning program which included calisthenics, rifle exercises, frequent long runs, conditioning marches, a confidence course, and a wide variety of sports. They enjoyed the military training program which included basic individual training, M-16 rifle qualification firing, bayonet training, tactical marches and bivouacs, squad exercises, air assault training with helicopters, and a final week of field training conducted during an encampment which began and ended with a 16-mile march with full field equipment. The Class of 1979 was accepted into the United States Corps of Cadets at a parade ceremony on 28 August.

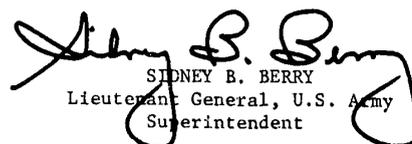
The Class of 1978 acquired new military skills and knowledge, gained in maturity and poise as individuals, strengthened their bonds of friendship, and added lustre to their class reputation during their advanced individual military training program at Camp Buckner, on the back 15,000 acres of the West Point Military Reservation, and during a week's training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. They learned some of the field lore of the air defender, the field artilleryman, the engineer, the infantryman, the signaler, and the tanker. They were trained and supported by outstanding soldiers of the XVIII Airborne Corps; the 82nd Airborne Division; the 1st Battalion (Ranger), 75th Infantry; and the officers and enlisted soldiers of the Military Academy's staff and faculty and the West Point garrison. The Third Classmen ended the summer with an enhanced appreciation and understanding of the requirements, opportunities, and satisfactions of the soldier's life and work in the Field Army.

The Class of 1977 spent its summer out in the Army school system and with the Field Army. Second Classmen variously underwent training in airborne, ranger, helicopter flight, jungle warfare, and northern warfare courses; and they served for four to six weeks as troop leaders with active Army units and training centers from Alaska and Hawaii to Panama and Germany. This year, as for the past several years, cadets report that their experiences as junior officer troop leaders in active Army units and training centers strengthened and reinforced their motivation to graduate and become Army officers.

The Class of 1976 provided excellent leadership this summer to the New Cadets and the Third Classmen. These First Classmen concentrated on setting high standards for those under their tutelage and on using leadership attitudes, techniques and practices that have been proven sound and appropriate for American soldiers. "Professionalism" is the key work in the thoughts, practices and examples of the members of the Class of 1976 as they have undertaken their leadership responsibilities for the United States Corps of Cadets.

As we conclude the 1975 summer training program and begin the 1975-76 academic year, I am pleased with the summer's accomplishments and confident about the prospects for the coming academic year. Our Alma Mater is in sound health and many exciting things are under way that bode well for the future. I foresee an excellent academic year ahead, expect our athletic teams to improve their performance over that of last year, and predict a winning season for the Army football team.

Sincerely,


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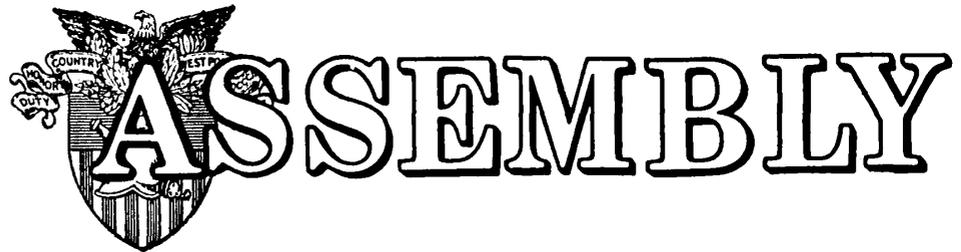
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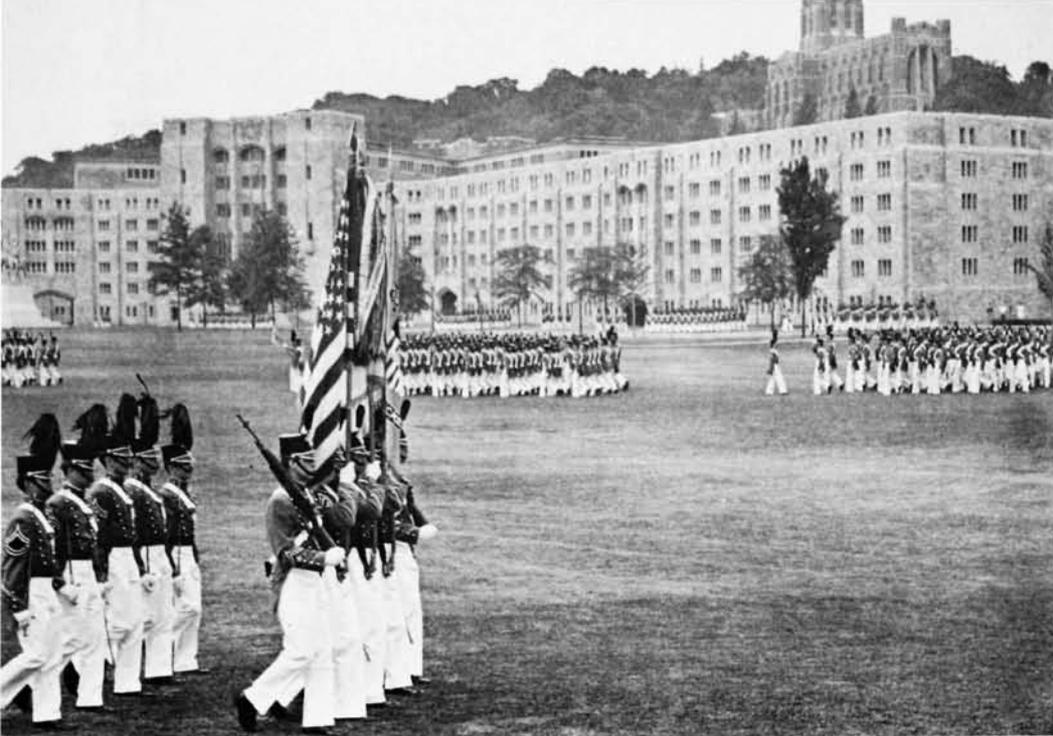
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Alumni Review



Oldest grad, Uhl '10, with Superintende and First Captain saluting Thayer.

Reunion 1975

June Week 1975 saw the return of over 950 graduates, the most ever, to West Point for reunion activities. Reunion Classes included '10, '15, '20, '25, '30, '35, '40, '45, '50 and '65—the largest number ever to attend reunion activities. The Class of 1945 had the largest number returning followed by 1965. The oldest graduate present was Major General F.E. Uhl, Class of 1910. Among the distinguished graduates present were two former Superintendents, USMA—Lampert '36 and Bennett '40—and four star generals, Van Fleet '15, Lemnitzer '20, Clarke '25, Bradley '30, Howze '30, O'Meara '30, Porter '30, Wood '30, Haines '35, Bennett '40 and Miley '40.



The center of the review line—Alumni Review.

Alumni led by oldest grad, Uhl '10, cross Diagonal Walk en route to Thayer Monument.

Alumni reviews the Corps.





Junior end of line for Alumni Review.



Senior end of line for Alumni Review.

Receiving line after alumni dinner.



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Gift presented to USMA for the Class of 1935 by Glass '35.



Peter Hurd, noted artist, presents his painting of old Fort Selden, New Mexico, to USMA in honor of Class of 1925's 50th anniversary.



Barnes and Galloway present Class of 1925 gift of Moon Globe to USMA for use in classroom instruction.

Cameron presents Class of 1950 gift to USMA for restoration of the Thayer Collection.





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1910

Following closely behind Lieutenant General Sidney B. Berry, the Superintendent USMA, and his Staff, escorting the oldest graduate at this Reunion in 1975—our Classmate Major General Frederick E. Uhl—came three members of the Class of 1910 leading all the graduates of this Reunion, celebrating their return to West Point, along the historic pathway to the ceremonies at the Colonel Thayer Monument. Four graduates with two wives, relatives and friends made a total of 12 celebrating the 65th Reunion of this illustrious Class of 1910. The marvelous cooperation of our Military Aides made our 65th Reunion most enjoyable and never to be forgotten.—Lewis





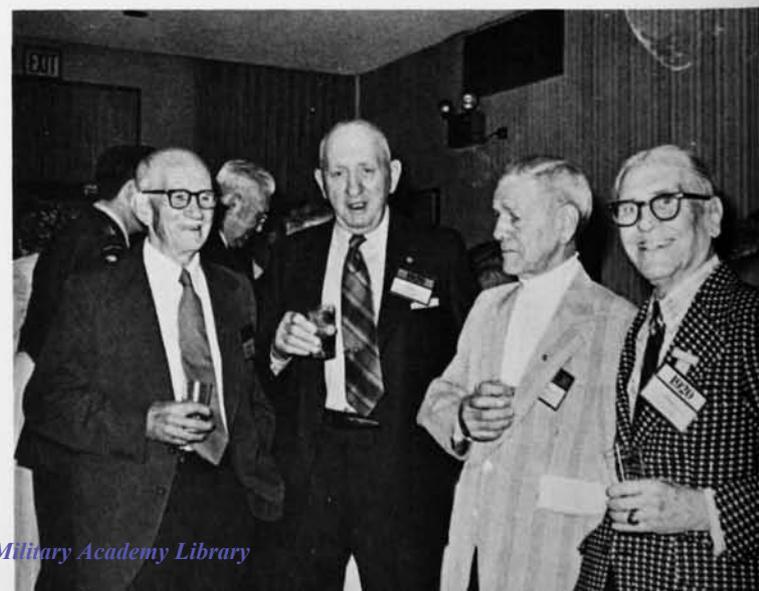
1915

As we gathered for our 60th Reunion the words of an old English school marching song, used on similar occasions, came to mind:

“Sixty years on, growing older and older,
Shorter in wind as in memory long.”

How well these words fitted us! But what a wonderful time we had, perhaps best described by a single word — Pride. Pride in the growth of the Academy and The Corps; Pride in today's graduates; Pride that the “togetherness” of our Class had withstood the test of three score years; and Pride that we, as a Class, had contributed in some measure, however small it might be, to the West Point of today. And now, since our 60th Reunion belongs to the memories of the past, let us turn to the promises of the future: Only four years and a butt until our 65th!—*Peabody*



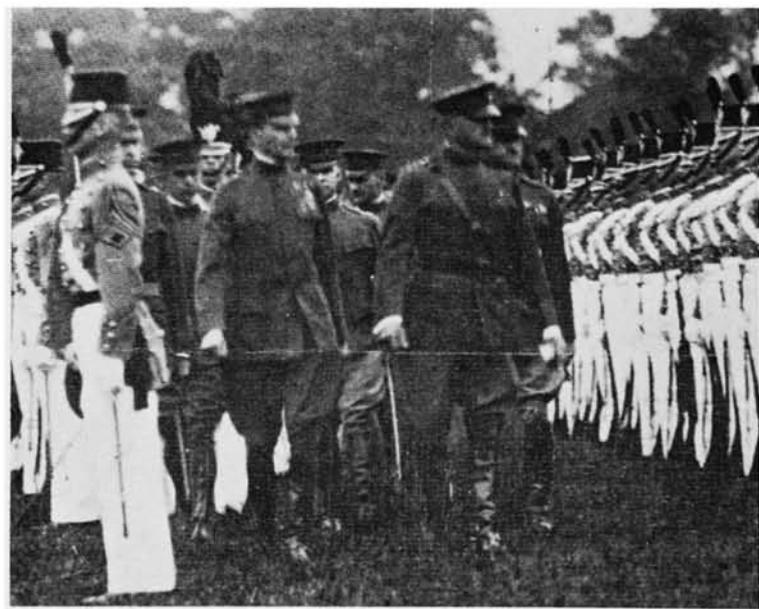


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1920

Having spanned, in our active service and retired status, over a quarter of our beloved nation's history, we stand proud and ready, as ever, to serve at its beck and call.

Below: GEN Pershing, escorted by GEN MacArthur, reviews "The Corps" at Graduation 1920.





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1925

On 12 June 1925, 245 First Classmen were graduated from West Point. On 28 May 1975, at their Fiftieth Reunion, 64 of these graduates, accompanied by wives and joined by nine Class widows and five non-graduated Class members, reassembled to pay homage to their Alma Mater. Reunion activities bringing us together included the Alumni Dinner, the Superintendent's Reception and the Class Dinner. A highlight was, of course, the Alumni March to Thayer Monument, with the Class of Twenty-five not far from the head of the column; at the review, the appearance of the Corps impressed us deeply. Of special significance were the presentations of gifts to the Academy: the Moon Globe, the Class gift; a painting of Old Fort Selden, New Mexico, presented by our classmate artist, Peter Hurd; and a framed picture of Grant and his generals, with their autographs, the gift of Jim Boudreau.—*Chamberlain*





1930

So the 45th is now history. Perhaps it was only a small page we wrote 28-30 May, but it was a pleasant one—the best five-year reunion so far. Such peripatetic types as Charlie and Betty Dodge and Ray and Charlotte Brisach arrived the day before to check on arrangements. But by early Wednesday evening the crowd at the Golf Club made it obvious that most of the Class had gathered, to enjoy a picnic of steak with generous “fixings” and an adequate bar. Among those present were Hal and Karine Smith, who surely must have won some sort of prize: They were among those who came the farthest (from Seattle) and it was Hal’s first trip back ever! Thursday morning, everyone was on his own. A large group made a special sightseeing tour of West Point, a few played golf, others went shopping or looked up cadets, and still others just relaxed by the motel pool. There was a buffet lunch at the Thayer Hotel for the sightseers. Thursday evening, the flag was carried for the Class at the Supe’s reception by the Beasleys, the Neils, the O’Mearas, the Pospisils, the Webers and Connie Booth. The great majority took the ferry boat cruise on the Hudson—from Newburgh to Bear Mountain and back—with a bountiful buffet, drinks and a beautiful evening. Friday, most of us made the Alumni Review, sat for a Class picture and went to the Alumni Luncheon. The weather, which had been beautiful, finally produced rain during lunch. That night the festivities concluded with a dinner dance (happily planned to be indoors at the West Point Army Mess). A few fell out or left early, but it was a fine conclusion to a fine reunion.—Wood





1935

With many nostalgic moments, 82 classmates gathered at West Point for our 40th Reunion. Everyone had a great time and we are grateful to Chapman, Rogers and Greenlee for planning and arranging our memorable three-day program.





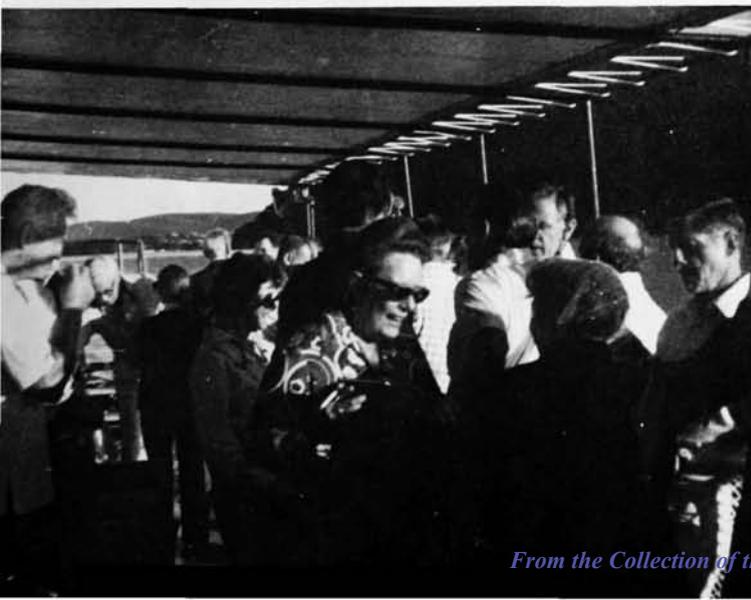
1940

And now it was the seventh time we returned to the great plain hard upon the river flowing from the northlands to the sea. And all the tribes were there tepeed at the waterhole with name of la ramada. We came from the west and to the north, the far western shores of that great water, the southwest, the central heartland and the south, the sun-splashed states of the great gulf and southern ocean, and also from the eastern coast and from the north. There were even four of us who came from lands outside the nation on silver birds to stand up and be counted.

Starred, eagled, and leaved we were here to take note of four hundred twenty moons now passed. We were chieftains now, survivors of three savage wars, and all along we only thought of peace. Now we do not run the deer or kill the caribou, but rather raise our voice at the campfires of common counsel where our word is heard with deference and respect.

If there is a happy hunting ground for us, it is in this great dutch valley for here we hunt our memories. Three days there were of thoughts of long ago.

And after the third day we did return from whence we came, confident again in the long gray line and the three precepts by which we live—Duty, Honor, Country.—*Brewerton*





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1945

We had an unforgettable 30th Reunion. Ladycliff's facilities made it particularly enjoyable. Our committee had planned well. The cocktail party and dinner Wednesday evening got things off to a great start—each of us renewing friendships and comparing notes on 30 eventful years. There were 240 members of the Class present plus 180 wives. That's almost one-third of the living members of the Class attending. Thursday we had a memorial service conducted by Al Knight in the morning and a picnic at Camp Buckner in the afternoon when we awarded medallions to Class sons graduating this year. The weather was beautiful. After the alumni exercise Friday morning we joined all alumni for lunch and heard the Supe give credit for his beast barracks training to '45. Our own Class business meeting was held later in the afternoon and an outstanding Class dinner-dance at the officers mess that night. Let's all plan to meet for the 35th.—*Macintire*





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1950

The Class of 1950 came to its Twenty-fifth Reunion with three purposes in mind:

- To renew old ties to the Academy and to the country which it serves.
- To resume friendships that stretch back nearly thirty years.
- To honor the classmates who have died since graduation.

Each of these goals was well met during the three short days we shared at West Point. The Academy has changed so much since June Week 1950, and for many of us this was the first time to see the new barracks, the converted Riding Hall, Eisenhower Hall—and all the new and reshuffled monuments (where is General Sedgwick?), not to mention cadets living in the West Academic Building. It was with a great sense of pride that the Class dedicated, to our fallen classmates, the restoration that has been done on the Thayer Collection in the Library. All in all, it was a great reunion!—*DeGraf*



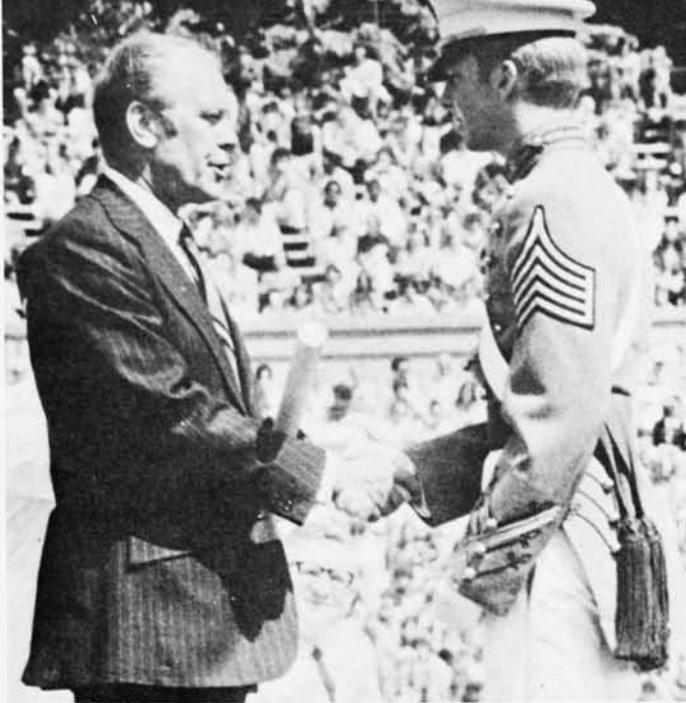


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1965

Making our appearance for the first time as the junior reunion class, the Class of '65 turned out 163 classmates plus their families. Registration opened at noon Wednesday at the Timmermans' quarters until the opening picnic started at Barth Hall, Camp Buckner. With a great many of the Class staying with local classmates, Thursday was a day to visit until the Association of Graduates Dinner Dance at Washington Hall. Friday morning the Class took part in the march to Thayer Monument and the Alumni Review. Then rain struck and rushed us to the Association of Graduates Luncheon. It should be noted that a few escaped the rain by gathering at Gus's. With rain still lightly falling the Class held a dinner party at the site of our "500 NIGHT" party, Bear Mountain Inn, sixty hardy souls arriving by boat. Saturday the Class turned out in strength at the Old Cadet Chapel for a memorial service. Once again it rained as the Class rushed to brunch at the Officers Club, thus ending this year's reunion.—*Fish*





The President congratulates the No. 1 cadet—John M. McMurray.



The President congratulates the last man in order of merit—Eugene E. Shaw Jr.

GRADUATION

WITH the President of the United States as the commencement speaker the largest crowd in years saw 849 cadets of the Class of 1975 receive diplomas. The Superintendent USMA swore in 828 as commissioned officers in the U.S. Army, 16 in the U.S. Air Force, one in the U.S. Navy and one in the U.S. Marines. The graduation class included three foreign cadets from Nicaragua, Philippines, San Salvador. Fourteen additional First Classmen were required to attend extra instruction during June and 13 of these were graduated and commissioned in the U.S. Army on 27 June after successful completion of all academic requirements.

President Ford was introduced by the Superintendent USMA and made the graduation address to the class saying:

"On March 26 of this year at the White

House ceremony, I had the very great honor to present the American Cancer Society's award to one of the outstanding members of this graduating class, the captain of the Army's football team, Cadet Robert E. Johnson.

"I, obviously, don't have to tell you how richly deserving of this award Bob Johnson is. As the ceremony ended, Bob urged me to visit the Military Academy at West Point, and quite frankly, I didn't need much urging.

"It is certain, I am sure, in your minds that I am delighted to be here with you this morning. But let me transform that delight into a more practical form of expression.

"It has become a time-honored tradition at the Academy that a visiting head of State is entitled to grant remissions of cer-

tain punishments. I don't know who started this tradition, but as General Douglas MacArthur once said, 'The long gray line has never failed us,' and today I am not going to fail the long gray line.

"So, with the powers vested in me as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, I hereby order the remission of all ordinary punishments immediately and without delay.

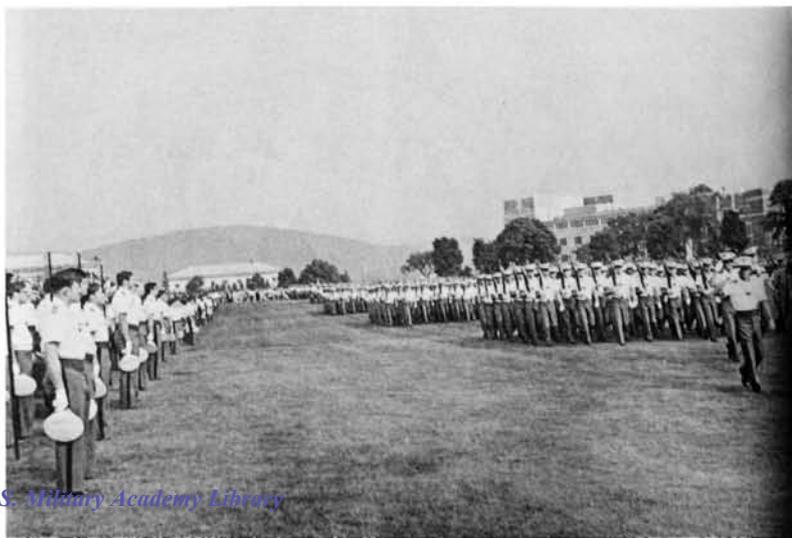
"I am deeply honored to be here. The traditions of West Point run throughout our history. The long gray line has extended from here to the ends of the world. And now you accept that inheritance, carrying with you not only the traditions of West Point, but the hopes of your countrymen.

"For two centuries, the United States

(Photo courtesy Times Herald Record)



First Class reviews the Corps at Graduation Parade.





The President congratulates the last man in order of merit—Eugene E. Shaw Jr.—and shares the applause.



2LT Harris '75 with his fiancée. (Photo courtesy **Times Herald Record**)

1975

Army has stood for freedom. Since this Academy's founding in 1802, West Point has provided leaders for that Army. The purpose of the Army and West Point today are one and the same as they were at their historic foundings: to be ready at the Nation's call to carry out with dedication and with honor the duty of defending the liberty of our land and our people.

"The battle of freedom will take many forms in the years ahead. The will of America will always be tested. It is our job, yours and mine, to be prepared for those tests.

"In recent weeks, I have become cognizant—I have come to realize as never before how closely the free world watches the United States of America. Nations observe our example and our leadership in meeting the tremendous challenges of

maintaining the peace and the momentum of economic progress.

"At the same time, I have seen how much depends upon the skill and superior professionalism of those who serve the United States, either in uniform or as civilian representatives of our country. The tremendous productivity of America's farms and factories, the sophistication of our technology and the durability of our political institutions all arouse the envy and the admiration of friend and foe abroad.

"But our one really essential resource is our people—our dedication to our national purpose. You may have read, or heard, that our allies and other overseas friends have questioned the continuing resolve and unity of our Government as well as our people, and that I went to

Europe to give them reassurance. Fortunately, I did not find that the degree of doubt among the leaders with whom I met requiring such extensive reassurance, nor would mere words be enough to convince these very practical political leaders.

"What has impressed them and what will impress them are demonstrations of the essential unity of America in the pursuit of our national goals, both at home and abroad.

"One such practical demonstration will be the fate of the 1976 defense budget which I proposed to the Congress in January. Because the United States today is at peace, there are some who want to cut back on defense spending and put these dollars into their own pet domestic programs.

"The hard fact is that we have con-

First wedding—LT Nick Johnson and his bride.



Borman '50, Graduation dinner speaker, receives award of cadet saber from Class President Hayes.





Receiving line at Superintendent's Reception for Graduating Class.



The President, Secretary of the Army Callaway, and others on speakers platform. (Photo courtesy **News of the Highlands**)

sistently done this in recent years, while our potential adversaries have consistently increased their military budgets.

"In real terms, our defense spending has dropped to its lowest level since before the Korean conflict. It is my firm conviction that we cannot afford further erosion in our bedrock defense budget and I, for one, will fight hard to prevent it.

"I believe that the American people want a defense posture that is second to none, one that will maintain our qualitative superiority now, as well as in the future, one that will be sufficient to insure peace through the mutually honored commitments we have with reliable allies and through the dedication of highly motivated and professional military establishments, which you are about to enter as officers in the United States Army.

"I think it is instructive to recall that this Academy was founded during the Jefferson Administration. Thomas Jefferson was consistently suspicious of large-standing armies, and an ardent supporter in his insistence on civilian authority over the military.

"Nevertheless, Thomas Jefferson was a champion of quality and educational excel-

lence. President Jefferson knew that freedom's defense could not be entrusted to amateurs in a world of expansionist powers and opportunistic pirates.

"Whatever price our poor and youthful Republic had to pay for its full independence and the protection of its lawful interest, Jefferson and the Congresses of his day—and, I might add, the people—were willing to pay.

"I believe that the Americans of 1975 are just as willing to pay that same price. That is why I continue to press for a comprehensive ten-year program to develop enough domestic energy to make the United States fully independent of foreign oil and externally fixed prices that threaten both our economic health and our national security.

"This could be another convincing demonstration to our allies and to our adversaries, that Americans have lost neither their nerve, nor their national will.

"All of the encouraging declarations of commitments to mutual defense and mutual progress, which I heard at the NATO summit conference in Brussels last week, will be meaningless unless the industrial democracies have assured themselves of

sources of energy to power both their economic and their military efforts. Once again, the United States is looked to for leadership and for example.

"Of course, energy independence is going to cost us something. Of course, an adequate level of defense is going to cost us something. But, the price of sacrifice is far less than the price of failure. Freedom is never free, but without freedom, nothing else has value.

"No previous graduating class in the history of West Point will be called upon to fill so many different roles and to perform so many exacting missions as the Class of 1975.

"Like those who preceded you, you must know military strategy, tactics and logistics. You must master the increasingly complex machinery of warfare. You must learn the lessons of leadership. But today, as never before, you will need a sense of history, a grasp of economic principles, an appreciation of science, a mastery of geopolitics and diplomatic conventions.

"The Commander-in-Chief can state a policy and issue an order, but only disciplined and dedicated subordinates can successfully carry it out.

Recognition after Graduation Parade.



Graduation Hop





The President addresses the graduating class. (Photo courtesy *News of the Highlands*)

COL Robert Wray, USMC, swears in his son, Douglas T. Wray.

"Each of you must understand that in the complexities of today's world, we must, of necessity, pursue complex policies. We must be, at the same time, both strong and conciliatory.

"While we must at all times maintain a defense second to none, we must also pursue better relations with our adversaries. Detente, to be effective, must be a two-way street, producing benefits for each side, based on genuine efforts of both sides.

"To combine the qualities of good citizens and good soldiers, the ability to lead and the ability to obey leadership, to use your intellectual powers and the judgment to the fullest within the stern demands of discipline and duty—these are the personal challenges worthy of the highest callings to which man aspires.

"I know that each of you will meet them, as have all the West Pointers who pledge themselves to duty, honor and to country.

"As a young Congressman I was one who urged your greatest graduate to return from Europe and campaign for election as President of the United States. I remember listening to General Eisenhower speak of the importance of those three words in his own distinguished career.

"He kept them in the forefront of his thoughts during his years as President. It was his devotion to duty, honor and country that brought peace to the world, respect to America and progress for all our people during his eight years in the White House.

"I thought of President Eisenhower often during my recent visit to Europe, how he led millions of Americans and allied forces to liberate Western Europe, how he returned in uniform to organize and command the first NATO defenses while Europe rebuilt itself, and how he searched diligently for peaceful and positive relations with the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe throughout his Presidency.

"To all of these great responsibilities, he brought the qualities of leadership and dedication; leadership and dedication to duty for which you have been trained for the past four years.

"Not all of us will be called upon to make the great decisions that President Eisenhower had to make, but each of us will be called upon to make decisions upon which the welfare of our country may depend.

"I congratulate you as you accept that challenge and that opportunity for service to the Army and to America. Your career will exact high dues: Periodic danger, separation from loved ones, and moves so frequent you may have trouble putting down your roots anywhere.

"But, it will also offer unique opportunities. It is unlikely that any of your civilian contemporaries of the Class of 1975 will so soon face the challenges which some of you may face within a few weeks.

"You will be charged with the upkeep and operation of technology more expensive and more complex than some Americans will ever handle in their lifetime.

"More important, you will be responsible for the well being of other Americans, sometimes in situations where your decisions mean the difference between life and death.

"Your apprenticeship, with its basic education, is ending, but you may be expected to use its lessons, at any time. It is an enormous human test, but testing makes men as well as nations stronger and far more confident.

"Having met the test of World War II, Dwight David Eisenhower said in 1946, and I quote, 'We must not look upon strength as a sin. We must look upon it as a necessity—but only one of the contributions we are making to the development of a peaceful world.'

"As some of you may know, last night, or early this morning, I returned from a

trip to Europe to strengthen the peace. It was most encouraging at the summit meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty nations to find a new sense of unity, a new sense of confidence in the United States. It was most inspiring to receive from His Holiness Pope Paul VI the admonition that right and justice must guide all our efforts.

"I am convinced that our major alliances are strong and firm. I am convinced that our allies' confidence is not misplaced. I am confident that our cause is just and right.

"In Salzburg, I met with Egypt's President Sadat to continue our exploration of new steps towards peace in the Middle East. That, of course, is the most serious international issue of our time. The United States is in a unique position to help promote a peaceful solution, and I assure you we will make a major effort in that regard.

"The American commitment to freedom since World War II—the sweep of a generation—has been so vast and so enduring that it serves no purpose for me to recount it here. But it does serve a purpose to remind ourselves, our friends, and our potential adversaries, that Americans are still prepared to pay the price of freedom, that we will honor our commitments, that we will do our duty.

"That is why I am here today at West Point. You have beautiful buildings, tremendous individuals, cadets, professors, others. West Point has unbelievably great traditions and West Point, on the record, has superb traditions for which we are all proud. That is why all of us are here today in the process of paying tribute to all of this class.

"But as we pay tribute, let us renew together our Founding Fathers' pledge to our country of our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor, and let us always remember that freedom is never free.

"Thank you very much."

In Recognition of Outstanding Achievement 1971-1975

DURING June Week ceremonies 83 members of the Corps, most of whom were in the graduating class, received 111 awards in recognition of outstanding achievement in the military, academic, extra curricular and athletic endeavors. The awards are made possible through contributions of organizations and interested individuals. The Association of Graduates extends its appreciation to the donors for their support and congratulations to the new graduates upon their achievements.

Following is a list of recipients and their awards:

JOHN M. McMURRAY: The General Robert E. Wood Distinguished Cadet Award, a medallion and a United States Savings Bond to the number one man in General Order of Merit for four years. The U.S. Grant Award, a wrist watch for the highest rating in Engineering Fundamentals. The Peruvian Army Award, a plaque to the number one man in General Order of Merit for four years. The Francis Vinton Greene Memorial Award, a set of books for standing number one in the General Order of Merit for four years.

ROBIN B. SELLERS: The Class of 1930 Award, a silver bowl to the cadet having demonstrated the highest degree of excellence in Economics. The Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States Award, a wrist watch for the highest degree of excellence in Political Science. The 77th Infantry Division Reserve Officer's Association Award, a silver tray to the cadet who ranks highest academically in National Security and Public Affairs. The National Society, United States Daughters of 1812 Award, a silver tray to the graduating cadet demonstrating the highest degree of excellence in International Affairs.

DANIEL W. KRUEGER: The National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution Award, cross sabers for the highest rating in Mechanics of fluids. The Society, Daughters United States Army Award, a wrist watch for outstanding achievement in Third Class Chemistry. The Lieutenant Colonel Rodney H. Smith

Memorial Award, a set of bookends for the highest rating in Civil Engineering. The Association of Graduates Award, a silver tray to the number two man in General Order of Merit for four years.

ROBERT A. DUNN: The Robert E. Lee Memorial Award, a saber for the highest rating in Mathematics.

HOWARD E. BARTON JR.: The National Society, Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century Award, a set of books for the highest rating in English.

PAUL S. SCHAEFER: The American Legion Award, a silver tray for outstanding achievement in Chemistry.

THOMAS A. BERENS: The Steuben Society of America Award, a wrist watch for the highest rating in German.

ROBERT J. BONOMETTI: The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Award, a camera for the highest rating in Classical and Modern Physics. The Leslie R. Groves Award, a silver tray for the highest rating in Nuclear Physics. The General John H. Forney Historical Society Award, a wrist watch for Military Excellence in First Class Tactics.

JAMES H. ALGEC JR.: The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Award, a set of books for the highest rating in Fourth Class English. The Herman Beukema Memorial Award, a silver pitcher for excellence in Social Sciences.

GEORGE D. CLARK: The Hal Beukema Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Outstanding Hockey Player. The Ray Marchand Memorial Award, a silver tray to the captain of the 1975 Hockey Team.

PETER L. GUTH: A scroll, in recognition of his selection as the recipient of a Hertz Foundation Fellowship in Geology. A scroll, in recognition of his selection as the recipient of a National Science Foundation Fellowship in Geology. The Major Clement A. Trott Memorial Award, a set of books for the highest rating in Law. The Congressional Medal of Honor Society Award, a pistol for the highest rating in Environment. The Brigadier General Richard J. Tallman Memorial

award, cross sabers to the number four man in General Order of Merit for four years.

RONALD ANDERSON: The Military Order of the World Wars Award, a wrist watch to the graduating cadet who has made the greatest improvement since the completion of his fourth Class year.

JOHN V. R. REDINGTON: The National Society, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Award, a wrist watch for the highest rating in Portuguese.

WALTER V. LOWE JR.: The Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Award, a calculator and a certificate for excellence in Electrical Engineering.

STEPHEN D. TOWNES: The Eisenhower Award, a silver tray for excellence in Military Psychology and Leadership.

JOHN H. HUG: The Colonel James L. Walsh Memorial Award, a wrist watch and plaque for the highest rating in Weapons System Engineering.

ROBERT J. O'NEILL: The Sons of the American Revolution Award, a camera for the highest rating in Advanced Engineering Fundamentals.

PATRICK G. FINDLAY: The Brigadier General Clifton Carroll Carter Memorial Award, a pistol for the highest rating in Second Class Mechanics of solids. The Class of 1926 Award, binoculars to the graduating cadet with the highest composite standing in Applied Science and Engineering.

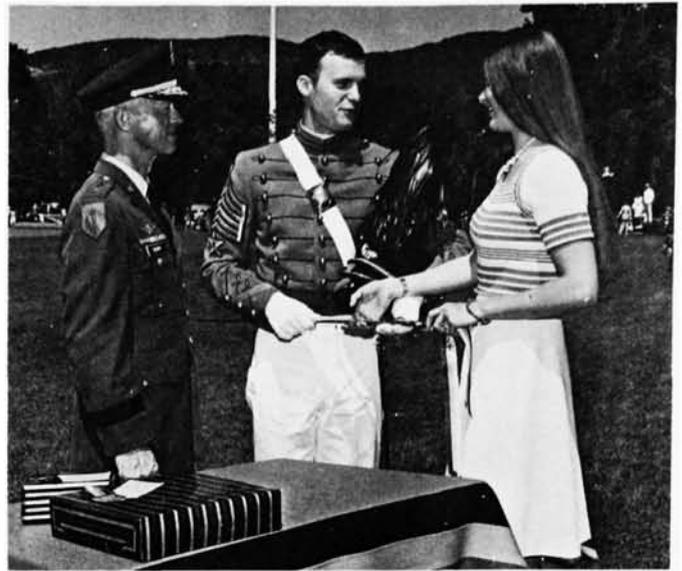
DONALD H. LUZIUS JR. The Ladies Auxiliary Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America Award, a set of books for the highest rating in Humanities.

RAYMOND K. PERKINS: The National Society, Daughters of the American Colonists Award a silver tray for the highest rating in Spanish.

WILLIAM H. VENEMA: The Order of Lafayette, Inc. Award, a plaque for the highest rating in French. The Lieutenant Thomas D. Thompson Jr., Memorial Award, a wrist watch to the cadet in the graduating class who most distin-



Dorian T. Anderson receives the Army Athletic Association Trophy for the most valuable service to athletics during his four years as a cadet.



James K. Abcouwer receives the Pershing Sword in recognition of outstanding achievement as Cadet First Captain and Brigade Commander.

gushed himself in writing literary papers.

ROBERT E. MOCKOS: The Colonel Philip Mathews Memorial Award, a silver bowl for the highest rating in Russian. The Association of Graduates Award, a silver tray to the number three man in General Order of Merit for four years.

LEONARD A. ALT: A scroll in recognition of his selection as the recipient of a Hertz Foundation Fellowship in Nuclear Engineering. The Brigadier General Gerald A. Counts Memorial Award, a silver tray for the highest rating in Advanced Physics.

GARY D. NIEDERLANDER: The Brigadier General Charles J. Barrett Memorial Award, a wrist watch to the outstanding cadet in Advanced Foreign Language Study.

WILLIAM M. MORGAN: The Military Art Award, a set of books and a medalion for the highest rating in the History of the Military Art.

STEPHEN G. BRANSCOM: The Brigadier General William E. Morrison Memorial Award, a wrist watch to the graduating cadet with the highest rating in Chinese.

JOHN A. HOOK JR.: The Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia Award, a gold medal to the First Class member of the Cadet Honor Committee who stands highest in General Order of Merit.

MICHAEL S. SMITH: The Military Applications Section Award, Operations Research Society of America, a certificate and a set of books to the outstanding cadet in Operations Research.

GARY A. MITCHELL: The Major John Alexander Hottell III Memorial Award, a scabbard and saber to the graduating cadet with the most distinguished record for excellence in Modern History. The Bainbridge-Reynolds-Hayden Family Memorial Award, a set of books to the graduating cadet attaining excellence in History.

BRIAN P. CARR: The Colonel Herbert Bainbridge Hayden Memorial Award, a set of books to the cadet in the grad-



John M. McMurray receives the U.S. Grant Award for the highest rating in Engineering Fundamentals. He also received the General Robert E. Wood Distinguished Cadet Award, the Peruvian Army Award and the Francis Vinton Greene Memorial Award for graduating number one in his class.

uating class standing highest in Basic Sciences.

ROBERT A. McDONALD: The Royal Society of Arts Award, a silver medal to the graduating cadet with the most distinguished academic record and significant role in cadet activities. The Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 Award, a wrist watch to the Brigade Adjutant of the United States Corps of Cadets.

DAVID O. RITTENHOUSE: The General of the Army Omar N. Bradley Award, a wrist watch for excellence in Concentrated Mathematics Studies.

MICHAEL R. SIMONE: The General of the Army Omar N. Bradley Award, a wrist watch for excellence in Research in History.

JEFFREY C. AKAMATSU: The Outstanding Company Commander, Fourth Regiment, USCC Award, a silver tray to

the Outstanding Company Commander, Fourth Regiment, USCC.

JAMES K. ABCOUWER: The Association of the United States Army Award, a wrist watch presented by the Superintendent to the cadet who best exemplified the traditions of the United States Military Academy and the United States Army. The Knox Trophy, a silver cup to the United States Corps of Cadets on which is inscribed each year the name of the cadet having the highest Military Efficiency. The Pershing Sword to the Graduating Cadet First Captain and Brigade Commander.

PHILIP J. FREEMAN and **DAVID E. JOHNSTON:** The General John J. Pershing Award, wrist watches for the highest rating in Tactics.

DORIAN T. ANDERSON: The General Douglas MacArthur Award, a silver

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Head table at Annual Meeting: (L-R) Ulmer '52—Commandant of Cadets, USMA; Uhl '10—Oldest Grad; Berry '48—Superintendent, USMA; Saltzman '25—President AOG, Smith '44—Dean, USMA; Brown '41—Acting Chairman, Nominating Committee; Reverend McCormick—Catholic Chaplain.

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Annual Meeting of the

ENLARGED by the Class of 1945, celebrating its 30th Reunion, and the Class of 1965, returning for its 10th Reunion, the annual meeting of the Association of Graduates on 30 May 1975 was perhaps the largest ever held. After receiving the cadet review in their honor on the Plain, returning alumni assembled in the new wings of Washington Hall for luncheon, with cadet hosts at each table, and the annual business meeting of the Association.

Gavelling the meeting to order, the President of the Association, Saltzman '25, introduced those seated on the dais, with special recognition given to the oldest graduate present, Uhl '10, and the ten reunion classes in order of graduation seniority.

In opening his remarks to the membership, Saltzman noted that a report on the affairs of the Association had been distributed to each table and would be printed in the September 1975 ASSEMBLY. He informed the members that the Treasurer's report would also be published in September and he urged the members to read the reports.

Reminding his listeners that the nation and the Academy were entering a period of celebration of the nation's bicentennial, he directed members' attention to past events as instruction for the present and future.

"As many of you know from 'The River and the Rock' by Dave Richard Palmer of the Class of 1956, two hundred years ago this very day, acting upon the instructions of the Continental Congress, Colonel James Clinton and Mr. Christopher Tappan, distinguished citizens of the State of

New York, had just completed the mission that had been given them to 'go to the Highlands and view the banks of the Hudson River there, and report to this Congress the most proper place for erecting one or more fortifications, and likewise an estimate of the expense that will attend erecting the same.' We know that, ultimately, those fortifications were erected here at West Point and that they became a Highlands fortress which not only provided security to our infant nation but also became a symbol of its resolve. We know, too, that from that *physical* fortress grew a different kind of fortress—this Academy—and, as graduates, we believe that it, too, has become a bulwark upon which our nation depends for its security.

"One hundred years later, almost to the day, after Colonel Clinton and Mr. Tappan had visited these Highlands for the Continental Congress, one hundred and eleven graduates of the Military Academy assembled here, much as we are gathered today, in annual reunion. They, too, looked back to the beginnings of the Republic on this piece of land. I would like to quote from the address given at that annual meeting by Professor Charles Davies, Class of 1815, Professor of Mathematics and the senior graduate present: 'We are assembled under the skies which canopied Washington and his army. We are assembled on the very plain which that army occupied. We behold, today, the mountain tops on which the fires of freedom were lighted in the early hours of the Revolution—some of them (i.e., the mountain tops) yet crowned with the crumbling battlements

which made this place a tower of strength and the stronghold of our safety.'

"At that time a century ago Professor Davies' address was primarily concerned with healing the wounds which resulted from our graduates' participation on different sides in the Civil War which had ended a decade before. We, like the graduates assembled in 1875, look to our past for instruction with which we may make progress in the future. We have learned that fortresses, both physical and symbolic, must be modified and improved as time goes on and have learned that they are places to go out from, rather than to stay within. Perhaps most importantly, we have learned that if fortresses are to serve their purpose, the people who man them must be united and strong of purpose, trusting of each other and dedicated to service other than to themselves.

"These are qualities which West Point has nurtured in its graduates and contributed to our country. As we view the Academy today, and as we meet and talk with graduates—young and old—we see unmistakable evidence that these qualities continue to exist in full and ample measure, and we may have complete confidence that they will be passed on to future generations of graduates of West Point."

In concluding his remarks and introducing the Superintendent, Saltzman added: "For the near future, the person who will make the greatest single contribution to the achievement of that goal is the 50th Superintendent, Lieutenant General Sidney B. Berry, Class of 1948. General Berry's distinguished career is well known and I shall not present it here. I would only add that if it is true



Some of the members with cadets at annual AOG Luncheon Meeting, Washington Hall.



Saltzman '25, President AOG, making his annual report to members.

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that a large measure of the success of the Military Academy stems from having just the right Superintendent for the times, we may be reassured that we have him today."

The Superintendent opened his address by reminding the alumni that he was completing his "plebe year" as Superintendent. He informed the returning graduates that during the year he had made an appraisal of the Academy and a determination of ways in which it could be strengthened and improved. He said his remarks would be a report on that appraisal, using five subject areas: the "verities" of West Point, his own overview of West Point, items of current interest, his view of the immediate future, and areas for emphasis.

Addressing the verities of West Point, the Superintendent summarized the central purpose of West Point as follows: to develop soldiers; to develop high quality Army officers willing, ready and able to lead and command the nation's land warfare force in peace and in war, especially in war; and to maintain and nurture the professional ethic—the ethos—of the United States Army and its soldiers. He said he saw the essential spirit of West Point to be as expressed in the concepts of "Duty, Honor, Country" and service—selfless service—and that from these concepts evolve the Academy's fundamental strengths—its sense of purpose; its high ideals; the quality of the Academy's mission and people; the challenge to people; the discipline, especially as a basis for self-discipline; and West Point's excellence of standards and performance. The Superintendent stated that the en-

during challenge to everyone who is concerned with West Point is to improve the excellence of everything that is done at the Academy and the quality of the West Point graduates and that this challenge is met by building on the best of the past, bringing appropriate, constructive change and maintaining the central purpose, essential spirit and fundamental strengths.

Turning to the subject of his overview of West Point, the Superintendent concluded that the institution is sound, its programs are sound, the people of West Point are sound, and the Academy's ideals are maintained and supported by the people of West Point. He stated his belief that the Class of 1975 will be a distinct asset to the Army and the Class of 1976 will be an outstanding First Class. He added that while his overview of the Academy is optimistic, improvement is possible.

The Superintendent then reported on three items of current interest—the General Accounting Office (GAO) study of service academies, the Defense Department Committee on Excellence in Education, and women cadets at West Point. On the subject of the GAO Study he reminded the Alumni of the background and purpose of the study, the schedule for its three phases—attrition, cost of operations and academic and military programs. He informed the graduates that the one phase of the study which is complete—the cost of operations phase—contains 3 recommendations:

(1) Department of the Army and USMA should review manpower staffing levels; (2) appropriate military positions

should be civilianized; and (3) continued in-house operations of functions, which are subject to civilian contract, e.g., operation of the cadet mess, should be justified. The Superintendent reported that action on the recommendations is underway. He concluded that the GAO Study, thus far, has had a beneficial effect in that it has been the cause for needed reexamination of some operations. The overall effect of the full study must await final reports and results.

The Superintendent reviewed the composition and method of operation of the Defense Department Committee on Excellence in Education, which began its study in December 1973 and whose purpose is "to afford executive examination and overview of the education programs of the Defense Department and to exercise management control over the creation, operation, and termination of the various elements of those programs." He concluded that the work of this committee has also had a good effect on the academies in that it has caused a scrutinization and a reexamination of activities. He added, that, importantly, the Committee's study has brought the service academies together and has encouraged increased mutual understanding among the personnel of the academies.

Reporting on the issue of women cadets at West Point the Superintendent stated that both before and since he assumed the Superintendency he had been asked the question: "Should women enter West Point?" He stated that in his judgment this question should not and could not be answered logically without first asking

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TREASURER'S REPORT

ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES, U.S.M.A.

BALANCE SHEET		
ASSETS	March 31	
	1974	1975
Current Assets		
Cash on Hand	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Cash in Bank:		
Checking	27,665.40	17,651.12
Savings	135,728.98	102,801.08
Endowment	1,152.82	67,555.72
Inventories (at cost):		
Gift Shop	91,044.11	101,913.52
Total Current Assets	255,741.31	290,071.44
Investments and Time Deposits (cost)	3,765,402.13	4,074,788.89(1)
Property and Equipment (cost)		
Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment	53,695.44	45,067.79(2)
Less Accumulated Depreciation	53,695.44	45,067.79
Total Property and Equipment	—0—	—0—
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,021,143.44	\$4,364,860.33
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Current Liabilities		
Payroll Taxes, Employee Benefits	\$ 604.00	\$ 284.75
Total Current Liabilities	604.00	284.75
Fund Balances		
Restricted By Donor or Donation		
Cullum Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00
Cullum Bio Register Trust Fund	23,667.98	24,870.41
Faculty Development Fund	23,333.99	24,303.11
Groves Fund	5,641.02	5,777.40
Hodges Fund	5,488.16	5,952.41
Richards Fund	8,428.43	16,407.10
Trott Memorial Fund	—0—	2,537.78
Class of 1916 Fund	2,064.34	2,036.13
Class of 1964 Fund	—0—	4,467.31
Class of 1973 Fund	11,554.55	12,498.40
Class of 1974 Fund	—0—	212.72
Non-Negotiable Securities Account	—0—	26,197.51(1)
Total Restricted By Donor or Donation	90,178.47	135,260.28
Restricted By Constitution/Board		
Endowment Fund Principal	2,781,292.87	3,027,595.01
MacArthur Fund	36,762.99	35,973.23
Employees' Pension Fund	106,452.97	127,620.77
Deferred Compensation Fund	16,943.22	30,720.46
Total Restricted By Constitution/Board	2,941,452.05	3,221,909.47
Restricted By Agreement		
West Point Fund:		
Merrill Fine Arts Fund	10,000.00	—0—
Chapel Organ/Mayer		
Recital Fund	1,985.21	1,552.85
Unrestricted	147,186.88	109,560.54
History Symposium	—0—	1,900.00
Groves Bust	—0—	11,355.44
Artificial Turf	—0—	30.00
Admissions Support	14,865.00	20,252.22
Cadet Education	4,241.84	7,349.60
General Development	80,668.66	110,965.87
Fort Putnam Restoration	140,597.16	135,852.16
Class Gifts	282,466.76	243,841.73
Cadet Emergency	5,877.16	5,425.54
Constitution Island	36,159.69	46,961.20
Total Restricted By Agreement	724,048.36	695,047.15
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	3,755,678.88	4,052,216.90
Unrestricted		
Operations Fund	239,036.07	294,177.17
Endowment Fund Income	25,824.49	18,181.51
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	264,860.56	312,358.68
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	4,020,539.44	4,364,575.38
Property and Equipment (contra)	—0—	—0—
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$4,021,143.44	\$4,364,860.33

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE AND UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE		
	Year Ended March 31	
	1974	1975
REVENUE:		
Dues and Membership	\$ 15,672.00	\$ 14,231.00
Contributions	42,177.37	31,390.25
Gains (losses) on Sale of Securities	—0—	(57.37)
Transfers from Restricted Funds	14,954.85	19,996.24
Reimbursements	31,275.85	32,805.57
Sales (Gross Profit):		
Inventoried Items	34,657.07	38,106.39
Non-inventoried Items	2,902.06	722.51
Publications:		
Subscriptions/Sales	132,003.97	150,113.77
Advertising (Gross)	15,600.00	14,000.00
Interest and Dividends	154,834.06	178,752.89
Other	1,110.96	3,129.20
Total Revenue	445,188.19	483,190.45
EXPENSE—BUDGETED PROGRAMS:		
General and Administrative:		
Personnel and Related Expense	85,013.19	88,488.26
Awards/Grants	2,408.03	1,750.40
Transfers to Restricted Funds	1,452.59	788.55
Supplies and Equipment	5,243.29	6,738.38
Services	12,395.73	12,708.26
Dues, Travel, Conferences	5,813.69	5,533.63
Investment Management	8,408.90	7,993.26
Reimbursable Expenses	20,435.91	28,131.57
Publications:		
Personnel and Related Expense	59,376.91	62,860.48
Manufacture and Distribution	115,235.33	109,160.78
Other	16,032.75	11,730.15
Sales—Gift Shop:		
Personnel and Related Expense	25,901.95	28,812.98
Other	14,022.26	14,209.87
Development:		
Personnel and Related Expense	25,061.16	26,702.16
Other	9,013.94	10,059.04
Other Expenses	3,248.18	3,827.05
Total Expense	409,063.81	419,494.82
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE—BUDGETED PROGRAMS	36,124.38	63,695.63
REVENUE—ADDITIONAL	9,633.65	49,778.45(1)
EXPENSE—ADDITIONAL:		
Transfers to Restricted Funds	34,633.65	65,975.96(1)
Prior Year Publication Expense	12,745.86	—0—
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE (beginning of year)	(1,621.48)	47,498.12
UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE (end of year)	266,482.04	264,860.56
UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE (end of year)	\$ 264,860.56	\$ 312,358.68
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE AND RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE		
REVENUE:		
Contributions/Bequests	\$ 416,705.41	\$ 738,084.83
Grants	111.19	25,120.13
Transfers from Unrestricted Funds	64,127.26	70,761.23(1)
Gains (losses) on Sale of Securities	(27,896.02)	(190,129.79)
Interest and Dividends	43,058.30	77,294.47
Reimbursements	6,439.69	2,125.01
Total Revenue	502,545.83	723,255.88
EXPENSE:		
Transfers to Unrestricted Funds	15,086.19	17,290.74
Awards, Grants, Contributions	243,858.48	407,068.79
Administration	5,159.96	2,358.33
Total Expense	264,104.63	426,717.86
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSE	238,441.20	296,538.02
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE (beginning of year)	3,517,237.68	3,755,678.88
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE (end of year)	\$3,755,678.88	\$4,052,216.90

NOTES:

1. Includes 2,500 shares of Miralin Company Class B Common Stock valued at \$10.00 per share donated on 16 May 1974. The Association has been informed that Miralin Company filed for reorganization under Chapter XI of the Bankruptcy Act on 24 January 1975. It is the Treasurer's judgment that the stock currently is of little or no value.

2. The Association has adopted a procedure, recommended by the Auditors, whereby financial accountability will be maintained only for items of property and equipment valued at \$100.00 or more and certain other significant items. Item control of all items will be continued.


ROBERT J. LAMB
Colonel USA (Retired)
Treasurer


NORMAN D. MANGUS
Auditor
ODCSCOMPT


EDWARD F. MASTROROCCO
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**REPORT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES,
USMA 1974-1975
AS PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING 30 MAY 1975**

I. **MEMBERSHIP.** Membership stands at 24,191, including 400 Associate members. Over 97% of all living graduates are members, including 831 members of the Class of 1975, 96% of the Class strength. During the past year 170 members have been dropped from the rolls, because of death or other reasons.

II. **OLDEST GRADUATE.** The oldest living graduate of the Academy is Brigadier General Louis M. Nuttman, Class of 1895. General Nuttman celebrated his 101st birthday on 28 January 1975 and lives in San Francisco, California.

III. **FINANCIAL STATUS.** The formal report of the Treasurer, based upon the annual audit of the accounts, will be published in the September issue of ASSEMBLY magazine. The financial statement for Fiscal Year 1975 (1 April 1974—31 March 1975) reflects that total assets for the period increased \$343,716.89 to \$4,364,860.33. The statement shows that with operations income of \$483,190.45, there was an excess of revenue over expense of \$63,695.63. The value of the principal of the Endowment Fund on 31 March 1975 was \$3,027,595.01 and the value of the West Point Fund was \$695,047.15. The remainder of the assets, approximately \$650,000.00, consists of balances in other, smaller restricted use accounts and the Association's operating account.

IV. **ASSEMBLY MAGAZINE AND REGISTER OF GRADUATES.** The total number of subscribers increased from 15,692 to 16,087, to one or both publications, for an ending percentage of members of 68%. Though publication costs have continued to rise, the subscription price of \$11.00 for both publications is being continued for the current year. The publications program is supported by subscriptions from members and advertising revenue in the REGISTER. The broadest possible support from members is, therefore, essential in order to continue the quality of the publications at minimum subscription price.

V. **GIFT SHOP.** The Association continued its sale of items of West Point memorabilia and commemorative ware. Net sales for the year were \$112,647.61, with a net gain after costs of \$2,548.94.

The examination of the accounts of the Association of Graduates, USMA was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and principles, and where applicable, in consonance with Department of Army regulations. The examination included a review of the system of internal controls, established policies and accounting procedures, including such tests of accounting records and such other auditing procedures as was considered necessary in the circumstances. Cash and securities were confirmed directly by the depositories and verified to the appropriate accounts and investment ledger records.

VI. **CLASS REUNIONS.** The Association supported Class reunions at West Point by the Classes of 1909, 1914, 1919, 1924, 1929, 1934, 1939, 1944, 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, and 1969.

VII. **FOUNDERS DAY.** The Association provided support to Founders Day celebrations at over 100 locations in this country and abroad.

VIII. **WEST POINT CLASSES AND SOCIETIES.** The Association provided limited support to West Point Classes and Societies. One society was added during the year, the West Point Society of Gold Coast, Florida for a total at the end of the year of 77.

IX. **SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD.** The date for the presentation of the 1975 Thayer Award was changed from May to September. The 1975 award will go to Governor W. Averell Harriman, who will be the 18th recipient.

X. **FUNDS DEVELOPMENT.** The Association continued its expanded program of fund raising on behalf of the Academy and the Association. During the year, \$795,281.01 was received in contributions, grants and bequests, of which amount over \$300,000 was in a single bequest. Over \$400,000 was expended for projects and activities which are of benefit to the Academy and the Corps of Cadets, and which did not appear within the range of appropriated funds. Gavin '29 was succeeded as Chairman of the West Point Fund Committee by Kenna '45 and Fuqua '33 was succeeded as Director of Development by Gruenther '46. While contributions by Association members to Class Gift accounts continue to be a desirable way to help West Point, the Association needs contributions for unfunded projects and activities of benefit to the Academy, the Corps of Cadets and the Association itself.

XI. **SUMMARY.** As a result of the extraordinary loyalty of members of the Association to West Point and their support of the Association, we are in excellent condition to continue our support of the Academy.

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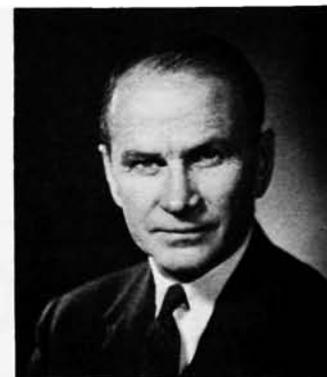


William B. DeGraf '50

TRUSTEES:



George H. Olmsted '22



James M. Gavin '29

THE members of the Association of Graduates, USMA, at their annual meeting on 30 May 1975, elected 23 graduates to serve as Officers and Trustees of the Association.

Reelected as President for another term was Saltzman '25.

A complete listing of Officers and Trustees of the Association can be found on the contents page of each issue of ASSEMBLY. Biographies of Officers and Trustees are available in the latest REGISTER OF GRADUATES.



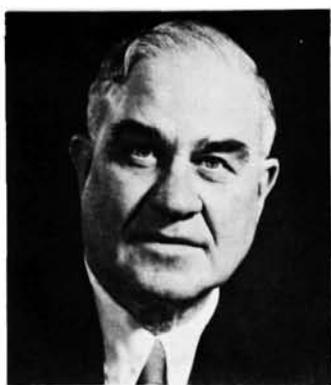
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SEPTEMBER 1975



ANNUAL ALUMNI FUND DRIVE FOR 1975



CAMPAIGN FOR 1975 COMMENCES ON 8 OCTOBER 1975

EACH year in the fall, the Association of Graduates goes to its Alumni to ask for gifts to help defray costs of various worthy programs at West Point. For the past two years this has been a Joint Annual Appeal in which funds were solicited for both the West Point Fund and the Association of Graduates concurrently. This year the Alumni Fund Drive will commence on 8 October. Thus, these words of explanation are provided.

West Point graduates have traditionally been conservative givers when it comes to an annual fund drive. This tendency stems from a feeling that the Congress takes care of West Point's monetary needs and the fact that our Alumni are generally people of modest means. The first of these factors deserves some attention. The latter, unfortunately, your Alumni organization can do little about in spite of its good intentions.

WEST POINT HAS A GREATER NEED THAN EVER BEFORE FOR MONETARY GIFTS FROM ALUMNI. MANY IMPOR- TANT ACTIVITIES EXCEED THE LIMITS OF APPROPRIATED FUND SUPPORT.

As we approach the campaign date this year, there is a greater need than ever for Alumni support. Authorities at Department of the Army and in Congress make it perfectly clear that we are entering an era where government spending for service academies, and other military activities as well, is being curtailed. West Point needs now and for the foreseeable future significantly more money than it is likely to receive from appropriated funds and from the present level of gifts now being received. This situation was discussed in detail by the Superintendent, Lieutenant General Sidney B. Berry, in a presentation to your West Point Fund Committee during its meeting at West Point last June Week. He reminded the Committee of the significant amount of appropriated money recently expended for facilities and programs to support the expansion of the Corps of Cadets which has doubled in size to be placed on a par with the Air Force and Naval Academies. This expansion, as elaborate as it was, left a

need for rounding out the quality of life at West Point which is not coming from appropriated funds.

The Corps' interests today are broader than ever before. This is a function not only of the increase in size but of the broadened intellectual, cultural and athletic interests of today's Cadet. These interests are nurtured in many ways. For example, some 73 extracurricular activities provide an effective means of insuring that the Corps of Cadets does not become isolated from American society and current public issues. Each of these activities contributes an essential ingredient to the total environment—to our standard of excellence—but they are not possible through appropriated funds alone.

In order to explore every possible way of funding necessary projects, the Superintendent has endorsed a feasibility study by a consultant firm to tell us whether we could initiate a successful Capital Gift Campaign for a few major projects. At the same time, our Alumni will be asked to increase the extent of their giving to the Annual Alumni Fund Drive for 1975. Alumni gifts may be made in two general categories—to the West Point Fund or to the Association of Graduates.

A gift to the WEST POINT FUND will be used by the Military Academy for a variety of projects and activities for the direct benefit of the Academy and the Corps of Cadets and for which the Superintendent believes appropriated funds will not be provided. Only the most worthy projects and activities are supported—those which best enhance the accomplishment of the Military Academy's primary mission of training and educating our country's leaders. A listing of expenditures from this fund was included in your ASSEMBLY for June 1975. Typical of the many activities supported are the Cadet Debate Council and Forum, a new Honor Committee Meeting Room in the old 1st Division of Cadet Barracks, the Rugby Club and the Sports Parachute Club. The West Point Fund contributed about \$50,000 to various extracurricular activities last year.

The ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATES derives part of its financial support through the Annual Alumni Fund Drive. Contributions designated for the AOG help defray the general and administrative costs of operating the Association. This includes such activities as support of June Week, Homecoming, Founders Day and the Thayer Award, maintenance of graduate addresses and financial accounting. Many of the Association's services to the Academy, West Point Societies and individual graduates are possible because of the continuing generosity of Association members.

Gifts to the Association also help to increase the Endowment Fund. As is the case in all Alumni Associations,



Sylvanus Thayer Medal to Honorable Robert D. Murphy in 1974.



The Forty-niner Lodge near Delafield. Gift of Class of '49.



Cadet Glee Club

YOUR GIFT WILL HELP SUPPORT ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS SUCH AS THESE

the size of our Endowment influences the success of the organization in attaining its goals. The principal of the Endowment Fund may not be used without the approval of two-thirds of the members present at an annual Association meeting. The yield of the Endowment Fund helps to provide the annual operational expenses of the AOG. A portion of the yield has, in the past, been transferred to the West Point Fund thus contributing directly to the benefit of the Corps. This amounted to \$17,000 last year.

Alumni giving has been rising steadily at West Point in recent years. Last year, Alumni participation rose from 18% to 20%—two points above the national average. During the Annual Fund Drive this fall, we hope to realize a substantial increase in Alumni support.

Interior of the converted Railroad Station. Gift of Class of '47.



All contributions to The West Point Fund or The Association of Graduates are tax deductible on your Federal Income Tax Return.

YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WILL NEED YOUR SUPPORT IN THE ANNUAL ALUMNI FUND DRIVE THIS FALL

Cadet Riding Club

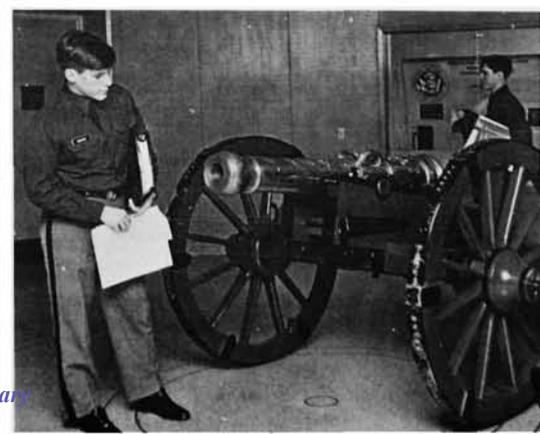


French Cannon—one of 14 given by Class of '52.

Sports Parachute Club



Cadet Rugby Club



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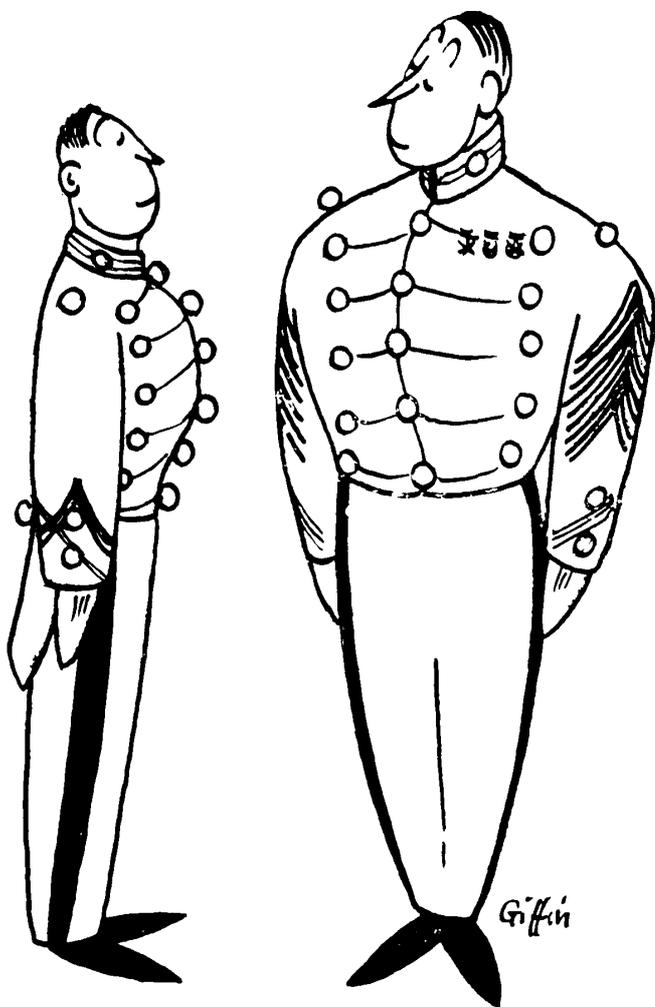
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AUTHORS' NOTE: From our forthcoming book *West Point Sketch Book*, about the traditional, nostalgic, humorous side of cadet life, we offer another chapter for *ASSEMBLY* readers, this one focusing on discipline and the cadet's perennial conflict with the tactical department. Our "Introduction" and chapter on Army-Navy rivalry appeared in the December issue of *ASSEMBLY* and our "Femmes" chapter appeared in the March issue. *West Point Sketch Book* is being published by Vantage Press which has scheduled a 1 March 1976 completion date, at which time copies should be available through the USMA Book Store. We continue to welcome your comments. Correspondence should be addressed to *West Point Sketch Book*, Department of English, USMA.

Major Ernie L. Webb
Captain John D. Hart
1st Lieutenant James E. Foley



"You must remind me to tell you sometime about that demerit I got yearling year."

IN this unfair competition between kaydet and tac, Mr. Ducrot is at a decided disadvantage. This situation constitutes a challenge, however, that he is loathe to let pass. And, on occasion, he actually wins—a fact that gives him reason to crow, which he does. For example, we offer the following ode to victory:

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

'Twas the night before Christmas,
'twas still as a mouse,
When six tacs assembled within the
guard-house.
Each one was supplied with
a lantern bull's-eye,
To *hive* the cadets, they said
they would try.
The clock struck eleven as
these burly men,
To begin their inspection,
came out of their den.
They were sure that the boys
they would find out of bed,
And quite likely that some
would be having a spread.
They proceeded with caution
in mounting the stair,
All rooms were inspected
with greatest of care.
But throughout the barracks
they heard not a sound,
And skins for the skin-book
were hard to be found.
They turned one by one

all disgusted and hot,
Because no fat skins
for their trouble they got.
The tac from "B" company
was last to appear,
With a box in his arm
he proclaimed with good cheer:
"I didn't get skins but,
my lucky stars,"
"I captured this box
filled with dollar cigars."
"You know the cadets
tried to hide them from me,"
"But I found them behind
the hall-stair, you see,"
"They think I am wooden, but they'll
find, if you please,"
"That I am the fox
and they are the geese."
"I think that this is a
most practical joke,"
"So come all you skinoids,
let's all have a smoke."
They all lit cigars,
they all felt immense,
Because they were smoking
at cadets' expense.
But sad to relate, their joy was not long,
For something about them
did smell awful strong.
And all of a sudden
a noise filled the air,
Swish! Bang! Swish! Bang!
Oh, my what a scare.

The lights all were out
and over the floor,
The tacs and cigars,
they were lying galore.
It took quite a while
before they came to,
For in their fright
they hardly knew what to do.
The cigars had been loaded
with powder and salt,
To the would-be sly fox
they said, "It's all your fault."
The Black Book and Blue Book
they searched through and through,
But they searched all in vain
for the want of a clue.
They could not find out
who the culprit might be,
For the box had been found
in the hall, as you see.
Their utter dismay
you're unable to pen,
They went home much sadder
but much wiser men.
And I think when old Christmas
is coming next year,
For the tacs after taps
cadets need not fear.
The moral of this,
I'll tell if you choose:
*Although you're a fox,
beware of the goose.*

(1904 HOWITZER)

But, alas, the fox wins more than his

share. A fact attested to by the many skin sheets that Mr. Ducrot has seen over the years.

Writing up reports of delinquencies, known in the vernacular as "skins," "quill," or "slugs," very early reached the status of a fine art at the Military Academy. The Tactics Department takes pardonable pride in being able to word the most innocuous offense so that it couldn't sound more atrocious. These masterpieces of etymology from time to time throw light on Mister Ducrot's martyrdom as he has struggled along through the years. Here are some taken at random from the files.

Offense: "Absent from breakfast roll-call."

Explanation: "I did not hear the drum as I was in the 'Acoustic Shadow' at the time."

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Offense: Splinters on floor at a.m. inspection.

Explanation: In explanation of the report, "Splinters on floor at a.m. inspection," I have the honor to state that I am not responsible for this report. My roommate has been moulting. He states that the offense is unintentional.

Very respectfully,

Offense: "Raising hand in ranks at squad drill."

Explanation: "Bug in ear."

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Offense: "Not holding sword properly at guard mounting."

Explanation: "I am not used to holding swords, having been a cadet private during my entire stay at the Academy. . . Only by watching the First Class officers can I learn how, and their styles are so different as to leave me entirely in the dark. . . I might even then have held my sword properly, sir, only I was not there at the time, having marched off guard two days previous to the date of alleged offense."

Offense: "Dressing in the uniform of an officer of the United States, thereby making mockery of our national sovereignty, and furthermore, impertinently impersonating same officer by accosting and giving unauthorized commands to tactical officer, while the latter was engaged in his lawful inspection of barracks about 1:00 a.m., the 6th instant, said commands being given in a ribald and profane manner."

Explanation: "It was dark in the hallway and I thought the tactical officer was a Fourth Classman."

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Offense: "Permitting dust to accumulate on mantelpiece."

Explanation: "It is most respectfully submitted that I am unused to performing the duties of a chamber maid and find some difficulty in acquiring the required proficiency in their accomplishment."

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Offense: "Failing properly to press uniform trousers."

DELINQUENCY REPORT		DATE OF OFFENSE (DAY - MONTH)
NAME OF CADET	COMPANY	CLASS OF
SOCRATES, J.	I-V	400 B.C.
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE		FOR TACTICAL OFFICER USE ONLY
Lacking self-discipline, i.e., walking thru Thayer Hall continually asking questions of superiors; aggravated, i.e., consuming unauthorized beverages & rum while on confinement.		ALPHA NO.
		OFFENSE CODE
		DEMERITS
		PUNISHMENT TOURS
		ORDY CNF
SIGNATURE	RANK - ORGANIZATION	RPTG OFF CODE
Plato N. Aristotle	OC, Greece	VII

DELINQUENCY REPORT		DATE OF OFFENSE (DAY - MONTH)
NAME OF CADET	COMPANY	CLASS OF
BONAPARTE, NAPOLEON	3rd Dragoons	1802
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE		FOR TACTICAL OFFICER USE ONLY
Out of uniform while massing artillery on Trophy Point, aggravated, i.e., pretending to have stomach-ache by holding stomach with hand, intentional. (REWARDED)		ALPHA NO.
		OFFENSE CODE
		DEMERITS
		PUNISHMENT TOURS
		ORDY CNF
SIGNATURE	RANK - ORGANIZATION	RPTG OFF CODE
Arthur Willesey	DUKE, BRITISH (RA)	N

DELINQUENCY REPORT		DATE OF OFFENSE (DAY - MONTH)
NAME OF CADET	COMPANY	CLASS OF
CUSTER GEORGE A	A	1860
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE		FOR TACTICAL OFFICER USE ONLY
UNSIGHTLY HAIRCUT AND IN NEED OF SHAVE ON RETURN FROM LEAVE IN THE TERRITORIES.		ALPHA NO.
		OFFENSE CODE
		DEMERITS
		PUNISHMENT TOURS
		ORDY CNF
SIGNATURE	RANK - ORGANIZATION	RPTG OFF CODE
CPT Benegard	AC	

Explanation: "They were slept on last night, sir, but you see I am a very light sleeper."

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Offense: "Improper request made of quartermaster sergeant, to wit: for one each shotgun."

Explanation: "Sir, I desire the shotgun for the purpose of shooting cats after Taps."

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The following were accompanied by "No excuse, Sir":

Offense: "Not knowing right hand from left."

Offense: "Not depressing toes going to breakfast."

Offense: "Cap on side of head 10:00 to 10:30 a.m."

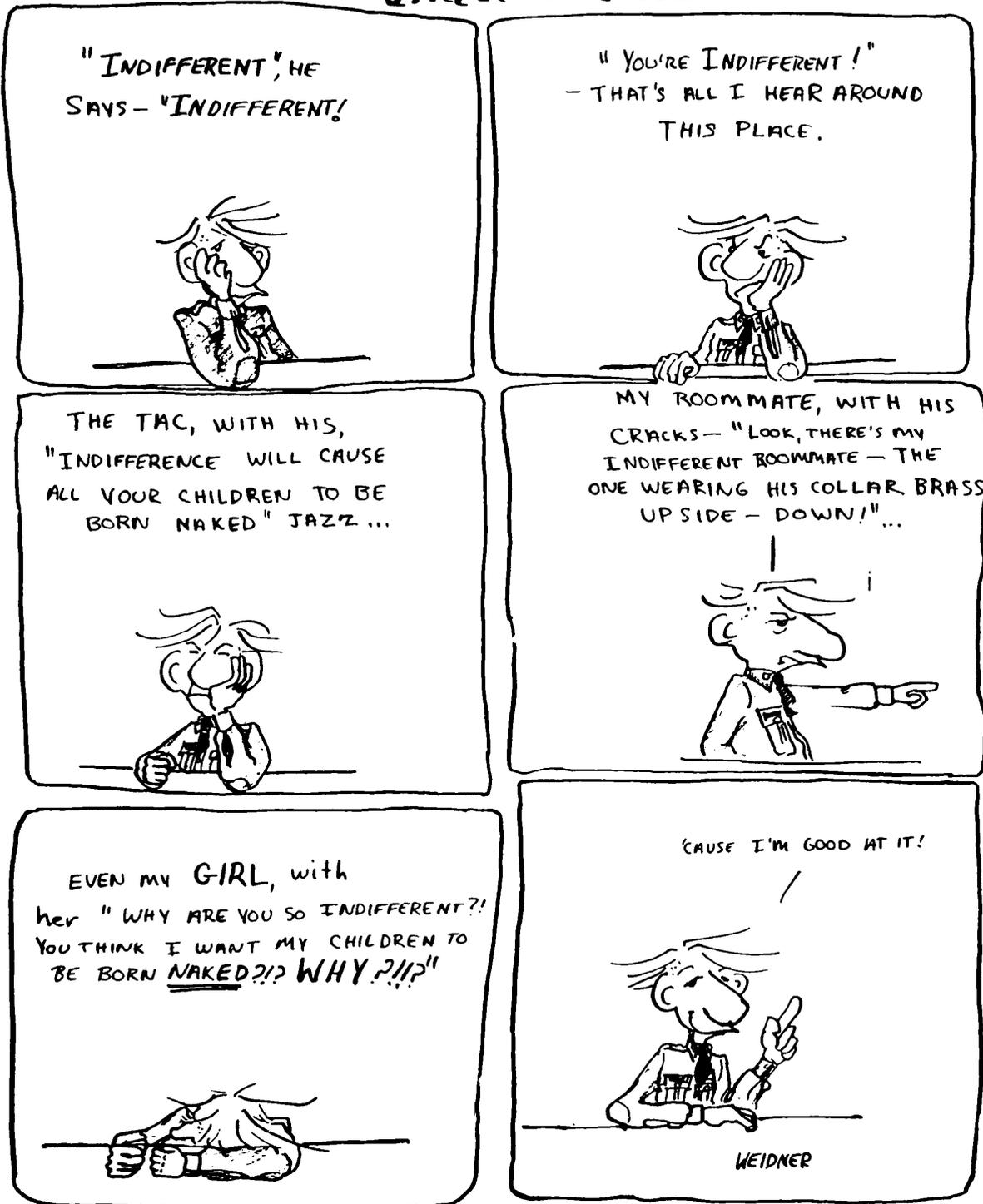
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Explanations of the following have been lost:

Offense: Addressing O.C. as "Fat Legged Si," such not being latter's name.

Offense: Eating food which his room-

"Indifference"



mate had been ordered to turn in, thereby rendering latter incapable of complying with the order.

Offense: Loitering in bathrooms for purpose of taking picture.

Offense: In area in pajamas about 1:00 a.m. doing a vaudeville stunt.

Offense: Looking aged at inspection.

Offense: Visiting during call to quarters, aggravated by unsoldier-like conduct, concealing himself in the fireplace to evade the officer of the day.

Offense: Woman's pink pajamas under

bathrobe at morning inspection 13 Sep 33.

Offense: Dismounting without authority in the riding hall thereby making a dent in the tanbark.

Offense: Running a 100-yard dash with a tac as pacemaker, in violation of regulations, USCC.

Offense: Smiling when tactical officer fell down.

Offense: Disobedience of order. Running and hiding from tactical officer after being ordered to halt.

Offense: Firing torpedo or primer at or near tactical officer.

Offense: Sleeping between one sheet.

Offense: Out of limits approximately 2:00 a.m., i.e., in vic of Washington's monument, with brush and can of red paint in hand.

Offense: Disreputable appearance, i.e., sweaty shirt and smelly body, completion of obstacle course, 17 Nov.

But of course any tac worth his salt must be more than a writer of "quill"—he must also be an expert in the arts of the

devious. One example was the tac who frequently inspected the barracks at night. The cadets, trying to study (or finish their card game, as the case may be) could hear the footsteps on the stairs and counted them. When the tac approached the top steps, the cadets would hop into bed, and be safely snuggled away when he entered the room. The tac, however, grew wise and began to remove one shoe at the foot of the stairs. Then, moving faster than normal, but making noise with only one shoe, he would quickly mount the stairs, open the door, and pounce upon the poor cadets who were left wondering where they missed the count.

The tac must also possess the ability to move with great stealth. An example here was the night a golden harvest moon shone brightly over Crow's Nest. Its silvery light cast vague shadows in the parking lot next to the Army theatre. The time was nine thirty. From behind a row of cars came a soft voice: "Bill, I love you so much. . . ." From in front of the row of cars came the OC's inquisitive voice, "Bill who?"

No wonder, facing such odds as these, the lowly cadet feels himself locked in an eternal Catch-22 struggle. Consider the plight of this poor plebe. An upperclassman in his company had been dragging one evening, and, just as a wry joke, bade his sweetheart farewell with a casual invitation that she pay him a visit in his quarters some evening. The young lady, alas, took the invitation to be a serious one, and, provocatively attired in a G-robe, paid a visit to the barracks the next night. Well, the little miss unfortunately had the wrong room number, and tip-toed in, unannounced, on the dumbfounded, innocent plebe. Before he had time to react, he heard from without the warning that the OC had just entered the division. Instinctively, he shoved the girl into his closet, and not a moment too soon—for his next unannounced visitor was only seconds away. The OC entered his room, and in relatively short order discovered the female, whose shapely legs extended below the length of the uniform in the closet. A hearing before a Board of Officers inevitably ensued, before which gathering the plebe attempted to explain his behavior. The presiding officer, not totally convinced that the circumstances mitigated entirely the plebe's actions, asked him "What were your thoughts as the young lady appeared in your room?" The plebe's honest answer broke down the stern visage of even the severest of the board members: He replied, "Sir, I thought, 'All my prayers have been answered!'"

Responding to the not always intentional humor in the quill he receives, Mister Ducrot occasionally amuses himself by writing historical quill, by imagining what treatment might have befallen famous men down through the ages, had it been their lot to wear the gray.

Most kaydets, however, do not get

overly excited about a little quill, witness the following dialogue:

"Hey, wife . . ."
 "Yeah?"
 "Has he?"
 "Yeah."
 "Was I?"
 "Yeah."
 "What?"
 "Dust."
 "Where?"
 "Radio."
 "Oh."

(1933 Pointer)

Some kaydets have even been accused of being indifferent to the whole system! Indifference is the one sin that the T.D. fears most of all. In fact, if the T.D. is likely to suffer casualties in this kaydet/tac competition, it will most likely occur when encountering indifference.

Like the exchange tac (an Annapolis grad who had chosen the Marine Corps) who was constantly after a certain Ducrot firstie for two specific offenses: unshined shoes, and food in room. This stalwart tac quilled Ducrot time after time after

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DELINQUENCY REPORT		DATE OF OFFENSE (DAY - MONTH)	
NAME OF CADET DAVIS, JEFFERSON		COMPANY A	CLASS OF 1842
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE UNAUTHORIZED ARTICLES IN ROOM, ie ONE EACH BONNIE BLUE BANNER AND BELT BUCKLE WITH CURIOUS INSCRIPTION "CSA."		FOR TACTICAL OFFICER USE ONLY	
SIGNATURE <i>Lee, Robert</i>		RANK - ORGANIZATION COL CORPS OF ENGINEERS and 4th SGR	
		ALPHA NO.	
		OFFENSE CODE	
		DEMERITS	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		PUNISHMENT TOURS	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		ORDY CNF	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		RPTG OFF CODE	

DELINQUENCY REPORT		DATE OF OFFENSE (DAY - MONTH)	
NAME OF CADET DIOGENES, CLARENCE		COMPANY B-IV	CLASS OF 912 BC
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE GROSS LACK OF JUDGMENT, ie: WALKING THROUGH CENTRAL AREA AFTER 0100 HOURS, CARRYING A LAMP AND MUTTERING "I'M NOT OPTIMIST ENOUGH TO LOOK FOR AN HONEST MAN, JUST ONE I CAN SINCERELY CALL A MAN."		FOR TACTICAL OFFICER USE ONLY	
SIGNATURE <i>Damocles</i>		RANK - ORGANIZATION SWORD BEARER TO THE EMPEROR	
		ALPHA NO.	
		OFFENSE CODE	
		DEMERITS	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		PUNISHMENT TOURS	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		ORDY CNF	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		RPTG OFF CODE	

DELINQUENCY REPORT		DATE OF OFFENSE (DAY - MONTH)	
NAME OF CADET BRUTUS, MARCUS JUNUS		COMPANY OF SENATORS	CLASS OF 43 BC
DESCRIPTION OF OFFENSE CARRYING DIRTY WEAPON, ie SOILED DRESS DAGGER, RETURNING FROM SPRING ROBE DISPLAY AND IDES CELEBRATION.		FOR TACTICAL OFFICER USE ONLY	
SIGNATURE <i>Marcus Antonius</i>		RANK - ORGANIZATION GEN, GALLIC LEGION	
		ALPHA NO.	
		OFFENSE CODE	
		DEMERITS	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
		PUNISHMENT TOURS	<input type="checkbox"/> CR
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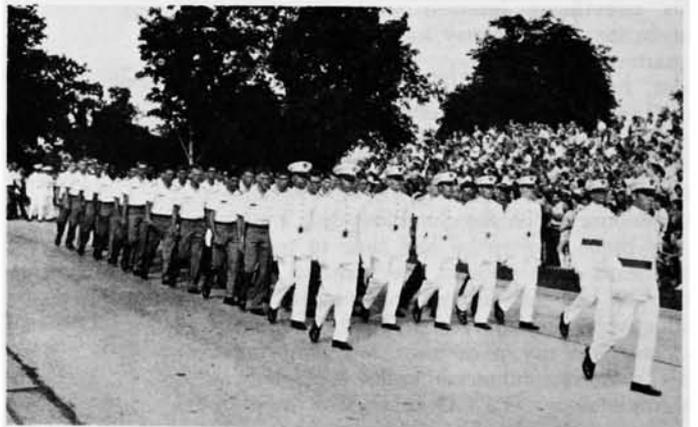
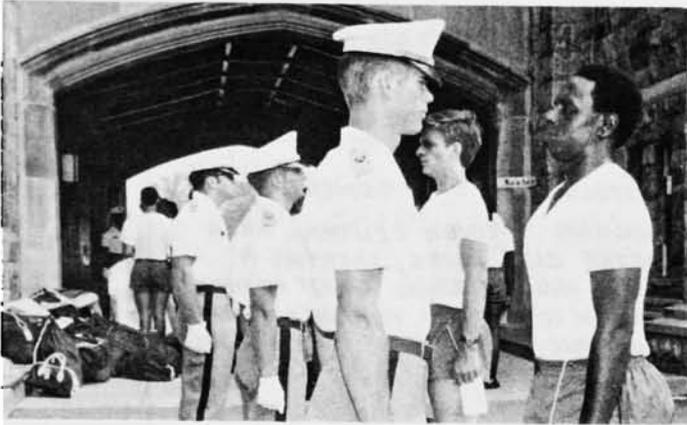
CLASS OF 1979 ARRIVES

JULY 7 marked the arrival of new cadets, probably the last all male class to enter the USMA. The class was nominated from over 10,000 young men who started interest files with USMA. Over 5,800 received nominations to USMA and 2,000 of these were offered admission. 1,435 accepted and reported in, including 132 new cadets from minority groups and five foreign cadets—two from Nicaragua, one from El Salvador, one from Honduras, and one from the

Philippines. Sixty-four are sons of USMA graduates; 211 attended the USMA Prep School.

In the new class are three brothers—William, Michael and Matthew Duffy from Virginia—the first time three members of a family entered the U.S. Military Academy in the same year.

After processing, testing and rudimentary drill, the new cadets were sworn in at Trophy Point by the Commandant of Cadets.



Swearing in Ceremony 7 July—Class of 1979 (Photo courtesy Newburgh Evening News)



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news from the SOCIETIES

West Point Society of Alabama

The outgoing President of the Alabama Society, Beaumont Ex '39, has reported that the Society held its annual meeting on 10 May 1975 at "The Club," atop Red Mountain, "one of the most beautiful and convenient sites in Alabama." Beaumont reported the election of new Society officers for the coming year as follows: President—Thomas W. Maxwell '41; Vice President—O. Nichols '45; Secretary—James R. Haire '61. Indicating that the Society meets monthly, Beaumont reported that a monthly luncheon meeting was held on 6 June and the members look forward to a good year.

West Point Society of Southern Arizona

The West Point Society of Southern Arizona held its spring luncheon meeting at the Lodge On The Desert in Tucson. The Society joined a growing number of other Societies in eliminating the requirement that the annual Founders Day dinner be a stag function. Guests at the meeting included three cadet candidates from the area (candidates for the Class of 1979) and the newly appointed Admissions Liaison Officer, LTC Raymond C. Haugen, USAR, all of whom presented themselves and their backgrounds to the Society members. The Society Admissions Support Officer, Harry W. Elkins '37, reported on the status of candidates from the Tucson area. The Society elected new officers and members of the Board of Governors as follows: President—John R. Oswalt Jr. '41; Vice President—John E. Carlson '52; Secretary and Treasurer—John W. Purdy '57; Members of the Board of Governors—William J. Hosmer

West Point Society of Thailand, Founders Day 1975: (L-R) Suriya '37, Kintner '40 (MC), Kambhu '32 (Oldest Grad), Hunt '45 (Speaker).



Meeting at West Point Society of Rochester: (L-R) Neiger '61, DeSimone '54, O'Dwyer, Rogers '50, Freeland '59, Altier '44, Janaronone '69, Irish '61, and Walker '60.



1975-76 Officers and Board Members, West Point Society of the Pikes Peak Region: F-R (l-r) Rhodes '68, Secy/Treas; Griffith '63, USAFA Rep; Churchill '48, VP; Curtis '35, Pres; and Soucek '70, Mbr; (B-R) Nichols '52, Ft. Carson Rep; Ryer '62, USAFA Rep; Biggs '47, Mbr; and Isaac '51, Past Pres and Mbr. Not pictured: Ft Carson Reps Major '65 and Knowlton '70; USAFA Rep, Ames '64; and NORAD Reps, McPherson '54 and Liby '54.

'53; Daniel J. Murphy '35; and Leon A. Dombrowski '45.

West Point Society of District of Columbia

The Board of Governors, West Point Society of the District of Columbia met on 16 July 1975 for the purpose of electing officers for the 1975-1976 year. The following officers were elected: President—M.J.L. Greene '41; Vice President—W.R. Raiford '52; Secretary—J.T. Westermeier '63; Treasurer—W.L. Frankland '46.

West Point Society of Western Pennsylvania

Recently, new officers were elected to the West Point Society of Western Pennsylvania: General Matthew B. Rridgway '17, Honorary President; Chuck Schrankel '60, President; Joe Lengyel '63, Vice-President; Dick Wylie '62, Secretary-Treasurer.

In an effort to respond to academy recruiting needs, the Society sponsored a "By Invitation" night for selected high school juniors and guidance counselors. Captain Ed Sullivan '67 from USMA Admissions presented information to an audience of approximately 100 students, parents and counselors. To provide additional help, three cadets from the Cadet Public Relations Council were present:

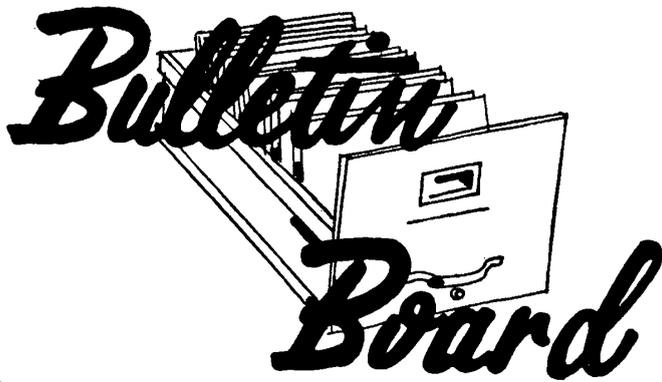
Rich Bugusky '76, Tom Greenhouse '77, and Michael Platz '77.

Major Ken Smythe, West Point Liaison Officer for Western Pennsylvania, was responsible for contacting all of the students who attended the briefing. Because the society maintains close contact with ROTC units in Pittsburgh, facilities at Duquesne University were made available for the presentation at no expense to West Point or this society.

The activities lasted approximately two hours, during which time audience reaction seemed to indicate that presentations of this nature are greatly needed and appreciated. With this in mind, the West Point Society of Western Pennsylvania will continue to sponsor these presentations in an effort to make more qualified students aware of West Point.

West Point Society of Rochester

With the happy prospect of about seven or eleven new cadets from our area to be joining the Class of 1979, Society members in Rochester are continuing to work toward the Class of 1980. The interest is high, with many top quality prospects. Some 50 or 60 young men plus parents turned out for our third "Get to Know West Point Night" of the 74-75
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Bulletin Board

Homecoming 1975

The following schedule of alumni activities for Homecoming 1975 has been approved by the Superintendent:

Friday, 17 October 1975

- 1200—Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall (Pershing Room)
- 1530—150-lb. Football vs. Rutgers, Shea Stadium
- 1530—JV Football vs. Montclair State, Daley Field
- 1600—Cross Country vs. NYU, Lehigh, and Rutgers
- 1600—Varsity Soccer vs. Syracuse, Clinton Field
- 1700—Reunion Class Picnics, Dinners, and Social Activities
- 1900—Jewish Services, Room 420, Bartlett Hall
- 2000—Alumni Headquarters Closes

Saturday, 18 October 1975

- 0800—Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall (Pershing Room)
- 0845—AOG Board of Trustees Meeting
- 0900—Open House at the following:
 - Designated Cadet Barracks
 - USMA Library
 - West Point Museum
 - Department of English
 - Department of History
 - Department of Social Sciences
 - Office of Military Leadership
 - Science Research Laboratory
 - Instruction Support and Information Systems Division
- 0900—0930—Multi Media Presentation "Education for Leadership," Thayer Hall, Room 104
- 0930—1000—Multi-Media Presentation "Duty, Honor, Country: This is West Point," Thayer Hall, Room 104
- 1040—Assembly for March to Thayer Monument, Jefferson Road***
- 1050—Alumni March to Thayer Monument***
- 1100—Alumni Exercises, Thayer Monument* ****
- 1115—Alumni Review, The Plain***
- 1200—Alumni Buffet Lunch, WPAM**
- 1300—Concert, Elizabeth Phillips Irwin Carillon, Cadet Chapel
- 1330—Football, Army vs. Pittsburgh, Michie Stadium**
- 1700—Reunion Class and Individual Alumni Social Activities
- 1900—Superintendent's Reception and Cocktail Buffet/Dance
- 2000—Alumni Headquarters Closes
- 2200—Informal Alumni Dance, Washington Hall

Sunday, 19 October 1975

- 0800—Alumni Headquarters Opens
- 0800, 0900, 1000, 1730—Catholic Mass, Holy Trinity Chapel
- 1030—Protestant Service, Cadet Chapel
- 1100—Reunion Class Brunches
- 1200—Alumni Headquarters Closes
- 1215—Concert, Elizabeth Phillips Irwin Carillon, Cadet Chapel
- 2000—USMA Band Concert, Eisenhower Hall
 - * Conducted indoors in event of inclement weather.
 - ** Admission by ticket.
 - *** Cancelled in event of inclement weather.
 - **** Alumni wives and dependents to be seated by 1050.

Priority for support and facilities will be given to the Reunion Classes of 1955, 1960, 1965 and 1970 in order of class seniority.

Alumni Functions

The Superintendent's Reception and Cocktail Buffet will

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

the December issue by — 30 September

the March issue by — 3 January 1976

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.

be held on Saturday, 18 October at 7:00 p.m. Dress is informal. A dance will follow at approximately 9:00 p.m.

The Alumni Luncheon will be held in the West Point Officers Club on Saturday, 18 October at 12:00 Noon. Dress is informal.

Tickets for the above functions must be purchased by each individual, using the request form provided on the back of the Reunion Bulletin.

Football Tickets

Army vs Pittsburgh football tickets must be ordered directly from the Army Athletic Association (AAA), West Point, NY 10996 on their form. Closing date for applications is 5 September 1975. As an exception to the general policy on allocation of football tickets, tickets for members of Reunion Classes whose membership in the AAA is not current will still be accorded seniority and seated with their Class for the Homecoming game. Members of the Reunion Classes whose membership in the AAA is not current should write directly to the AAA for tickets and should indicate their class. Tickets are \$7.00 each plus a 50¢ handling charge on each order.

June Week 1976

The Military Academy is preparing to welcome the 5-year reunion classes for June Week 1976, starting with the Class of 1906 and ending with the Class of 1951. The younger 5-year classes will celebrate their reunions at Homecoming rather than during June Week, in accordance with currently established practice. The Class of 1956 will be the senior class at Homecoming in 1976.

The 1976 June Week program for alumni will again feature three days of activities during the earlier part of the schedule, leaving the latter part of the period free for the families and friends of the graduating class. As in recent years, the 1976 Alumni June Week schedule minimizes interference between alumni activities and those of the expanded Corps of Cadets, whose parents and guests arrive on Saturday.

Each Reunion Class will be assigned Class Aides from among the younger officers stationed here. Class Aides can be used to make local arrangements for picnics, dinners, photographic support, and other matters pertaining to your reunion program, including many aspects of billeting coordination.

The Class of 1926, celebrating its 50-year reunion, will be given first priority for support and use of facilities during June Week. Other 5-year reunion classes will be supported in the priority of their seniority.

With the greatly expanded Corps of Cadets and the new type of barracks construction which is not conducive to separating alumni from Cadets, billeting alumni in the barracks has become impractical. Therefore arrangements have again been made for those alumni who desire bachelor billets to be accommodated in the Dormitory Wing of the Hotel Thayer during the alumni portion of June Week. This arrangement has proved generally satisfactory during the previous four years but any unaccompanied alumnus who prefers other accommodations may have the reunion class representatives make motel/hotel arrangements for him.

All requests for hotel and motel reservations, including those for the Hotel Thayer, must be made by individuals (or classes) directly to the hotel or motel concerned. The matter of joint accommodations is critical and definite arrangements

should be made at an early date. Space at the Hotel Thayer will be available only for the 50-year reunion class. Many reunion classes made large block reservations at the larger motels in the area during June Week 1975 and were reportedly satisfied with the service they received. Reunion Class Chairmen will be provided a list of local motels/hotels upon request.

Reservations for the Alumni Dinner, the Alumni Luncheon, and the Ladies' Luncheon must be made *directly by each individual* to the Association of Graduates. Classes should not consolidate their requirements for any of these functions. The ticket request form for these functions will be mailed in the spring as part of the June Week Reunion Bulletin which will be sent directly to all graduates.

JUNE WEEK 1976 PROGRAM

Wednesday, 26 May 1976

Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall 12:00 NOON
 Class Dinners (or Picnics) 5:00 P.M.
 Movie***** 7:00 & 9:00 P.M.
 Alumni Headquarters Closes, Cullum Hall 8:00 P.M.

Thursday, 27 May 1976

Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall 8:00 A.M.
 Open House, USMA Library 8:00 A.M.—4:30 P.M.
 Open House, West Point Museum .. 9:00 A.M.—4:15 P.M.
 Multi-Media Presentation, Thayer Hall 9:30 A.M.—10:00 A.M.
 Colonel Thayer's Office Open .. 10:00 A.M.—12:00 NOON
 (Qtrs 100)

Class Luncheon and Meetings .. 12:00 NOON— 3:00 P.M.
 Carillon Concert, Elizabeth Phillips Irwin
 Carillon, Cadet Chapel 1:30 P.M.— 2:00 P.M.
 Movie***** 7:00 & 9:00 P.M.
 Alumni Headquarters Closes, Cullum Hall 8:00 P.M.
 Alumni Dinner, Washington Hall** 8:00 P.M.
 (Pre-Dinner Cocktails, Washington Hall, 7:00 P.M.)
 Superintendent's Reception for Alumni, Washington
 Hall 9:00 P.M.

Informal Alumni Dance, Washington Hall 10:00 P.M.

Friday, 28 May 1976

Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall 8:00 A.M.
 Open House, USMA Library 8:00 A.M.—4:30 P.M.
 AOG Board of Trustees Meeting 8:45 A.M.
 Memorial Service (Holy Communion) Cadet Chapel 9:00 A.M.
 Catholic Alumni Mass, Catholic Chapel 9:00 A.M.
 Alumni Coffee, Cloister Room
 Open House, West Point Museum .. 9:00 A.M.—4:15 P.M.
 Assembly for Alumni Exercises,
 Jefferson Road*** 10:40 A.M.
 Alumni March to Thayer Monument** 10:50 A.M.
 Alumni Exercises, Thayer Monument* ***** 11:00 A.M.
 Alumni Review, The Plain*** 11:15 A.M.
 Alumni Luncheon (AOG Annual Meeting),
 Washington Hall** 12:30 P.M.
 Alumni Ladies Luncheon, WPAM** 12:30 P.M.
 Open House, Designated Cadet Barracks 2:30 P.M.—4:30 P.M.
 Class Dinners (or Picnics) 5:00 P.M.
 Movie***** 7:00 & 9:00 P.M.
 Jewish Chapel Services, Old Cadet Chapel 7:30 P.M.
 Alumni Headquarters Closes, Cullum Hall 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, 29 May 1976

Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall 8:00 A.M.
 Open House, USMA Library 8:00 A.M.—12:00 NOON
 Open House, West Point Museum 9:00 A.M.—4:15 P.M.
 Alumni Headquarters Closes, Cullum Hall 12:00 NOON
 (Official Alumni Portion of June Week 1976 ends)

- * To be conducted indoors in the event of inclement weather.
- ** Admission by ticket.
- *** Cancelled in event of inclement weather.
- **** Alumni wives and dependents should be seated by 10:50 A.M.
- ***** Call Recreational Services for information at 938-3175.

Fine Arts Forum Schedule 1975-1976

After opening Eisenhower Hall last fall with a sell-out crowd to see Bob Hope, the Cadet Fine Arts Forum (CFAF) went on to bring to the Mid-Hudson Valley area a new dimension in entertainment.

This year the CFAF will present another outstanding season of 10 major attractions in the 4,500-seat Eisenhower Hall auditorium.

This year there are three season ticket prices that offer a savings over the single ticket prices and will guarantee a ticket for every performance. Last year two shows filled the large auditorium to capacity. Front orchestra level seats are \$40, rear orchestra level seats and the first three rows of the 1st balcony seats are \$30, and the remaining 1st balcony seats are \$25. No season tickets will be sold this year for the 2d balcony.

Order forms for season tickets will be readily available on post, beginning 25 August, at such locations as the Officers Club, PX, CFAF Office and Eisenhower Hall Box Office. Persons residing off post may obtain order forms by writing the Cadet Fine Arts Forum, Dept. of English, USMA, West Point, NY 10996. No phone orders will be accepted and all requests will be filled in the order received. Order forms should be submitted as soon as possible after 25 August to allow sufficient time to receive tickets before the first show. Ticket orders may state preference for specific locations and such requests

will be honored whenever possible.

Any remaining tickets for individual shows will be available a few days prior to performances at \$3-\$5.

Fine Arts Forum Schedule

Sept. 13 "1776"

The prize winning musical that celebrates America's birth.

Oct. 4 "The Hollow Crown"

The famous Royal Shakespeare Company of England performing a witty composite look by several authors at the royalty of England.

Oct. 11 *Leontyne Price*

In her first year at the Metropolitan Opera this noted soprano was presented in seven different roles.

Nov. 8 *The Ace Trucking Company*

The zany improvisational comedy team you've probably seen on the "Tonight" show.

Nov. 22 *The Los Angeles Philharmonic with Zubin Mehta*

The highly ranked orchestra with fiery director Zubin Mehta is embarked on an effort to bring classical music to more people.

Dec. 13 *Yehudi and Hephzibah Menuhin*

One of the greatest violinists of our times, Yehudi Menuhin and his sister Hephzibah, piano accompanist, make a stop here in their limited American tour.

Dec. 14 *Eglevsky Ballet Company and The Hudson Valley Philharmonic**

This special Christmas show will present a full scale production of "The Nutcracker Suite" at 2 p.m.

Jan. 24 "The Pirates of Penzance"

The Manhattan Savoyards with the style of the original D'Oyly Carte company will perform this delightful musical farce by Gilbert and Sullivan.

Feb. 14 *The Don Cossacks of Rostov*

For the first time in America come the whirling rhythms and lavish colors of this 75-member company of singers, dancers and instrumentalists.

Mar. 6 "Man of La Mancha"

A full scale national touring company of more than 35 members will present this superb musical.

Apr. 24 "Macbeth"

This immortal tragedy of the lust for power will be presented by the National Shakespeare Company.

May ?? *Season Finale*

Popular vocalist, perhaps Helen Reddy.
 * Not included in the season ticket.

Educator Visit Program — 1975

This year's Educator Visit Schedule offers some geographic diversity and hopefully will be supported by the budget. Fiscal restraints could cause some adjustments.

For the asterisk-marked visits, the Admissions Office will fly participants on scheduled commercial airlines. The city shown in parentheses is the departure point for the trip and indicates where the visit will have the greatest impact. At the present time these visits must be limited to a maximum of 10 people. If additional funds are allocated to this program,

we can increase the number of participants on each visit.

The remaining visits on the schedule will be bused to West Point. These visits will consist of about 40 participants.

Field force representatives should recommend counselors to the Admissions Office who are interested in getting an inside look at USMA. Counselors from Connecticut can easily join one of the New York visits, while counselors from certain areas in Maine or New Hampshire can easily join the Massachusetts visit. Out-of-pocket expenses for counselors coming on bus visits should be approximately \$40. For counselors being flown to USMA, these expenses will be approximately \$55.

Field force representatives must coordinate with their area Admissions Officer prior to making specific invitations for each trip. The Admissions Officer makes final selections. A project officer from a Recruiting Main Station in the area of the initial pickup point will handle administrative and logistical requirements. For those states not represented this year, visits are planned for succeeding years.

EDUCATOR VISIT SCHEDULE FALL 1975

- *21-24 Sep MI (Detroit)
- *23-26 Sep CA (Los Angeles)
- 29 Sep NY (Albany south to NJ, to include Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess Counties)
- 30 Sep-2 Oct NJ (North)
- * 5-8 Oct MO (St. Louis)
- 8-10 Oct MA (Boston, Worcester, Springfield, Portland)
- *12-15 Oct TX (Houston)
- *14-17 Oct OH (Columbus)
- 20-22 Oct NY (New York City)
- *21-24 Oct AL (Huntsville)
- 27-29 Oct DE (Wilmington)/NJ (South)/PA (Phila, Trenton, & vicinity)
- 28-30 Oct NY (Long Island)
- * 4-7 Nov IL (Chicago)
- 10-12 Nov DC/VA (North)/MD (Baltimore & vicinity)
- *11-14 Nov GA (Atlanta)
- 17-19 Nov PA (Harrisburg, York & vicinity, Hazelton, Allentown, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton)
- * Commercial Air

Two Graduates Appointed White House Fellows

The President announced the appointment of 14 persons as White House Fellows. This is the 11th group since the creation of the program.

The fellows were chosen at the culmination of a six-month-long selection process from among 2307 applicants. They will begin their year of service with the Federal Government on 1 September.

Included in the fourteen are Marshall N. Carter, 35, of Annandale, Virginia, Major in the United States Marine Corps, USMA 1962; and Wesley K. Clark, 30,

of Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, Captain in the United States Army, USMA 1966.

The White House Fellowship program was established in 1964 to provide outstanding young Americans with firsthand experience in the process of governing the nation. It is open to U.S. citizens from all occupations and professions who are no less than 23 and no more than 35 years of age by the commencement of the Fellowship year. (Employees of the Executive Branch of the Federal Government are not eligible, with the exception of career Armed Forces personnel.)

Fellows are assigned either to the staff of the President or the Vice President or to members of the Cabinet or heads of agencies for their year-long Fellowship. In addition to this work assignment, the Fellows participate in an extensive education program that includes 150-200 off-the-record seminar meetings with top Federal, state and local government officials, scholars, journalists, and leaders from business, labor and other segments of private life.

Nominations for Thayer Award and AOG Officers and Trustees

Members of the Association of Graduates who desire to submit candidates for the 1976 Sylvanus Thayer Award and for nomination as Officer or Trustee of the Association starting in 1976 should submit candidates' names to either their Class President or to their local West Point Society. The Association is asking Class Presidents and Society Presidents to submit their nominations to their Association headquarters for compiling and consideration by appropriate nominating committees. Members should submit names to Class or Society Presidents as soon as possible so they can respond to deadlines of the Association.

Search For a Professor

The Superintendent of the United States Military Academy has appointed a committee to search for a Professor and Deputy Head of the Department of Mechanics. Anyone interested in the position should address an application together with supporting materials, to MAJ Pat C. Hoy II, Office of the Dean, or COL Robert M. Wilson, Head of the Department of Mechanics, USMA, West Point, NY 10996. An Applicant should have at least a master's degree in Mechanics or a related engineering field; if he does not have his doctorate, he should have the demonstrated academic ability and desire to satisfy the requirements for this degree.

Cadets Activate Their Own Bagpipe Band

Visitors to West Point over the past two years may have been surprised to hear an eerie wail emanating periodically from the barracks. What they heard was not the "49th Division ghost" of two seasons past but members of the Corps of Cadets practicing to become members of the Academy's new bagpipe band.



Cadet Bagpipe Band

The Pipes and Drums, USCC, was initiated two years ago by a group of interested cadets. The Cadets' motivation stemmed both from their desire to learn to play the instrument and from their belief that the bagpipes had a secure niche in this nation's tradition of martial music—especially in view of the upcoming bicentennial activities. Cadets learned through their research that pipers played for American militia units prior to Lexington; for the Revolutionary cause at Saratoga, Cowpens, and King's Mountain; and accompanied the 79th New York Regiment at the first battle of Bull Run. Pipe bands have appeared since World War II in the 42d "Rainbow" Division, the 2d Infantry Division, 2d Army, 6th Army, the 8th Infantry Division, the 31st Division, the 5th Infantry Division, the 179th Army Band in (then) Camp Carson, and the 7th Cavalry both in Japan and Europe.

The Pipes and Drums, USCC, has been slow to appear in public due to the band members' desire to remain in training until they attained the requisite Academy standard. In the early months band members received their bagpipe instruction from Mr. Frederick Howard, who directs his own band in Cornwall, New York; their instruction in the drums from members of the USMA Band; and drill and ceremonial assistance from Sergeant Neil Harris, H.M. Coldstream Guards, (Ret).

New Parents' Club in Hamilton, Ohio

Under the leadership of Mrs. Walter Schwegman, mother of Craig Schwegman '77, and Mrs. William Moeller, mother of William Moeller Jr. '78, a new parents' club has been organized and held its first meeting in June in Hamilton, Ohio. The two parents indicated that the objective of the club is to foster better understanding of the many and varied aspects of life at West Point, to generate support for the Corps of Cadets and to guide and encourage future potential candidates for admission to the Academy.

Mrs. Schwegman reported that the June meeting was "highly successful." In addition to exchanging of ideas and developing plans for the future, the group viewed films on West Point, including the 1975 graduation exercises and alumni ceremonies. Resolving that they "must really get busy," the group planned a second meeting for August.



down the field...

by PETE WEVURSKI

VICTORIES by Army's golf and baseball teams on the next-to-last day of the spring season enabled the Cadets to finish their 1974-75 varsity athletic schedule above the .500 level, and thus keep USMA's seasonal record in the black.

But, whew, it was close.

Army's 20 varsity intercollegiate teams finished just one game over the break-even point with a .504 percentage. In 274 contests, the Cadets won 137, while losing 135. There were two ties.

The final percentage represents a 19-point drop over the previous year and continues the downward trend of the past decade. But, for those cloudgazers looking for a silver lining, here it is: the rate of that decline was slower than in preceding years.

Only one team went undefeated... coach Eric Tipton's lightweight football team won all six of its Eastern Intercollegiate Lightweight Football League contests en route to its fifth straight league championship.

Engagements against Navy produced even more disheartening results. In 18

meetings with the Middies, Army recorded only seven victories. Navy captured the other 11. However, this is an improvement over the 1974 final standing when the Cadets were 4-14 against Navy.

Against the other sister academy—Air Force—Army was victorious in football and soccer, but dropped decisions in pistol, rifle and fencing.

So, it was outstanding linksmanship and a gem of a diamond performance against Navy on 31 May that rescued the Cadets from the brinkmanship they carried on with a possible losing record.

Let's take a closer look at these two teams and their three spring schedule-mates:

GOLF (12-2)

Army's golf team compiled its best record since 1967 when the Cadets enjoyed a 12-1 record.

The only losses this season were at the hands of Rutgers and Penn State, both on the opponent's home course. The Cadets opened the season with a 10-stroke loss to Rutgers, but reeled off nine stright tri-

umphs before stumbling against Penn State by 18 swipes.

Included during that string was a disappointing seventh-place finish in the Eastern, however.

But the Cadets finished strongly by whipping Fordham, the Merchant Marines and Navy (374-387).

Army shattered the Academy mark for team scores twice and also established a new course record. The Cadets registered a team total of 360 against Fordham to break the old course mark of 364. The team included Jerry Drago, Ken Thronson, Sean Powers, Rich Rachmeter, and Greg Stone, the team captain.

Coach Fox, a rookie, is 12-2 lifetime.

BASEBALL (9-15)

Although finishing with a disappointing record, the Cadets closed out the spring season with four straight victories, highlighted by a 4-1 decision over arch-rival Navy in the season finale that assured the overall winning record.

Coach Eric Tipton's varsity nine finished ninth in the Eastern Intercollegiate Base-

Army-Long Island game.



1974-75 ARMY VARSITY SPORTS SUMMARY [Final Fall, Winter and Spring]

	Con- tests	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Navy	1975-76 Captains
*150-Lb. Football	6	6	0	0	1.000	Won	Bruce Weyrick
Pistol	14	13	1	0	.929	Won	Glenn Crosby
Golf	14	12	2	0	.857	Won	Greg Stone
Rifle	12	9	3	0	.750	Lost	Jose Riojas
Soccer	12	7	3	2	.667	Won	Rick Morales
Squash	14	9	5	0	.643	Lost	Dusty Huscher
Gymnastics	11	7	4	0	.636	Won	Rick Bogusky
Hockey	29	18	11	0	.621	—	Pat Sullivan
Track (Outdoor)	7	4	3	0	.571	Lost	Keith Sims
Track (Indoor)	11	6	5	0	.545	Lost	Glenn Hulse
Cross Country	12	6	6	0	.500	Lost	Dennis Trujillo
Lacrosse	10	5	5	0	.500	Lost	Rick Bifulco
Swimming	15	6	9	0	.400	Won	Sam Fogarty
Baseball	24	9	15	0	.375	Won	Mike Sloan
Tennis	14	5	9	0	.357	Lost	Zach Smith
Wrestling	19	6	13	0	.316	Lost	Charles Allen
Football	11	3	8	0	.273	Lost	Al Staerkel
Fencing	14	3	11	0	.214	Lost	Scott Gillogly
Basketball	25	3	22	0	.120	Lost	Gary Wingo
Totals	274	137	135	2	.504 (7-11)		Tom Valerio

*Won Eastern Intercollegiate Lightweight Football League

ball League with a 4-10 mark, as Penn won the title with a 12-2 record while Navy was seconded with an 11-3 ledger.

Outfielder Dave DiGiacinto led the team in hitting with a .395 average as six players batted over .300 this spring.

Trubia and Clark earned all-League recognition, with Trubia gaining first team honors as designated hitter and Clark receiving second-team mention as an outfielder. The Army captain made all-league all three years at West Point, as a second baseman in his yearling campaign and as an outfielder his last two years.

Coach Tipton now is 214-171-5 in 18 seasons.

LACROSSE (5-5)

Army's lacrosse team rebounded from a 3-7 record in 1974 to finish at the break-even mark as Coach Al Pisano's youth movement was spearheaded by four plebes who played key roles.

The season ended on a sour note when host Navy won the finale, 10-5.

Plebe Scott Finlay led the team in scoring with 28 goals.

Army goalie Jose Olivero, still another plebe, won the starting job in the net and responded with a percentage save mark of .645 (72 goals and 131 saves).

Coach Pisano now is 40-25 in six seasons.

TENNIS (5-9)

Coach Ron Holmberg's netmen also had a 1-2 record at last report, and a 6-3 loss to Colgate didn't help matters. In fact, it extended Army's losing streak to three matches. A 6-3 triumph over East Stroudsburg halted the slide, but not permanently, as Dartmouth followed with a 6-3 verdict and Harvard took a 7-2 decision.

USMA stomped Fordham, 8-1, but suffered consecutive 6-3 setbacks to Brown and Yale before responding with back to back 7-2 victories over Williams and Bucknell. That brief rally was stopped in the finale by Navy, 8-1.

Coach Holmberg now is 24-55 in five seasons.

OUTDOOR TRACK (4-3)

Our last report saw Army's three-meet winning streak snapped by Penn, but as we pick up the action, West Point rebounded to take a stunning 96-67 upset victory from Manhattan. A sixth-place finish followed in the Heptagonals, then came closing defeats to Harvard, 83½-70½, and to Navy, 86-77.

Dennis Trujillo continued to be Army's best legman as he won the three-mile in the Heptagonal Outdoor Track Championships at Shea Stadium with a record 13:40.8. Trijullo also set an Academy mark in the three mile during the Penn Relays with a time of 13:32.6.

Trujillo completed his incredible year of competition with a fifth-place finish in the three-mile at the NCAA Outdoor Track of 13:42.5, run at Provo's high altitude, earned all-America honors for the Mexican-American. Denny also received all-America recognition during the indoor season for the two-mile. He saw a slew of cross-country records last fall, too, and has his eye on the 1976 Montreal Olympics.

Coach Crowell now is 87-57 in 25 seasons.

FOOTBALL PREVIEW

"It's a new world this year," says Smith. "We have had a full year to work with the players, a full year to develop strengths and skills."

The experience factor, built around the return of 26 lettermen (including seven starters on offense and six on defense), is not the only area of change. Army's offensive thinking this year will not be focused on the Wishbone, but will feature variations of the T and the Slot—a move to maximize the talents of quarterbacks Scott Gillogly and Leamon Hall.

With but a single exception, there figures to be a letterman returning to every starting position in the offensive backfield. Gillogly, a co-captain, started most of the games a year ago. He is rated as perhaps the quickest runner on the roster.

Hall, who saw duty in the final four games last season, is a better than average passer and getting better every day. He passed for just under 300 yards during his brief appearances of a year ago, and in the spring intra-squad game in May completed 17 passes for 237 yards and four scores.

The receiving alignment will be different than it was a year ago, thanks to some personnel juggling during the spring. Greg McClasker, a quarterback for the past two seasons, has been switched to split end, and at present is running ahead of Gary Smithey and Don Briggs for that assignment. Smithey, too, finds himself in a new position, having played in the defensive secondary a year ago.

Depth describes the tight end position, where lettermen Howie Williams and Jeff Jancek are involved in a duel for that starting job. Jancek was the leading receiver last fall with 13 receptions, two better than Williams, then a split end.

Defense could well be the key to success this fall. "We are not big enough or fast enough to play just average football," (Continued on page 52)

Garbisch '25 hosts members of the 1924 Army Football Team for a 50th anniversary commemoration of Army's victory over Navy (12-0) on Garbisch's four field goals. (L-R) Harding '27—quarterback, Trapnell '27—back, Jones Aug '17—asst coach, Seeman '28—guard, Baxter '26—end, Garbisch '25—center. Others present not in photo: Saltzman '25—manager, Wood '25—back, Farwick '25—guard. (Photo courtesy **The Banner**, Cambridge, MD)



The art of bike racing has come full cycle at West Point. The sport was said to be extinct, but a group of cadets have been able to peddle the idea to some other Eastern schools and nine of them showed up for the first West Point Invitational Criterium, a 30-mile bike run along the Hudson. The Cadet Cycling Team won the race. Below: Cadet Jim Sullivan makes his move on the 38th lap to pull ahead for good.



USMA FALL SPORTS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time-PM	Date	Opponent	Time-PM
VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY					
Sept 19	Triangular — Fairleigh Dickinson Troy State	4:00	Sept 26	USMA Prep School	3:30
26	Triangular — Syracuse Albany State	4:00	Oct 3	Southern Connecticut State Fr.	3:30
Oct 4	Manhattan (A)	12 noon	10	Columbia Fr.	3:30
11	Cornell (A)	12 noon	24	Colgate Fr. (A)	3:30
17	Quadrangular — NYU Lehigh Rutgers	4:00	Nov 1	West Chester State Fr.	3:30
25	Triangular — Montclair State St. John's	2:30	7	Cornell Fr.	3:30
Nov 7	Heptagonal (A)		150-LB FOOTBALL		
17	IC4A (A)		Oct 3	Navy	3:30
22	Navy (A)	1:30	11	Cornell (A)	8:30
24	NCAA (A)		17	Rutgers	3:30
			25	Pennsylvania (A)	
			Nov 7	Columbia	3:30
			14	Princeton (A)	7:30

Coach: Carl Crowell
 Officer Representative: CPT R. E. Waterman
 Captain: Cadet Dennis Trujillo

JV/PLEBE CROSS COUNTRY

Sept 19	Fairleigh Dickinson	4:00
26	Albany State	4:00
Oct 4	Manhattan (A)	12:30
10	Cobleskill State	4:00
22	Hudson Valley Community College	4:00
25	St. John's	4:00

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Sept 13	Holy Cross	1:30
20	Lehigh	1:30
27	Villanova	1:30
Oct 4	Stanford (A)	1:30
11	Duke	1:30
18	Pittsburgh	1:30
25	Penn State (A)	1:30
Nov 1	Air Force (A)	1:00
8	Boston College	1:30
15	Vanderbilt (A)	1:30
29	Navy (A)	12:50

Coach: Homer Smith
 Officer Representative: CPT, T. A. Schwartz
 Co-Captains: Cadets Al Staerkel & Scott Gillogly

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

Sept 19	Syracuse JV	3:30
26	Rutgers JV	3:30
Oct 10	Albany State	3:30
17	Montclair State	3:30
24	Syracuse (A)	7:30
Nov 7	Central Connecticut State	3:30

VARSITY SOCCER

Sept 26	Rutgers (A)	8:00
Oct 3	Yale	4:00
7	Columbia	4:00
10	Penn State	4:00
17	Syracuse	4:00
22	U.S. Merchant Marine Acad.	4:00
25	Brown	2:00
28	Seton Hall	4:00
Nov 1	Air Force (A)	9:30 AM
4	RPI (A)	2:00
7	Colgate	4:00
15	West Chester State	2:00
22	Navy (A)	2:30

Coach: Joe Palone
 Officer Representative: LTC W. Wix
 Captain: Cadet Rick Morales

PLEBE SOCCER

Sept 19	Essex County College	3:30
25	USMA Prep School	3:30
Oct 7	Columbia Fr.	3:30
9	Oneonta State	3:30
14	Albany State	3:30
18	Colgate Fr. (A)	11:00 AM
25	Brown Fr.	2:00
29	Hotchkiss School	3:00
Nov 1	Montclair State	2:00
15	West Chester State Fr.	2:00

Outstanding Achievement

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tray to the Cadet Officer commanding the First Regiment, USCC. The Army Athletic Association Trophy, a silver tray for the most valuable service to athletics during his career as a cadet.

WILLIAM J. BLANKMEYER JR.: The Ladies Auxiliary, Army and Navy Union, USA, Department of New York Award, a silver tray to the Cadet Officer commanding the Second Regiment, USCC.

ROBERT W. SIMONS JR.: The 306th Infantry Award, a plaque to the cadet who achieved excellence in Physical Education over the four year course.

JOHN S. CHAPPELL: The Class of 1927 Award, a wrist watch to the Cadet Officer commanding the Third Regiment, USCC.

STEPHEN R. MONTGOMERY: The Leadership Foundation Award, a wrist watch to the Cadet Officer commanding the Fourth Regiment, USCC.

VICTOR J. BERO: The Outstanding Company Commander, First Regiment, USCC Award, a silver tray to the Outstanding Company Commander, First Regiment, USCC.

THOMAS H. ST. ONGE: The outstanding Company Commander, Second Regiment, USCC Award, a silver tray to the Outstanding Company Commander, Second Regiment, USCC.

WILLIAM S. VOGEL: The Outstanding Company Commander, Third Regiment, USCC Award, a silver tray to the Outstanding Company Commander, Third Regiment, USCC.

DAVID J. FRENIER: The General Terry de la Mesa Allen Award, a wrist watch to the graduating cadet who has achieved the highest standing in Second Class Tactics.

SLOAN D. GIBSON IV: The Lieutenant Colonel Len M. Hanawald Memorial Award, a pistol to the Deputy Brigade Commander of the United States Corps of Cadets.

EDWIN J. VAN KEUREN: The Gene L. Vidal Memorial Award, a camera for the most significant and practical suggestion adopted for the future benefit of the United States Military Academy.

WILLIAM J. REID: The West Point Fund Award, a wrist watch for being Chairman of the Cadet Honor Committee.

LARRY L. GHORMLEY and **HUGH H. THOMAS:** The Consul General of Switzerland Awards, wrist watches for excellence in Intercollegiate Debating.

ARTHUR J. FARRINGTON: The HOWITZER Memorial Award, a set of books to the Editor-in-Chief of the Cadet HOWITZER for 1975.

KEVIN W. GAYLOR: The *Army Times* Award, a wrist watch to the Editor of the *Pointer* for 1975.

STEPHEN L. WARD: The Colonel Samuel A. Daniel Memorial Award, a

silver tray to the Cadet-in-Charge of the Cadet Chapel Choir.

MARC A. POLZELLA: The Major General Charles G. Stevenson Jr., Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Cadet-in-Charge of the Cadet Fine Arts Forum.

CARL R. JOHNSON: The Cadet Richard A. Whitfield Memorial Award, a shadow box to the Superintendent of the Protestant Sunday School.

DANIEL R. ALEXANDER: The Military Academy Reserve Liaison Officers' Award, a silver tray to the cadet who has made outstanding contributions to West Point in Admissions Oriented Public Relations Work.

WILLIAM W. WITTMAN: The Captain Henry Mershon Spengler III Memorial Award, a silver tray and a pen set to the graduating cadet who is the most outstanding member of the Handball Club.

ALAN J. RENNE: The Pierce Currier Foster Memorial Trophy, a silver tray to the best all-round Gymnast in the graduating class on the 1975 Gymnastics Team.

JOHN C. SCHOONOVER: The Pierce Currier Foster Memorial Trophy, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Wrestling Team.

ROBERT E. JOHNSON: The Edgerton Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1974 Football Team.

WALTER P. SCHAEFER: The William P. Fickes Memorial Trophy, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Lacrosse Team.

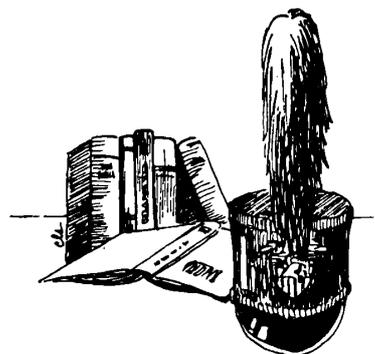
RICHARD P. CONNIFF JR.: The Colonel Thruston Hughes Memorial Award, a silver tray to the most valuable player on the 1974 Army Football Team.

DAVID J. THOMAS: The Eber Simpson Memorial Trophy, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Basketball Team.

SCOTT E. MOONEY: The Class of 1923 Memorial Award, a silver tray to the outstanding member of the Swimming Team in the graduating class.

CHARLES E. LEAL: The Colonel David Marcus Memorial Award, a silver tray to the outstanding Boxer in the graduating class.

BRENT L. CLARK: The Brigadier General John W. Coffey Memorial Trophy, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Baseball Team. The Colonel Russell P. "Red" Reeder Jr. Award, a silver tray to the outstanding player on the 1975 Baseball Team.



CARY W. MEHLENBECK: The General George S. Patton Jr. Memorial Award, a pistol to the Captain of the 1975 Pistol Team.

JAMES C. JOHNS JR.: The Major General William L. Bell Jr. Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Gymnastics Team. The Eastern College Athletic Conference Merit Medal for excelling in athletics and scholarship.

ROBERT L. CASLEN JR.: The Thomas West Hammond Memorial Award, a silver tray to the outstanding lineman of the 1974 Army Football Team.

JOHN A. ADAMS JR.: The Colonel John A. Robenson Memorial Award, a silver tray to the outstanding player on the 1974 150-lb Football Team.

JOHN F. CRAVEN: The Colonel James B. Gillespie Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Outdoor Track Team. The Fred E. McAniff Memorial Award, a silver tray to the outstanding member of the 1975 Varsity Track Team in the graduating class.

RALPH D. GHENT: The Francis Henry Schoeffel Memorial Award, a rifle to the Captain of the 1975 Cadet Rifle Team.

SALVATORE J. COLATARCI: The Colonel James B. Gillespie Memorial Award, a silver tray for performance, dedication, and contribution to the 1974 Football Team.

JAMES E. ARMSTRONG JR.: The West Point Fund Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Tennis Team.

JEFFREY H. BOATRIGHT: The Captain Michael W. Kilroy Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Swimming Team.

JAY R. BISHOP JR.: The Major General Thomas J. Sands Trophy, a silver tray to the outstanding member of the Fencing Team in the graduating class.

CORNELIUS G. BEGLEY JR.: The Major William C. Whitehead Jr. Memorial Award, a silver tray to the cadet in the graduating class acknowledged as a letterman in football and who ranks highest in General Order of Merit.

NORMAN F. REINHARDT: The Rumbaugh Family Award, a silver tray to the outstanding member of the 1974 Cross Country Team.

GARY L. WILLIAMS: The William F. Little III Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Ski Team. The John S. Martin Memorial Award, a silver tray to the most outstanding skier in the graduating class.

PHILLIP R. NELSON: The Colonel Edward H. White II Memorial Award, a wrist watch to the outstanding member of the 1974 Soccer Team in the graduating class.

GREGORY A. STONE, 2D CLASS: The Charles A. Hardwick Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Golf Team.

MICHAEL A. KILLHAM: The Brigadier General Carroll E. Adams Jr. Memorial Award, a silver tray to the Captain of the 1975 Squash Team.

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and answering a series of questions as follows: What is the purpose of the U.S. Army? What is the purpose of the U.S. Military Academy? What is the nature of land combat? What would be the effect of assignment of women to land combat units? What are other countries' policies in regard to combat unit assignments? Will the American people support assigning women to combat units? If they will support such assignment, will the support continue during war? What is the nature of the four year cadet experience? What would be the effect of women cadets on USMA? The Superintendent stated that these questions should be answered logically and responsibly before the general question regarding women admissions is raised. He said that the central issues concerned the assignment of women to land combat units and the role of West Point in producing officers for land combat forces. In that connection he added that since land combat environment differs significantly from air and naval combat environments, women admissions to USMA should be viewed separately from the other service academies. The Superintendent concluded that as the issue is being considered within Congress, the Military Academy staff is doing what good soldiers should be doing, i.e., developing contingency plans. He assured the graduates that if Congress directs admission of women to West Point, the Military Academy will survive with its traditional high standards and will produce the best possible male and female graduates.

In looking to the future General Berry observed that a number of events affecting West Point and its affairs have come together in time to create a "watershed." Among these events are the end of the war in Vietnam, the trailing off of 15 years of significant social, political and economic changes in the country and its people, ten years of expansion of USMA, a new Congress with new attitudes toward national defense and new appointees to senior command and control positions at West Point. He suggested that it is a time at West Point to define future directions, to appraise the Academy relationship with the Army and the country, to insure that individual and institutional standards are improved, to plan for the future and to do what seems appropriate and best for USMA and its role in the Army and the country.

In addressing his final subject, areas for emphasis, the Superintendent stated that the Academy needs to reexamine and analyze its mission and its relationship to the Army and the country. He recalled that part of the guidance he received from the Chief of Staff of the Army, Abrams '36, was that the people at the Academy and the Army in the field must be brought closer together and the bonds between the two must be strengthened. He said the Academy needs to emphasize effectiveness,

efficiency and soundness. He expects the academic program to be further improved. While the physical training program is, doubtless, the best in the country, the Academy needs to strengthen its intercollegiate competitive athletic program. Cadets have requested, and he agrees, that military training should not be restricted to the summer training period, but rather cadets should have increased opportunities during the remainder of the year to don field uniform and to practice their chosen profession. Leadership techniques taught and learned at West Point must be those which are applicable to the field army of today, rather than techniques which must be "unlearned" upon graduation. Regarding the people at West Point, the Superintendent said he expected that standards would be raised—academic standards and standards of discipline—in order to further improve the quality of the product and that, throughout, emphasis would be placed on the ideals of duty plus honor and selfless service to the country.

The Superintendent concluded his address by summarizing the overall themes of his superintendency—"pulling up our socks"—raising personal and institutional standards; cleanliness; correctness and friendliness; making more clear our vision of West Point, the Army and our country. He thanked the graduates for their attention and promised a report on progress at the annual meeting of the Association during June Week 1976.

Saltzman thanked the Superintendent and introduced Brown '41, Acting Chairman of the 1975 Nominating Committee, who presented the nominees of Officers and Trustees to assume office on 1 July 1975. The slate as recommended by the Nominating Committee and Board of Trustees was unanimously approved by the membership (photographs of newly elected Officers and Trustees are in this issue of ASSEMBLY).

Resuming the chair after the election, Saltzman expressed his acceptance of the responsibility and privilege of serving as President for the coming year and his appreciation to the Vice-Presidents, Trustees and Committee members who had served so diligently during the previous year.

As the last item of business the President asked the Superintendent to join him for announcement of class gifts to the Academy. In order, he recognized Galloway for '25, Glass for '35 and Cameron for '50. Each one briefly described his class gift and the Superintendent expressed the Academy's appreciation for the generosity of the gifts and their usefulness to the Academy. He added an expression of appreciation for the personal gift of Hurd Ex-1925, an oil painting of old Fort Selden.

Following the announcement of gifts and the benediction by the Reverend Robert F. McCormick, USMA Catholic Chaplain, the 1975 Annual Meeting was adjourned.

Quill, Quill

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time. Still Mr. Ducrot paid no heed. Because of low grades he had lost his firstie privileges anyway—so what's a little quill? This indifferent attitude was too much for "The Green Machine" (as our leatherneck friend was known), so finally, one day, while Ducrot was in class, the tac searched Ducrot's room high and low, turning up food at every juncture: peanut butter, cheese, honey, strawberry jam, margarine—the makings of a veritable feast!

Next he went to Ducrot's bunk, and there was his second pair of shoes, unshined as usual, and with a hole in the sole, to boot—disreputable! This was more than the tac could take. He opened all the cans and jars of boodle, poured them into Ducrot's shoes, stirred them with a pencil, and repaired to his office—wishing that he had never known a kaydet.

Still in all, that tac fared better than one of his fellow exchange tacs, this one from the Air Force. When a Fourth Classman, chin well to the rear, walked past him one day without saluting, the Air Force exchange tac accosted him: "Mister, do you know what I am? Why didn't you salute?" Came the eternal answer, "No excuse, Sir." "Mister, I want a reason." "Sir, I thought you were a mailman. . . ."

Now, lest someone gets the wrong impression, Mr. Ducrot really doesn't dislike regulations—he just doesn't like to see them obeyed blindly, so he tried to circumvent them now and then. Over time he has even had many changed, but one remains a constant nemesis, both for Mr. Ducrot and the T.D.

On 10 April 1818 Mister Ducrot read an order posted on his bulletin board that was to be the opening gun in an endless struggle. Ducrot had persistently maintained that God gave him a head of hair expecting him to wear it; the government has just as subornly claimed said hair as its own to do with as it saw fit! In recent years every G.I. has had the same tonsorial argument, but back in the hirsute world of 1818, this insistence on trimness about the ears was something new, and to the cadet, an insulting invasion of his rights as a gentleman. This is the dictum that met his resentful eye:

"By the 14th of the present month and on the 25th day of every succeeding month, the hair of the head is to be cut in such a manner as not to project beyond the upper edge of the coat collar, the eyes, or below the eyebrows. The beard will not be suffered at any time to appear upon the face and neck below the lines drawn direct from the lower extremity of the ear to the corners of the mouth, nor upon any part of the upper lip. . . ."

Read it and weep! No more wolfish curls or shaggy thatches, no more peering at the world through protective camouflage inherited from the English Sheep-

dog, no longer even the manly mutton-chop or trim spade-beard, nothing left now but sideburns! Mr. Ducrot of today laments that he has lost even those—ever since some tac found out about the tragus. The battle rages still, even though the tacs sometimes think they have it under control. A whole generation of tacs thought the dictum of a three-inch hair length had finally put the question to rest—until the arrival of the afrocut. Well, here we go again!



News from the Societies

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year, when we welcomed COL Manley E. Rogers '50, Director of Admissions and Registrar, USMA, as our guest speaker. The evening was an outstanding success thanks to COL Rogers' very warm and understanding presentation.

COL Rogers spent two very productive days here meeting with area high school guidance counselors and students, local media people, and Society members. Our two liaison officers, MAJ John Neiger '61 and MAJ (congratulations) Duncan O' Dwyer did an outstanding job setting up the itinerary for COL Rogers, which included a cocktail party and dinner with several Society members who worked on the program. These included Tom Walker '60 (our President), Ted Altier '44, Tom DeSimone '54, Jim Freeland '59, Jim Irish '61, Dale Cross '69, Bob Jannarone '69, plus John and Duncan.

We held our annual Fathers Day Picnic on 15 June at Durand-Eastman Park. Bob Jannarone '69, our new Secretary-Treasurer, did a great job arranging every detail to perfection, including our often unpredictable weather (which has been surprisingly good this June and early July).

Hank and Mary Wallace '66 settled their family into their home here at the end of June after Hank joined Sibley Corporation as Controller of the major upstate mortgage banking firm. Their new address is 636 Middle Road, Henrietta, New York 14467.

Shortly after you read this in September, we will be having our annual business meeting. We will be electing officers and formulating our 75-76 program that evening. Anyone in our part of Upstate New York not now on our mailing list should contact our Secretary-Treasurer, Bob Jannarone '69, at his newly-bought home by Lake Ontario, 99 Woodland Drive, Rochester, New York 14612 or call Bob at 621-6047. Have a happy.

West Point Society of San Diego

The West Point Society of San Diego held its annual business meeting on 21 June 1975 and elected the following officers: President—Matt Redlinger '42, Vice President—Doug Gentzkow '65, Secretary-Treasurer—Bill Magill '51.

Members discussed the goals and purpose of the San Diego Society, and went

on record to actively support within its financial and physical capability the local USMA Admissions Program. Colonel Ed Murray Jan '43 is currently handling the Admissions Program alone, but in order to provide increased staffing and greater in-depth support to meet the program's goals, more active participation is needed from the resources of the Society—the members' time, judgment, and energy; the corporate name; and voluntary contributions for special events.

Another item discussed was the endorsement of an affiliate society whose members are parents of cadets, parents of graduates, and friends of West Point who believe in the aims of the USMA and who wish to actively participate in our social program and the USMA admissions program. Currently, this affiliate group is a loosely organized group of parents of cadets who annually organize a Christmas party for all cadets of San Diego area, including their parents and their drags. However, in addition to these social get-togethers, it is expected that they will actively participate in the USMA Admissions Program by helping to search out qualified young men admissible to West Point. The San Diego Society voted to support in principle the organization of an affiliate society and to permit their participation by invitation in the social functions of the local Society.

Several members pointed out the lack of assistance given to graduates newly moving into the area. Frank Winfield '51, telephone (714) 566-6492 or 281-7704, volunteered as a committee of one to handle this activity. Consequently, any graduate contemplating moving to San Diego should contact Frank. He will attempt to help you as much as possible. Even if you do not seek information, we would like to know of the arrivals of any graduates in the area.

We also seek to provide more public information through our radio, TV, and news media of events that bring exposure and credit not only to the local Society but to the cadets attending USMA as well as to USMA itself.

West Point Society of Thailand

The West Point Society of Thailand held its 1975 Founders Day dinner at the Indra Regent Hotel on 15 March. The Master of Ceremonies was the U.S. Ambassador to Thailand, William R. Kintner '40 and the principal speaker was MG Ira A. Hunt '45. The Royal Thai Army Band provided dinner music and accompaniment for singing the traditional West Point songs.



Down the Field

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so we must ask our defenders to play above and beyond the normal as often as they can," offers Smith.

Replacements are needed for three of five starters up front but Stan Ford was a starter at end last year, as was tackle Mark Smith, so the rebuilding efforts won't be without a foundation.

Spring drills produced some nice surprises. Ray Beverley, a reserve at defensive tackle a year ago, moved to middle guard and performed quite ably.

Jeff Bruckner, who at linebacker last year ranked sixth in tackles made, should prove a worthy partner for linebacker Greg Dyson, generally regarded as the hardest hitter on the squad.

The defensive secondary, hit hard by graduation a year ago, returns intact this time around and should be one of the Army plusses. No fewer than six players are back from last year's squad, bringing with them that all-important commodity—experience. Co-captain Al Staerkel ranks with the best in the East, and should provide the Cadets with excellent coverage from his safety position.

The kicking game likewise requires little strengthening.

Army's march back from an 0-10 season in 1973 began last year. It will continue in 1975.

WEST POINT POTPOURRI

Three members of Army's pistol team—Steve Banks, Glenn Crosby, and Phil Range—were selected to the 1974-75 all-America team chosen by the National Rifle Association. . . . Army's varsity rifle team was declared the winner of the 1975 Intercollegiate National Rifle Association three-position small-bore rifle championship on the basis of its score in the March Sectionals held at West Point. The team consisted of Ralph Ghent (captain), Bob Aultman, Bob Walsh, and Rick Hawkins. . . . Jim Johns, captain of the gymnastics team, received the Eastern College Athletic Conference Merit Medal presented to a First Classman for excellence in athletics and scholarship.

Cadet Johns also received a \$1,000 scholarship for post-graduate study from the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.

Coaches Carl Crowell (cross-country, indoor/outdoor track), Joe Palone (soccer) and Jack Riley (hockey) were honored at a dinner hosted by the AAA for 25 years of coaching excellence at USMA. . . . Steve Moore, former football coach at Mesa Verde High School in Citrus Heights, CA, joins the Army staff as receiver coach for 1975. . . . Pete Gaudet, (Boston College '66) of Needham, MA, and Bobby Dwyer (Wake Forest '74) of Silver Spring, MD, join head coach Mike Krzyzewski as basketball assistants. . . . A. John Geraci, Army fencing coach, was selected to the coaching staff of the U.S. fencing team that competed in the International World Games in Budapest, Hungary in July.



REPORT



... from the
classes

'09

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Of course the big news for '09ers in the past few months was Jake Dever's announcement of his marriage on 28 May to Mrs. William T. Ham. We all salute and congratulate you, Jake. No direct word has thus far been received regarding any details of the great event as the happy couple left right after the ceremony to be gone on a wedding trip till the first of September or thereabouts, as far as is known. If statistics are correct there are but one or 2 survivors in '09 younger than Jake and we all know he is exceptionally full of all kinds of vigor, energy and get-up-and-go, physically and mentally. Nevertheless, though he is approaching 4 score and 10 we have good reason to believe, and surely hope, that he and his bride will live to enjoy and be happy together many more years. As the renowned gerontologist, Dr. E. E. Pitzkelanri concluded after studying 15,000 elderly persons, with but few exceptions only the married reach advance age.

Bert Farman, right across the river at Garrison-on-the Hudson, reports that he went over to the Point for reunions going on last Jun. He said he thought he'd meet a lot of old friends but "P.D." Uhl '10 was about the only one he saw. "P.D." was the oldest grad there. Bert asked where some of the older classes were and he was told: "You are standing at the head of the line, Sir."

A recent letter from Claude Thummel definitely clears up his address now. (Unverified in the Jun ASSEMBLY notes.) It is: 2937 Nevada St, Manhattan, KS 66502. In his letter Claude typed a few lines which, it seems to your scribe, are worthy of reproduction in their entirety for those of us who are sometimes prone to reflect on historical situations: "15 Jun 75. Do You Remember? ... On this date, 15 Jun 05, 70 years ago, a group of 134 young men, representative of all of the states of the United States and the countries of China, Ecuador, and Nicaragua, gathered at WP for admission to the U.S. Military Academy. In the afternoon, dressed in shirt and trousers of cadet gray, they were sworn in to become cadets of the military service and to serve and support our country. Thus began their military career. Within a few days 12 additional young men joined the group. In all 146. Of that group 96 graduated 4 years later and 12 in subsequent years. During the 70 years since this, to us, momentous day, we have seen many happenings and changes in our country, have seen and participated in many events which have become a part of the history of our country and for which we should be justly proud."

Though Bill Simpson has difficulty writing, due, no doubt, to an arthritic condition in his right hand, he never lets your scribe

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Our Association membership of 24,148 represents over 99% 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
West Point, NY 10996

down and always sends in well before the deadline, a most delightful letter from which it is a pleasure to compile some notes for the ASSEMBLY. His last letter, 6 Jun, recounted 2 very important events occurring that day: No. 1—D-day, 31 years ago when our invasion forces stormed the Normandy beaches, thus beginning Hitler's downfall. (Please forgive, dear reader, if at this point your scribe is proud to interject that his son also was a participant in this event. He parachuted into Normandy the night before D-day with Taylor's 101st parachute outfit and ran right into a German patrol of 6 men and almost got himself killed, losing his right hand, part of his arm, besides some internal injuries in the fight that ensued.) No. 2—It was the 91st birthday of '09's oldest living graduate, "Admiral" Joe Plassmeyer. Whenever Bill writes he invariably tells how fond he is of Joe and how fortunate to be living in the same hotel, the Menger, in San Ant, TX. This year 91 employees and guests of the hotel (same number as the years now in Joe's life), signed a birthday card to him on which was written: Happy Birthday, we all love you." Congratulations, Joe, a wonderful tribute to a wonderful man!

Though effort was made in Jun to contact Stokely through members of his family, no word as to his health and condition has been forthcoming as this goes to press. Rumors have it that he is doing nicely. Of course we all hope so. Heck!... he should be—he was only 88 last 1 Jul.

On the distaff side, not a great deal to report for this issue. Had a postal from Irene Ord dated 19 May from Singapore, saying she escaped from Saigon without trouble and that she'd be back home in DC about the middle of Jun. Thus far no additional word from her.

Dorothy North went to her beloved "Red Farm," New Vineyard, ME 04936 about the 13th of Jun. I'm sure we all envy her and wish her a delightful summer such as ME only can "hand out."

"Tony" Goetz writes: "Nothing to report," then goes on to say she is making new needlepoint cushions for use in the Greenwich (CT) Episcopal Church. What an active and industrious lady she is!!

The 65th Reunion of the Class of '10 at WP in the Highlands of the Hudson is now history but what a wonderfully happy and never-to-be-forgotten occasion it was for all of us who were fortunate enough to attend.

The '10ers present were Fritz Strong with his daughter Peggy, her husband, Bill Richardson, and Peggy's daughter Jerrie; P. D. Uhl with his daughter, Louise Girard; Gwladys and Carey Brown; and Kay and Bo Lewis with their son, Bo Jr. and his wife Dotty. Bo Jr. is a member of the Class of '45 which was celebrating their 30th Reunion. Upon leaving WP, Bo Jr. and Dotty drove over to Wellesley Coll, MA, to celebrate the 25th Reunion of Dotty's Class of 1950.

Until early May we had every expectation that Ella and Jack Heard would also be with us at WP for our 65th Reunion. Unfortunately, the tree pollen season in TX this year was too much for Jack and they had to call it off. However, they did check in with the Class by phone during our Reunion. They wished us all a very happy 65th Reunion. Jack was beginning to feel somewhat better and they were hoping by mid-Jul to be able to go up to their summer home at Silver Lake, NH with the possibility of seeing some of us '10ers in DC en route.

Most of us arrived at the Thayer Hotel about noon on Wed, 28 May and found that comfortable rooms located close together had been reserved for us on the convenient 2d floor of the hotel.

Arriving at the "USMA Class of 1910 Headquarters" in the hotel lobby, we were most pleased to greet MAJ Charles W. Stewart III, our '10 Class Aide. He immediately informed us that MG Frederick E. Uhl had just been officially designated by the Supt, USMA as the oldest graduate at the 75 Reunion and introduced us to MAJ Donald Renfro who had been assigned as the mil aide to P.D. Uhl.

The gala opening event of the Reunion was our '10 Class Dinner in the Gold Room of the WP Officers Club with the reception and cocktails starting at 6 p.m.

Our 65th Reunion Class Dinner was truly a memorable occasion in every respect. The spirit of happy friendliness among the old grads who had been closely associated since we entered WP on 15 Jun 1906 spread to the others present so we were all united in celebrating '10's great day. As the official toastmaster of '10, Fritz Strong was really great. All the little talks were short and to the point. Our aide's briefing on the "New West Point" was an excellent assist for the tour of the Post planned for the following morning. Never once in all his remarks did Fritz refer to our 65th Reunion as being

our last Reunion. In fact, he cleverly mentioned our next Reunion as something we should not overlook.

As our dinner drew to a close, '10 returned to the bar of the Gold Room for our final round of toasts to our absent '10ers, to Benny Havens, to our Alma Mater and its continued success in future years and finally to ourselves, our good health and happiness and our great Class of '10—as we left for the Thayer Hotel.

On Thurs morning we joined with the Class of '15 on a bus tour of the "New West Point" ending up about noon for a buffet lunch at the Officers Club.

We climbed up a rocky road to see the restoration of old Ft Put; we saw the enlarged football stadium. We visited the WP Cemetery and saw our old WP Chapel looking just the same as it did when '10 attended Chapel in it, in its former location.

We were all very much impressed by the new Eisenhower Hall—seeing the moving picture theater with 4,300 seats and the dance floor where 1,000 couples can dance at one time.

On Thurs eve we attended the Alumni Dinner, the Supt's Reception and the Alumni Dance in Washington Hall, and again we were very much impressed by its size—where the entire Corps of Cadets have their meals at one sitting.

The Class of '10 was very much honored by our P.D. Uhl being the oldest grad present at the 75 Reunion. Accordingly, at the official military functions on Thurs and Fri MG P.D. Uhl and his daughter were always with the Supt's party rather than with his Class of '10.

On Fri morning 3 members of the Class of '10, following the Supt's party, led all the graduates celebrating their return to WP along the historic road to the alumni ceremonies at COL Thayer's monument.

The reunion classes then took their positions ('10 on the right) for the Alumni Review on the Plain. Such a beautiful sunny day with the cadets in full dress uniforms. It was a wonderful sight to see the full strength Corps of Cadets pass in review and at the end disappear through the sally ports of their barracks.

The Alumni Luncheon in Washington Hall was most interesting. Four very attractive cadets, all good conversationalists, were assigned to our '10 table for lunch. It was rapid-fire conversation all the time and most enjoyable.

I cannot close this report on '10's 65th Reunion without expressing the great admiration and many thanks for all our 2 military aides, MAJ Charles W. Stewart III and MAJ Donald Renfro, did for us to insure the complete success of our Reunion.

After a farewell breakfast on Sat morning '10 was on its way home.

We are very sad at this time to report the death of Genevieve Dawley, widow of our MG Ernest J. Dawley, USA Ret., at her home in Carmel, CA on 25 Mar 75. Following Mike's death in Sept 73 Genevieve lived on in their home in Carmel and she continued in good health until about 5 months before passing away. Family services were held in the Valley Church and after cremation the ashes were scattered over the wide Pacific. Genevieve had previously donated Mike's papers to the Hoover Inst of War, Revolution and Peace at Palo Alto, CA at their request.

'11
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Dorothy Bagby has moved to The Channing House, 850 Webster St, #530, Palo Alto, CA 94301. She joined the Lockwoods and other service people in that attractive and helpful home. She reports that this fall a granddaughter will be a sr at McGill U. in Montreal where Billy Wyche's grandson will be a jr.

In Jun, Jean Beatty wrote that John was recovering from a cataract operation. Their son Jack also living in Portland, OR is a tower of strength to them both. Lucy Evans spent part of Apr with her daughter and Navy son-in-law in McLean, VA. CPT L.L. Jackson, USNA '45, ret. this past summer and with his family will continue to live in McLean. They have 3 children still in college, and 2 grandsons with their mother and CG father in San Juan, P.R. Lucy received the scribe's extra copy of Jun ASSEMBLY.

In late Apr, John Hatch also was recovering from a cataract operation, from which the results had been excellent. Johnny may go after another driver's license.

Last spring, while Jack Kutz was a patient at Bay Pines Vet Hosp, his St. Petersburg home was burglarized by vandals cruel enough to take advantage of a helpless one. Otherwise, life for him and Kitty is much the same. We sincerely admire the great spirit with which they meet adversity.

In Mar, Katherine McKinney began a 45-day European trip, seeing her children, the Jack Woods in Stuttgart, and attending again a performance of the famous Lippizana white horses in Vienna. She also took the Rhine River voyage and spent a week in Mallorca. She hopes, as do we all, to see many of '11 at its 65th Reunion in 76, which also would have been the 130th of her grandfather Palmer.

The McNeal's friend, Mrs. Margaret Bryan, in mid-Jun sent in a poor report on Joe. He and Ellen were in the same hospital room, she recovering from a shoulder injury.

In May, Herb Nollman wrote that he would be unable to attend our 65th gathering. Sadly, he reported that Nelle had full time nurses and could never recover. Their daughter, Mrs. C.H. Dawlins, said that her father was as well off in Jacksonville's "Wesley Manor" as he could be anywhere. We do express for the Class our condolence to a loyal member of '11 and his wife.

Landonia Richards was hospitalized briefly in Jun for some knee problems. Since then she again has been busy with management of property which she is gradually turning over to her children. Alice Rader, too, had been having a hospital stay with some hip repairs. Much of Apr was spent in convalescence but in May she was home and on her own. She said, "I still receive ASSEMBLY but have it read to me—cataracts!"

In late Jun, Gerry Stanton was planning a trip from her Oakland, CA home in Jul to Canada, especially through the Gaspé Peninsula and Maritime Provinces. There may be details for the Xmas ASSEMBLY.

There seem to be many ills bothering some of the '11 gang but we octogenarians manage to keep plugging along. Even your scribe has had his outdoor activities curtailed by sneaking arthritis. Period.

'12
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DEPARTURES

Mrs. Thorne Deuel (Nora)—12 Apr 75
John Hiram Lindt—18 Jun 75
WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL
SOLDIER—HAIL!

ANDERSON: Anne had been in and out of hospital during the past years. She couldn't write, but her daughter kept me informed.

BURLINGAME: Chris's widow, Mrs. Katherine Jackson, wrote me a fine long letter in re my recent book. Her father was COL Raymond, of the Engrs. She wrote many anecdotes about many old friends mentioned in my book. Her father devised the technique for raising the USS Maine in Havana, which was credited to MG Wm M. Black. Katherine is a loyal advocate for the Corps of Engrs. Incidentally, I note that the Engrs, now charged with upkeep of navigable waters in the U.S. are likely to control all waterways, in the interest of environmental protection. This looks to me like a source of many political headaches for the CE. But who am I to comment? Katherine sent me a clipping about Chris's younger brother who played in a tennis tournament at age 82, a year after he had a stroke. You will remember Chris's prowess on the 1911 track team.

CRAWFORD, R.C.: Red and I have had voluminous discourse on many topics. Miraculously, we agreed on some points. But there was also much debate. In debate, except when he is holding out for some pet hobby, Red is generally on the side of logic and reason. As a cadet, I admired Red's keen practical judgment. Now, approaching 87 years of age, I find no diminution in his clarity of thought. He and Nancy seem quite contented with their new home in Alexandria.

CRITTENBERGER: Saw a news clipping of Critt donating his arms collection to the National Rifle Assoc. More power to Critt! Maybe I'll do likewise, though I hate to give up my old shooting irons! One of Critt's collection was a Daisy air gun. I got my first Daisy in 1898 and loved it! Shot birds, toads, and the Irish boys who lived across the railroad tracks at old Columbus Bks.

DEUEL: Sad note from Thorne he having lost Nora, I know what he is going through! He wrote me that Nora's illness was of very short duration. For the present, he plans to continue living in their home. From our cadet days onward Thorne has always been able to meet adversity head-on, with a smile. A great little fighter. Do you remember in the riding-hall, Thorne was always happy to be assigned to the meanest bronco on the line. Ride-em, Cowboy!

DICK: Fine long letter from Carl, giving me hell! When 2 aged Conservatives fall out, the sparks fly! Camarade, Carl! I am for you!

DRAKE: Charlie has a single room with large sliding windows. Brand new with all modern conveniences. "I am very comfortable and love all my nurses!" Those nurses had better step lively! Charlie has become a Civil War buff. Charlie planned to go to Gettysburg again this spring. He ended a St. Patrick's Day speech thus:

"May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face
The rain fall soft upon your fields
And, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm
of his hand." AMEN!

GREENWALD: I saw a photo of a young MAJ Greenwald training Olympic riding candidates for the U.S. Army. Sent it to Karl. He replied that he must go see young Greenwald. A chip off the old block! Sees Alice and Ike Spalding occasionally. Karl and Sid Spalding have bathed in the Fountain of Youth!

HARRISON: Marje sent me a copy of Bud Butler's cartoons of WW I. I sent it to the Librarian, USMA, who was grateful to add it to the 1912 memorabilia.

HAUSER: Charlie has been busy as usual with church and community affairs. She was hoping to visit her son Bill in Europe, he being newly assigned to command the 3d Inf Div Arty. I had an interesting letter from Bill concerning conditions in NATO.

HOBSON: Mary wrote me a sweet letter about my book. She has been traveling.

HOCHWALT: Mary also wrote about my book.

KULDELL: Cuddle's daughter, Mrs. David T. Hedges, writes that her husband played football at Dartmouth and is much interested in Army football.

LARRABEE: Sterling's widow, Constance, writes that his demise was sudden. His funeral was widely attended by Army friends and by the fox-hunting clan from VA. He is still sadly missed by his old dog, "Crafty."

LINDT: In May I had my last letter from Hiram. He was still hoping but getting discouraged. Pattie later wrote me that he was going fast! She phoned me of his death. Her son was coming from Mexico. She was obviously in shock. She will send the balance of the Class Fund. I'll send it to Sid recommending it go to the West Point Fund. Old Hiram should take his place in our Gallery of Honor, together with Bun Hobson, as the two Guardians of '12, USMA!

LITTLEJOHN: Mary wrote that Robert is bearing up, though unable to communicate. She has had grievous difficulties with her eyesight.

MALLON: Frank and I communicate voluminously in re the problems of our Army and about military history. He is a great student of history with an encyclopedic memory. He is digging out his annuals in the garden and putting in perennials. He has a lovely garden and he keeps everything in apple-pie order. My house and garden are unkempt.

NALLE: Bill's last letter was rather depressed. I have heard that he is not in good shape. Few of us are! Cheerio Bill!

READ: Burton wrote me a fine letter in his own handwriting. He is a fine old soldier whom I admire. His vision is getting very dim. So's mine.

SIBERT: Miracle of miracles! I had a letter from Sid Didn't say much about himself, which is normal. But I was happy to hear. As cadets, Si and I used to wrestle all over the floors of our rooms and the adjoining hallway, which is a sure sign of friendship.

SPALDING, S.P.: Sid sent me a clipping about Phil Faymonville and commented about his own experiences in Vladivostok, and other places in Russia. My own favorite Russian author is Solzhenytsin, especially his *August 1914*, which might be an object lesson for us. We have already learned a lot from the Russians. If we aren't careful, we will learn a lot more!

I phoned Sid about Hiram Lindt. His grandson answered. Sid was probably out in the fields toting bales of hay. Salute to the Pres of 1912.

SPALDING, I.: At last, a note from Ike, bless his stubborn heart! For a long time

he had silenced me. I suspect that he disapproved of my tendency to criticize Army Big Shots and procedures. I deserve censure. George Patton once sent me a telegram: "You are a hell of a good soldier with a hell of a big mouth!" Ike reports that he and Joe Greenwald had dinner to celebrate our 63d anniversary! Reminds me of our graduation dinner, in the Astor. On that occasion I had too much champagne. Whoopee!

WILBUR: Nice letter from Bill. The Medico had told him that he was trying to do too much, and must slow down. This annoyed Bill because: "There is much to be done!" Says he is essentially back on his feet (and probably overdoing again!). When Bill and Larry were in Washington, they saw Dot Maloney, K. Maxwell, Gladys Thomas and Sarah Chamberlin.

BROWN, A.E.: My alphabetical filing went awry. I apologize for putting Burfy at the end. He and Jesse are plugging along and see many Army friends in Charleston. Burfy, needless to say, laments with Vietnam fiasco. It was a political and diplomatic blunder of first order in which sadly, the U.S. Army was implicated. The military viewpoint should have been given top consideration. One can only wonder if our military leaders protested strongly enough, or indeed if they should not have asked to be relieved from command. However, this is water over the dam. The important thing is to look ahead and protest now against future half-hearted employment of our armed forces in political ventures. Moreover, in my opinion, the Army should make a determined drive to make our forces combat-ready. At present the armed forces are under bureaucratic control. The Pentagon itself is a bureau. Solzhenytsin's book *August 1914* gives a vivid picture of what happens to even the best of forces when they try to fight a war under bureaucratic command.

I fear that I have missed somebody in the above summary of Class news. Again I blame it on my filing system. One missing item is in re Bird DuBois. Bird has stood mute for a long time.

CHYNOWETH: The situation remains much as usual. My daughter Frances Sauvageot and grandson Charlie live with me. Her daughter Anne is working and studying in Boston. Diane is a senior at U.C. She is Phi Beta Kappa and has been accepted in the grad school on her graduation. Henry is also in U.C., a sophomore.

My son Ed is still Dpty D.A. in Fresno and operates a grape ranch. Daughter Ellen Mary is in HI with her husband, Dick Soule, who works in the Navy Undersea Lab.

I still sail once a week. I love our cold, wet, rough old Bay. I have been trying to write some articles, with the faithful criticism of Frank Mallon whom I failed to mention above. We are both too deaf to talk on the phone, but he writes me frequently. Though one of our oldest, Frank is still a very clear thinker. He is a veritable mine of information on our military history. I never catch him in error, though he frequently catches me.

My old dog King is in his 15th year and his hindquarters are failing rapidly. He has been my faithful companion for nearly 14 years. I will continue to nurse him as long as he can still wag his tail. People ask: "Why bother with him? He is only a dog!"!!!!

Duke, our Basset, is being very kind to King. He too is only a dog—and an all-out rascal. He steals food. But with King, he is gentle and loving.

I am carrying on a running fight with the

bureaucrats in the Motor Vehicle Dept. My eye sight is 20/40:20/80. They are trying to catch me in the driving tests. They judge mostly on technicalities. But you cannot argue with the umpire. I hope to beat them in my next (and last) test. If not I can only say, like Terry Allen when we threw him in the swimming pool, "Here goes nothing!"

The local "Gazette" printed a nice review of my recent book. As an outcome, the United Veterans asked me to speak on Memorial Day. This led to 2 more requests, on Flag Day, from the Elks' Club and the Kiwanis Club. My basic message: "Fly the Flag!" But I am fed up. It gets nowhere. If I accept another invitation, I hope that somebody will buy me a muzzle and make me wear it!

As usual, I am filling in my bulletin by telling about me!

In Oct, Army plays Stanford. Archie Dorst and I have agreed to attend. Archie is even more debilitated than I. But he is a great booster for USMA. I hope that the game will not be another massacre. Professionalism has just about ruined college football. Many USMA grads feel that Army should get out of Big Time football. But they are tied up for years in advance by contract. Let's pray for a miracle!

Have you studied The Battle of Midway? That seemed to prove that miracles can happen in war. But it required the brilliant deduction of an aggressive naval air cmdr to make it come to pass. In our growing conflict with the Soviets, we are going to need miracles in our future. FLY YOUR FLAGS!

'13

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No one from '13 returned to the Point for June Week this year tho I am sure one or more will be up for Homecoming this Oct to see Army play Pittsburgh U.

Your scribe of '13 gets little news from the few of us left but what I have here it is.

Had a sad note from Wm. C. Young from Due West, SC 29639. He tells me that near Xmas of 74, his wife Eleanor had a stroke and passed away after 6 days in the hospital. Sorry we didn't hear of this sooner. Bill says he is OK but showing his age.

I wrote to several classmates that Crittenberger had been ill, hospitalized for a while, but his wife Josephine reports he is home now and better and would like to see any '13ers. Crit's address is 3133 Conn Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20008.

Minna Crutcher wrote me that her brother-in-law, BG Bixel (Cl of '27), who married her sister Evelyn, died in DC early this year of a heart attack.

Our Class adopted COL R.E. Dupuy a few years ago. He joined us in all our celebrations. COL Dupuy died in DC on 25 Apr 75. Dupuy was on Ike's staff in War II as a press aide. He has published several war books.

Had a letter from Mrs. Lynn Roberts of Redlands, CA. She recalled life at Benning with some classmates. She says while she is older she is yet in fine health.

Archer (JA) Dorst of Berkeley, CA phoned me twice lately telling me it was easier to talk than it was to write, or read, as both he and his wife Catherine are experiencing poor eyesight. Both are otherwise OK. He said he had no news of other '13ers on the Coast.

Tex Davidson, our Class Pres, keeps me informed on those in DC area. He says he has lots of room so asked '13ers to call on him. He says—reminding me—that our Class graduated from the Point 62 years ago this Jun. He had, a few days previous, talked to Pinky Crane and his wife Lois. Both are in fairly good shape, enjoying life on the cattle farm—Kingdom Farm, near Leesburg, VA—but letting others—hired help—do the work!

Chas (Lil) Lyman wrote from Maui Meadow Farm in West Chester, PA: "Sorry to have to say that we have seen no classmates. Wish we could get together this fall. Why not? Our fun and travel is to see our horses race. Don't expect to go to any football games—see them too good on TV, thank the Lord. Our grandchildren are both good students as well as athletes. Eri, age 11, is leading in points toward Championship in the small pony division. Charles III, age 9, also loves horses, and machinery. Our son and daughter help manage, train and do everything else that is essential to keep the activities and business going and with Polly the leader keep the farm in wonderful shape. Polly and I both send you our kindest regards."

Many of my classmates will recall a cadet by the name of Tom Ferguson, from Ferguson, NC who left us after a time as a '13er. Tom is a COL due to war service, runs a big cattle farm and keeps in touch with many of us thru ASSEMBLY which he takes. Tom is an avid Scotchman, has visited Scotland and each Jul meets with the large Ferguson clan at Grandfather's Mts near Asheville for a big clan gathering. He invites any '13er to join them this year. He has written many books. Write Tom at Ferguson, NC.

Had a letter from a nephew of Mrs. J.E. Ardrey who lives at Bakersfield, CA. The letter says Mildred fell down a few weeks ago and sustained a broken hip. She is, or was, in Mercy Hospital at Bakersfield, CA.

Priscilla Newgarden of Brunswick, ME says her brother is a professor at Bowdoin so she enjoys the many spring parties that go with the College—clam and lobster bakes, etc., etc. She wishes any '13er who visits ME to call on her. She travels a lot and is in the best of health.

Bug Oliver (MG of Williamsburg, MA) wrote that he got home from a winter in FL in early Apr. He has a large farm near Williamsburg but finds he is too old to work it himself. Janet, his wife, is celebrating as of late May her 55th class reunion at Smith College. Bug says at 86 yrs old he let Janet do the driving and they enjoy the family on their summer visits to Williamsburg.

As to the Viners, Dasha and I are yet OK. We try to swim each day and VA Bch is such an interesting and busy place for any ret. Army, Navy, or Marine officer to live. Just too much going on—each day of the year. Wish some '13ers would come this way, perhaps I could get more news of the Class.

'14

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It is apparent that this will be a short Class letter, but at least there will be no further loss from our ranks to report. Also, there is a happy event to write about. In a letter from Tom Monroe, which came too late for my last deadline, he wrote that he and Clara celebrated their 60th wedding anniv on 27

Mar. Their son, Tom Jr., had a family party for them, at their nearby Eureka home, which was attended by their son Putnam and his wife Bobbye, and daughter Karen, from Austin, TX. They had a very happy time. This is the first 60th anniv that I have heard about in our Class. Tom's letter mentioned that he had seen our son-in-law, Wilmot McCutchen '39, at the Founders Day dinner in San Fran, which was attended by the oldest living grad, GEN Nuttman '95.

Ike Gill recently had a visit from his daughter, Patsy Richardson, of West Redding, NY. He gave a dinner party for her at the Ft Sam Houston Officers Club. Ike doesn't like hot weather, so when the mercury begins to climb I expect that he will return Patsy's visit.

Several weeks ago, Earll and I were delighted to get an invitation from Tim Rees, and his daughter Mildred, and her husband, Tom Lytle, to see seldom seen old friends, since we go out so little. We gathered in the cool green patio of the home on Ridgemont Ave and got caught up on back news.

Best regards to all.

'15

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WE REGRET: to report the deaths of Doug and Gertrude Weart, within a few hours of each other, on 5 & 6 Apr at Walter Reed. Both had been ill for some time. Burial was in Arlington 9 Apr following graveside services. Among the honorary pallbearers for Doug were Evans, Ellis, Gillette and Harris. Many distaff '15ers were in attendance and also a host of the Wearts' civ and mil DC friends. They are survived by 2 sons, 2 daughters, and many grand and great-grandchildren to whom goes the sympathy of the Class.

From SC comes a report of the death in Charleston on 14 Apr of Mary Brownell McDill, daughter of Doc and Laura Brownell. Burial was in Chester, SC. The Class extends its sympathy to Laura and the McDill family.

SICK REPORT: Just a few days before our 60th the medicos voted "nyet" on the attendances of Mamie Eisenhower and Omar Bradley. Then the day before our Class bus, in charge of Jack Harris, was due to leave for the Thayer, Jack was put in quarters with pneumonia and so missed the Reunion. From FL Ned Zundel reports that surgery prevented him from attending. Squire Taylor writes that Woody had been in Brooke with pneumonia but was released to his home. On 14 Jun Det Ellis discovered Dick Richards parked in Walter Reed with mild pneumonia. And at the Reunion, Hazel Taylor had the misfortune to catch a heel on a step of Washington Hall and a sprained knee resulted. After a night at the USMA Hospital she rode our bus back to DC, spent a few days in Walter Reed and then flew home. Since all the above have recovered or are well on the way to recovery, praise be to Allah!

THIS'N'THAT: Upon the receipt of the bad news from Omar and Mamie, Blister Evans called upon Jack Harris, who can make the English language do things "P" Holt never dreamed of, to draft a "Miss You" letter to Omar and to Mamie. These letters were signed by all in attendance and duly mailed. Shortly after Omar phoned to convey his and Kitty's thanks and appreciation

and Mamie wrote Blister asking him to express her thanks to the Class.

Too late for the last issue came the news that Jim Van Fleet represented the Class at the Tampa Founders Day dinner. Although Jim was senior in rank and age he escaped making the Oldest Grad speech. Bill Wilbur '12 was hit by a bug on the eve of the dinner and couldn't attend, so he sent his speech to be read. Also from FL Dutch Gerhardt writes that they don't get around much but continue to enjoy life with frequent visits from children and grandchildren.

The 9 Jun Class luncheon at the A-N Club saw only the steady foursome, Ellis, Evans, Gillette and Harris in attendance. The Distaff gals turned out a few more. Jun 11 saw Ingrid Graves hosting a luncheon at the A-N Club. 1915ers in attendance were Helen Conklin, Peggy Davison, Dot Evans, Jessica Gesler, Thea Gillette, Louise Kahle, Mary Larkin, and Marianne Wallington. Enjoyment was top bracket.

Dorothy Taylor has sold her Winnepeg home and made a PCS to Victoria, BC. Her new address, along with several others, was reported in Blister's "First Call." If you haven't done so why not update your Class roster?

CABINET SHUFFLE: After 25 years of honorable and efficient service, Ed Wallington has resigned as Class Treas. Jack Harris is now Treas and also replaces Ed on the Exec Cmte. Other new Exec Cmte members are Joe Swing, replacing Dad Herrick, deceased, and Dick Richards in place of Jack Davis who resigned because of poor health.

THANK YOUS: To MacTaggart's daughter Jean (Mrs. Richard S. Morrison) goes a hearty thanks for her gift of champagne for the Class Dinner. Her thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

To our Class aides, MAJ Pons '62 and CPT Cecil '66 goes our thanks for their splendid services. Their efficiency, patience and unfailing courtesy contributed in a large measure to our enjoyment of the Reunion.

Blister Evans and Det Ellis get a super size pat on the back for carrying the major load of the Reunion planning and execution. The smoothness with which our shindig ran testifies to the many long tedious hours they put in. As a fitting reward let's appoint them to run our next one also.

WHO WAS THERE: Henry & Betty Auran; Hugh & Renee Avent; Det Ellis & grandson, Tracy Ellis Mulligan and wife Margaret; Blister & Dot Evans; Dusky & Thea Gillette; Gene & May Leone; Jake Meneely; Eddie & Hennie Moale; Hume Peabody; Dick Richards; John & Winnie Robinson; Joe Swing & daughter, Mrs. Mary Ann Fullilove; Tom & Hazel Taylor; Jim & Helen Van Fleet; Helen Atkins; Peggy Beukema; Nan Chapin & daughter-in-law, Barbara Chapin, Helen Conklin, Peggy Davison; Marguerite Gilkeson; Ingrid Graves; Virginia Henley & daughter Ginnie Bohlen; Ethel Hyde; Louise Kahle; Bruce Lorch, daughter Eloise Rippe & daughter-in-law Lois Lorch; Elisa MacDonald; Margaret Mueller; Dora Small; Dorothy Taylor; Mac Wogan, Also for the Leone dinner, Gilkeson, Hyde and Lorch sons.

PLAY BY PLAY: Most of us arrived at the Thayer late Wed afternoon with just enough time to prepare for our KT Buffet where we learned that an anonymous classmate had picked up the bar tab. We toasted him often to express our appreciation. Add good food and a continuous exchange of greetings and you have a most enjoyable evening.

The next day, Thurs, the first event was a

bus tour of the Post, attended by most of the gathering. We visited Ft Put, now being restored, where we found the paths much steeper than during our cadet days; saw the start of the new hospital which will be named for our old friend, COL Keller; paid our reverent respects to those in the Cemetery and had a guided tour of Eisenhower Hall. The latter defies description; it must be seen to be appreciated.

Most of the ladies spent the best part of the afternoon trying to buy everything in the PX returning in time to join the rest for the enjoyable Supt's dinner and reception. As to whether anyone stayed for the dancing that followed, deponent sayeth not. He wasn't there that late.

Fri morning brought cloudy skies and a sprinkle of rain but not enough to mar the Alumni Exercises. In the march to Thayer Monument there were only 4 ahead of us, all from '10 including "P.D." Uhl, the oldest grad present. The Exercises and the Review were as impressive as always. Following the Review we had our Class picture taken after which the men headed for Washington Hall for the Alumni Luncheon and the AOG meeting, while the gals had luncheon at the WP Mess. As we tried to leave after the AOG meeting we found ourselves facing a torrential downpour and nary a raincoat in the crowd. Knowing our dilemma MAJ Pons "liberated" a bus and we made it to the WP Mess for our Class meeting fairly dry. Then back to the Thayer for our final event, the Leone dinner. Each Leone dinner seems to surpass the previous one and Gene and May did it again. Gene had arranged for a telephone hookup with the Bradleys with a loud speaker at our end. The latter, due to switchboard trouble, didn't work out very well but Gene carried on a conversation telling us what the "other end" was saying. As this highly enjoyable event neared its conclusion Gene and May were presented with a small token of our affection for them. And so ended a fitting climax to our 60th Reunion.

GET AWAY DAY: Fittingly it dawned gloomy with a threat of continued rain. Our bus was due to leave at 0900 but with '20 and '25 trying to leave at the same time the 2 Thayer elevators couldn't handle the traffic so our departure was delayed. However, as the weather cleared so did our spirits rise. The way time flies these days 1980 and our 65th Reunion are just around the corner. See you then.

P.S. (late mail)

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To the Class of 1915:

Kitty and I are sorry we had to miss our 60th class reunion but it helped to talk to all of you. Thank you for setting it up. We popped the cork on a bottle of champagne and toasted the class for a lifetime of fellowship and friendship. We appreciate the letter of May 30th and each and every signature. Eventually your letter will join our papers at the Bradley Library at West Point where it will serve as a lasting memento of years of camaraderie and loyalty. Thank you for those years.

I am getting better every day. Please stay well. Kitty and I look forward to being with you at our 65th reunion and, hopefully, many times before then.

Sincerely,
(s) Brad
OMAR N. BRADLEY
General of the Army



1916: Scribe enjoys 81st birthday cake.

'16

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Bob Walsh went up to WP for June Week this year. Among his missions was to analyze matters for 76 in preparation for our 60th Reunion. Information notices and announcements will reach you '16ers from time to time, so keep yourselves alert. See you all then!

For many years Brig and Minnie and Brig and Savilla Bliss had a large portrait of Brig's father, GEN Tasker Bliss, on a wall of their living room. It was excellent, and most striking. Since GEN Bliss was the first Cmdt of the AWC, and since the War College wanted very much to have that picture, Savilla has presented it to them. Savilla has given a large amount of files, papers, books, photos, and the like, to the Natl Archives. The archivist was ecstatic about the find of this material.

Maurine Townsend wants to give a memorial to Duke to WP. Discussions as to what it shall be are under way. In the meantime, Maurine has been in Europe, including Rumania and Turkey. The latest information is that Maurine will finance a Renault (WW I) tank for the Museum, in the name of 1916.

Those of us who were at our 55th Reunion in 71 will recall that Harlan Mumma got up from his bed at the WP hospital to enter his grandson, John Redington, as a plebe. That means that John graduated this June. How Harlan would have enjoyed presenting him his diploma! Juliette wrote that John was married on 8 Jun at Clearwater, FL to Miss Jill Elizabeth McNellis of Clearwater.

Helen Woodward went to Seattle to visit her daughter there in May.

Tom Finley wrote (a little late for our Jun Notes) that he functioned again for the 3d year as the oldest grad at Founders Day dinner at Colo Spgs. He says his effort was a humorous attempt to describe our class reunions of past years, notably our 50th. Tom says, "It got over."

Tom's daughter and son-in-law, COL Gordon Rogers Jr. (USMA '57), took off for 2 years in Turkey last Jul after 6 years at Leavenworth. Tom hopes to wangle a visit to them at Ankara while they are there.

Blanch and Roland Shugg spent some time in Canada this summer. When I asked Roland what they were going to see, his prompt answer was, "Calgary rodeo."

Boots and Bill Spence moved in May from their home to an apartment at 2300 Nacogdoches Rd, San Antonio, TX 78209, (Apt. #1).

They turned their home over to son Craig (USMA '54), and his family.

Maurice Miller is pleased by the addition of a 2d great-granddaughter, born 22 Nov 74. My record shows her as '16's 73d "great"; but I'll wager some of you have "greats" that you have not reported! To me, that is!

One of your scribe's most consistent correspondents is Charles Haskins. He says that Maybelle and he are still hoping to make our 60th Reunion in 76. We shall look forward to you both being there. May I suggest that some of the rest of you classmates copy Charles and write more often!

Laura and your scribe drove to Portland, OR in Apr to attend the annual meeting of the Society of American Military Engrs.

Helen and Woody Woodward traveled to WY in mid-Jun to spend the summer at their home in the Tetons.

Fay's note of 5 Jun tells that Stanley Reinhart died on 4 Jun. He was buried at West Point on 10 Jun. We send our sympathy to Jeannette and her family.

Another sad note came to hand in early Jun. Alma Page, our Doug Page's wife, died 8 Jun. She was buried at San Antonio. Our sympathy to Doug and his family.

Marion and Holland Robb showed up at San Fran on 21 Jun with a bus tour group from Sun City, AZ. While in the Bay Area we '16ers there were able to give them the "Sixteen Treatment." This included cocktails at Eve and Bob McBrides' apartment, and dinner at the Presidio Officers Club. Present included McBrides, Schuggs, Johns, Robbs, and Virginia Doney. It was good to get together.

Marion and Holland planned to leave for HI on 1 Jul to spend 2 months, one on Kauai and one on Maui.

Mary and Stan Scott spent 2 weeks in late May and early Jun visiting their 2 sons and families in Dallas.

A P R
'17

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Our Class has lost another distinguished member. John Tupper Cole died 17 Apr in Denville, NJ, after a heart attack. He and his wife Janet had lived in Haleside, L.I. from his ret. in 53 until 74, when they moved to Boonton, NJ. Tupper Cole served with the 3d Cav in France during WWI, and was a combat cmdr with the 5th AD in WWII, participating in the Ardennes-Alsace, Central Europe, Normandy, Northern France and Rhineland campaigns. After his ret. he became director of the U.S. Equestrian Team and of the National Horse Show.

In 1930-31 GEN Cole was a member of the Army horse show team that toured horse shows, county fairs and expositions throughout the country. In 1932, as a member of the Olympic equestrian team, he competed in the Olympics. As captain of the Army horse show team in 37, he participated with the team in the 400th anniv of the founding of Valparaiso, Chile. In 48 he participated in the equestrian events of the Olympic Games in England.

Tupper Cole is survived by his wife, Jane MacKay Cole; a daughter, Mrs. Robert W. Gascoigne, of Boonton, NJ; a son, Frederick, of McLean, VA; and 5 grandchildren.

From Carmel, CA comes another sad note. Doug Wahl's wife, Elizabeth (Betty), died 26 Apr at Community Hospital after a period of failing health. She was a member of the

Altar Society of Carmel Mission Basilica and of Carmel Court 1496, Catholic Daughters of America. She is survived by her husband, BG George Douglas Wahl and 2 sons, John D. and Robert Wahl, all of Carmel; 2 sisters, Mrs. Louise Wyche and Mrs. McKee D. Smith, both of Pinehurst, NC, and 5 grandchildren.

The sincere sympathy of the Class is extended to the families of Tupper Cole and Betty Wahl.

In a note from Kewp Yuill, he says that a number of things that he doesn't approve of have been happening in "that den of iniquity, DC" and he adds, "...mad as Hell. Sometimes wonder how soon I will wake up breathing fire and brimstone."

In a letter that Marge (Mrs. Joseph P.) Sullivan sent to Kewp Yuill on 7 Jun, she wrote, "My darling is slipping fast.... He has been such a good soldier. As for me, I don't know what I will do without him. He has been my whole life for 34 years."

May God bless all our wives.

AUG
'17

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Leo A. Smith Jr. wrote to tell us that his mother had passed away after a short illness. We enjoyed being with her at our heterosexual luncheons before Leo Sr. died. She was a bright lovely woman.

At the other extreme, Kit Carson announces a reincarnation. Scorning the advice of conservative doctors that he was too old and too full of scar tissue to risk another operation, Kit called in a pair of brash youngsters and now he is back on the golf course 3 times a week.

Pinkey and Nan Rolfe can't hold still: summer plans call for a visit in Williamsburg, 3 weeks in AK, stops in Seattle and San Fran before getting home in Sept. Phil and Tommie Day get about too. They were honored guests at a lovely party which Leo and Miriam Conner gave to celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary. The Days were headed for the Presidio where their son is stationed. They reported the Winter Park contingent well except for Margaret Barber who has fallen into the habit of breaking ribs. Another bit of news from FL is that Mary Meade had won the golf club championship for ladies. She now declines to play with Frank, saying, "Go get yourself a reputation first."

The Heas will put in 4 summer weeks making their annual inspection tour of grandchildren in AL and IL; in good enough shape to be planning on the 60th. Bill Chapman comes to DC on Cincinnati business and always phones. Toodles has lost some weight uncomplainingly and Bill made a Founders Day speech.

Family descended upon Loessa Coffey: Ditty from the West Coast and John for his 30th Reunion at the Point. Loessa resumed cooking for a family. They had a weekend with Mara and all went to see the grandson graduate at Annapolis. No travel for Loessa except possibly to visit her brother on Long Is. Dorothy Huff will go to St. Louis in Aug to see her grandson wed. The Harts expect to spend part of the summer cooling off in northern NH. Leo and Miriam Conner will be in Phoenix for the Aug wedding of their eldest granddaughter, Anne.

Breakage in the Carmel area included Willie Wilson whose truck steering mechanism locked: the truck went for the river

until stopped by a large tree. Truck demolished but not Willie. He is in the Ft Ord Hospital and doing well, Dagmar says. Bush Bissell broke an ankle and suffered a bad sprain the first of Feb but is now walking without a heavy cast. He managed to make the Founders Day dinner and another time to have cocktails with Virginia Harloe.

Sam Ringsdorf is cheerful though he can drive only around Wilkes-Barre: a trip to Peekskill and the WP Society did him in. Parry Lewis has had a bad time. A hernia brought about by a sneeze put him in hospital for 4 weeks. He is in a wheel chair but can use a walker some. Bill Paca merits the highest praise. In spite of 3 strokes in the past, he was alert when, the night before their anniversary, Louise blacked out and couldn't talk. His prompt action was so effective that Louise is talking fine although still in bed. Bill is the factotum but even so, was out for a spot of golf when Your Scribe called.

Margaret Bellinger is painting furiously to be ready for a show of her own at the Arts Club (their request) in Oct. She has to be a wonder to do so much and still keep Tiny in the style to which he has become accustomed.

Grace Reeder received an Exceptional Performance Award, for distinguished professional performance as Senior Reference Librarian in the NASA Hqs Library. Some credit is due Your Scribe who serves as her cook, shopper and chauffeur.

Other news in brief. Jack Fye is proud to have a son with 2 stars and the younger on the waiting list for a first one. The Herberts have sold their house and will now be found at 401 S. Burnside Ave, Apt 5-B, Los Angeles, CA 90036. Honus and Emmalene Wagner expect to pay DC a visit in late Jun or early Jul. Biff and Elizabeth Jones, Bob and Marjorie Hasbrouck, Lois Stamps all in good shape and cheerful. Dorothy Warner has recovered her appetite and is up to 104 lbs; Red is over 140 and has been told to get no fatter! Harry Rising keeps pretty much at home but sounds good on the phone. Ellanor Sharp did a spell in Bethesda Naval Hosp and came back practically bouncing as of yore. Emily Bingham has to keep to her apartment nearly all the time but she is as sweet and charming as ever.

Dorothe Matlack is just about the busiest person around; she did not go to the graduation of either of her grandtwins. Barbara Hughes did go to WP to see her son, the male twin, graduate, and came home with pneumonia (over it now). Good thing Dorothe didn't go. Had she gotten pneumonia, it would have played havoc with her schedule of events.

May Heavey is most grateful to those who wrote her messages of sympathy but they must not expect acknowledgments: arthritis prevents her writing. She still gets around in spite of that and other afflictions and she doesn't complain.

JUN
'18

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With great sorrow I report the deaths of 2 of our classmates and a distaff member of our Class. Lane Holman passed away 3 Apr 75 at San Ant, TX. Lane had a stroke and had been in poor health for some time. He is survived by son, COL J.L. Jr., Class

'51, who is CO, Pctny Ars, NJ; 2 daughters and 6 grandchildren to whom we extend our deepest sympathy. Those of you who attended our reunions probably remember meeting daughter Mary and her husband who usually came with Lane.

Bob Offley passed away 25 May 75 in the Camp Pendleton Hosp, CA. Suffering from prostate gland trouble for 7 yrs Bob died of cancer. Besides wife Eleanor he is survived by son, COL R.H. Jr., (Ret.) Class '41, 2 daughters and one grandson and 2 granddaughters by Bob's first wife, Alice Walter. Our heartfelt sympathy to Eleanor and the family.

Robbie Newman, wife of our departed classmate Jim Newman, passed away on 23 Apr 75 in Orlando, FL from a heart ailment. The Washington Post gave her a 5 column write-up complete with blown-up photo of GEN Hugh S. Johnson, Class '03 and Robbie, who was his exec asst when GEN Johnson was the head of the NRA. The Post called Robbie one of the most influential women in the federal govt in DC at that time. Robbie is survived by 2 stepsons, COL J.B. Newman III (Ret.), Class of '42, of Arlington, VA and R.W. Newman, Class of '43, of Los Alamos, NM to whom we send our deepest sympathy.

On 31 Jul the Axelsons' son Rudolph, just about the ranking COL in the Army, took his ret. parade at Redstone Ars after 33 yrs of service. Born on Corregidor, Rudy has been an Army brat all his life and is proud of his birth certificate because—who knows—it might be precious to prove some day that he is a white Filipino. Norma reports all the grandchildren are doing well and looking forward to Dad Rudy's and Mom Edith's plans for a year of travel via trailer.

The Class owes a debt of gratitude to the Blanchards for handling the Class affairs at Lane Holman's funeral, including the flowers with the June '18 black, gold and gray ribbon. Eve even cooked a big dinner and took it down to Lane's folks. Eve's mother had also passed away, at 95, and the Blanchards flew to Newburgh for the services, meeting their many new nieces and grandnieces and nephews. Daughter Punkin will arrive in Aug from England for her annual 3 weeks visit.

Just prior to the Caseys' departure via auto-train from FL for VT, they climaxed with still another fishing jaunt to Boca Grande for the elusive tarpon. On 20 Jun they wrote they were in our beautiful North Country we describe so perfectly. Their countryside was green and verdant, the many returning birds rendering their musical songs and the mountain ranges looming serene and magnificent, and the weather for golf also perfect. Sounds almost like you, wrote Pat. It is, Pat, as it has to be for those of us who preface an "OUR" to the countryside, the mountains, the verdant green foliage, the flowers or just downright fine living.

Cas Casman keeps youthfully galavanting around the circle of the chamber music workshops. After a session at Penn State he made his annual trip to the New Engl Music Festival at Stowe, VT. Cas says it is remarkable how many oldsters turn out and reckons they are all as crazy as he is. As a sideline he now has a garden, or rather a farm, size 11 x 13 ft where he raises tomatoes, roses and annuals and enjoys presenting the output to his friends.

Squire Foster wrote they always look forward to the Class letters even though sad items are sometimes received. We must be able to accept the bad with the good and

be thankful for our many blessings. The good Squire wrote further, "I am thinking how fortunate I am to be writing a classmate on the 57th anniv of our graduation" (letter dated 12 Jun 75). What beautiful philosophy to pass on to ASSEMBLY for other elder grads to read and digest. Squire ended up saying unfortunately he could not make a visit to Woodley Acres but always felt he had had a visit after receiving one of my Class letters.

Alice Kramer headed east in mid-May for her annual stay with Kathleen Lynch (Navy) in Arlington, VA. Typing a fine newsy letter in Kathleen's office in DC Alice wrote she had just returned from a mini-reunion luncheon at the A-N Club with Louise Bishop, Louise Dean and Marian Ross. Expecting Bee Rundell in McLean, VA in Jul for her annual visit with son Bud and family, Alice mentioned the real delight to have had Bee as her house guest just before she flew east. After Bee's tour of the length of CA visiting granddaughters and other relatives, she went to Rhinebeck, NY to give a hand to her sister during her cataract operation. To add to Alice's joy, the weekend of 30 May in flew her son, wife and the "Wonder Boy," the new star of the family, Hans Kramer, a delightful baby of 11 mos full of joy and good humor and as bright and responsive as our own Hans, who, incidentally, was my first roommate before the Corps was expanded in 16 and your scribe was transferred to A Co.

Dick McKee reports Louise has regained her strength to take over the duties temporarily assigned to him as substitute cook and KP. They were able to visit their daughter in Orange and the grandchildren and enjoyed it thoroughly. However, like most of us old-timers, Dick says they have reached the stage where they like home better than any other place and are always glad to return. But, says Dick, your Woodley Acres sounds so attractive and all he has heard from others make it so interesting that if they ever do get up the energy to go back East they will surely pay it a visit.

Bud Miley reports that when the Class letter arrived the morning of 9 Jun they received a call from Mary Mason Holt in Richmond and she and Jenie talked for a long time about the news in the letter and other things the letter brought to mind. Just shows, wrote Bud, how much interest the Class news generates and for your scribe to make sure he is the last in the Class to go, etc. Thanks for the good wishes, Bud, but born in 93 only Ollie Oliphant and Scip Axelson are a few months older and the rest of the Class run from our class babies, Pat Casey and Robbie Robinson born in 98, the great majority in 97 and 96 and a scattering in 95 and 94. I'm going to try but sincerely hope the rest of the Class will also try to outbid me and take over. Naturally our Jun '18 Class wives and widows being younger usually outlive us and your scribe could not write this column without their loyal assistance. They are always more than willing to check up on classmates and the distaff side when your scribe requests information. Long may they live in the Class friendships of Jun '18. Bud advises that the Classes of Aug '17, Jun '18, Nov '18 and '19 meet jointly in a Class luncheon the first Tues of each month. Those of you who may visit DC are always welcome—call Bud, Eddie Sibert, Connie Jadwin or Charlie Hoffman who usually attend.

Andy Moore, daughter Marian and husband, Eddie Brackett, tripped from Canton,

NY across the Adirondacks of NY and the Green Mts of VT to our White Mts of NH and Lorences' Woodley Acres for a short weekend in late Jul. We learned that, as proud papa Andy put it, young Marian at the age of 50 finally finished school after a 3-yr grind, realizing her girlhood ambition, receiving her nursing degree "with honor" in mid-May. Prior to their visit to NH Andy and the Bracketts spent a few days in Quebec and a couple weeks at Ocean Grove, MD, Andy's childhood vacation spot. Out of the Disciplines of Life Class letter which included Beast Bks, Andy's memory was stirred to tell one about CPT Simonds (our Tac, beloved Paunce Bill). Andy had been told to go to the hospital because of some slight indisposition. He started out at double time. As he came to the corner of the Academic Bldg he came to quick time to salute CPT Simonds who was standing there. He asked where Andy was going and why. Then he asked why he was running. Andy told him we were ordered to run everywhere we went. Andy was told to walk the rest of the way.

A short note from Tom Nixon stating there was nothing new to report except that the Class should know that he is still alive and kicking. He went on to report that he attended his 60th Reunion at Gettysburg Coll early in June and he and Aimee are looking forward to making another trip up the Hudson for his 60th Reunion at WP. Says his health has not been too bad and the best of everything to the Class.

Eleanor Offley flew to DC 19 Jun where Bob will rest in Arlington. Later she went to HI with old friends to relax a bit as it has been a long, difficult time for both. Her new address is 3375 Punta Alta, Leguna Hills, CA 92653.

The Siberts have a new address and have moved to the DC-VA area at Carl Vinson Hall, 6251 Old Cominon Dr, McLean, VA 22101 and, wrote Eddie, whereby hangs a bit of a tail. Laura and he noting their advancing age decided to simplify their lives and perhaps prolong them in the process. Told of a distaff type place where they let the men in, the Siberts investigated and liked the idea of being near their daughter and her husband, Cooper Smith, Class '17's son, and their country place; also close to quite a few of Jun '18 classmates. Result: they moved in and hope to stay there pending something unforeseen. Your scribe calls this good planning.

Lorence's Woodley Acres was on its best behavior the latter part of Jun when from the 4 corners of the U.S.—CA, FL, OH, and IL came Anna Mary's kinfolk for a visit. Good food, plenty of fresh air and sunshine was the order of the days and was enjoyed by all.

Late sad news: Elmer Q. (Ollie) Oliphant died at his home in New Canaan, CT on 3 July 1975. He is survived by his wife Barbara and his sister, Mrs. Jack Turner of Randall, NY, to whom we send our heartfelt sympathy.

NOV
'18

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In Apr Bryan Conrad was hospitalized with a severe brain concussion after a fall at his home striking his head on a concrete walk. In early May it was the hospital again, diverticulitis. And in early June it was congestive heart failure. These 3 unrelated hos-

pitalized medical problems over a short period require that Bryan curtail some of his vigorous activities temporarily at least. After 20 years of splendid coverage of Class Notes as our scribe, his work will be missed by all. We hope he will be back on the job very soon.

The regular Class luncheons held in DC on the first Tues of each month jointly with Aug '17, June '18 and '19 were cancelled for Jun and Jul. They were resumed at Ft McNair in Aug. During the recess the Merritt Booths had the group to their home on Chesapeake Bay. We were represented by the Barnes, the Evans', the Gullatts, the Hastings, and the Holbrooks. A lovely gathering and lunch.

The DC group are having some success in including sons and daughters in class parties. This started a few years ago at the 1 Nov graduation anniv dinners. Now the many "children" are becoming acquainted. At one recent home party besides classmates were Bryan Evans Jr. and his fiancée, Jeanine Wright, George Griffiths, Ned Jewell, David ('61) and Cynthia Hastings, Marion Holbrook and George Alderson, Martha (Monroe) and Gene Henderson, Skipper ('59) and Charlotte Schow and Fred Stevens Jr. ('52).

Hunk and Helen Holbrook have sold their beautiful home in DC to be used as an embassy and have succumbed to apartment living. It's The Westchester at 4000 Cathedral Ave, NW, Washington, DC.

Elmer and Dorothy Barnes made their annual drive, starting on the 8th of Jul to OR where they spend the summer with daughter Jean (Mrs. E. G. Baldwin) in Salem.

Gerry O'Grady, after a tour in the Veterans' Hospital in East Orange, NJ is now in the Christian Sanatorium in Wyckoff, NJ near son David.

Bob Schow says the thermometer in Boca Raton outdid itself this summer, but so did his mangoes. Served ice cold with Persian lime juice, also from his trees, makes a fine refresher. Bob and Tiny see much of Steve and Polly Stevens (BG). Steve's 80th was celebrated in grand style in May at home in West Palm Beach with daughter Betty, family and friends. Polly then made the Pi Phi convention in Atlanta and both were off for the summer in ME. Also to ME to avoid the summer heat of FL were Dave and Ruth Taylor.

Puss and Eric Molitor enjoy their golf several times a week as the fishing in their NC cold mountain streams is becoming a little too strenuous. Their traveling now is mainly to visit daughter Mimi, her husband Don, and 2 grandchildren and also to Atlanta to see their other daughter, Joan, husband Ray, and two granddaughters who attend the U. of GA.

Betty Babbitt negated her trip to China when visas to that country were turned down. She did have a good trip to Chicago and St. Louis for some graduations. She and Mabel Sherman are together frequently.

At writing, Barbara and Mike Jenkins are planning to fly to Brussels in mid Sept to visit son Bud ('52) and his family in their new home. Bud left his new red sport car with his Dad so Mike is now commuting to his "Whispering Lakes" golf course in "with it" style.

Marie and Art Pulsifer gave up a trip to Key West for a later date following one to Ft Benning for a physical.

The WP Society of the Gold Coast had its first Founders Day meeting 16 Mar 75 with present from Nov '18, Archie and Sally Colwell, Fuzzy and Jean Fasnacht, Mike and Barbara Jenkins, Bob and Tiny Schow, and

Reed Yeager. Later the Colwells had a good trip to the Bahamas.

Hal and Barbara Cocks and Dorothy Fellers attended the dedication of the special copy of GEN MacArthur's "Reminiscences" which was unveiled at the MacArthur Museum in Norfolk in May. Bonner Fellers had given the Cocks the names of GEN MacArthur's staff. The Cocks then circulated copies of "Reminiscences" to them asking each to write a few lines in the books and sign them. There were 2 copies. One will be presented to the Douglas MacArthur Academy in Brownwood, TX. At the Norfolk ceremony Mrs. MacArthur pulled a cord lifting a velvet cloth covering the volume. Mayor Irvine Hill gave a Certificate of Recognition signed by Governor Mills Godwin to the 3 persons active in the effort, Paul E. Wise, Dorothy Fellers and W.H. Cocks.

Jake Freeman says the border is very quiet except for the smuggling of pot, narcotics and wet backs. Jake lives in McAllen, TX.

Corp and Mary Chorpene were delighted that Hal and Barbara Cocks were able to go to San Ant from their home in Houston and have a bit of reunion with Canan, Dunk and Lella Dunkelberg and the Chorpene's. Howie Canan on a weeks visit from DC took time for a nostalgic trip to Brownsville where he had been stationed in the early 20's at old Ft Brown. Attending the Founders Day dinner at Ft Sam were Knudsen, Dunkelberg, Pearson, Piland and Chorpene. They all reported an excellent talk by the Cmdt of Cadets, BG Philip R. Feir. Sam Walker made 2 Founders Day dinners. One in Phoenix on 14 Mar, where he was the OLG and one in El Paso where our old instr, COL A.W. Chilton, was the OLG. Both were very inspiring ceremonies.

Jim Styron regretted he couldn't be at the Point to see his 2d grandson graduate in Jun. Jim is having some difficulty in getting around as he would like.

At the Annual Recognition Ceremony on 13 May the silver emblem for 2500 hours of service was awarded to Harry Krieger for his work as a volunteer in the Restorative Section of the Veterans' Hospital in Maywood, IL as a recreational therapist. Harry felt the work was as beneficial to him as it was to the disabled vets.

Bill and Isobel Blair have spent the summer at home in Sterling, CO foregoing their mountain home "Victoria." Isobel has been busy selecting sites for the CO Historical Society and also taking turns as curator of the Overland Trail museum. Bill did have to spend some caretaking time at "Victoria" where he attempted to be his own cook.

Cornie and Helen Hahn had a well filled summer. Their large garden kept them busy and then there was a reunion in Chicago of the regt he commanded in the War, the 338th Engr GS Regt, and a visit to his boyhood home area in southern WI where Cornie still has many cousins.

Mc Monroe recommends "Bellamy Park," the memoirs of Bradford G. Chynoweth ('12) which was reviewed in the Jun ASSEMBLY. And Monk Dickson has enjoyed LT Francis Smith's "Diary." Smith was aide to GEN Hodges during the WWII days.

Bill Mendenhall wrote that life began anew in Sept 74 when son Wendy III and daughter-in-law Vance, ret, and took him over and the house. They arrived with dog, cat, 2 cars and house trailer. The house is big but not accordion pleated. Vance managed to fit everything in so that nothing interferes with lawn bowling or visiting Andree, who has to have good nursing-home care.

Ericson reports that Coral is gradually winning her long battle with the shingles. Appetite improved and she is gaining back weight and more important, her morale is up.

Helen Monroe died quietly in her sleep early on 3 Jun. She had been in a nursing home for a long time. Memorial services were held in Lafayette on 11 Jun. Mc's 2 daughters were with him and accompanied him when taking Helen's ashes to Eureka for interment in the family plot at the Myrtle Grove Cemetery.

Esther Gillespie reports that she and Mike are both in good shape and busy. She took Marion Stokes to the airport to go to the State of Washington to attend the graduation of a niece's son who was valedictorian. Marion looked fine.

Both Fred and Philippi Butler were in the hospital in Mar at the same time. They were both recuperating satisfactorily at home until Philippi stumbled and broke her leg. She was in a cast for some weeks but gets around the house.

Fred Sherrill's son Stephen had successful open heart surgery at the Palo Alto V.A. Hospital in May. In a week he was able to fly home.

Juliette Wilson and daughter, Virginia Lewis, had a 12-day cruise down the Pacific coast of Mexico in Mar. Juliette won a gold medallion for 2d high bridge score.

Mike Quinn attended 2 granddaughters' graduations, one in Columbus, OH and one in Seattle and then home to celebrate his 80th on 14 June. He says he is doing well enough for the shape that he's in.

Paul Kendall is in good spirits. He was invited to join GEN Clark for a reunion in Italy but declined, feeling he was not in shape for the long trip.

Murry Carter's 97-year-old mother is making a remarkable recovery from a broken hip. Murry calls attention to H. R. 1161 providing inclusion in the SBP for widows currently receiving RSFP annuities whose husbands died before Sept 72. She asks widows and classmates to write senators and congressmen to support the measure.

Alice Pope is back from her cruise of the Pacific following Lem's death and is reestablished at Del Mesa Carmel #266. She expects to be in DC in Oct.

That, "well enough for the shape I'm in" applies to many of us today including the Al Millers. They have one grandson who graduated from high school last Jun so they now have 3 grandsons in college.

Charlie and Edna Hixon had a fine 10-day visit from daughter Marge in Jun and shortly thereafter son Bob (MG) was with them en route between Thailand and Ft Monroe where he is CS for the Doctrine and Training Cmd.

Buddha Groves has had to give up for reasons of health contemplated trips to visit son Dick (MG '45) and his family in Heidelberg where he is Engr for the European Cmd. Buddha did see her grandson graduate last Jun at The Point.

Elmer and Dorothy Barnes while in OR for the summer spent much time on the beach with their son, our Class Plebe, and his family, John W. (MG '42). Jack and family live in Seattle where he has a very key position with Boeing Aircraft. The whole Class is particularly proud of these sons.

Bryan and Ruth Evans are busy in organizing the 1 Nov dinner in DC at Ft McNair. Many outside the immediate area are expected including first generation sons and daughters and their spouses. The Evans' always make the occasion a very pleasant, worthwhile and impressive affair. The DC

group hope many from elsewhere will join them in celebrating this anniv. All are welcome.

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The Jun edition of ASSEMBLY, as you have noted, includes accounts and pictures of some of the annual Founders Day dinners. The caption for the St. Petersburg, FL, picture should read, from L to R, Wayne and Cookie Zimmerman, Marjorie McLean, Marie and Ken Pierce, and Dave McLean. Oldest living grad present was J. H. Van Fleet '15. Honolulu welcomed Phil Whitney to his new home in HI in style by declaring him OLG present at the ceremony. Ann and Hei Heiberg were shown at the Ft Knox dinner. Hei says that for the first time in many years he found himself too young to qualify as OLG. Although he did not make the picture gallery Phil Lauben was OLG present at the Ft Campbell dinner.

Phil Whitney moved to Honolulu after Bunnie's death and is living at the Arcadia, a ret. home which he reports to be a pleasant place to live. His address and phone no. are listed below. He extends an invite to all sojourning classmates to make their presence known to him. Phil and Irma Lauben now feel quite at home in Clarksville, TN, with only an occasional thought of England.

Jack Vance's news letter from CA says Betty, although somewhat restricted in activity, is making good progress in recovering from recent surgery. Jim Phillips was at Letterman GH for surgery on his hip to increase his mobility. Tom McGregor was there in Mar for help in getting his heart back to normal. Both are convalescing at home in Carmel. While Jim was away their son's wife came from Leavenworth to visit Mary. The Ruths enjoyed their Yucatan trip, although they found it a bit strenuous. Babe went into Oak Knoll Naval Hosp soon after their return for an appendectomy. Rosalina Kerr paid a short visit to her son Bart, who is with the A.D. Little research outfit. John Denny has moved back to L.A. but his new address is not yet known. Look for it in the next issue. Jack reports that Navy is now No. 1 in the Bay area for highball prices, charging 85c at Treasure Is. Hamilton Fld and Presidio of SF are next with a 75c charge and the Marine Memorial Club serves a good jigger of booze for 70c.

Your scribe extends a warm welcome to our new legman in S. CA. Roly McNamee has stepped forward to fill the vacancy caused by Alex Kirby's move east. Roly, in his letter, reminded me of our happy times while on duty at Ft Meade, MD, in the late 40's. One of our joint efforts was bowling on the Second Army HQ team. Roly's first scoop was a luncheon at the L. A. Hilton with Al Wedemeyer and Fred and Lynne Marlow. Fred and Lynne, soon after the luncheon, left on a Jun vacation in HI. In May Emily and Roly drove to La Jolla and called on Carlene and Joe Holly. Both were well. Joe bemoaned the desertion of Alex which leaves him alone in the area. Rusty Nelson's widow, Mary Dickinson, accompanied them to La Jolla. Mary lives in nearby Corona del Mar. After Rusty's death she married again and was again widowed. Helen Kanaga also lives nearby, in Mission Viejo. She also visited HI in Jun.

In a letter to Roly from Phoenix, Tom Crawford writes that he has finally left the

more physical sports to the younger set. He and Anne manage to keep busy enough to be happy, what with Tom's philatelic activities and Anne's work with her church and with the Girl Scouts. On the other hand, Dave Hale tells Roly that he keeps contented by indulging in various and violent physical activity. To each his own! Dave is blessed with 3 children and 9 grands, living in CA and TX, whom he visits regularly. This spring he filled in the time by a tour of Greece, Turkey, Cyprus, Israel (and the well-known places of the Holy Land), Syria and Lebanon. He is now back on his local schedule. I nearly forgot to tell you that he is feeling fine.

Bunker Bean says he and Jeanne are well and are thankful that son Dick got out of Saigon safely about 3 days before it fell. Hei Heiberg says there was great activity at Ft Knox this spring during the presentations and dedications at the Patton Museum. Pewee and Lib Collier were unable to attend and were missed by all. Hei and Ann had their usual houseful for the Derby. Bill Howe, who married granddau, Karen, picked another winner. He had Foolish Pleasure on the nose.

We have learned from TX that Chic Noble was admitted to the hospital this spring for observation and treatment. Our best wishes go with him. His address while there is: Metropolitan General Hospital, 1310 McCullough Ave, Rm 412, San Antonio, TX.

Dave McLean says Ken and Marie Pierce are planning their annual summer visit to MI. Dau Mary, and granddau Zein, from Haifa, are in FL and will accompany them north. Bill and Katherine Kean had son Bill, and his wife Jeannie, and family at home for Easter. Young Bill and Jeannie live in Columbia, SC. Those of us who remember R. B. (Bill) and Ethel Hart will be saddened to learn of her death at Seminole, FL on 26 Apr of this year. Ethel's 2d husband was Antoine Robinson. Cookie and Wayne Zimmerman plan a mid-Aug vacation at Myrtle Beach, SC, where they will be joined by Zim's 2 daus, Mrs. John Smith and Mrs. Tom Cross, and their families.

In the DC area Doc Martin, Ed Hopkins and Paul Miller were all at WRGH during the spring. Doc and Ed are out again and on the road to recovery; Paul will stay hospitalized for awhile. Our favorite class luncheon spot at DC, the Ft McNair Officers Club, will be closed for several months for overhaul. Its availability before Jan is not certain. Carolyn and Merritt Booth had us at their home in Fairhaven, MD, with ladies, for the Jun meeting, and a pleasant one it was. Stu Barden says Helen, who was in hospital in May because her heart was not behaving, has returned home and is making progress, slowly, toward better health. Helen Crichlow spent a few weeks of the summer with young Bob and family in Hanover, NH.

In a letter W.D. (Brownie) Brown says he and Margaret have been living for the last 2 years with dau, Peggy, and granddau, Caroline, at Peggy's home in Carlisle, PA. Caroline is the last of 4 grands at home finishing her education and preparing, like her siblings, to set out on her own. Brownie likes the countryside and the people. Margaret is in good physical health and doing well at home.

It is not possible to keep track of all the comings and goings of Al Wedemeyer, usually accompanied by Dade. On 16 Apr last, he delivered a eulogy for Chiang Kai-shek at memorial services held in Washington Natl Cathedral. The next day he and

Dade flew to London for a visit with friends. They remained in the city for a few days and then drove out to the Cotswold where their British friends have a beautiful place about 300 years old. While there, their host, Adm Mountbatten, conferred on Al the coveted award of honorary membership in the Burma Star Assn. The following month Al went to L. A. to attend a reception of the Americanism Educational League given in honor of Senator Charles Curtis of NB, Al's native state. It was on this trip that he had the lunch Roly scooped. On his return trip east he touched down at Clearwater, FL where Dave McLean helped him on his way. Al and Dade went to NY in Jun hoping to attend the graduation exercises of grandson, Al III, at WP but had to return to Friend's Advice before the event took place. Young Al went to Ft Belvoir for his first station. Yes, he is an engr.

Dick Ovenshine says that responses to date to his request for comments on a possible 76 reunion have been sparse. So far a majority responding approve a reunion at Colo Spgs during the summer. He would appreciate word from those of us who have not yet replied.

In the last issue you were promised a resumé of the stats of the class entering USNA the same year we hit WP. My thanks to RAdm Don Giles, USNA '21, for the research. Total admitted—780 (includes 36 from prior classes); casualties—230; graduated—550 (290 in Jun 20 and 260 in Jun 21); surviving—274. Compare percentage of casualties with ours. All grads are known as Class of '21.

DECEASED—Gordon Leslie Chapline at Kansas City, MO on 24 Aug 74 at the age of 77. He is survived by his widow Virginia, his son Edwin (USNA '48) and 3 grandchildren. Our belated sympathy is extended to Virginia and the family.

Vital Stats—Ret. USA—87, AUS—8; civil life—23; status Unk—2; deceased—164.

Changes of address and phone nos: Mrs. H.W. (Pearl) Barrick, 575 Bridge St, Watsonville, CA 95076; Merritt Booth, phone (301) 627-7423; Bunny Burnell, 2976 Edgewater Dr, Edgewater, MD 21037; Alex Kirby, c/o CPT Thomas W. Cuddy, USN, Ret., 8333 Boundbrook Lane, Alexandria, VA 22309—(703) 780-4597; Phil Whitney, 1434 Punahou St, Honolulu, HI 96822—(808) 941-5729.

We are indebted to Jack Dominey for permission to close our notes with his moving exposition of the Miracle of the Resurrection. Jack composed this poem earlier in the year, during the Lenten season, as a message of consolation to one of his stepsons-in-law upon the death of his mother.

INVICTUS

There is no death! an angel's voice
Rang forth that Easter morn.
When from the rockbound garden tomb
Christ rose again reborn.

We too shall tread familiar ways
Our feet have gone before,
And find the mansion of our dreams
Within the open door.

The rising sun will touch with gold
The lanes our childhood knew,
When songbirds called from every tree
And all the world was new.

The air of spring will fragrant be
After the April rain,
As woodbine in the morning sun
Her sweetness yields again.

All those we loved and lost awhile
Beyond the shining gates,
Arc sheltered in his mighty fold
Where the Good Shepherd waits.

On meadows green they will abide,
Whose waters pure and still
Their deepest thirst will satisfy
And dearest hope fulfill.

There is no death! we too shall walk
Those pastures of the blest,
Where in the comfort of His love
His sheep shall ever rest.

—John V. Dominey, 1 Apr 75

'20

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Our 55th Reunion! Some came by air—like the Planks who left San Fran 5 May, making 4 leisurely stops, one with dau and family in Cleveland; and the Wahls from King City, OR. Some drove—like spunky Dorothy Harris (FH) alone from Annapolis, with later plans for visiting cousin in Poughkeepsie and a drive, still later, to dau in CA; the Kreuters from Santa Monica, their 70 Chevy already clocking 100,000 in this its 5th cross-country; the Samouces from Alexandria, VA with overnight stop in Lincroft, NJ enjoying host "par excellence" Bugs Raymond's gracious hospitality; and the Singers from San Ant, joining 43 others who descended on DC to continue in chartered buses under John Mitchell's able mgmt. And the Boxes, with Katie's son and granddau, came in their yacht from Miami, picking up Helen Honnen at Sullivan's Is, SC on the way.

Charlie West preconditioned himself with a 2-mo visit at WP with dau Hortense, wife of COL Parnly '46 (USMA Treas) and their children. And Lem Lemnitzer tore himself away from his latest active duty on the Pres's Comm investigating the CIA (Concurrently, 5-9 May, he was on the Presidential Delegation headed by wartime U.S. Ambassador to the USSR, Averell W. Harriman, attending the 30th V-E Day anniv ceremonies in Moscow, celebrating end of WWII in Europe).

We were 128 strong—66 classmates, 49 wives, 5 widows, 7 relatives and 1 companion: Gater Avera with dau Garland and husband, Lloyd E. Jones, Helen Bailey with son, LTC George W. III '57 (PMS DE U.), Helen and Larry Bartlett, Ruth and Bill Bartlett, Lillian and Bill Bessell, Katie and Jeff Box with Katie's son, MAJ Donald C. Pence (Jun '43, Ret. 46 dsbl wds, DSC-BSM-PH-CL,



1920: At Alumni Review—Rehm, Alex Sand, Travis, Doolittle, Bill Bartlett, Cross, Durst, Bessell, Stratton.



1920: Alumni march about to start.

with CIA since 49) and granddau, Greta Pence, Esher Burkart, Kay and Don Burns, Cas Casgrain, Ruth and Chit Chitterling, Bill Crist, Jean and Fritz Cross, Katie and Dan Daniel, Margaret and Denny Denson, Rosalie and George Doolittle, Bob Durst, Helen and Russ Eastman, Anne and Frank Farrell, Alice and Wally Ford, Ollie and Crump Garvin, Louise and Alex George, Alma and Jack Goff, Dorothy Harris (FM), Helen and Ed Harwood, May and Chesty Haswell, Gina and Sid Hinds, Inez and Chet Hine, Anne and Charles Holle, Helen Honnen, Marian and Johnny Johnston (EC), Betty and Bob Kreuter, Grace and Hank Lambert, Lem Lemnitzer, Lich Lichtenwalter, Pinky Loupret, Mary-Blanche and Pop Lunn, Marcia Lystad (who was in Sp Svs with Occupation Fcs teaching in Yokohama and was evacuated when KW broke out in 50), Mac McCullough, Kathryn and John McNulty, Dell and Leslie Mabus, Margaret and Mac MacMillan with dau Ann and husband Dr. Warren Wacker, Red and J.K. Mitchell, John and Julia Mitchell, Annie Moore and companion Evelyn Patton, Peggy and Dick Partridge, Freddy Pitts, Dottie and Eddie Plank, Bugs Raymond, Marguerite and George Rehm, Ry Reiersen, Mildred and Herb Reuter, Alice and Robby Robinson, Miss Izzy and Roman Romain, Tincy and Rut Rutter, Elton and Duke Samouce, Alex Sand, Dotty and Hayden Sears, Red Sharrar, Nena and Dick Singer, Norma and Chuck Smith, Myra and Leland Smith, Selby and



1920: On Box's yacht: (from right) the Boxes, Nena Singer, yacht cook, Katie's son MAJ Pence '43, and granddaughter, Greta Pence.

Jimmy Stratton, Madeline and Bigun Travis, Bob Trimble, Jo and Terry Tully, Priscilla and Van Van Sickler, Mary and Gus Vogel, Fran and J. F. Wahl, Charlie West, Luella and Harry Wisheart and Bill Withers. Many others sent regrets and warm Godspeed.

Coming several days ahead of the Wed, 28 May starting date, the Boxes became "official" greeters. As classmates arrived and registered at the Thayer, they were whisked aboard their yacht. And a welcome boon it was to be so timely refreshed at their bar.

That evening we gathered in the Thayer's Terrace Room for the welcoming cocktail and buffet. Instant bedlam reigned throughout the evening as old friendships were renewed and 3 new brides welcomed into the Class—Katie Box, Kathryn McNulty and Luella Wisheart.

Thurs began with a boat trip to Bannerman's Is. Then a Class luncheon at the Thayer. Here, before the luncheon, Anne Holle, an outstanding member of the Nat Soc DAR, received a handsome citation and Gold Medal of Appreciation from the Alexander Hamilton Chapter SAR of Tacoma "in grateful recognition of her outstanding service to the Sons of the American Revolution." Outstanding SAR member Jack Goff, Pres of this Chapter and member of the State Board of Trustees, made the presentation.

Class Pres Charles Holle read greetings from classmates, extending best Reunion wishes and loyalty, pride and affection for our alma mater. He pointed to the flowers on the tables, a gift from Ruth Gilbert, later placed on Pinky's grave at the WP Cemetery; and to the Havana Cheroots, a gift from the Lowrys. He praised the Reunion Cmte: Sid Hinds, chmn; Terry Tully, in chge of publication of the Program Booklet (a masterful joint effort by the Cmte and the Exec Bd of the Class Gov Cmte); and John Mitchell for managing the chartered buses. Also Class Secy Frank Farrell for the Memorial Program; and Class Treas George Rehm for keeping us solvent. He alluded to the new 75 Class Directory over which he and Anne labored so painstakingly since 1 Jan and distributed late Apr. (On its receipt, Frances Wakefield wrote, "...came home. Saw it in the mail. Sat down and devoured it for 3 hrs w/o taking coat off... So much news... Emily Howard and I still keep in touch. Married same day. Had first child same day...") Sid Hinds then presented gifts to our tireless aides, CPTS Crosby, Price and Sciabeta, ever on hand to meet our every need and desire. Take another look in the program booklet at those fine pictures of the 4 paintings comprising our Class Gift to USMA, now hanging in the Library. Sid took photos of them at Homecoming last year but could find no photographer who would undertake the highly professional job of developing them for printing. So he did it all himself.

After luncheon, the Class business meeting was held. It was short and to the point, thanks to the Class and Reunion bulletins which had been keeping us posted for months before. Bugs Raymond made the only motion: That the Class give suitable recognition to Anne Holle for her tremendous continuing contribution in attending to numerous Class admin matters. Enthusiastically received by all, the motion will be finalized by the Class Gov Cmte in Jul.

The rest of the afternoon we either rested, bus toured the expanded post or shopped in the new PX and alumni Gift Shop, and viewed the memorial plaques over the Cullum Hall stairways where Martelino, Roberts (TA),



1920: On boat trip—Helen Honnen, Lemnitzer, Withers, Katie Daniel, and Jo Tully.

Stanley, Vanture and Ward are listed under "WW II Battle Deaths." Dorothy Harris (FM) checked on her 69 gift to the Library of her 1807 Albany, NY edition of Baron von Steuben's "Regulations for the Order and Discipline of Troops of the United States," securely placed in the Rare Books section with a plate dedicated to Fred's memory. J.F. Wahl received from COL Pfothenhauer, WP's Med Dept Activity Cmdr, a Certificate of Achievement as "Dean Emeritus and Past Pres of the American Optometric Assn with greetings and best wishes upon his return to his Alma Mater." And Fritz Cross produced a rsch paper on MG Henry Knox by Jim Taylor, a history doctoral student at U. TN. Extracts are: "Knox became the youngest MG to serve in the Revolution... In 1776 (at age 26)...he offered a plan for the creation of a national military academy... More than any other American, Knox should be considered the father of this great military school..." He was Washington's Secy of War till ret. 1795, just 7 yrs before the USMA was established. Fritz, of Knoxville, TN was LT in LT A.E. Bixby's ('19) btry in 8th FA in HI in 25 when it won the coveted annual Knox Trophy.

A banquet and the Supe's reception in Washington Hall rounded out a full and memorable day.

Fri morning, with Lem carrying our '20 sign, we were almost in the lead of the



1920: Bugs Raymond, Elton Samouce.

Alumni March from the Library, along the new diagonal walk to the ceremonies at our founder's monument, now in new location at the corner of The Plain nearest the Supe's qtrs.

Then came the Alumni Review of the Corps—a renewed thrill to see 5000 proud young men marching past the long line of us as we ourselves had done a few yrs back. Bugs Raymond even remarked, "That's me leading that 3d Bn."

We then joined our ladies in the stands for a Class picture before dispersing, the ladies for luncheon at the WPAM and we for the alumni luncheon and business meeting in Washington Hall. Joined again afterward, we bused to the Old Cadet Chapel at the Cemetery. Here, Frank Farrell conducted a most fitting memorial service, concluding with excerpts from the "Alma Mater" followed by the solemn clear notes of Taps, beautifully rendered by Bugs Raymond on his piccolo, as we stood at rigid salute in memory of all our departed classmates. The memorial wreath was placed at the grave of our Honorary Classmate, Herman J. Koehler.

A relaxing picnic in the Golf Club was the happy conclusion of our Reunion.

There were a few mishaps. Bill Bartlett visited the hosp with an eye infection. Dick Partridge saw a Newburgh dermatologist for painful shingles. Hayden Sears had a tooth pulled Fri morning, the better to enjoy the picnic fare. And Katie Daniel was briefly hospitalized from the picnic with her acute arthritis. The Hasbroucks, who returned early from Spain to arrange for the picnic, missed the whole Reunion because of a severe oak pollen allergy which also laid their dog low. And it was touch and go with some who came: Alex George, now much improved after many months; Chet Hine, suffering from a displaced vertebra; Bugs Raymond, with 2 severe operations since Nov; Jimmy Stratton, troubled with double vision, now gradually improving; J. F. Wahl, whose stroke last Mar left him without speech, can now pronounce "parallelogram" and converse almost normally, thanks to much therapy and constant great effort; and Bill Bartlett and George Rehm, recovering from operations this spring.

We briefly saw Denny Denson's brother COL Pierre B. '25, who was celebrating his own 50th. But in 4 attempts, Lem could not see his very busy plebe grandson, William F. (son of ret. BG William L. Lemnitzer '51), and had to be content with a telephone chat.

It was a wonderful Reunion! Ask any of us. Tired but with uplifted spirit, we left Sat morning to go our separate ways. The Boxes continued up the Hudson in their yacht for a trek through the Great Lakes and down the Mississippi, expecting to reach the Gulf by 1 Aug. Helen Honnen deserted them for a quicker jaunt with the Samouces and Bugs Raymond to visit dau Jessie, husband, ret. COL Charles F. McCarty '46, and family in Arlington, VA; Bugs treated them to a welcome break at his lovely home on the way. The Planks went by way of Wellesley, MA and dau in Cleveland. The Sears to Warren, RI and long-planned cruise. Cas Casgrain to dau Charlotte in Greenwich, CT. The Singers to son Tommy in Baltimore and Toronto later. The Georges to son Bill, now with Chase Manhattan in NY. The Haswells straight home to Chesty's duties as Chmn (for 5th yr) of the Intl Svc Cmte of the El Dorado, AR Rotary Club. The Hinds to Falls Church, VA home and houseful of grandchildren; John Macdonald, son of dau Martha Leilani and COL A.R. Macdonald



1920: 55th Reunion

'55, was there for grandfatherly advice en route to becoming a plebe. And Lem to interview on ABC-TV's AM-America, hoping to wind up busy schedule of lectures and other interviews so he and Kay and dau Lois could get away for their usual summer vacation in Honesdale, PA.

Don White made a cheerful call to Charles Holle 22 Jun; he had a major operation late Apr. Though Frank Roberts was too ill to make the Reunion, he and Esther planned to attend wedding 21 Jun of son, LT Frank Jr. '74. Clarence Clendenen is recovering from a 3-wk bout of pneumonia. Millard Pierson has almost recovered from operation 5 May. And Hal Miller is quite ill, Eddie Plank says.

Congratulations to Herb Reuter for his "selection" of ancestors. His father died 2 yrs ago at 102 and his mother is still enjoying a ripe 101.

From Jack Goff came word that Cornelius Garrison had died 28 Jan 72 in Port Republic, NJ from a stroke. He was buried in the Adams Cemetery there. Leaving the Army in 29, Cornelius had a full life of service at the state, county and city levels. He enjoyed horses and boating and was highly regarded by all for his civic and fraternal activities. He often told his wife Sarah that WP was one of the finest things in his life and he regretted not being able to make the 50th Reunion. We send our deepest sympathies to Sarah, their son and dau, 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

And sadly I also report death of Mary Isabel Nelson, widow of classmate John E. who died 14 Oct 66. Our only information is that, though she apparently received the 1 Apr 75 Class Letter, the new Class Directory mailed later was returned postmarked "Deceased." Our heartfelt condolences to her loved ones.

Jack Goff also writes, "On Armed Forces Day, COL Jo Swartz (dau of Hippo and Isabelle) helped put on the finest Parade of Colors (4 costumed Color Guards of 4 wars) and Division Parade that I have ever seen." He said Ray Welch had been in the hospital a week but is now out and getting around; and that George Bare was enjoying golf at Ft Lewis.

Sid Hinds, Charles Holle, John Mitchell and Terry Tully attended the quarterly luncheon meeting of the WP Soc of DC at Patton Hall in Ft Myer, VA, early May.

The Withers spent Apr touring Taiwan, Singapore, Bali, Bangkok, Hong Kong and HI. In Mar, the Dursts visited Cora's sister and her husband, in Tucson, who then came back with them for a return visit. On the way they visited the Withers in Kerrville, TX.

Early Mar, the Singers attended the 44th annual SW Conf of the Building Owners and Mgrs Assn (BOMA) at Juarez, MEX (Dick ret. in 69 after many yrs as Bldg Mgr for USAA in San Ant and is Life Member BOMA Intl and Honorary Life Member and Past Pres, Alamo City, TX State and SW Conf BOMAs). After an exciting train ride through Mexico's Copper Canyon they returned to El Paso to see Nena's father's exhibit of the famed Cav COL, Tommy Tompkins, in the Ft Bliss Museum. They then drove leisurely home along the Rio Grande via Ft Davis, old restored Cav post, and through the Big Bend Natl Park with its spectacular St. Helena and Boquillas Canyon Gorges. June 22-26 they were in Toronto for the 68th annual conv of BOMA Intl.

The Kreuters last global trip, Sept 74-Jan 75, by plane and 72-day bus cruise from

London to Benares, India, is straight out of "The Arabian Nights"—through Heidelberg, Venice, Titograd, Athens, Istanbul, Ephesus, Izmir, Teheran, Kabul, Peshawar, Kashmir, Delhi, Benares (to name but a few of over 50 bus stops). Fascinating side trips: Huge elephants meeting plane at Katmandu for tiger hunt over rough jungle trails; sunset cruise on the broad Irrawaddy; more elephants at work in teak forest north of Bangkok; ancient temples; Mandalay; Hong Kong and lunch with Linson Dzau (Nov '18); Fiji; Sydney; Tahiti; Bora Bora; Honolulu.

In Jun, Betty Ward Fisher visited son, John T. Ward Jr., and his bereaved family (wife Jane died 28 Dec 74) in Asheville, NY. She was proud that grandson, John T. III, was now Asst DA for Chautauqua County, NY though less than a yr out of law sch. Attended Bill's HS graduation and school-end activities of the 3 younger grandchildren (the 6th is in coll in CA)—a very busy, musical, close-knit family.

Bill Bessell says granddau Pamela (dau of Lillian's dau Ann and COL Oliver B. Combs Jr. '54), who had that 3-story fall in 70, now excels not only in swimming but also in gymnastics, and has idol Olga Korbut's pictures all over her room.

Lillian McGaw writes she enjoys her neighbors and occasionally hears from Ruby Adamson and Florence Chapman. She is happy in her grandchildren (dau Lillian's and Ret. COL Alan W. Jones Jr. '43). "Granddau runs small spread near Front Royal, VA, horses and dogs, etc. She is really 'something', kind of cute, too. And the boys—Alan III is in TX and Stephen lives in OR..."

The Densons are happy that, after 2 yrs as Sp Asst to Asst SECDEF for Intl Sec Aff Amos A. Jordan Jr. '46, their son COL Lee A. Jr. ('56) will remain near them in DC in new asgmt as Instr NWC at least another yr. He is Pol Sci PhD, Harvard 67.

'21-'22

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It is with deep regret I report the loss of 2 of our classmates. Harry Albert died on 25 May and Fritz Lee on 12 Jun. Isabel's letter stated that in the spring of 74 Harry began to get very sick and he was in and out of the hospital several times before he died. Harry resigned from the service shortly after graduation and studied law at NYU, graduating in 27. He had been very active in the legal profession; in fact he was instrumental in raising funds to build the NYU Law Cent. Harry was the last of 5 brothers. He is survived by his wife Isabel, a son Stephen, 2 grandchildren and 3 sisters.

Fritz Lee had had a rough time of it over the past several years. He had been operated on for cancer several times and it finally caused his death. Fritz is survived by his wife Allie and his brother Ralph.

On behalf of the Class I extend to Allie and Isabel our sincere heartfelt sympathy.

At the request of Bill Lawton, Krisman '39, Exec Mgr, WP Alumni Fdtn, represented the Class and presented to our class grandson, 2LT Robert Judson Goodman, on 4 Jun at his swearing-in ceremony, our Class Grandson mug, suitably engraved. It is expected he will carry on all the good Oriole traditions.

Here is a quote from Burt Pierce's letter, "Being at WP for my grandson's graduation will remain a memorable experience. You will appreciate the anxiety his parents and I felt when Bob's name was called out of a class of 849; he stood alone. We thought

'what now?' He had been walking the area until 3 days before graduation. A thrill and a surprise when he was presented with the beautiful tankard from the Class of '22. Please thank the class for me." And here's what the grandson, 2d LT Robert J. Goodman wrote to me: "I am certainly honored to receive the pewter mug from the Class of '22. I realize the outstanding service that has come from the people of the Class of '22 and I only hope that I will be able to accomplish the same. I would like to thank you and the Class of '22 for presenting me with this mug. I would appreciate it if you would forward my thanks to the class." We wish Bob all the luck, health, happiness and success in his Army career. His grandfather set a high standard of accomplishment and I am sure Bob will do the same.

We have another member of the Hole-in-One-Club. Bill Kyle accomplished this most extraordinary feat in 53 at the Apawamis Club in Rye, NY. On the 164 yard 5th hole with a 4 iron he dropped the ball on the green and it rolled into the cup. That makes four Orioles (Chidlaw, McClure and Yale previously reported) who can boast membership in that most exclusive organization. Unlike Chidlaw's hole-in-one in the Philippines, Bill's was not very expensive, because it was in Mar with the temperature about 45° and there were not many golfers out that morning. Bill manages to keep busy even though he is supposed to be ret. In 73 he was one of the principal organizers of the Port St. Lucie, FL bank, of which he is Chmn of the Bd. In one year the bank almost doubled its assets. Bill also was recently reelected to the Bd of Dir of the Genl Devl Corp, one of the few developers that is in good shape. But with all his banking duties he does not let it interfere with his and Dorothy's travels.

The Stouts were on the move again. This time it was Paris and Mainz, Germany. Harry wrote that the prices of food, drinks, hotels and clothes in Paris are sky high: lunch for 2, \$20.00, a martini, \$3.00 to \$5.00, hotel room for 2 from \$50.00 to \$100.00, a man's suit from \$400.00 to \$800.00. "Leave" this be a lesson to you who contemplate a furlo in Paris. Take a lot of money with you. At Mainz Harry attended a meeting of the Intl Standards Comm. He was one of 3 USA delegates. The purpose of the meeting (you guessed it) was to draft internationally acceptable specifications for copper and its alloys. This was the 4th of these meetings that Harry has attended since 69.

Myron and Daisy Leedy celebrated their 50th wedding anniv on 6 Jul by inviting all their friends and relations to an "Open House" at their home. Many congratulations and we wish you many more happy years together.

A quickie from Harry Marsh: "Sorry, nothing newsworthy to report." At least we know he is still up and around which is more than I say for a few other classmates.

Frances Gregory was called for jury duty and sat in judgment on a murder case. We haven't any word about the verdict.

Due to a circulatory trouble with blood getting to his legs, Granger Anderson is having a bit of trouble walking any distance. As a result he expects that he and Lucile will probably cancel the trip they planned for the fall. Sorry to learn this and I hope that by the time they read this the old blood will be circulating normally and they will be off again galavanting around this world somewhere.

Art Klein and Jordan Bassett were the only Orioles at WP for alumni day. Art wrote me

that Bill Lawton was expected at WP to attend the Lawtons' granddaughter's marriage to the newly graduated 2LT Bruce Ray. Art also stated that Nelle Sue Branham had sold her house in Highland Falls and in Aug moved to Nashville (as of this writing 6-26). I do not have the new address.

Helen McGrath writes that she is fine, children great and doing well—7 grandchildren.

Johnny and Edna Johnson spent a week in Phoenix, AZ last Apr. The desert air did not agree with them and they came home with colds and laryngitis. But 2 months later they took off for Europe for 3 weeks of golf in Scotland and England, then on to Rome and other places, arriving home 1 Aug.

After 8 mos teaching in Miami Bob Murphy returned to Fall River by way of MN and ID. May joined him in Lewiston, ID to attend their 17-year-old granddaughter's graduation from HS. Bob did not take a river trip this year, as he wrote, "I must be slipping." Bob stopped in to visit Oscar Beal in St. Louis on his way to ID. Here is a quote from Oscar's letter: "That old boy really gets around. To hear him talk of his travels, it sounds really easy. Just going to my favorite trout place some 200 miles from here is a big job for me." Oscar takes about 6 fishing trips each year, acts as a maid, houseboy, butler, chef, cleaner, etc., in fact really never gets caught up on his work. It evidently agrees with him because quote: "We are both in good health."

Marion Woodbury had her first stroke 3 yrs ago and has had 3 or 4 since. She is in a nursing home. Most of Henry's time is taken in commuting. "It makes our life a little grim," says Henry. We are sorry to learn this sad news and we hope this finds Marion greatly improved.

At the Apr meeting of the DC Orioles Bill Lawton reported at great length about the winter reunion. Those present were: Cook, Kastner, Lawton, Leedy and McClure who got stuck for the liquid libation. Kastner, Lawton, Leedy, McClure and Max Taylor attended the May luncheon. Orval had an abscessed tooth extracted which prevented him from making an appearance.

The Crarys went on a diet, Clare lost 15 lbs and Frank 10. Frank could have lost more but he likes that evening cocktail. Frank suggested I get out my 24" crystal ball and see what it predicts about the possible enactment of recomputation this year. So sorry, but the last time I looked into it, it broke.

Mark and Evelyn McClure enjoyed a Caribbean cruise last Mar. Mark wrote that he had seen Max and Diddy Taylor, Elizabeth Uncles and Maxine Barrett at affairs in DC and they all looked fine.

Wes Yale is in the process of completing his new book the publication date of which is still in the future. However, with the book pretty much behind him his golf game is getting back to the low 80's. Wes sent me a newspaper clipping that appeared in the NH Sun news, Manchester, NH on 4 May 75. The item is about an interview Daniel F. Gilmore had with Max Taylor on the subject of VN. It is a very interesting news item and if anyone is interested I'll send them a duplicate copy.

Both Bob Murphy and "PD" Lynch have been trying to locate Mildred Gross but in vain. If anyone has any information about Mildred please let me know.

"PD" Lynch wrote that he saw Bob Taylor in a supermarket and that Bob looked fit as a fiddle.

Avis Price suffered a stroke which left

her right side paralyzed. In Al's letter of 13 Apr he stated that Avis was home from the hospital and staging a remarkable recovery. We hope that by the time she reads these notes she will have been well on the road to full recovery.

Of the remaining 57 Orioles only 36 are subscribers to this magazine. We should have a better record than that.

Changes in the Address List

Jake Stewart's address is Rte No. 6, Box 83, Henry Woodbury's address is RFD No. 1, Box 265. Frank Cray: Ocean Harbor Apts, No. 210, 800 South Ocean Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441. Dot Spalding's phone no. is (305) 427-0128.

P.S. I had just completed these notes when a letter arrived from Morris Marcus. On 5 May Morris entered the hospital at Camp Pendleton and the next day he was given a new steel hip joint. He wrote that he couldn't stand the pain any longer so he took the plunge. The pain is gone but he has to use crutches until the muscles regain their strength. As part of the therapy treatment, he gets in the swimming pool and jacuzzi (whatever that is) every day. Almost 2 mos have past since his operation (as of this writing) and we hope he is just about back to normal when he reads these notes.

'23

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At our Apr luncheon with 17 present including Coleman from Virginia Beach and Early and Sweany from Baltimore, we elected Joe Smith as Chmn, created the position of VChmn and elected Timberman to that office and Guevara as Secy and Adams as Treas. Adams and Kehm remain as Class Treas and Class Scribe. The following dates were set for luncheons: 17 Sept, 19 Nov (mixed party), 18 Feb, and 21 Apr. Jim Fry was commended for his job as chmn and a few days later left on a brief visit to WA, OR and ID, his home state.

At this writing the Class Fund here stands at \$2,672.00 and the Class Fund at WP is at \$25.00.

The Editor of ASSEMBLY and the REGISTER has asked the scribes to encourage their classmates to subscribe to those periodicals. We have several times mentioned that we use ASSEMBLY as the main channel for Class news and announcements. The REGISTER is the basic source of data, including addresses on all grads. Thru ASSEMBLY we seek to keep you informed of changes in addresses of classmates and our widows. We trust you will find those good reasons to subscribe to these periodicals.

Harmony and his northern CA platoon have worked up a program for Class doings in connection with the Stanford game 4 Oct. A letter on it has gone out to 36 classmates in the area. It's a good program. I hope you may read this ASSEMBLY in time to get word to Jazz if you are interested in attending.

The HBBS golf is again underway. When one member couldn't play because of an embarrassing illness contracted in Mexico, Buckley's grandson, Steve Pope, an outstanding college golfer who has an alternate appointment for USMA, substituted and gave the boys some golf to emulate. Some good news is that Jazz won 4 Power-Built golf clubs, the first raffle prize he has ever won. The bad news is that he was going thru a siege of arthritis which impaired using the clubs and reduced his agility so that in playing with



1923: Glenn and Elizabeth Palmer Luncheon, Presidio of San Francisco, 26 April 1975.

grandchildren he fell on his head and shoulder—no broken bones but a good measure of stiffness. He reports that Dorothy Robinson made a visit to relatives in IA by herself and the wheelchair. Before that the Robinsons said that like Fritz Breidster they had both been wired for sound.

A 9 page letter from Pitzer informed Jazz, among other things, that he has physical problems which require him to take a list of medications that look like a drug store inventory. A note from Pesek says that he had a siege of paralysis from the Guillam-Barré syndrome.

As prophesied by Jazz, Trooper Price sent in a report and pic on a luncheon given at the Presidio by the Pinky Palmers. Pesek, Pitzer and the McGehees missed the formation on account of health problems.

Trooper has submitted a biography on Stout to AOG. He was greatly aided in his research by McGehee, Pinky Palmer, J.H. White and other friends and agencies. Most of you will recall that Stout was one of the group also including Palmer and Trooper, who returned from the AEF to enter WP with our Class. Trooper has already been pressured to undertake a biography on Pop Silverthorne. He has used some expressive, tough, even perhaps crude terms for those who urge others to take on such a task rather than do it themselves! That thought merits our attention, since there are other KIA in our Class on whom biographies have not been prepared. In the meantime can you help Trooper in reference to Silverthorne?

The address (see below) for Mary Short came from Deke Stone who reports she is doing well in her new home.

The Iron Crown, Clare Barroll's novel on the Vikings, has now appeared and gotten good reviews by knowledgeable people. Doro-



1923: Doug and Lolita Pamplin, Redstone Arsenal, Founders Day dinner.

thy has read it and concurs in their views. I hope to get at it soon. You too might find it good reading.

Maddocks spent several days here in May attending a wedding in Leslie's part of their family. He had a stag luncheon which was enjoyed thoroughly by some 15 classmates. In preparation for that he got in touch with some 30 classmates in this area. He recalled to us Karl Lueder's comments on the Retreats, vets of both World Wars, which appeared in an earlier ASSEMBLY. Tom belongs, and will forward applications for membership from any of us who served honorably in the armed forces in WWI and WWII. We regretted that activities of the visit were strenuous enough to limit Leslie's participation. Tom gleaned and passed on to me that Ann Roth is not going to Marcos Is this summer because of health problems.

Heaney relayed from his heroes that the A.L. Johnsons will be going on their annual jaunt to Canada in Jun. Blomme confirmed that he couldn't get a reservation at the Thayer for this year's alumni exercises and that Weikert had completed a car trip to Dallas—San Ant—New Orleans and return near the end of May. They stayed with the Chandlers in Dallas. At the Daedalian Soc about which he says in language few of you will understand: "Von of whom I am VITCH," and that the Myers, Timberlakes, Lawrences and Punkie Jamison were also there. P.D. confirmed that he did not personally present his award at June Week this year. Heaney also noted that the Wendell Johnsons attended the first Founders Day of the Gold Coast WP Soc, which George heads.

Newman had a letter from Burnett saying that after his wife's death in Feb his daughter set up an apartment for him in Carrabelle, FL. He plans to spend part of his time there and the rest in College Park, GA. Bunny plans to get in touch with Hebert Davidson. Opie also reported that he has heard that Lucas had recovered fully from his heart attack. As for himself, Opie says asthma has slowed him down.

From time to time classmates ask us about the procedures by which young men can become cadets. Fortunately, this is authoritatively covered in the Jun issue of ASSEMBLY and we enjoin you to follow the recommendation made there that the article be clipped for quick reference. To this suggestion I would add that you read: UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY, one of the Barron's Profiles of American Colleges. It will bring you up-to-date on many aspects of USMA that probably escaped your attention since we graduated. Don't forget that Foster and Tredennick have been successful in helping many young men to become cadets. They can



1923: Dwyer and Tredennick with Vincent (L) and Drummond (R), both '55 sons of '23 classmates, on Founders Day at Carlisle Barracks.

give you pointers. Foster says his Central FL WP Soc had 18 new cadets enter this year.

TAPS

We learned of the death of Aussie Cunkle on 9 May from Lawrence, Class Rep in San Ant. He, Hallock and Aussie's son and daughter attended the funeral services at Ft Sam Houston. Aussie's wife died a few years ago. Hallock sent Fritz the addresses of Aussie's children. As a "back-up" we had asked Shim Reid's children to do the same. Jim Reid was able to send him the daughter's address. He did not have young Aussie's address but got it from Fritz. It seems they had been close friends as Army brats. This incident shows that our children can help on important mutual information problems.

In a report in which he agreed under pressure to resume the duties as TX Class Rep, Charley Lawrence said he meets classmates at the San Ant commissary from time to time. He also keeps in contact with our widows. Minnie Stubbs is still active in nursing service. Charley also reported that the local '23 football players: Myers, Timberlake and Lawrence had had their comeuppance with assorted knee problems. While Charley was in the hospital with his knee problem he was invited to the Lacrosse Hall of Fame dinner along with the other members of the '23 Lacrosse All-America Team.

I had asked Charley to tell the story of the first WWII shuttle bombing mission to Russia which I knew he had commanded. He was not sure it had a place in ASSEMBLY. Accordingly he would say only that when his 6 groups of B17's landed in Russia they were met by Kessler '22 who commanded the 3 fields on which his units landed and that they ran 3 missions from Russia and were back in Italy within 12 days. As a sidelight, Charley said when they landed in Russia, the U.S. Mil Attaché pinned stars on his shoulders to replace the eagles he wore en route.

Thru Jim Fry the local group asked Tredennick to present our annual swimming award during June Week. He did so and reported that the Awards Convocation is an impressive ceremony. The winner of our award was Cadet CPT Scott E. Mooney from Norwich, NY. He was on the team 4 yrs and was particularly outstanding in his First Class year. It was appropriate that we should have Tred make this presentation since there are several cadets in the Academy whose entry he facilitated.

You may recall that Gromback sent a letter to the Bicentennial Admin regarding the sale of swords and pistols by the U.S. Bicentennial Soc. He has now been informed that the matter has been referred to the F.T.C. for appropriate action. A good piece of

community action by John! He notes that he is busy on new editions of 3 books to come out in 76 and also on one that he feels will be a best seller and become a movie.

Meta Beckley, now living in San Ant, writes that her son Stuart continues to use his skill and experience as a writer. The opening line in his prophetic article in the 3 Apr San Ant Express reads: "Face it. The Conflict in Indochina is an American War. It always has been and will remain so until we surrender it to communism." Young Stu spent 12 yrs in VN, Thailand and Laos training local forces at high and "sweat" levels.

Betty Grove noted Granberry's name among those on whom we had no memorial article in ASSEMBLY. She recalled that when Hal and Molly (later married to Chambers and now deceased) were married in '23, Rich was the best man, Bruce King an usher, and she a bridesmaid.

Cavender also saw the comment about Granberg and wrote to Hal's widow, Virginia. His letter asking for information on Hal missed her while she was on a cruise. Moe applauded the effort to get biographic notes. He says they get together with the Robinsons for birthdays, etc. He and Carolyn celebrated their 50th wedding anniv in Aug 74. Moe says he, too, has had his specs wired for sound and that he recently completed 300 miles of swimming at a quarter of a mile a day.

Ken and Hazel Webber will be back in the U.S. by the time you read this. After renting a car in Frankfurt and driving to Fussen, Salzburg, Vienna and Yugoslavia, they planned to leave the car in Dubrovnik and fly to Rome for a week and then back to CA. Ken found it hard to revert to gear shift which he learned so long ago.

Jim Early sent in a clipping and note on the PX and commissary entitlements. I have had other comments on it. As Legislative Chmn of the local Ret. Officers chapter, I attended a congressional hearing on the subject. Eroding these entitlements would in effect, reduce our ret. pay. No matter what our aversion to "going political" may be, it is increasingly evident that changing times make it necessary that we exercise our basic obligations and rights as citizens to let our reps at all levels know our views. If you don't want to see our defense neglected, our entitlements eroded, and girls in the Corps of Cadets, tell your senators and congressmen!

Carraway continues to uncover interesting



1923: (L-R) J. Smith, Gunn, Osborne, Maddocks, Coleman, Biddle, Towle at Maddocks' Luncheon, Army-Navy Club, 20 May.

notes about classmates and friends. He reported that at an AF Acad boxing tournament he got a start when he found a cadet boxer, Mike Buckley, doing very well. It turned out that he was not a chip off our Mike's block who, however, does have a son and grandson named Mike. Next he found our Dave Fowler as a distinguished guest at a ceremony in which honors were paid to elements of the 87th Mtn Inf which Dave commanded in Italy in WWII. He also uncovered that the Army Register of '24 showed that among others, he, Caffey and I, who did not normally find ourselves there, were among those who had won stars in our First Class year. That means, of course, we never got to wear them, but the consolation is that we never had to pay to have them put on.

Rosenberg reports that the Endertons are visiting their daughters in the Boston area and that Duane's twin grandsons are going to service academies, Jeff to WP and Steve to the AF Acad. Their father and paternal grandfather (Doug Wert) are USMA grads. A Rosenberg nephew is also going to WP in Jul. For them he is taking the place of their grandson, Tim Osborne, who was pointing to USMA before he died in a hunting accident.

Sometime ago I reported that Watlington '27 was working hard and effectively to vindicate Frank Dodd in re the Korean prison camp incident for which Frank was reduced. Watlington has been supported among others by GEN Van Fleet and an historian who likened the matter to the Dreyfus case. He has personally brought the case to the attention of the SA. Our Class has taken the view that action on this matter should be an individual rather than a Class decision. The Army Board will reopen the case. At this time (17 Jun) a date has not been set. I'm sure Watlington would welcome your views.

Joe Hicks tells us they have a summer cabin on the River Rouge and play a little golf. He says his daughter is a lawyer and his son a math prof at the U. of MI.

Bruce King writes that they spend the winter in Cape Coral, FL in the fastest growing county in the U.S. They spend the summer in Sanibel Is which the locals leave to the tourists in the winter but are seeking to prevent from becoming an east coast type of concrete jungle.

Fritz and the new regime here send you best wishes, to which I add my own and the request that you know I always make.

'24

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The quarterly luncheon of the WP Society of DC was held at Ft Myer, VA, on 7 May. Classmates attending included Beurket, Dewey, Glasgow, Hart, Hill, Hincke, Palmer, Van Way and Vogel. The principal speaker was the Hon Parker T. Hart of the State Dept, a graduate of the NWC. He has served as Ambassador to several Middle Eastern countries and gave an interesting talk on the present situation in that part of the world, including its history and political development since WW II. He received a burst of applause when he stated that the Executive branch of the U.S Govt could not properly perform its foreign policy functions when it is undercut by actions of the Congress in response to impulsive representations from minority groups of the electorate. He believes, however, that this fact is gradually being appreciated by the voters.

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1924: Margaret and Tad Tasker

The West Coast Thundering Herd held its spring party in Monterey on 11 Apr. Those attending were: George and Kay Vaughn, Corinne Outcalt, Tom and Gwen Malin and their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Richard and Gwen Hart, Joe and Margaret Kielty, Cam and Elizabeth Du Val, Martha Conrad and her son and daughter-in-law, Donald (USMA '63) and Dianne Conrad, George and Mary Young, Briant and Ann Wells, Harry and Berry Van Wyk and Walter and Beth French. Cam Du Val was elected Pres and Tom Malin, Secy-Treas for the coming year.

Charlie Palmer, VP of the AOG, attended the meeting of the Bd of Trustees at WP on 21 and 22 Feb. The Supt gave an interesting briefing to the trustees, which included remarks, summarized as follows:

He reaffirmed his confidence in the Army football coach, Homer Smith.

He noted the continuing action of the Academic Board in dealing with cadets who do not measure up to the academic requirements, and remarked that no other educational institution in the country gives so much individual attention to students who have trouble. This is gratifying.

He has recently met with the advisory panel of the General Accounting Office which has been investigating the operation of the Mil Acad for some time, including its costs, rate of attrition, policies of education, and training. The Supe said that the investigation has been helpful and added that there is no question that the Academy will still be here in the year 2002 to celebrate its bicentennial.

He recommended reading the several books that have been written by civ educators about the Mil Acad.

He looks forward to the report of the honor study group, composed of cadets and officers, which has been studying the Honor Code and system, not only of West Point but of the other service academies. He predicts strengthening and improvement of the system.

Answering the question, What can graduates do for their alma mater?, the Supt said they can help in the recruitment of new cadets and make contributions to the WP Fund.

The Exec Cmte of the Bd of Trustees has taken action to effect a suitable memorialization at WP of GA George C. Marshall.

An addition to other routine actions, including authorization for the purchase of a second-hand Toyota for the AOG staff to run around in, the Board accepted the financial report of the Exec VP which report showed the Assn to be in excellent financial shape, due primarily to professional and conservative admin.

During Mar and Apr, Charlie and Jean Palmer sojourned at Sea Is, GA, for a bit of golf, swimming and southern cooking. The swimming was chilly but all else was on the beam. The Cloister is still the delightful place that it has always been.

The Founders Day dinner at Ft Monmouth this year was a gala affair. All members of the Thundering Herd in that area attended. However, this consisted only of Tad and Margaret Tasker.

Harry Van Wyk reminds all classmates that the Army football game against Stanford U. this year will be played on 4 Oct in Palo Alto, CA. A bus trip from Treasure Is, to and from the game, is planned. This will be followed by a dinner party similar to the affair after the Cal game last year. Forty classmates and their guests attended that one. It is hoped that a good turnout will be present this year.

Charlie and Hazel Van Way recently spent a month on the Prudential Lines cargo liner Santa Rita. They boarded the comfortable, roomy ship in Brooklyn on a rainy Mar 20th and sailed the next day to Phila where several hundred boxes of new Ford parts, destined for an assembly plant in Valencia, were added to the already heavy cargo. On Mar 22d, the ship sailed for the Caribbean and Venezuela. During a week at Puerta Cabelle, side trips were made to Valencia, a beautiful modern city 30 miles to the south, and to Caracas, more than 100 miles to the east. These trips were on a splendid system of modern highways, similar to the Interstates in the U.S. The ship then moved to Maracaibo, an overnight trip to the west, permitting exploration of that modern city. The ship sailed for home the next day and the customary smooth seas were broken by a gale off Cape Hatteras which pushed the lightened ship around roughly. Brooklyn was reached on 16 Apr. The accommodations were clean and comfortable, the excellent menus were varied and more than ample, and the passengers most congenial. The Van Ways considered the trip a complete success.

Since returning from their 10-weeks trip to the SW Pacific, the Em Itschners now plan to go south next winter and possibly visit the Galapagos Is and get away from the chilly OR weather. In the meantime, Em is helping his Seattle daughter build a fine house. Her husband is a mech engr and Em specializes in civil, structural and elec engr, so with all that professional talent they expect the project to be all tied up.

Peter and Ada Hains put their car on the auto-train for FL and after disembarking, drove by easy stages to Disney World, Key West, Flamingo, Ft Myer and other resort places. They saw the Scotty Scotts in Bradenton, also Helen and J.P. Wells and Fran Crosby, as well as the Ed Whites. Then they returned home to the Chesapeake Bay where Peter took over his newly elected position as pres of the Gibson Is Club.

Bill O'Connor reports from Tucson that the Lenzners had returned from a Caribbean cruise and the Mesicks were off on some distant journey. Also, the D.B. Smiths were in Tucson last winter to duck the DC weather. Ball says he now has a total hip and his decorum is exemplary.

Russ Baker has not been well for 3 years. Although he cannot go out, his spirits are really good. George Young also reports that his health is poor, his activities low, and any one of his 12 grandchildren wears him out in about one hour. Bob Ellsworth is under the doctor's care but is working on a new book. Dave Page is holding up in Australia but has some trouble with his vision. Murray Crandall has ret. from the Ryan Aeronautical Co. and says he is no longer in the laboring class except for work in his rose garden. His widowed sister is keeping house for him since Madge died in 70. Murray still gets around and takes a yearly trip east to visit relatives.

Pat Stebbins flew east in Mar to visit Buz and Artie and attend meetings of the DAR and the Colonial Dames of America. Pat is an active member and promoter of these patriotic organizations. The Frank Gillettes have sold their house in Oceanside, CA because the fog and dampness were not good for Mary's health.

The Ken Strothers are doing okay, considering. Ken is an active consultant at the Rand Corp where he worked for 12 years after ret. from the Army. He says one trouble with life in Santa Monica is that they never see any Army people since Sandy Goodman moved to Ventura.

Bob Cameron writes from Van Nuys, CA that he and Georgia flew to FL in Dec and visited his sister who is married to Bill Wood. Before returning to CA after New Year's day, they visited another sister and family in Raleigh, NC. Bob reports his life has included the customary bridge and dinner parties about 4 times per month, preceded by the usual cocktails. They now lead the same sedate life as the rest of us.

In addition to the Caribbean cruise mentioned above, the Emil Lenzners visited their granddaughter in CT and also spent a few days on Cape Cod where they saw Ted and Lilla Smith who have a home on the peninsula. Then they went south for a week with their son in Raleigh, NC where he is the PMS at NC State.

Sam Strohecker is doing all right in Seattle but Gerry is still suffering from the shingles which struck her 2 years ago. Sam does his own landscaping and lawn mowing because such works costs \$11.00 per hour if you can



1924: Becky and Karl Woltersdorf

find someone to do it. Sam recalls the 50th Reunion with great pleasure. He flew both ways by air and, since he had never been up in an airplane before, it gave him a new outlook on life.

The Post Band at WP gives tri-weekly band concerts in the Class of 1924 Room in the Cadet Chapel.

Word has been received that Leslie Skinner has been selected to the Army Ord Hall of Fame. This is located at the Army Ord Cen and School at Aberdeen, MD. Les has the hearty congratulations of all his classmates for this singular honor.

Bob Lawes recently had an operation for aortic aneurism followed by hospitalization for extreme dehydration. He now lives in Burlington, VT with his 2d son. Fifty years ago he reported at the same place, at Ft Ethan Allen, for his first duty station.

TV viewers and listeners may have noticed something interesting in a broadcast last Mar. The program was an episode of the series "Vienna 1900," one of the popular Masterpiece Theater shows. The story concerned life in Vienna at the turn of the century and featured continuous background music of Viennese melodies. During one scene, set in a cabaret, 2 young ladies, dressed in top hats, swagger sticks, and not much else, came on the stage and sang a song about love and gaiety on the banks of the blue Danube. The words were in German, but the tune was that of our football song "Fight Away!" Both the words and the music of the latter are published in *The West Point Song Book*, edited in 23 by organist, Frederick C. Mayer, with cover design by Eleazar Parmly III. Reference to this book reveals that the tune is attributed to a "composer unknown." The melody of the song as sung by the cadets for the better part of a century must have been taken from a popular beer-house ballad of the Gay Nineties.

On the same subject, it will be recalled that the words of the football song "Gridiron Grenadiers" were written by Bill Earickson in 20 when he was a plebe. Bill had served in England during WW I and adapted his words to the tune of a British Army song of that period entitled "The Fusiliers."

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Ernest O. Lee who died at Winchester, VA on 27 Mar. Burial was at WP and was attended by Pasolli, Mulligan, McLamb and Sullivan. Also, Darwin D. Martin passed away on 13 Mar in Miami where he and Gay were vacationing. Death followed a short hospitalization. Memorial services were held at their home in Grosse Point, MI.

Charlotte Count, widow of Elmer, died on 17 Oct 74. Also, Jane Katherine McHugh passed away in San Ant on 14 Feb 75 after a long illness. Services and interment were in San Ant, attended by many classmates.

It has come to our attention that another outfit has stolen our name. There is a jazz band now going around the country and calling itself *The Thundering Herd*.

'25

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Among our back-log of mail, to which we referred in our last issue, was a card from the Roger Gardners who were spending some 6 wks doing Great Britain, etc.—2 weeks in London and 4 wks driving an Avis through England, Wales and Scotland. After negotiating the left lane on narrow roads thru both fog and rain it was a pleasure to take the



1925: Lord, Kidwell, Duford, Cole, Spilling, Gillmore, Dunn and Farwick.

Flying Scotman train from Edinburgh to London—a long desired trip finale. All this from one who has logged thousands of miles in a luxurious mobile home at high speeds on this side of the Atlantic.

Two letters from Russ Randall who has a new address: Randall International at 1230 Glen Oaks Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91105 (Tel 213-795-1300) and a very fine gift, i.e., a book of poems by Russ's Academy sweetheart married in Dec 25. This we thoroughly enjoyed and were about to ask Russ if other copies would be available when came a 2d letter (early Jun), stating he had hoped to bring copies with him to the Reunion for classmates but since he was unable to make it he will mail copies to those of you who will send him your up-to-date address. Russ "sat out" the reunion date waiting visitors from Hong Kong (business). He may come East this fall and, if so, promises to see us. Note: the book is entitled "Rustlings" by Mart Randall.

We were disappointed that the Clarks (R.T.) couldn't be with us for the 50th Jubilee as we were (and are) anxious to learn how they are getting along at their UT address.

We were most happy to renew our friendship with Widder Bryan (old "K Co" member) whom we hadn't seen and had heard little of since that great day 12 June 25. Other K veterans: Mitch Giddens called on us here once and we have had many interesting letters (and travelogs) from the Bradfords. We saw Hayden Grubbs once in CA when we called on some other friends who lived nearby.

Marcel Crombez showed up (as we knew he would—at the last minute) with all the expert's knowledge of thoroughbred horse racing! We enjoyed an air mail letter from Bud Hankins who gave a lurid account of commuting from WP back home to Paris, i.e., in this order: bus to Cincinnati and Dayton—taxi to W-P AFB (where he met Marcel who was sweating out a hop to the West). In their hour together Bud received a documentation on racing in the U.S. Marcel caught a flight west at about the same time Bud got to McGuire.

Then (believe it or not), Bud taxied to Philly—then somehow by air to Madrid—Mildenhall, England—AND then to Paris! He is still worried about Pete Hurd losing his fine, western-style hat!

We enjoyed seeing Pete on several occasions—went through the Supt's receiving line just ahead of him and ate once at the same table. Must remark here that Pete's scholarly English was right up to par at the dedication of the fine paintings he presented to the Academy and also Harry Crandall's introduction would have done credit to Shakespeare.

We knew about Jim Boudreau's beautiful present of "Grant and his Generals" as he phoned us about this before the Reunion.

Incidentally it took some 8 years for Jim to get a signature of one of the Generals (he had signatures for all).

Ginny and Claude Black explained their exodus from DC as a need for a more healthful and pleasant climate (Savannah, GA).

Greatly enjoyed visiting with the Doughertys—Joe had mailed us a clipping from a 60 copy of a Cincinnati newspaper which gave an account of our cousin, E.E. Ellsworth (from whom we were given our middle name) who was there on tour with his NY "Zouves." A tragedy that he was killed right nearby here in Alexandria, VA—the first senior officer casualty in The War Between The States.

Also a most enlightening conversation with the Devereaux—"Heinie" once visited us in the Pentagon years ago and, even then, he was using the critical medicine—now, after 40 yrs he is still "on deck" by the skill of the right medicos and the patience to keep up his critical treatments. He is a good example to all of us who sometimes are a bit discouraged by our own "limitations."

Ray Toms was the only one confined to a wheel chair but he got around pretty well—particularly with assistance from Clare.

We didn't actually get a chance to talk with Gus Farwick until we saw him at the hotel desk trying to figure out the best way to get to the Garisohs' place for the football dinner at a later date. Gus lives with a niece who has the telephone in her own name—therefore, Gus has both the phone company and the Western Union at about a 3 touchdown disadvantage.

At the picnic lunch table we sat between the Newmans and the Garbishes—and across from a pair of Jacks, i.e., McCormick and Bird. We deduced that Red Newman is a bit handicapped by depending on a cane. Learned that McCormick is a good judge of fine food and that Bird carries his years but lightly. We used to see Ed at his office in downtown NY where he operated his Grocery Products business and, we suppose, built up his advertising success. Occasionally we used to take the fated New Haven R.R. with our Bob when he was a NY commuter to the Chemi-



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cal Co.'s hqs (near Ed's place) before he opened his own business in NJ.

We had often heard from Bee and Count Cavelli but hadn't seen them since they turned over the big residence in Munich—#4 Gabriel Max Strassa in Harbacking area in 1949.

As a whole the "Committee" really outdid themselves on their detailed plan for everything and everybody. One of the most interesting things was the reports from each area of the U.S. as well as overseas residents by selected individuals. Our one big mistake was in attending everything—as a consequence we had to punish ourselves in order to make that Long Gray Line trek; we really needed the guide for support! We have had an equal (or more) formations at WR since then.

In one of the pictures our Robert took with the Leica (and in a near rain) Bill Nutter looked remarkably young and chipper—apparently completely recovered from his 8 yrs service running our Class luncheons here and sweating out the correct change from the varied collections for both refreshments and food and the never-ending conflicts between the customer totals and the management totals at the club downtown.

The Suttler still as effervescent as always and Soap properly confused Marcel's racing handicap for logic with his baffling card tricks on the boatripe. We, personally, were in worse shape after that boat trip than we were at any time as a cadet, when we swam the Hudson from Constitution Is to the flats north of the new fieldhouse against the incoming tide (just over one hour's elapsed time).

Don Mitchell brought a copy of his detailed accounts of the 44 national football champions—seems he was on duty in the drawing dept and volunteered to chart the football games and did so with all the skill and clarity employed by Harry Crandall when he charted the baseball games. We had seen the remarkable actions of Mr. Inside or Mr. Outside on several occasions in the flesh but

the charts brought out the skill and leadership of the football coach (and all his assistants) during that period. Was told that copies are on file, in the Cadet Library, which some of you might want to look at if you should make Homecoming this fall.

One of our biggest thrills came just before the Long Gray Line march—as we were about to take our place in line—just rounding the tennis court corner we ran right into the arms of Carol, our 3 granddaughters and Bob who had worked late the night before in order to arrive in time to see granddaddy. Bob had the Leica which warned us that we couldn't tell at what moment we would be photographed.

Not necessary to mention the DC-Arlington contingent as they were there as a solid group, but we have tried to cover all the "outlanders" and foreign residents with whom we had time to talk with in detail.

We were very sorry that Colby Myers could not make it as we were much indebted to him for his fine speech at our 25th Reunion.

All were greatly concerned over the hospitalization of Antoinette Balduce but were reassured of her recovery when we met her daughter in the parking lot and found out they had solid plans for getting her home safely as soon as she was able to travel.

Akerman was one of those traveling under his own power (but with obvious difficulty)—his progress ever slow but decidedly determined! Aky, making his own way, managed to get everywhere without assistance.

We had seen the Connors when they were on duty in Turkey, Zed Emerson here at our luncheons a few times, Bill Gilmore here a couple of times, Harveys (both here and at the beach), Louie and Emmie Holmes when they lived in Arlington, Haskells here a few times (Johnnie once took us to lunch with BULLS and BEARS at the Wall St Exch when he was getting started on his financial career), Pat Lynch with whom we had enjoyed many contacts throughout the years, Red Longs, Underwoods, Scherers, Spillingers, Woods, Nicholases (always peppy), Julia Mulligan for the first time although she used to visit her daughters when they were in school here, the Stevensons and all the others on the list which I am sure you have received from the cmte mailings.

Especially sorry that the Tibbetts could not make it as when we were in HI together we used to close the Halienua Club together with a few other friends every weekend. In fact every name on that list brings back a flood of happy memories to us—a wonderful reward for years as a secy.

Let us live, properly, keeping our hands in the hand of the man who walked on the water, and look forward to another reunion in the not too distant future. We still have a lot for next time but hope those of you who were absent will write and keep us up to date on your status.

'26

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Your scribe and Connie just returned to Naples after a brief trip to DC and had the good fortune to attend the regular Class Luncheon (drag) at ANCC on 4th Thurs, this time 26 Jun. There was a fine turnout, incl Ada and Pic Collins, Leon and Lucille Johnson, Elsie and Fred Munson, Admiral and Carlene Sims, Kathy and Rodney Smith, Edwina and Tommy White, Connie and Ank Ankenbrandt, Sparky Baird, Tep Barbour,

Keith Barney, Charley Connally and Nellie Nelson. Inasmuch as Herb Ehr Gott has recently moved to NC (address unknown), Fran and Bill Ennis have returned to their abode in Newport, RI for the summer, Harry Storke has moved to Williamsburg, VA (see later item), Stan and Louisa Stanton have departed to their menage in Rehobeth, MD for the summer, Tom and Babe de Shazo were away at this time, everyone was present or accounted for! The libations and food were delicious, arranged by Pic Collins as usual, and the opportunity to catch up on Class and family news was taken advantage of to the full. One of the news-worthy tid-bits was the story of the recent round-up of The Daedalions in San Ant to commemorate the ancient mythology story of the escape from Crete of Daedalion and his son Icarus by making wings and successfully flying away. The modern version of course is the parachute escape from an aircraft or space craft. Anyway, the Sims and the Nelsons went down from DC and joined Johnnie and Muffitt Johnson, Jack Doyle and Jimmie Burwell and brides, and Bill Dean in the celebrations. All looked exceptionally well and those '26ers were among the liveliest there. A rumor floating around is that one of the DC Cp of '26ers was stranded after the big banquet and in desperation successfully "commandeered" the car and driver of no less than that of the present Chmn of the JCS to get back to the hotel some blocks away! Is this true, Admiral?

Spud Murphy's Cal roundup is a good one and here 'tis: "Gen and I had a wonderful 10 days in Mexico City over the Xmas holidays, seeing not only the modern city but also many of the Aztec ruins. Then in Mar we flew to Miami Springs, FL to visit son Jerry and family in their new home. Our trip was cut short by an illness at home, but did have time to make a hasty trip to nearby Light House Pt and see Doris Jones Salisbury at their lovely home. Lloyd is making progress toward recovery from his recent illness. The BIG news from the Nourse family is the baby boy born to Joan (Sis)—his name is Robert Arthur Martin (Bobby) and he is great: large, red hair and blue eyes. Wonder if he'll run the 100 and 220 in the Class of '96! Bob and Big Nourse followed this event with a trip east, which included son Bob and family in Mt. Vernon; Big's sister out on Long Is; Boston, ME and finally Montreal for the Rotary Intl Conv. Bob's report on Sis and the new baby said that 2 wks after the birth, she was back driving her car and going to her office!! Brook and Marge Brady managed a trip to San Diego recently to see relatives from both sides—this by virtue of reserving use of a local kidney machine in advance. This was an experiment and may well augur other and longer trips in the future! Recent visitors to our Condo in Park Lane were Dave and Anne Van Syckle and Harry and Liz Grizzard; we bent elbows and had a lot of fun swapping tales! The round-up from Roy Kaylor included news of a trip to Panama and of daughter Mary Anne and her teaching, oldest son Roy and his own company working on a new electric car, and son Rich with Hewlett-Packard out in Boise, ID—all active and on the go constructively. The Bradys did see the Kirchoffs in San Diego and report that Kirk seems to be doing better in the warmer climate and with new doctors. We were shocked to hear of Frank Purcell's demise—the last male member of our wedding party. Linc Jones, Charlie Martin and Gen's 2 brothers are all gone. Betsy and Hal Forde

sent news from Ireland while en route between Limerick and Dublin that they were touring Ireland with a most congenial group and that the countryside was the greenest of the green! Best regards to you and Connie, etc, Spud." Many thanks for the good round-up.

Recently got the news that Harry Storck and Betty Benson were married in Williamsburg, VA on 3 May, and have been at home since 1 Jun at 201 West Queens Dr, Williamsburg 23185. We all join in much happiness to Harry and Betty—hope to see them at the 50th, if not before. Another honor to Sparky Baird: On 22 Feb, he was awarded the Marconi Gold Medal by the Veterans Wireless Operators Assn "in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the electr comm industry." Sparky, you continue to make us very proud of your many accomplishments. By the way, Sparky is going on that "trip around the world," all expenses paid, which was given him as a going-away present by AFCEA when he ret. not long ago. Rod and Kathy Smith returned not long ago from another trip to Munich and environs—he is still helping out for his old Radio Free Europe connections, in addition to those of the American U. of Beirut in their arbitration proceedings. Hope the recent fighting in Beirut has not caused more troubles for the school, Rod! The Roosmas continue on the go—probably the "goingest" couple in the Class! The last roundup took them to Panama for 2 wks to visit son Will, now commanding 4th Bn, 10th Inf; then commercially to the Philippines and Clarke AFB where another son is stationed. Using that as hqs, they did Baguio, Corregidor, Bangkok, Hong Kong and Manila, visting many places of memory from being stationed there as an aide to GEN Cox; then on to HI, where they had also been stationed at Schofield and have many memories such as dinners Sat nites at the Royal Hawaiian, etc; then 4 days with friends in L.A., then on down to Siesta Key, FL for the winter. Oh yes, forgot to include month of Aug in Rebobeth, MD. Johnnie and Marge—you should write a book (or several) on your great activities! Well, ladies and gents, that's it for now. Yours 'till next deadline. Ankie.

NECROLOGY

Greene Chandler Furman (known to most as "Judge") died 16 Apr in Kensington Gardens Nursing Home after a long illness. He was an ex-classmate who took great interest in the Class until his death. After 2 yrs at WP, he received his Law Degree from Tulane in 30, and had long and distinguished career at the bar, both in and out of the govt. R'cd master of laws from GWU, DC in 46 and admitted to practice before U.S. Supreme Court, specialty—constitutional law. Survived by wife Martha of 5108 Fairglen Lane, Chevy Chase, MD, son Francis of DC, daughter, Martha Storck, of Ada, OH and brother Henry, Shreveport, LA, his birthplace. Family suggests expressions of sympathy be in form of contributions to Treas, Class of '26, USMA. Services were in the Bethesda Baptist Church, Collins' and Munsons representing Class.

Jane Davis McMaster, wife of classmate, Richard K. (Dick), died 21 May in El Paso, TX after short illness. Buried in Ft Bliss National Cemetery, where Grace Miter and Polly Johnson also repose. She was daughter of late Senator Wm C. Davis of LA, and long-time resident of El Paso. Survived by husband, 4523 Trowbridge Dr, El Paso, 77903, 9 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and other relatives, and mother of late son, Joseph A. Haaga, and late daughter, Mrs.

James B. Turner, both of whom passed away in the past year.

COL Francis Xavier Aloysius Purcell, classmate, died in Veterans' Hospital, Martinsburg, WV on 26 May after long illness. Other details unknown at this time. Survived by wife, Mary Louise, 7907 Indianhead Hwy, Oxon Hill, MD 20021, and several children. After ret. from Army CE, became Consultant in civil engr and civic planning. His plan for revitalizing the nation's capital was widely acclaimed and published in recent Congressional Record.

'27

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If one of the snapshots with the column should cause you to think momentarily that something from USNA had been accidentally placed herein, explanation is in order. It seems that our Woody Burgess, as a proud grandpop, went last Nov to Annapolis to watch the 150-lb Army-Navy football game. There he was pictured. Hence he seems to be sitting lonely, thoughtful, surrounded by middies "going woop-woop-woop." Actually with Midshipman grandson Greg at his right hand, Woody is probably just pretending to be calm, collected, and unbiased; he is probably conjecturing that Army's going to win, as it did, 28-12!

Ray Bell again performed the duty of presenting the Class Watch at the 75 Awards Convocation at the Academy. The recipient this year was Cadet John S. Chappell of VA, of whom Ray wrote most enthusiastically in supporting his feeling that "he should have a great future." Ray was also delightfully surprised to find next to him at the meeting, CPT D.R.E. Hale '67, who reminded Ray that he too had received the watch from him 8 yrs ago! As Ray naturally commented, "My, how time flies!"

As usual, Ray, the traveler, by early Jun had just returned from a 22-day trip including Iceland, Luxembourg, Germany, England, and Wales and "found all of them very expensive." He observed, "England is in bad shape, but Germany, Luxembourg and Bel-



1927: A San Antone highlight (L-R): Natalie Aloe, Helen and Bunny Webb.



1927: San Antone in action! (L-R) Griffith, Towner, Lepping, Aloe, Nelson, Mike Williams, Kaylor, and Watlington.

gium are booming." He visited the Robert Turners '59, his son-in-law, at Aschaffenburg, with side trips to Munich, Schweinfurt, and Weisbaden. He then visited a grandson attending college in Wales. A very short stop-over in Iceland was especially enjoyable. At 22° temperature on arrival, Ray was amazed to see "young fry swimming in an open swimming pool and scampering back into the bath house to don their parkas!" A new start for a new saga?

Included with Ray's travel report was the one sad item that Mary had fallen and broken a hip, putting her temporarily into a wheelchair. We all hope that she is out of that by now.

From George Martin on Oahu came 2 informative letters. His first just missed arriving in time for Mar notes, but it is always good to add on to the Founders Day data. This year's dinner, he wrote, was at Schofield, and found George and Hutch Hutchison the reps for '27, both quite elderly, standing between older Frank Steer '25, and the oldest grad, Whitney '19.

It is presumed that many saw George's article in the Jun issue of Army, reviewing aspects of top-level "communications problems" encountered when he was G3 of the 45th Div training for and executing the Husky amphib assault on Sicily. As he humbly comments, "Yes, it was the first to be published. I keep plugging away so, just possibly, some editor may again have a kind heart." Yes, indeed, one or several will, so watch for another Martin appearance.

Bob Aloe gave a spring report on Bunny and Helen Webb's arrival from FL to visit him and Natalie. Their party for the Webbs also brought out Betty Lovell and Evelyn Flock along with the rest of the Group. Apparently the Webbs got around San Antone, as that shot by the river shows.

Writing of San Antone always brings to mind, of course, our Chris Nelson down there, the persistent source of much good news and views of the '27 Group and of their gatherings. One Mar snap featured Milt Towner, the newest recruit, taken at their fine monthly luncheon. The other May snap is of the luncheon at which Webb was the visiting guest.

Chris has commented several times on Fred Kunesh's continuing on the sick list, apparently from his having had a fall with serious head injury which has kept him long hospitalized. By deadline, however, he had been relieved from Brooke Genl Hosp and transferred to Vet Hosp, Kerrville 78028. We



1927: (L-R) Griffith, Aloe, Kaylor, Bunny Webb, Watlington, Lepping and Mike Williams in Texas.

all hope that he is getting back in shape by now.

At deadline, Willis and Jean Matthews were back in Chevy Chase from their 7-week spring motoring adventure, which in part took them to Columbus, GA, where they saw George Bender, and then westward through El Paso and Las Vegas to San Fran, where they saw the Davidsons and Hockers and learned that Roy Axup was again in Letterman Gen for tests. Basically, it seems, the Matthews' trip was one which got them out on the country, enjoying things and people across the nation.

Mac McKinney continues at deadline to be improving in every way. As he has tersely stated, "I'm doing fine!" Therefore it seems that the operation for removal of the lung tumor was a complete success. Cheers! And as to the use of that word, Mac, one of our '27 leaders, you should recall, will concur.

Word from Jack Spurgeon out OH way continues fine: "I'm in better health than I've been for many years following surgery." By now he is doubtless whooping it up!

Our loyal Wink Ehr Gott surprised the scribe by phoning in shortly before June Week to assert that he was at last getting away from FL for the sole purpose of going up to the Point for the activities. He is all set for the 50th! Are you?

The annual business meeting luncheon of the WP Soc of DC was held 7 May at Ft Myer. The principal speaker was the Hon Parker T. Hart, former Ambassador to Kuwait, Yemen, Turkey, and Saudi Arabia, who gave therefore a thorough, detailed, frank, and informative discussion of "The Mid East



1927: "Anchors Aweigh!" Woody Burgess, in obvious center, ponders land and sea.

situation today." Enjoying the event from '27 were Burgess, Miller, Lowe, Sterling, and Lillard.

It is to be hoped that you saw in Jun, at least, that fine, moving ad of the Natl League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in SE Asia, serving to remind us all again that we must not let our compassionate care for the refugees from VN cause us to forget that our 1300 POW's and MIA's still demand a full and complete accounting. A way must be found to get it! Seven years have passed since CPT Samuel M. Deichelmann, USAF, became MIA. State Dept must get on that ball!

Now it becomes sadly necessary to report some losses. As was listed in the "Last Roll Call" in the Mar ASSEMBLY, our Charles P. Bixel died of cancer at Walter Reed Hosp, 14 Apr, and was interred in Arlington, 16 Apr. The Ft Myer services were widely attended. From all those present and able, honorary pallbearers from '27 were: Aensio, Burgess, Collins, Hines, Lillard, Lowe, Matthews, Miller, Pence, Sterling, Trapnell, and Zwicker. Bix is survived by Evalyn of Chevy Chase, MD; 2 daughters, Mrs. H.J. Bartell of Honolulu and Dabney Bixel of L.A.; a brother William of Quebec; and 3 grandsons. The Long Gray Line has thus gained another splendid, dedicated rep from '27.

Another death which relates to '27 was that of Nancy Shaw Hoenig, McLean, VA, on 30 Apr, from cancer, with interment in Calvary Cemetery, Fairfax, VA. The daughter of our Lawrence and Suzanne Shaw of Arlington, VA, she is also survived by her husband, 2 daughters and a son, 2 sisters, and 3 grandchildren. The sympathy of the Class goes out to Larry and Suzanne and the other survivors.

A 3d death related to the Class was that of George Van Horn Moseley III, son of our George Van Horn Moseleys. A prof of Chinese history at VA's George Mason U, he died by fire on 4 May and was interred 9 May at Grafton, VT. The condolence of the Class is extended.

Two changes of address may not have reached all of you; hence they are presented: Fay Upthegrove, 320 Wind Drift Lane, Gautier, MS 39553; Milton Towner, AF Village, Apt. 612, 4917 Ravenswood Dr, San Antonio, TX 78227.

As you read this in Sept, doubtless most of you will recall that "just" 48 yrs ago you reported in to that first station. Holding your saber carefully, with Sam Brown belt shining, you proudly started "the career." You can reminisce over that and then what came after. You can bring it all up to date in preparation for the 50th, the important reunion which is getting closer and closer.

Let the Scribe hear by mid Sept of your summer activities! We'd all like to keep in closer touch; this column of news and photos can help. Use it!

Have a happy fall! Let's have it include a win over Navy!

'28

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Bill Prunty reported (via Paul Gavan along with his 74 contribution to the '28 goal of a gift to the West Point Fund) that he rides his mare every day scaring up rabbits, squirrels, coyotes, and deer along the way. So the Cavalry not only "will ride again"; it does.

Skippy Harbold, in a 20 Apr letter said

that Buster Briggs was up for a double hernia operation. Sure hope, Buster, that all went well. Skippy also reported that his daughter, Carla, (Columbus, IN) had lost her husband in an aircraft accident last Jan. I express the sympathies of the Class to all of the family.

All of us were saddened by Tom Lane's death from cancer at Walter Reed on 20 Apr. Services at St. Johns Catholic Church, McLean, VA on 23 Apr were heavily attended by the DC contingent of the Class. Tom was buried at the WP Cemetery on 24 Apr where he joined 2 of his children, already buried there. Finlay, Green, Seeman, Somerville, and Traub were present at the interment services. Classmates wishing to memorialize Tom can do so by a donation to Catholic Relief Services for South Vietnam Refugees, c/o Catholic Conference, 1011 First St, New York, NY 10022.

Ed Reber reported return from a grand trip to Korea. On the way out the Rebers were royally entertained in San Ant by the Hastings, the Kirbys, and George Cole. Return was to Vancouver by commercial air, by rail through the Canadian Rockies to Montreal, then home. New address is: 618A Heritage Village, Southbury, CT 06488. Ed says that he has an extra '28 HOWITZER which he will give to any classmate who has lost his—first come first served.

'29

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Johnnie Theimer reports that "Dutch and Hank Kraus are expert 'touch,' as they now call it, dancers and dance quite a bit. (Note: Dutch always a close second to Fred Astaire.) Hank is a versatile little athlete and played golf with me at Spyglass Hill last week. She told me some of the things wrong with my stance and swing but it didn't help—dog's too old." Johnnie also contributed the following gems from the San Fran Bay Area:

Charlie Allen reports from Payette Lake, ID, a suburb of San Fran, the schedule for the annual orgy of the Royal Sylvan Lake Yacht Club, of which he has been re-acclaimed Commodore. The Commodore had tried to resign after some of his outstanding achievements like stabilizing the economy in 74, forecasting the "bull market" the same year, and his eagle-eyed oversight of some of our foreign ventures. The orgy begins with a parade of motor and sail yachts past the Commodore and Myra, who provide necessary advice and steadying, after which all repair to a remote island for the rest of the ceremonies.

Eddie Wright visited Ed III at The Citadel, as did Paul Freeman. III has been alerted for transfer to a European station in Aug. Ed and Marge went on to visit friends and relatives in Atlanta and Savannah, then to Ed's Podunk Paris (TX), Lubbock, San Ant, and Santa Fe.

George and Gerry Coolidge spent a couple weeks in HI but saw no '29ers. Closest they came was a '28er, Verdi Barnes.

Dutch and Hank Kraus are playing tennis and golf at their various clubs in Pebble Beach. Recently visiting them were Jim and Marge Sladen, who are still holding the fort in Tacoma and fishing on the OR coast.

George Carey was suddenly ordered into Letterman for treatment of blood clots behind an eye, which George says really were nothing to worry about. He checked out for home after a few days, sounding fine.

Chick Cooper among other things is an expert gardener and in the annual realtors' contest for the most beautiful yard in San Mateo, Burlingame, and Hillsborough (Bing's home), Chick's yard took 2d place. Chick also chaired a cmtc of the San Mateo Men's Garden Club to raise funds for a horticulture scholarship at San Mateo Coll, which was quite successful. (End of Johnnie Theimer's scandals.)

Tommie DuBose reports that he and Rose continue to enjoy reasonably good health and are looking forward to a visit from the Tenches if they can ever desert New Orleans for a few days. He says Louise Fellows has returned to Winter Park but he does not know her future plans.

All those who attended either the 40th or 45th Reunion will remember with gratitude that Lank DeRiemer contributed \$500.00 on each occasion to subsidize a Class cocktail party. The Executor of his will has now informed us of a further bequest of \$500.00 for a cocktail party at our next Reunion. How about that?

George and Helen Bush recently visited Kay Brown (widow of "Ted" Brown '27) and Grace Woods, who lives at Army Distaff Hall in DC. They had some very impressive color photos of their elegant home on the banks of the Ohio R. at Gallipolis.

Weary Wilson (sans Jeanne) was in DC recently on business and visiting his son, CPT Fred R., Armor, USA, who lives in Falls Church, VA and is attending Georgetown U. for 4 semesters in quest of an M.A. degree in Russian affairs, after which he will take the Russian course at The Language School at Monterey and then proceed to Garmisch for a 2-yr tour.

Jupe and Judy Lindsey spent 10 days in Jun playing golf at Mid-Pines, NC, and attending a family reunion at daughter Anne's new home at Dunnwoody, Atlanta, GA. The reunion, which included son Bobby from Ft Hood and 6 grandchildren, was favored with a speech from the Patriarch, our Veep, which is alleged to have wilted the shrubbery around Anne's house. Anne is blessed with an outstanding voice and gave up a promising vocal career for the sake of matrimony. One evening the entire clan went to a restaurant called "Lick the Skillet" for dinner (guests of the children), where Anne was persuaded to entertain the house by singing songs from "The Sound of Music" and "Love is a Many Splendored Thing." Jupe wonders what would be the probable effect of the prospective admission of female cadets upon "Nellie" Richardson, were he still Cmtc of Cadets.

The annual '29 Class Picnic is scheduled for 13 Jul at Ken and Jackie Nichols' farm and chateau, Val d'Or, near Comus, MD. A sumptuous menu is being catered by the nearby Comus Inn and a good time is certain to be had by all.

IN MEMORIAM

Bill Hamlin suffered a heart attack while working in his garden at Lighthouse Point, FL, a suburb of Ft Lauderdale, on 17 Apr, and died en route to the hospital. After cremation funeral services were held at WP on 24 Apr. Jim Stephenson writes that Bill and Ruth had somewhat recently purchased property in the beautiful mountains of NC south of Asheville in Sapphire Valley. Jim says that during the years that the Hamlins owned a travel trailer they stopped in to visit the Stephensons a number of times, but since the Hamlins sold their trailer their meetings have been less frequent. Our sympathy goes out to Ruth; a daughter, Lynda Hoff

of Orem, UT; 3 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Abe Lincoln died from a heart attack while horseback riding in the CO mountains near the AF Acad on 24 May. A funeral service was held at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral in Denver and a Memorial Service at WP on 10 Jun which was attended by classmates Jim Wynn (and Molly), Paul Thompson, Ken Nichols, Ed Cruise, and Tom and Renee Sands, as well as some 40 high-ranking officers and civ officials who were flown up from DC in an AF C-131. Tom Sands described the service as most impressive. A list of Abe's many accomplishments would be too voluminous to describe here. Our heartfelt sympathy to Abe's survivors, his wife Freddie; son MAJ Daniel B. of WP; 3 daughters, Frederica Riahi of Teheran, Iran, Joyce Conrey and Lorna Lincoln of Evergreen, CO; 2 brothers, LTG Lawrence J. of Alexandria, VA and Judge James H. of Detroit; 2 sisters and 2 grandchildren.

'30

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Dear Gang:

You will all have had Bob Wood's "after action report" on our 45th Reunion by the time these notes are published. That function, of course, was the highlight of the spring of 75 for '30 and I shall not attempt to gild that particular lily, except to say that Dolly and I were greatly delighted to be "among those present."

Other interim notes, some good and some not so good: As to the latter, it is a special regret to have to report the death of Barbara Heitman in early May. She had been ill for a long time and Chuck spoke for all of us, I think, when he wrote: "Thank God, no more suffering." To Barbara our last salute, and to Chuck our heartfelt sympathy. From Don Quinto a recent letter relating the succession of illnesses and accidents that has beset him over the last 3 yrs—first, a massive heart attack that nearly did him in; then, while he was recuperating, a fall that broke his left ankle; and while still in a brace for that mischance, another fall that broke his



1930: Tom Stoughton with LTC Gerald Lewis '55, son of 1930's anchor man—Founders Day Fort Gordon 1975.



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right arm and wrist; on top of that, a second heart attack! Understandably, he sounded pretty depressed, but commented on the fact that Dick Parker and Bill Taylor check on him frequently and do a great deal to keep his morale from sagging too low. He is, after all, our "oldest living grad" and we'd like to have him keep that distinction for many more years to come. Note a new address for him at: 456 Dela Vina Ave, Apt G-2, Monterey, CA 93940. And Bob Wood scared us in Jun with a bout of viral pneumonia that had him in a sweat for about a week but—Deo Gratias—apparently has had no lasting effect.

So much for the sad side of the news. In a happier vein, these items from hither and yon: Wally Ahearn was among those who made it to the Founders Day dinner at Ft Gordon in Mar, where he found Tom and Marguerite Stoughton and LTC Gerald Lewis ('55), son of our anchor man, Charles Lewis. Clint Cloud reports that they are happy with the new menage in Lancaster, OH and would be glad to have any classmates who pass that way check in with them. Some of you will remember that 3 yrs ago I reported that Jim Curtis got his PhD from Berkeley with a masterful thesis on "Leadership." Since then I have been in occasional correspondence with a life-long friend of his from early school days in Amarillo, one R.L. Higinbotham, whose son is also a USMA grad. Mr. Higinbotham has recently presented a bound copy of Jim's thesis to the Library of The Infantry School at Ft Benning, where he is currently living with his son. With tongue only slightly in cheek I find it rather delightful that the doughboys accepted this treatise on Leadership from such a dyed-in-the-wool cavalryman as JO! Thanks to Freddy Munson ('26), whose sister Athleen was Ray Brisach's first wife, I got some amusing poop about how Jim Darrah spends his spare time. He edits a weekly newspaper called the Senior Citizens News Journal ("Voice of The Grand Generation"); edits the monthly bulletin of the Steilacoom VFW Post; is a gourmet cook, specializing in dishes with an Oriental flair; does both needlepoint and crewel work; daily feeds



1930: Wally Ahearn and Marguerite Stoughton, Founders Day Fort Gordon 1975.

a variety of wild birds on their place of over an acre; and in his spare "spare time" plays a crazy game of poker solitaire that would drive nearly any card enthusiast up the wall. Says Jim: "I'll never be rich, but what fun being poor!" From John Guthrie 2 items of interest: (1) When he left our 45th Reunion he stopped off in Southbury, CT to see a civ friend whose wife had just died. In the course of the evening another couple dropped in and they turned out to be Charlie Tobin, a former member of '30 and his wife. Charlie is now a ret. exec of Gulf Oil and lives at 583-B Heritage Village, where Tommy Mifflin also resides. (2) When John got back to Wayzata he found in a local newspaper a lengthy article about Belmar Gunderson (Jr), who is the tennis coach at the U. of MN. Many of us recall Belmar (Sr) as a star swimmer (and all-around fine athlete) who encouraged her namesake daughter's talent for tennis. From the news pic it's obvious that she favors her handsome mother, and it must give Gundy considerable satisfaction to see his youngster doing so well. Ham Hampton writes that he and Anna have made what he really thinks is their last move—to 776 Camino Esplendido, Tubac, AZ 85640. After some years of shuttling between FL and Mexico they settled on this spot some 30 miles south of Tucson where, says Ham: "We finally found just what we were looking



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for. Of the 7 classmates in AZ we've contacted only Fritz Uhrhane and Lou Heath, but once we get settled in this house we hope to contact the others as time and circumstance permit." And as Bob Wood's report on the Reunion indicated, Eli Stevens brought along his fiancée, Mrs. Ida Moss Fanning. They planned to be married in late Jun and make their permanent residence in Dallas, but Steve still keeps his DC pied-a-terre as his business office.

And so it goes. I hope you all had a good summer and a minimum of troubles.

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The response to my 2 D letter was whelming, neither over nor under, but good. So I will make this my 3 D column. My Danks to dose of you who sent in Da letters.

I assume that most of you receive the ASSEMBLY and noted the passing of Bob Cardell and Al Gay. Bob died of cancer in Sun City on 1 Apr and Al of cancer in Princeton on 22 Mar. They were both staunch members of the Class and staunch citizens of this country and will be missed by all. As I noted in my letter, John Berry was in WRAMC for a while in Mar, but is out now and taking care of himself and Class business as treas as usual. Johnny Westermeyer and Budge Howard are presently in residence in WRAMC, but from all I hear they are progressing satisfactorily.

And so to the letters. First of all I owe an apology to Charlie and Bill. Two of the letters that I sent out were returned because the address labels fell off. Since the letters were addressed inside only to Bill and Charlie, it is extremely difficult to figure out to whom the letters were originally addressed. If you didn't get a copy of the letter, let me know. Andy and Dee Adams made a trip to HI and the Philippines in Feb and must have been following an inebriated crow as they went by way of FL. (Actually, they went to visit their son and daughter-in-law.) While in Coral Gables they talked on the phone with Walt Gallup and Terry Hickey, both ret. again and enjoying the FL climate. In Orlando, they saw Charlie Hoy and Roy Leinster, but did not have the pleasure of a putting contest with Charlie. Roy and Babs are busy relandscaping their new home. In HI, Andy called the Carlmarks and the Burroughs with negative results. Vic MacLaughlin is planning a trip to Italy in Jul to attend a reunion of Fifth Army types.

Jack and Gwen Barclay report living a quiet life in Huntsville, AL interrupted occasionally by visits from Deac Roller and Ding Carter. Jack and Gwenn fill Deac and Ding up, while the latter fill in the former on Class news. Jack is still in the space business, but approaching ret. They ask anyone planning to attend the Army-Vanderbilt game to get in touch with them for a visit before, during and after the game. The temperature in Sun City was 110° with a humidity of 5% when Paul and Irene Burns wrote. A bit better than here in DC. Somewhere in this column there should be a pic of Paul and Irene that was taken by Pat Hunter on her visit to the area last fall. Paul and Irene are planning a trip to Germany this summer to visit son Robert '61, in Nuremberg, son Mark in Bayreuth, and daughter, married to John Kirk '56, in Ansbach. Their other son, Paul, now has a doctorate in chemistry and is researching at Wayne State U.



1931: Trich Troxel and Warren Hoover

Johnny Cave said he had nothing to report, so I will put down what he said and you be the judge. Golf—yes, bowling—yes, gardening—when he can't escape doing it, teaching—a couple of one week seminars at UCLA, and do-it-yourself maintenance. Sounds to me that he and Agnes keep fairly busy. Their oldest son is now exec ed of Sports Illustrated. Lightnin' and Alice Brown took a 30-day cruise on a freighter along the west coast of So. Amer. He says the name of Culebra Cut has been changed to Gaillard Cut, but the casinos take the biggest cut of all. Gus Wirak is still Chmn(person) of the Math-Sci Dept at Lake Sumter Coll at Leesburg, FL. He suggests we have a mini-reunion at Disney World and suggests that Bill Cassidy is the man to run it. I am afraid that he hasn't asked Bill for his opinion on that subject. Speaking of mini-reunions, one occurred in San Ant at the Daedalion Conv there in May. Those present were, Jake Smart, Shorty Rothrock, Bob Lee, Jack Gordon and Charlie Densford. Jim Mooney had signed up but couldn't make it at the last moment. Don Buchwald, Ted Parker and Dead-eye Henry attended the Alumni Day ceremonies at the Academy this Jun. Don said that fortunately all the activities took place on level ground, so they all made it. Don and Edythe are busy painting their new residence in Cornwall. Johnny Hagood is now living at 30 S. Battery, Charleston, SC 29401. He welcomes visitors to come by and see the harbor from the bottom of a glass from his front porch. I wonder how many will read that statement and perhaps think that a word has been omitted and then realize that it makes sense exactly as written. Johnny and Wilma Davis stopped by to see him in Apr and were joined by Hugh and Kay Harris and Randy and Marge Hines '37, for a look or 2 through the glass. Norm Tipton keeps busy with friends and relatives in Hickory, NC and



1931: Phil and Betty Stiness

reports seeing few classmates in that off the beaten track location.

The "what has become" annual shindig at Rog and Maggie Moores' palatial estate occurred again this year on 6 Jun. Attending were: Don and Kelly Little (see later for more); Bill and Fran Dick (Fran quite recovered from her retina trouble, as has some other wife, whom I can't recall at the moment); Trick and Lucy Troxel; Gordon and Josephine Singles (they are always among the few who swim at the party); Fern Schomburg; Pat Hunter (she went swimming also); Ockie and Doris Krueger, Maxine Barrett; Curly and Marian Wilson; Pat Coyle; Johnny and Wilma Davis; Bill and Gussie Hardick; Chet Young; Charlie Hoy (he was up for a memorial service for Martha); Marion Hockenberry; Clyde and Georgia McBride (you will be hearing from him soon about the Reunion); Marion Wertz; Louis Guenther; Warren and Margot Hoover; Andy and Dee Adams; Dick and Jeri Greer; Ted and Suzanne Decker; John and Janet Berry; Rog and Maggie Moore; of course, and me (Betty had one of those summer colds). All looked well and resplendent in their finery. Speaking of me, I am enclosing a picture taken by Deac Roller of Betty and me sometime ago. And speaking of pictures, I am also sending along a picture of two birthday boys, Trick Troxel and Warren Hoover. The birthday celebration took place some months ago, but I just got around to having the picture made fit for publication. At the party Rog mentioned that Bob and Fran Bard were in the area recently to attend the christening of their new grandchild.

As noted above, Don and Kelly Little were here for the high school graduation of one of their grandsons, George K. Withers III, son of George Withers '56, and Myra, (I think), Don and Kelly's daughter, I know. Young George is entering the Academy this summer with the Class of '79. The Moppy Perrys are ret. from MI State U. this summer and are planning on some traveling for a while ending up at the 45th. Moppy says his ret. has nothing to do with the NCAA investigation of MSU. Charlie and Marcia Raymond visited Constitution Is for the annual meeting of that island's Assn. Charlie said that the trails on the island were steeper, rockier and had deteriorated from when he first walked them some 40 yrs ago. I leave it to you to figure out what Marcia meant when she told him that the trails were not the only thing that had possibly deteriorated. Except for that slight contretemps, they manage to keep busy in civic affairs in Cambridge, NY.

Sometimes 2 letters duplicate news and that happened with 2 from Dick Harrison and Percy Lash. Dick and Pat are spending the summer at Squirrel Is in ME. I am having the most difficult time avoiding a remark about people who live on an island with that name, but this time I will put temptation behind me. Anyway, Dick and Pat made the trek to New London, NH and visited Percy and Margaret Lash at their expansive (I hope you don't read that word incorrectly) antique shop, spent the night and had a double celebration of 44th wedding aniv, 11 Jun for the Lashes and 12 Jun for the Harrisons. Both couples say they enjoyed the visit and celebration immensely. Walker and Betty Milner visited with Pat and Dick in Lynchburg recently and gave forth with the news that they, the Milners, are considering moving from Columbia to Southberry, CT. Dick and Pris Jewett are now comfortably ensconced in their new domicile in Asheville and getting to love both the house and the area. Their daughter, Sally, is now married to a



1931: Irene and Paul Burns

PhD from Penn State and they are living in Reston.

Jack Leary went to the West Point dinner in Tucson, in Mar, where Ted Parker was the principal speaker. Jack and Elaine were the recipients of a visitation from Deac Roller in Apr. Deac was minus the Airstream but did bring along Carl Kohls. Deac and Carl stayed the night and then returned to San Ant, to pick up the Airstream. Deac is sure doing a lot for the economy with that trailer. Chet Young checked in with a fine report that I have to edit to fit in. The DC group started their bicentennial celebration with a party in honor of Paul Revere's ride on 18 Apr at Arlington Hall. The party was at Arlington Hall, the ride was still in Boston. George and Tommie Speidel came up from Raleigh for the occasion and brought camelia corsages for all the ladies. George and Tommie spent the month of Jun in Europe traveling around. To get back to the party, colonial decorations were provided by Trick and Lucy Troxel, John and Janet Berry, Dick and Jeri Greer and Chet and Imogene Young. I was still awaiting a lens for my eye, so Betty and I did not attend. I understand the party was a big success anyway. I will combine another part of Chet's letter with one I received from Bill Davis. For a moment, I thought that I had another tear jerker from Willie and Claire Bell. Bill, a retired engr, was persuaded to allow his wife, Beall, 2 daughters and one grandchild to try to assemble a do-it-yourself swimming pool. A gust of wind collapsed the side of the pool when partially erected and the liner pulled out with the pool partially filled, requiring draining and refilling. All this while Bill had a broken finger and was supervising from a wheel chair. (Bill had a leg amputated some 4 years ago.) Total construction for a week's job was one and a half mos. Bill and Beall survived, however, and note they have room for company, being 3 miles from the beach with a lake in the backyard. They didn't say whether the lake came from the swimming pool. Chet also noted the passing of Luke Morris, a former classmate of ours.

Don and Alice Webber, still in Sewanee, are planning to attend the Army-Vanderbilt game and hope to see Jack and Gwen Barclay and any other classmates who go. Jim and Marge Stroker stopped by Tucson on their way back from CA to see Ted and Nina Parker. The Strokens were heading back to San Ant after a tour of the race tracks on the West Coast, and offered to show Ted and Nina a sure way to beat the races. Ted and Nina's daughter Kathleen was chosen "Navy wife of the Year," this past year. That shows real service cooperation. Agnes Weber, Maggie's wife, slipped in their driveway this past winter and broke her hip. She is well recovered by now, but has to carry a certificate

explaining why she sets off the alarm systems at airports. It's the pin in her hip, if you really want to know. Maggie, still merging companies, is also working as a volunteer member of the IL State Drivers' Safety Comm, representing the drivers. Johnny and Anne Waters are spending the summer on Martha's Vineyard. Johnny enclosed a picture post card of the main street of the town, and as he says, almost the only street. Another one reports being off the beaten track. Bill and Truxton Jones don't see too many classmates in Wheeling. Bill says that Dick Lane has ret. from his position with the Commerce Clearing House and is now devoting his time to golf. I knew I would find it somewhere in my notes. Margaret Lane is the other member of the detached retina club, but she hopes to get her golf in shape this summer. Bill is still working and expanding, the business, not Bill. His family is expanding, however. He and Truxie now have 10½ grandchildren which is, I believe, better than the average for the Class.

Bill and Ella Mae Woodward are living a quiet life in Atlanta, with Bill spending his time trying to teach his typewriter to spell. Their son Bill and his wife have just built a house in Boulder, CO and son John divides his time between flying choppers out of Ft Bragg and sailing around the Caribbean. Deadeye Henry phoned John Berry to wish him a speedy recovery and to say he was well and playing golf regularly and looking forward to the 45th. Had a card from Marge and Jim King. Both well and soaking up the TX sunshine. OZ and Allison Tyler are at their cabin in NC once again expecting visits from Fletch and Ann Cole and Champ and Chickie Buck for the Scottish Games this summer. Champ and Chickie are planning a 2-mos cruise along the East Coast some time this summer. OZ has almost ret. from teaching, having only 2 classes to work with rather than a full load. He is spending his spare time working on an epic poem about the Indian chief, Osceola. Peter Otey and Anne Ward seem to be a bit more on the beaten path, although he missed a visit by Deac. Gus Heiss has phoned PO while traveling through Richmond, but won't come any closer than the phone booth. PO also saw Bill Woodward in Atlanta and Bo Beishline and wife in NY. With regard to the latter meeting, he made mention of a pool game after a martini lunch, a pool game the likes of which has never been seen before nor probably will be ever again. In such cases, I presume that the proper strategy is to try to hit the middle cue ball. Big Swede and May Carlson have come to the conclusion that fish are smarter than people. It seems that when the weather gets warm, the fishing gets bad, as the fish have left for cooler waters. Son, Ken Carlson, is now an instr at the Academy, making a perfect excuse to travel there for a football game this fall. A letter from Herb and Vesta Mansfield reads like a golf magazine. I'll try to winnow the divots from the birdies and make par for this edition. Herb, Paul Chappell, Ernie Easterbrook and Bill Chandler played golf for 3 days (not all the time), battled at dominoes in the evenings and gorged on the high grade beef at Vandenberg AFB. Ernie is now shooting in the middle 80's but Paul took most of the golf money home and Bill took the domino loot. Bill and Charlotte Train are in HI, playing golf, what else? By the way, Charlotte was or is the ladies champ at the Presidio. Bill and Dorothy Hampton were in the Bay area recently with Bill joining the group for some golf, what else? Chet Diestel

joins Herb at the weekly luncheons of the local American Legion Post, Chet now sporting a Hemingway beard. Herb closed his letter with the following remark: "The non-golfers, Cal Coolidge and Rags Ragland are still working." I wonder if that is supposed to be a cause and effect statement. The deadline for the column is only 2 days away so I have to close this now. If I get any more letters, I'll have to save them for next time. One just arrived from C-Squared Smith with the news that Charlie Howze is one of the 2 I mentioned at the first of the column as not receiving the letter. My apologies, Charlie, CC set me straight on my geography. I noted in a previous column that I had received an ice-covered letter from Les Kunish, who lived way up North. CC quoted statistics about latitude that showed that Charlie and Tommie Howze live 3 degrees north of Les. For the non-nautical types a degree of latitude represents about 63 miles. CC and Jean are making a tour of Europe this summer to include a visit to Italy for the Fifth Army reunion. Maybe they will see Vic MacLaughlin there.

And that's all for now. My sincere thanks to those of you who wrote in and made this column possible. As Bill Mahugh says, listen to as much music as you can and as Herb Mansfield says, play golf.

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Another unforgettable guy has joined the Long Gray Line. Many of you know that Luke Morris died 22 May after 8 mos in the hospital prior to and following surgery. The Ft Myer Chapel was filled with classmates, comrades and friends at the services on 28 May. The Army Chaplain and the minister (both Presbyterians) from the Alexandria church Luke attended gave brief but impressive talks. The best offeratory was given by son Jay, who concluded the Chapel services with an eloquent tribute to his father in clear, firm tones. If space permitted the entire eulogy would be included. Certain extracts are most worthy of quotation: "But then again, how many of us will be as fortunate to live as he did? From beginning to end he was unique... From humble beginnings on the Eastern Shore he rose to the top of his profession, yet never lost his compassion or his principles in the process. 'Duty, Honor, Country'—the oath taken by those who have the privilege of attending the U.S. Military Academy at WP—was always more than a phrase to him. Without fanfare or an air of puritanical zeal or affectation, but rather with a simple, natural ease he made them the standards of which he lived—and ended—his entire life. They were such an instinctive part of him that while you were always aware of his dedication to excellence, you could also be comfortable with it. For his drive never got in the way of his humanity. And when his determination was coupled with an infectious sense of humor and a reassuring self-confidence, it made impossible tasks seem easy... So when we mourn, we are really mourning for ourselves. There is nothing in the way he lived—or died—that should cause us such sorrow. Quite the contrary. From start to finish his life was full of success—both personally and professionally. And when he left—it was time. Given the circumstances, it was the right thing for him and for all of us who loved him to have happen... We must remem-

ber these things today and always." The Morris line will continue as evidenced by 8 yr old grandson Jeffrey, who attended services, burial and reception with youthful dignity and charm. He loved his grandfather and was a constant delight to Luke. Joslin was approached after the graveside ceremony by a long line of friends who attended and she greeted each one. Afterward, Joslin received many who dropped by their lovely home, including the hon pallbearers and friends from mil and civ life. La Trelle and Pop Duncan flew in from Atlanta for Luke's funeral and to comfort Joslin and were our houseguests. Recently we heard from them when they were vacationing at Sea Is, GA. Pop recommends me as a good "chicken chef." He claimed that even the stuffing was good. Prior to breakfast each morning, La Trelle demonstrated her morning exercises in the kitchen consisting of not only routine ballet movements but a minor "jeté."

Johnnie and Fran Pugh gave their annual classmate convention 8 Jun at their beautiful estate at Fiddler's Green in Round Hill, VA. One of the best parts of these affairs is the appearance of those one hasn't seen for years. Johnny Welborn, for example, wearing an impressive beard, appeared like a distinguished sci prof accompanied by wife Betty. Bill Ellery, unseen since graduation moved around in a dignified manner and friendly way with his bride Kay. Stan and Esther Wray made the long drive from FL. Stan seems to have made a complete recovery from the stroke but sat on the porch with Bus Wheeler where they could survey the scene at ease. Betty ("Dimples") Wheeler is as pretty as when a Kaydet girl. Billie Howarth looked in the pink and drove over from Harrisburg area with Odette and young son, Spurgin Jr. Louise and Red Rude (now Whitey) came from Tucson, AZ, Rush and Dot Lincoln motored from Wellesley Hills, MA and Steve and Thelma Mellnik came from El Paso, TX. Others were: Essie and Charlie Baer, Rita and Barney Bunch from FL, Mary Cain and escort, J.B. Martin, Dossi and Bill Davidson accompanied by Joslin Morris, Margaret and Desch Desche-neaux, Charlie D'Orsa, Dort and Harvey Fischer, Nora and Al Gerhardt, Mary Ellen and Ward Gillette, Frances and Alex Graham, Eloise and Oley Hansen, Barbara and Pete Hinshaw, Helen and Dick Hunt, Ruby Ann and Marv Iseley, Claire and Frank Jamison, Helen and Archie Lyon, Eleanor McCormack, Margaret and John Meeks from Charleston, SC, Sally and Ernie Powell, Marjorie and Dan Sinclair, Janie and Red Smith, Bobbie and Danny Sundt, Jane and Al Schrader, Doris Cairns Wallace and husband Neil. Munoz expected to attend but did not return from Spain in time and Schukrafts were absent due to last minute emergency for Bob to participate in a sports activity. Needless to say, the roast beef was superb, the rest of the feast delectable and earlier in the afternoon, the hors d'oeuvres excellent to say nothing of the quantity and selection of spirits. It was a perfect day, cool and breezy and refreshing weatherwise and company-wise. The whole panorama was at its shining best and once again the Pughs with their able household help, caterers and bartenders and their own incomparable hospitality gave us all a day to remember. Many regrets were sent from all over and it is most regrettable they missed a great party. Some extracts from those who could not attend: Bill Culp, ex-pres of Cincinnati Coll has moved to a smaller home and is busy as a bee re-decorating. Harry Porter is finally going to ret. a 2d

time in Sept from General Mills where he is asst to the Vice-Chmn. He's headed with Isabel for Australia to visit daughter Pat, a teacher at the U. of W. Australia. Son-in-law is an engr with the govt. From Sarasota, Walden and Rick Coffey await a visit from their son and are still fitting out a brand new sail boat. Carrie Bess Smith reports that Pinkie has been saying all year "we'll be going to Johnnie's party," however, timing is all off but they will improve next year.

Tom Darcy states each year they "go down to the wire hoping to make it but time runs out." Dwight Beach and Flo just returned to MI from San Ant where Flo's mother had suffered a stroke. Dwight writes: "It's great to be a farmer and I'd like to see your place." Ed Farnsworth, still teaching French at a private school is or was in the middle of exam time. Bob Terrill's letter to the Pughs explains that their extended trip to New Zealand, Australia, Tahiti and the Fijis was interrupted on arrival the West Coast due to Billie's dad having surgery—and now recuperating at their home. Pat Ondrick writes from San Ant that she spent the winter and early spring in New Engl and could have stayed on to attend if illness in the family had not caused her to return home. Ed Simenson expected his grandson on the 5th and planned on taking him on a fishing and hunting trip to the "Wolf River"—a river "too swift to wade, too rocky for a canoe, too cold to swim, too cold to drink." Ed Hartshorn and Dorothy stay close to home on the lake at Rapid City, MI since weather for fishing and sailing is short lived. On Founders Day they stayed on the Dwight Beach farm near Ann Arbor. Dwight has fixed up the old family home, built in 1855, with 3 horses, lots of farm land, a cellar full of home made wine and ale. With the variety of wines both red and white, Ed says he should "dub" one of them "Pink Beach. Nothing like sampling a few varieties before starting in on martinis before lunch." Hunter Harris is working for some one. He admits a trip to DC in May but has to return to Honolulu before the party... says if possible, he'll try to drag it out. Dinny Kelly writes that Joe was quite ill in Jan and Feb and lost 40 lbs. He has fully recovered but is guarding the hearth while Dinny goes to Albuquerque to visit an ailing sister. Babe and Bill McNulty were looking forward to being aboard but their daughter, whose visits are too few, is due to arrive so they must miss the gathering. Ruby and Charlie Murray are taking off from FL to New Engl too late to make it this year but appreciate the Pughs continuing to think of them (don't we all!). Chris Dreyer and Mary cannot attend due to Mary's condition which makes coast to coast trips usually at Xmas time only to visit relatives. Chris expresses disappointment in never having made one of the gatherings but hopes for better luck in the future if the tradition continues. Finally, Mary Thiel, "living alone and 67 yrs old (wow) my driving could be a general menace." There were others who sent regrets to the gracious invitation but not with news.

Two letters received recently, one from his secy, Mrs. June Sanders, and another from Robert Malone, VP of the Citizens Bank & Trust Co. of Louisville, KY informed me of the death of "Jake" Hassman on 29 Mar. Mr. Malone announced that Jake had left \$1,000 to the AOG for deposit to the '32 class fund. Mrs. Sanders wrote in behalf of Mrs. Hassman who plans to live at 1306 Glenbrook Rd, Anchorage, KY 40223, a close

suburb of Louisville, and extends an invitation to anyone who might be in the area to stop by and visit with her at any time. Son Gary is in the orthopedic service at Ft Hood and lives in Temple, TX with his wife and 3 children. Their daughter Gayle lives in Anchorage, AK and her husband is in Public Health Service. "Jake" was a LTC, USAR. He headed the Franklin Pioneer Corp.

In May we flew to Columbus, OH, at the invitation of our son Bill, to attend the ceremony presided over by the State Supreme Court, administering the oath admitting him to Ohio State Bar. In Jan he was appointed Corporate Controller of Premix, Inc. and is now en route to Scotland where he will attend a Directors' meeting and then a stop in Amsterdam to visit another of their overseas factories. Invited to bring a guest, Dossi and I drove with our friend, Ret. Capt Carl Pfeifer, USNA '39, to spend a day with Pete and Babs Hinshaw at their retreat at Scientists Cliffs on Chesapeake Bay. We took a stroll near Pete's home followed by cocktails and dinner (the gourmet meal was provided by Pete and prepared by Barbara) winding up with a complete auto tour of the entire area. Pete seems to know everyone by first name although there are many residents. He even pointed out "Lightning" Joe Collins as we passed his cliffside home where he was working in the garden. In Jun Carl and some of his friends returned to go on a fishing trip with Pete. We benefitted greatly... not only from another pleasant journey to their tranquil and flower-laden surroundings but Barbara presented us with a parting gift of bluefish and Carl brought us a 9 lb sea trout. Pete is a member of the Bd of Gobs and general factotum of the place where they have found horticulturists and doctors of all sciences.

Jupe Lindsay '29, still presiding over Distaff House, sent me clippings of Lou Truman (as did Pop Duncan) from the Atlantic Constitution. The first one relates to his ret. as Comm of the Dept of Community Devl. A few quotations would be pertinent. "Georgia would benefit greatly if more state officials and employees performed as effectively as Truman has since being named to the top DCD job in 67. In Truman's tenure there has been approximately \$5 billion worth of capital investment in new and expanded industries in the state providing jobs for about 200,000 Georgians." "He is credited with bringing a high degree of professionalism to the Dept and lifting it out of a quagmire of political ineptness." "Nough said. Jupe was planning to go to Atlanta in Jun to visit his daughter and hopes to see Lou while there.

Just received yesterday an announcement of the marriage of Frank Besson to Mrs. Beatrice O'Boyle George in Arlington, VA on 10 Jun 75.

An additional announcement is that of Rollo Bower's death in VA Hospital, San Diego, CA 19 Apr. Burial was in CA and Mary Cain heard from Mary Bower that she planned to visit her daughter in Germany. Will include details when known.

Ken Zitzman wrote that he and Pat were taking off in the Zitzman Zephy for a 2 months' trip to the West Coast, AK via the inland waterways, western Canada and back through the Rockies. When Ken travels he ain't foolin'.

Sun, 17 Jun, we had a call from Bill Powers here on a mission from the FL Inland Navigation Dist. Bill was busy as a one-arm paper hanger with senators and congressmen but we managed to get together for a couple

of hours at the old Shoreham (now Shoreham Americana) before driving him to the airport. Lil was back in N. Palm Beach playing in a golf tournament. Bill was his usual jovial self.

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By dint of procrastination and the relentless passage of time, this epistle is begun in a beach cottage which June and I share with our 2 daughters, 7 of our 9 grandchildren, and Jonathan Livingstone Seagull. To make matters worse, I seem to be the only adult male (clearly an endangered species)—our son and 2 sons-in-law, cowards all, plead that only the press of work keeps them away. Aw gwan, fellers—I used that old saw when you were scampering in and out of places like this.

Maybe our annual golf classic, the Lucky Star Free and Easy produced at Ft Meade under the management of Phil Pope, would be a good place to start. Sixteen attended, including Harry King, who came out with Charlie Carver. The rule of no complaints during or after play resulted in general disqualification of all contestants, following which Billy Ely was again declared the winner (skill, Bill?). Neal Wallace, who limits his golfing to this one tournament a year, proved his prowess with his ball retriever. High point: Solly's birdie on Hole 7. Scores of outstanding stalwarts, before libations: Ely—1st Low Gross; Senter—2d Low Gross; Pope—3d Low Gross; Parker—1st Low Net; Lincoln—2d Low Net; Solomon—3d Low Net.

A topic of interest to us all as this goes to press is the project to make the commissaries self-supporting at the expense of those who use them. This happy idea, whose time we hope has not yet come, is perceived by its victims as a flagrant breach of faith, most injurious to those who can afford it least and quite inconsistent for a govt which, in the words of Pres Ford, "honors its commitments." Accordingly record numbers of mil people, active and ret., paraphrasing "a joyful noise unto the Lord," have uttered urgent noises unto the Congress. Your scribe attended several of the hearings.

Bill Baumer writes that he and Poggy are happily situated in La Jolla, CA, where he is active in manuf ultrasonic equipment. He gets to DC and NY once every 5 wks, where

he sees his 5 young 'uns and, in his words, "checks up on FF Hurly and other classmates."

Here's a great newsnote (the kind scribes cherish) from Jim Boswell: "Pat & I spent weekend and played golf at Silverado (Johnny Miller's home course)—great occasion, but no resemblance even to Johnny's worst day. Last week in Garden of the Gods, Colo Spgs, had dinner with Ruth & Cal Smith, Suava & Chappie Chapman. Next day Cal proceeded to enrich himself by playing great golf without so much as an interruption to his diatribe... Just got to WP for my last trustee meeting, AOG, from Sun City, AZ, where I found Ed Ehlen in the W.O. Boswell Memorial Hosp, where he will soon recover from." (Hey, from what, Ed? or is it classified? Jim put that period right where I did, showing that in English he didn't learn a preposition is not a proper word to end a sentence with. For Jim continues) "Played golf with Jake Messersmith, who's going to attend his 50th Reunion at Hagerstown, MD, with Dottie..." (High school, we assume, Jake? (Jim again) "Also played golf and had fun with Bob ('God Is My Co-Pilot') Scott ('32). Pat (Boswell) has been at NY and Smith (Northampton, MA), where she's trying to peddle her book she just published for an exorbitant price." (Now there's a squinting modifier, Jim, and a bit more of interest which you must ask Pat to explain!) "We had Bobby Tripp and his lovely French bride for dinner, along with Johnny Bowen ('32) and his likewise (FB) in San Fran. Saw also Pete Clainos, who is practically running the Golden Gate Bridge Authority, at the dinner meeting of the WP Soc of SFBA."

Here's one from Lil and Doug Cairns to Posie and Bob Neely, kindness of Posie and Gracie King. A memorable Space-A trip: "We left on the last day of Feb via Space A out of Norton for Okinawa. After 6 days at Kadena we caught a ride to Clark AB (Philippines), where Doug and Dee Cairns are stationed now. After a few days—and a trip to Baguio—we got a flight to Utapao AB, Thailand. Stayed a couple of days at the adjacent Army base (Camp Same-San), then to Bangkok by bus and flew on to Penang, Malaysia. By train to Kuala Lumpur, then on to Singapore for a week. Back to Clark, a short trip to Cebu, and got a flight out to Kadena just before the dam broke in VN. (We were at Clark when the first few flights of babies arrived, and were able to help out some.) Had a time getting home, however,



1933: (L-R) Solomon, Walters, Summerfelt, Pope, Lincoln, Kaiser, Carver, King, Cyr, Ryan, Hurlbut, Senter, Ely, Wallace, Parker, and Griffin.

and spent the last 25 days at Yokuta AB in Japan. Home at last, feeling more like refugees than the refugees themselves!—Well, not quite, for we had a good place to sleep, plenty to eat, and an interesting time while waiting. (Later) After talking to Rob & Terry at Ft Monroe, we made a quick trip to Pendleton to see the Vietnamese family of 4 that they are sponsoring. It is sad to see all those misplaced, homeless people. . . .”

Gerry Chapman has written Abe to express appreciation for the Class contribution to the WP Fund (Class of '33) in memory of Maxine (who passed away this spring); Gerry says their son (USMA '60) has transferred to SC with station at Monmouth, working as a Proj Mgr with Satellite Comm.

Ted Conway, who has enrolled in grad study for a master's degree, reports receipt of a job offer from VISTA, as well as a letter from DA (ROTC) offering an opportunity to qualify for a commission as 2LT. Take it, Ted, and ask for FA—it'll be a step up!

Ed Doleman comes crashing in to meet the deadline with the following update: That 2 years ago he succumbed to an offer to go to Korea as Consultant on an interesting study connected with the Korean and U.S. mil. Anticipating a cushy job, he landed in the "Land of the morning calm," in May 73, where Dorothy joined him. Eddie soon found himself dir of the study, and the job which was supposed to last 6 mos went on for 10, with Eddie winding up with a mild heart attack. Med-evacked to Tripler via Clark, he recuperated a few months before taking off with Dorothy to visit their 3 sons at Carson, Santa Fe, and WSMR. Thence to San Diego and Carmel for a visit with Ben and Harriet Harrell, whom they'd not seen since the night before Ben left for Turkey. "Now back in Paradise, the Dolemans are resting in preparation for the arrival of grandchildren for the summer." (Note by Scribe: I'll trade you sight unseen, Eddie, but with a warning: 2 of our elder grandchildren play the flute. Any incoherence in these notes is a direct attribution. . . .)

Bob Douglas, along with Russ Broshous, showed up for our Apr luncheon. Bob reported that Cowboy Elliott was at that time in bad shape at the VA hospital in Coatsville. No further news, we hope, is good news. . . .

Your VP, Bill Ely, clinched his claim to golfame by sinking a 190-yard hole-in-one while playing with Jimmy Polk at the Chevy Chase Club, an event celebrated at the 19th Hole with a couple of overpar double Beef-eater martinis.

Bill Fletter speaks in defense of Congress: "There's nothing wrong with it that an atom bomb won't cure. Nero was a piker (at fiddling). We need an energy program now, and it's just not politically popular. It's time to go fishing. Pic and Sally Vidal are going to Mexico on quite a novel trip—through a part of it by train. Had a fine visit with Hardin Olson and Billie at their home in Orlando. The Divines were there too."

From Steve Fuqua, our Class Secy: "Pres Ford was great at Graduation yesterday—his remarks were very reassuring and much needed at a time like this! The rehab job on the Sheridan Memorial has been completed—just in time for June Week use. Buck Pohl has sold his house (to my successor at the AOC, Dick Gruenther); he and Kitty are moving down to VA." (We hope it's nearby, Buck—please drop me a line.)

Dave and Betty Gibbs swung by DC in the spring (swung is an understatement) in the course of a trip-by-trailer that took them from CO down into Mexico for several weeks. thence back up through the Southwest for

a reunion at Blowing Rock, NC with brothers George (USMA '30) and Bob (USNA '25) and their wives, and into New Engl to visit (LTC) David Jr. at Pease AFB, NH and Betty's sister Mary, down in ME. Dave wrote a great letter on the adventures and charms of the trailer life, of which he and Betty are glowing advocates: "Ruth reports that all is well with the Smiths. She and Cal took young Doug (DeeCee) to HI for a delightful 2 weeks. We stopped 3 days in Tucson and got in our usual visit with Dick and Marny Meyer, whom we found well and enjoying life there. Both of their daughters are nearby. We drove South [in Mexico] to our favorite spot, Playa Paraiso, where we stayed 5 wks. We enjoy RV (recreational vehicle) people everywhere we go. Most are ret., and the venturesome of these are mostly military. Chappie and Suava (Chapman) are busy and in good health, his operation apparently a complete success, and his sense of humor and outgoing personality untouched." (Note by Chappie: "That's all that was untouched!")

Billy Harris tells of daughter Harriet (Punkin) Kendall Harris' marriage to MAJ Theodore G. Stroup Jr (USMA '62), who was a roommate at the Acad to one of Dodd Starbird's sons. "Ted and Punkin met in Saigon during the Tet Offensive, when she was on duty with the Foreign Service." (Billy continues) "Billy Due became seriously ill the day before the WP dinner. He is now out of the hospital. USMA means so much to him that he attended briefly (on pass from his hospital ward) our annual ladies' dinner on Apr 15th. Mac and Dodie McClelland just had a great cruise—to Hong Kong and the Philippines by air, then returned by QE II to L.A. We (San Antonions) still meet on the 3d Tues of every month for lunch, except when there is a USMA-wide function (Founders Day dinner, Oct picnic, and Dec.)"

Al Hoebeke sends "some poop for the group" from Dallas: "Saw Pete Clainos in San Fran—he looks just great and is Secy of the Golden Gate Dist, doing an excellent job, and thoroughly enjoying a challenge that would scare the pants off a guy 20 yrs younger. Fairchilds and Parrs (Ft Worth) and Hoebekes are exchanging pleasant visits every few months. They're all feeling fine—they even look fine!"

Harry and Gracie King are off again to ME. He writes: "Gracie and my mother Leila [scribe note: Fresh and unspoiled, in her early 90's—a real charmer!] will fly to Portland, where they'll be met and driven to Bailey Is. Dan Parker has been persuaded to drive me plus dog plus baggage in time to arrive for cocktails on the next day. Dan will stay a few days, or until the cocktails are gone (whichever first). We'll mix a new batch for Bert and June Sparrow and other vagrants as they wobble by. . . . And when the ice is melted in Mackrel Cove I plan to stir up the lobsters with some sporadic swimming. We plan to stay until Oct."

Posie Neely reports that Paul Gowen's widow, Betty (now Mrs. Julian Newman) has moved near them (Ketchum, ID). Gowen Field, the NG and Reserve airfield in Boise is named for "Spoony" Gowen, who was Bob Neely's roommate First Class year. The Gowens had one daughter, Stephanie Loche, who lives in Portland, ME. Posie writes of visits with the Tripps and Boswells in San Fran and the Harrells in Carmel, all hands looking and feeling well. "We too are in good shape, or will be if we ever get rid of winter. Snows—practically on a daily basis. Bob has not been able to ride very much this winter."

From Punta Gorda, FL comes Charlie Leydecker: "A note to let you know that I appre-

ciated your article, *The Promises Men Live By*. The thing that's worrying me as I look back, is the inroads the Communists are making in this country—now the attack is against our intel agencies and the FBI, to further weaken us. . . ." And Charlie suggests further that our pictures in ASSEMBLY be appropriately captioned. (Someone slipped by me on that one, I'll try to do better!)

All of us who knew him were saddened to learn of the death of our pres Abe Lincoln's brother, GEN George A. Lincoln (USMA '29), better known as "Big Abe," who was stricken with a heart attack while horseback riding in CO. An outstanding planner (WW II), educ (Prof of Soc Sci, USMA), and soldier-statesman (Dir, Office of Emergency Planning), his passing is a loss to the nation.

Mac McClelland sends a postcard with a 21 Jun news clipping, "San Ant GEN is Appointed," announcing Billy Harris' appointment, by Gov Briscoe, to the TX Historical Comm. Mac's comment: "Just in case Bill is too modest or too busy to notify you himself." Thanks, Mac; and Congratulations, Billy!

We report with sorrow and we extend deep sympathy to Ted Marshall, upon the death of his wife, Judy Starr Marshall, at Las Vegas, NV, by heart attack, on 3 Apr 75. She was buried at WP.

Jennie Pittman has written to notify us of the death of Marion Madison, widow of Seymour E. Madison, on 7 Jan 75, of cancer.

Kay Plapp Ellery, reported in our last notes to have married (BG, Ret.) Bill Ellery ('32) came with him to Belvoir last month to visit her daughter Maxine and son-in-law LTC Bruce Stout (USMA '57) and son Bob Plapp, now an Army dentist at Belvoir. Bride and groom were in great health and spirits, and Bill seemed visibly improved by his association with the Class of '33.

Bing and Bimbi Downing still base their good ship, *Bumphy II*, and themselves at their waterfront apartment in Annapolis, at which they entertain landlubberly classmates and from which they sortie to distant climes. (Alas, Bing, those pictures are of posteriors. . . .)

Our willing, affable and able Ned Gee, abetted by his skilled and lovely Gladys, engineered one of our liveliest and best fed spring parties we've had since his last one. The attendance? with Heintz: 57, of course! Varieties from out-of-town included Bill Baumer and Moon Mullins, who with his wife has returned from their long sojourn in England (London) to Columbus, OH, where he is still with Atlantic Richfield.

As if in response to Charlie Leydecker's thought, our remarkable Dodd Starbird has been moved—all at a very high level—from his post as Dpty Dir, Def Rsch and Engr (Tests), to a new post as Asst Admin for Natl Security in the recently created Natl Energy R&D Agcy, charged with the discovery and development of new means and sources of energy. Wow! and still going strong.

Bill and Ann Blandford spent a harmonious and delightful week at a cottage in Jamaica, at Easter.

Here's a golf story that'll hold ya: Milt Summerfelt, Mo Kaiser, Hurly Hurlbut and Charlie Carver were foursoming one day at the Army-Navy CC when they observed some 'teen-age intruders in the act of hijacking a beautiful blonde's golf cart (the BB is my contribution). No more lacking in strategy than in gallantry, our 4 stalwarts—each mounted his own go-cart and shouting "Duty, Honor, Country, CHARGE!"—bore down upon the enemy on an intercept course of which the Predicted Point was just short of the

boundary fence. The scene must have been reminiscent of the armored battle in North Africa, and the result was predictable: the teen-agers disappearing over the fence, leaving their booty, and the field, and the fair lady to the redoubtable Men of WP ('33).

Oscar and Carolyn Senter tell us they bought a house at Tequesta, FL (north of Palm Beach, near Jupiter) to which they plan to move next fall after selling their apartment in DC. We'll miss you here! The Senters saw Charlie and Dail Pottenger in Naples, FL in Jan; both well, and Charlie a real golf champ.

In closing: (1) Your scribe needs your help: Material and ideas to enliven this column, which is a bigger job than he'd thought. And please, where can I get an extra 25-Year Book? Our copy has disparu! (2) Your DC Group hopes to have with it for the Oct luncheon as many as possible of the former instructors and tacs who gave us such a hard time (or helped so much) in kaydet days. Mark Wed 29 Oct. (3) Anent threats to entitlements (medical, commissaries, etc): Many believe it's high time to speak out, if not for ourselves, then for those to whom in good faith we gave the assurances which we in turn received. The forum for protest is not here (ASSEMBLY); but we can and should support those organizations which effectively help the American mil. Speaking personally, I'm essentially well impressed with the forthrightness, dedication and competence of the NAUS. (4) Apart from Pres Abe's annual letter with the updated roster, these '33 Notes in the quarterly ASSEMBLY appear to be our best and most practical means to stay in touch, to maintain cohesion as a Class, and to pass information of interest to us. COL Mike Krisman, Ed of ASSEMBLY and the annual REGISTER, reports that his campaign for advance subscriptions, despite no increase in subscription rates, is lagging. He requests our help, here gladly given: Please, all those who have not done so, do so immediately!

'34

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Nothing special on your scribe's situation, busy and enjoying life. Loretta and a friend she grew up with in Oswego, NY, made a 24-day tour of Ireland in May and Jun. They rented a car and took a route that led where they chose. Loretta and I made a 10-day visit to Ireland in '71, but she felt she wanted to see more of the land of her ancestors. This necessitated going to N. Ireland in order to drive through County Tyrone. No difficulty was experienced. When she was



1934: Hillyard, Babs Yarbrough, Eddrea Hillyard, Yarbrough, Louise Snee, Snee, Faith and Hal Edson.



1934: Commodore Jim Snee, Satellite Beach Yacht Club.

in the vicinity of Cork, she spoke with Tom Foote on the telephone. He told her he was in the farming business (more or less) helping a friend raise strawberries for the local market. Loretta says it must be a lucrative business; she saw strawberries in the shop for \$1.75 a pint!

Dud Wilmeth sent me an account of his latest travels. First to Austin, where he and Frankie had breakfast with UP and Virginia Williams. Then on to San Ant to find a rather large group of '34ers. Cy and Pat Betts gathered all the clan, who were available, on 22 Mar at their home to celebrate Dud's visit. Also present were: Ken and Dorothy Cunin, Rip and Charlotte Winkle, and Tom and Betty Wood. The Cooks, Danys, and Whites (CH) had other commitments. Tom Wood is fully ret. and recommends it to others. The rest of the gang in this area appear to be happy doing their thing.

Joe and Martha Johnson visited DC in Apr—luncheon guests of Jim O'Hara at A&N C.C.

A Class luncheon was held at the A&N C.C., Arlington, VA, 17 Apr—present were Paul Barton, John Cary, Dan Cheston, Gene Corrigan, Merle DeGuire, Hal Edson, George Gerhart, Tony Hills, Bill Kern, Emory Lewis, Jim O'Hara, Johnnie Stevens, and Lou Walsh.

Stilson Smith wrote that he and Dale Huber held a "G" Co. reunion in Mar. Dale is fully ret., as of Jan, and enjoying his new life.

The annual Class dinner dance for the DC gang was held at the A&N C.C. on 25 Apr. This gala affair was sponsored by Bill and Ann Kern. Attending were Burton and Ginger Bruce, Crystal Bunker, Dan and Betty Anne Cheston, Gene and Hope Corrigan, Hal and Faith Edson, George and Sallye Gerhart, Tony Hills, Edie Kenerick, Bill Kern (Anne was visiting her father on West Coast), Emory and Loretta Lewis, Bob and Sis MacDonnell, Jack and Ceil Schaefer, Bert and Fran Spivy, Johnnie and Francie Stevens, John Walker (Oxford, MD), and Louise and Lou Walsh. Also present were Edie Kenerick's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook and Larry Sievers (Mrs Wm Sievers '36).

A note from Tom Foote indicated that he and Foss spent 2 weeks in U.K. during Mar. They traveled by car, using the ferry from Cork to Wales. Did quite a bit of sight-seeing, including family home of Churchill. Tom reports he has also been doing a little trout and salmon fishing.

Ron Martin wrote that he and Sandy have finally decided to winter in Sarasota, FL effective Nov 75. Other news cannot be better stated than in Ron's own words; i.e., "We went over 20,000 miles in our motorhome last year, after ret. in late Mar. Included was about 3,500 miles in old Mexico. Spent some time in San Ant, house sitting for the Cunins part of the time. Saw the Chas Whites, Charley Morgans, and was in the same RV Park with the Sanders. In Jan we went to Albuquerque (where daughter Linda lives) and traded for a new and larger motor home, a Vogue, and are now towing a not-so-small car.

"We'll go to MA in Jul, spending some time with our daughter, Sandra, part of it on Cape Cod where they spend the month. We visited the Charley Fells last fall in Reno, while en route to visit our daughter, Mary, in Sacramento. Also stopped to visit Jerry and Kay Higgins in CA while we were en route to Nogales to start our Mexican trip."

Bob McKinnon will be ret. for the 2d time in Jan 76, completing almost 18 yrs as XO of the GA Consumer Finance Assn.

Charlie Fell was given emeritus rank of Prof, 24 May, by the U. of Reno. Charlie, who has been at Reno since 60, contributed significantly to the development of courses involving the use of computers in engr. He also wrote the textbooks currently used in a number of elec engr crses, and is credited with evolving his dept's solid state lab into a highly complex facility.

Jean Jenna visited her mother at Army Distaff Hall, DC, for about a month during May and Jun. While there she accompanied Jim and Elinore O'Hara to Gibson Is, MD, for a visit with BJ and Farley Richardson.

Jim and Elinore O'Hara left 30 Jun for their summer place at Huron Beach, MI—they plan to return to DC by 1 Oct. Jim is now Adj of the local chapter, Mil Order of World Wars.

Perry Griffith recently wrote about the latest news on the Griffiths. Excerpts from his letter follow: "Our daughter, last year, was selected as one of the 3 most outstanding young women in ND, and finds herself in a book called something like 'Outstanding Young Women in America,' or an approximation of that title. She had a hell of a write-up, particularly in her old school magazine—St. Agnes Episcopal Girl's Sch. They were at Minot AFB at the time, where her husband was stationed. She tells me privately, she guesses winning up there is about like getting a Rhodes Scholarship from Lower Slobovia U. as opposed to Harvard. But she



1934: Yarbrough, Snee, Edson, Hillyard.

certainly didn't turn it down. The other item concerns me: Along with a millionaire who has heavily endowed several colleges hereabout, I was selected by the CA Inland Empire Council of the Boy Scouts of America for the 'Distinguished Eagle Citizens Award.' This was for Riverside and San Bernardino Counties—an area from the edge of LA to AZ. It was for the past year. I don't have a million yet, and I haven't endowed any colleges with a whole hell of a lot of the stuff, so I guess I got my plaque for my good looks and a clean traffic record.

"So, I guess, if a guy plots his indiscretions and chicanery to take place in the privacy of his own domain, or one hell of a far piece away from the flag pole, he can just about gull and con an extraordinary gaggle of uniformed dupes into believing anything.

"My book, 'From Corral to Championship' will come out this winter, after the series has reached 32 chapters in HORSE AND HORSEMAN magazine. We're on the 29th chapter now. I'm still an Assoc Editor of the rag, and still have them fooled, too."

Attending the Class luncheon at the A&N C.C. on 19 Jun were: Burt Bruce, Merle DeGuire, Hal Edson, Tony Hills, Emory Lewis, Jim O'Hara, Johnnie Stevens, and Lou Walsh.

Dan Cheston, our class treas for the past 2 yrs, reports as of 3 Jun 79 classmates have already sent in dues for this year. He also reported many had paid dues from "way back"—one to cover the past 9 yrs!

Hal Edson and Faith will visit Dan and Betty Ann Cheston on Fisher's Island, NY, on their return from the SAR Annual Conv in Boston in Jul. Hal also plans to stop with Johnnie and Janet Diefendorf in Williamsburg in Jul while on a speaking visit to the Army Retiree Council in Ft Eustis, VA. In Mar the Edsons visited the Hillyards in FL, attended the Founders Day dinner and some grand parties as well as 2 good days of golf. On a Sun they attended a luncheon at the local yacht club where Jim Snee was the outgoing Commodore.

A sad bit of news is the passing of Johnny Darrah on 28 Mar, Brownsville, TX. Sincere sympathy goes from the Class to his family.

As a result of the recent election, the following new Class Officers took over on 1 July: Pres, Johnnie Stevens; 1st VP, George Gerhart; 2d VP, Lou Walsh, Secy-Hist, Bob Fuller; Treas, John Cary.

The following changes in addresses have been reported: D.W. Johnston—Villa Folle Brise, Av. des Corsaires, ANGLET 64600, France; W.H. Neal—1964 8th Ave, San Fran, CA 94116; H.R. Hester—506 E. Wesley Rd, Atlanta, GA 30305; H.E. Lardin—1561 Kanunu, Apt. 1501, Honolulu, HI 96814; R.J. Reeves—P.O. Box 6288, Anchorage, AK 99502; Y.H. Wolfe, 10 Carriage Hill Rd, Andover, MA 01810.

Thanks to all who have reported their happenings these past 2 yrs. The next ASSEMBLY notes will be prepared by Bob Fuller. Your continued support of sending news of you and yours will help him in this task and may all the news be good.



'35

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Our 40th Reunion began the afternoon of 28 May with many nostalgic encounters between old friends, some who had not crossed paths since graduation day. The turnout was the best ever, 82 classmates (about 41%), 7 classmates' widows, and 1 fiancée. In majority we were quartered at Bear Mountain Inn and Lodges, and at the Palisade Motel and the US Academy Motel in Highland Falls. That evening we had cocktails and a sumptuous buffet dinner at the Bear Mt. Overlook Lodge.

The second day opened with a visit to the WP Cemetery followed by lunch at WPAM and a Class business meeting. At 3:15 we gathered at the USMA Museum where Chmn Bob Glass made presentation of the Class gift to the Academy which was warmly received by the Supt. It is a beautiful model of a Hudson River boat such as plied the river in the "olden days" and will be the center piece for a diorama being assembled for display in the museum. That evening there was the Alumni Dinner-Dance in Washington Hall and the Supe's Reception.

The third day began with the Alumni March from the Library to Thayer Monument and ceremony there followed by review of the Corps, after which the Class Photo was taken. We sweated out a slight drizzle, but it didn't really break loose and rain until we were indoors at lunch, Alumni in Washington Hall for the annual AOG meeting, and the ladies at WPAM. Bill Chapman and his helpers had planned a ferry ride to take us back to Bear Mt. area, but this had to be cancelled because of the rain. That evening we were bussed to Camp Buckner for the final Class function, a buffet picnic, which was held in Barth Hall because it was still raining a little. Everyone had a great time and we are all grateful to Chapman, Rogers, and Greenlee for planning and arranging everything.



1935: 40th Reunion



1935: 40th Reunion

As of 1 Jul our new Chmn is Bud Schlanser with Bernie Waterman as VChmn, Bill Chapman and Bill Patterson as members-at-large and continuing Ed Ferris as Secy-Treas and me as Hist.

Bill and Charlotte Chapman are happy to have daughter Pat and her husband David Reimuller and their son Jason, age 3, returned to DC from overseas asgmt. David is in the Foreign Service and will attend law sch at GWU.

The Worthingtons have a new grandson born to daughter Kathy and her husband, Patrick Kernan, on 26 Jun here in DC. Sean Patrick Kernan weighing 7 lbs 10 oz with red hair arrived at 2:10 p.m. Kay Worthington flew here from FL the day before to be on hand while Jim went out to Ft Walton Beach to enter a tennis tournament.

Our hearts go out to John Gloriod and his family in the loss of his darling Vi on 27 May. John wrote early in Apr saying that he and Vi would not be able to attend the Reunion as they had planned because a brain tumor had been discovered and was under treatment.

Fred and Alice Cummings didn't make it up to the Reunion but we saw them here in DC on 7 Jun. Fred says the miles per gallon ratio for his boat is less than one, and when they had chugged up the inland waterway this far they decided to visit their children in the area instead.

Those who ordered and have received a copy of the Class Photo will be glad to know that the lady at the lower right is Gene Orth's mother, Agnes T. Orth, age 94 and quite well, thank you. She lives in White Plains, NY, and as this is written she is visiting Margaret and Gene here in Arlington.

ASSEMBLY space does not allow it here, but if you want to know the names to go with any other of those shining faces in the Class Photo just write me a newsy letter and I'll identify them for you.

In the last issue of ASSEMBLY there were a couple of minor errors. One photo was MAILED from Manila, but was taken by Jim Alger in ME. Another photo titled 1935:

Founders Day 1975, St. Pete, FL may have our classmate Bob Van Roo on the right end but those other people are unknown to me. I did not send in that photograph and I do not know who did.

'36

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1936: Ganns, Chappellear, Milliken, Jones and Simpson.

"The annual Class of '36 Whispering Pines Golf Tournament and semi-reunion will be held for the 6th time this Oct 10, 11 & 12. Those who have been before won't miss it if they can help it and those who come for the first time will be glad they did," thus speaks the hard working and successful cmte of Covington, Page, Spencer, Dickens, Katz, and Broyles who describe the latest item of news value.

Ken Dawalt has taken over as pres of the DC Chapter with Bob O'Brien still as secy. Ken says that he and Gordon Austin are a cmte of 2 arranging for the 40th Reunion at WP. He also says that Dave Hiester and Sutherland will be assisting at WP. At this moment there has been a change in the place we shall stay. Dave has secured facilities near and at Ladycliff Coll in Highland Falls. This suggests a tremendous advantage over what we've enjoyed before; and of course, enhances the enjoyment we'll have 26-29 May 76.

Ted Clifton is relinquishing the presidency of group in DC after 3 yrs and is finishing his first year as a trustee of the AOG and is elected to a new 3-yr term. Ted is therefore able to stay close to the '36 gift project, which is headed by Chuck Billingslea. Chuck has a rather expansive if not affluent cmte group under him. This consists of Austin, Dorland, Estes, Fergusson, Clifton, Hayes, Illig, Ripple and Gage. Clifton said that he and Lampert had a very nice visit with the Sutherlands during June Week.

None of us is ignorant of the terrible economic plight of the world, our nation, and ourselves (worst since we first went to USMA). Among the great numbers who are suffering financial struggles is source of the column you're reading—ASSEMBLY. The rates on ASSEMBLY and REGISTER have not followed the "grocery store's" example and risen monthly; your WP publications, in fact, haven't risen in price AT ALL. So the only plea which is being urgently requested is that you answer your subscription notices and make 100% Class enrollment. This seems a modest request for the invaluable communication service that ASSEMBLY has afforded the great Class of '36.

As to individual items: The long-time named I.G. FARBEN in Frankfurt, Germany, was renamed the Creighton W. Abrams Bldg. The edifice was built in '30, was used by the great Farben chemical industry, and was once Europe's largest office building. A short message was received from Deacon Barlow who moved to Simpsonville, SC a couple of years ago. His address: Apt F-1, Park Towne Apts.

Cec Combs wrote that he'd been in San Ant and seen Bill Grohs, Ed Dunn, TR Davis, and Dean Rutledge (down from his Kerrville ranch). He says Ed is writing another book on a comparative study between Patton and Eisenhower. He says Bill Davis is still teaching in Central Catholic sch the old time religion: to wit, the economics of Adam Smith and the Wall Street Journal. After signing off with a confession of his otiosity, Cec put in a disclaiming PS, which

stated that Bev had just slipped and broken her arm. Result: Cec was back in the kitchen on full time basis.

The Connors visited the Dickens at their beach cottage at Long Beach, near Wilmington, NC. They saw Katz's also. Shortly afterwards I believe, Bill and Betty went to Germany for part of summer. During the middle of Jun disquieting news was received from Peggy Covington concerning Bill's health. She was very serious; but with great good fortune, at this writing, Bill seems improved.

The annual report of Carolina Steel was read with interest, most importantly because of the prominence and the contribution to success of its pres, Gil Dorland. Howell Estes wrote from Memphis stating that he and Nan were planning another move and between choices of back to West Coast and DC, the latter was decided because of presence of so many children and old friends in the Capital.

Charlotte and Bob Fergusson were visitors in Berlin, Paris and London in Jun. He gave the Commencement Address to Boston U.'s Heidelberg graduating 438 persons. As a member of Billingslea's gift cmte, Bob also forwarded his views and ideas. Tom Hayes was elected to the Natl Academy of Engr. He says there are almost one million eligibles, but only 600 have been recognized. My computer says that's "one 6 hundredths of one percent." He said he spent Easter with Jean's family in Denver then spent Apr traveling: Spain, Africa, Egypt, France, etc. My favorite "classmate-person" (but I'm not supposed to have prejudices) Helen Hess, sent me a birthday greeting. Ed Wallnau, also wrote on that geriatric date, but fortunately was unaware of the occasion, notwithstanding he was anticipating a 4-score celebration himself.

Wright and Paule Hiatt have moved (and ret.) into their new home: 1860 Ala Moana-2004, Honolulu 96815. Bill and Elly Jones had a '36 barbecue in CA and invited Ganns, Chappellears, Milliken and Simpson. Bill also has visited the Terrells and Nazzaros, both of whom have homes on golf courses. Freddy has a plastic hip bone which works perfectly. The Kellys went out to Fiji and assisted with their daughter's delivering of a 4th grandson. Jack and Jane saw no classmates but had a wonderful time with the children. After protesting the lack of news which Jim Landrum dispensed, he forwarded quite a complete up-to-date report: Kay, he says, works 16-18 hrs a day arising at 5 a.m. She's a volunteer worker for city and state, mainly concerned with keeping HI beautiful. Her organization got all billboards removed in the islands; she looks over all bills to be introduced in legislature; she reads all the newspapers; attends all public gatherings; and confers with governor and mayor. Jim says that after 7 yrs, she's planning on a vacation now. Oldest daughter, Kathy, is in

DC, 5 yrs out of college and a govt GS-12. Another dau is a Roanoke Coll grad, and son, Jim III, is in college in HI. Jim's mother is irritated that her driving license was not renewed last year at age 92, and especially because she's been a careful driver of her 48 Chevrolet which has only logged 48,000 miles. Jim hasn't seen Ripple lately. Sandy McCorkle keeps up with real estate and is a consultant in aircraft field with frequent trips to Far East. Wright Hiatt has a beautiful penthouse (address previously stated) overlooking Ft DeRussy, the ocean and Diamond Head. Ben and Fronnie Turnage were in town the weekend of 20 Jun for a daughter's birthday and a Kiwanis intl meeting of which he was a delegate and therefore unavailable for "socializing." Ed Wallnau said he had visited Clyde and Grace Layne and had talked with Segrist and Charlie Pack.

'37

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Most of the Founders Day news appeared in the last issue of ASSEMBLY but here's some from Buck Forney which arrived just too late. Buck is ending 9 yrs foreign service for Bechtel and is returning from Tokyo with Cubby for asgmt in the San Fran area. Here's a picture of Buck making the oldest grad remarks at the 15 Mar dinner at the Sanno Hotel—there must be a lot of young grads in that area because Buck really doesn't look the part for the oldest! He and Cubby are due back in Jun and are looking forward to joining the Bay Area group.

Next—that dream of all scribes—Luke Elkins sent a piece of poop all ready to insert in the column so here it is straight from the source: Luke Elkins reports from Tucson that in May he took a trip to visit a sister in Palm Springs, CA. In Jun Betty was in Seattle attending a natl conv of the Amer Assn of University Women. Following that she planned to visit Canada with daughter Trudy before Trudy departed San Fran in late Jun en route to a Peace Corps asgmt in Zaire, Africa. Luke was planning an Aug trip to attend a 101st Abn Div reunion at Ft Campbell, KY; then visits with relatives in AL and GA and a drive into FL to check up on a lot he owns near Ft Myers. Luke says that in Mar Bud Hines' brother told him that Bud is still holding down an instr posi-



1937: Buck Forney, oldest grad, Founders Day, Camp Zama, Japan.

tion at NM Mil Inst; in Apr Cynthia Cone's parents told him that she is still enjoying life in Las Cruces, NM where her son is working; in May Jack Browning's brother told him that Jack still lives in San Ant but ret. from the stock broker business some time ago. Also in May Bob Griffin told him that he and Margaret plan to be away from Tucson part of the summer visiting Margaret's mother in Iowa.

Under duress from Howard Smalley it is understood, Tommy Compton is assuming the duties of local scribe for the Bay Area. Having received a solid blow from his conscience, Tommy reported that the Founders Day dinner at the Presidio was attended by himself, Seaman, Skelton, Worcester and Magoffin. The CA climate must be as invigorating as reputed, since Tommy's summary of classmates in the Area shows most still active in responsible jobs. Tommy is chief ed with Meltonics Sys Devl, a software and sys outfit which is a part of Litton; Max Tincher still with Fairchild Semiconductors; Jack Chapman a dept mgr with Lockheed Msl and Space; Meyer Edwards also with Lockheed. Mort Magoffin has remarried (wife's name?) and Tommy reports him happy, fit and enjoying the good life.

For more news from Tommy, here is a quote from his newsletter: "Lois and I, with Mary and Meyer Edwards, are planning to have a Class party after the Army-Stanford game this fall. Any of the Class who happen to be in the Bay Area that weekend are hereby invited. Let us know in advance, and we'll send you a map of how to reach the scene. Probably be at the Edwards' place; Meyer has put in a pool this past year, and everyone is invited for a refreshing dip. Bring sons, daughters and in-laws too. Meyer says just don't try the plunge with a glass of ice tea in your hand. Discolors the water—or colors it. My own long range planning has to do with my son Jon's graduation with the Class of '76 (I expect to see Delk Oden there, too) and our 40th the next year. Against these 2 large events I am accumulating vacation time and vacation money, the latter at a less regular and constant rate than the former. I hope some DC classmates can accommodate Lois and me for a couple of days, as I can't see coming 3000 miles and not visiting the capital, in spite of its being Bicentennial Year. We haven't been in that section since the 30th and that's too long. Lois and I are in a condominium in the charming little town of The Cats (they use the Spanish name, of course) in the foothills of the Santa Cruz mountains. We have plenty of room, so the latchstring is always out to classmates and friends. Lois' health is not of the best, so minimal services will be provided the overnight or weekend guests, but we have all the ingredients for doityourselfers, and I read a rather wicked cookbook myself, so come all! (In no more than quads, please.) Bring golf clubs, swim suits, and drinking bladders. We are about to enter a 20-yr cycle of superb weather."

Peg and Howie Smalley returned from their long trip to the Orient (previously reported) in May. Howie sent this picture of Peg and him with Ann and Bill Chase while they were in HI. They also had dinner with Enid and Buck Forney at the American Club in Tokyo and learned of the Forneys' imminent return to the San Fran area. Peg and Howie have just completed their annual boat trip on Lake Shasta with Hope and Bill Amos but Howie reports "I will not inflict you with a picture this year." Too bad—previous ones have been welcome.



1937: (L-R) Bill and Ann Chase; Peg and Howie Smalley.

Gus Prentiss still faithfully sends the notes accompanying checks he receives for the 40th Reunion Fund. First, your scribe can't speak for the cmte but looking over the comments it sounds like a Memorial Bench on Flirtation—hands down! Here are some gleanings from those same notes—and I mean GLEANINGS—most of them are slim pickings for a scribe! Dick Fellows went to Hoot Harrigan's 35th Wedding Anniv recently and was reminded of his presence in the wedding party in the Philippines many years and wars ago. Dick and Bet planned to move from their temporary apt (only 9 yrs) in Santa Monica to a house in San Pedro in Jun. How about a new address?

Chuck Harrison is still doing computer programming at Vitro Labs. in Rockville, MD but reports a new address: 17777 Larchmont Terr, Gaithersburg, MD 20760. Chuck, Lois and family are camping buffs so spend all the time they can at a site near Camp David in PA.

Randy and Marge Hines saw Chief and Claudine Evans on a trip to FL last spring. Chief is still trying to unravel the ecology problems that have interrupted the cross-FL canal.

In looking over these notes Gus Prentiss sent, there is much concurrence with the cmte's selection of a Memorial Bench, some mild and some not-so-mild dissent, but almost without exception they express appreciation for the cmte's efforts.

Via some sort of hot-line that seems to be available, Don Shive has been very helpful in rounding up Class news via phone. Here are some of his contributions. The Jun luncheon of the DC contingent was unusually well attended: Moe Prestons, Roy Lutes, John Fraziers, Chief Evans, Delk Odens, Finn Ungers—as couples, as well as Fred Diercks, Luis Mercado, Bud Zehner, Mal Malizewski, Choppy Brett, Don Shive and Sam Agee. The Odens are back from Iran and living in the area now.

Don talked with Stu O'Malley who honchoed Founders Day in the St. Petersburg area this year. Stu and Kate see the Kelsey Reaves frequently, also Ernie La Flamme. From Ray Cheal in San Ant, Don found that Phil Brandt had a get-together at his home in Mico, TX recently which was attended by Davison, Denson, Frankie Harrison, Chester Johnson and Cheal. Also that Swede Ohman is working on a MBA at Trinity U. where George Holcombe heads the language dept. As an afterthought to his phone conversation with Don Shive, Ray Cheal dropped a note saying that Swede had a potentially serious accident recently when he fell off an extension ladder; however, having landed on one corner of his head, the damage was minor!

Willy Williams is ret. from GRC (old RAC) at the end of Jun and planning to move

to St. Petersburg, FL later in the summer. Don't believe the place will ever be the same again—your scribe's recollection of Willy at RAC is that the computer will have feelings of insecurity without Willy to guide it.

For those who may be visiting WP—particularly for the Reunion in 77, it may be interesting to know that the WP Library has a collection of blocks of U.S. Army stamps autographed by a member of each class of the 20th Century—the collection to be completed in 1999: 1937 is of course included. Hosta la vista!

'38

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Having covered at some length the habits and habitats of the golfing fraternity, let's have a look at another group which might be conveniently called the "Country Squires." We've mentioned Macomber in CA, Swenson in Sundance, WY, and Van Sickle in SD are authentic stock farmers. Howell and Wright in Jalisco, Mex and Sam Hogan in Quito give very little info, but are hardly in the urban scene. Burke and Sights are reconstructing old farmhouses, Al on the Blue Ridge above Charlottesville, VA and Pete in Burns, TN. In DC environs, Senator Norris, Don Thackeray and Frank Izenour are enjoying riding, hunts, shows, racing and horse breeding ops. Frank started on an operation in goats but decided to give them up because of their voracious, indiscriminate and destructive eating habits. C.H. Anderson is believed to still be engaged in that sophisticated schooling of show horses.

All this leads to a social event on 3 May at "Limestone Quarter," the antebellum home of Jan and Bert Harrison, 3 miles north of Leesburg, VA where 43 members and ladies of the Class learned how the country squire segment enjoys life. Bert and Jan had things so beautifully organized that their poodle, "Prince du Lac" directed us unerringly to parking spaces on the lower front lawn. On the upper terrace, we were greeted by our hosts and enjoyed cocktails until dark, when a propitious shower propelled us all into the house for a delightful buffet dinner which by no means tried the capacity of the house. The fortunate guests on this memorable occasion were: April Adams, Bob and Anne Brown, Des and Helen Brown, Beverleys, Bixbys, Corbetts, Nick Chavass and Doris Krudner, Damons, Dapprichs, Healeys, Hulses, Izenours, Johnsons, Kelseys, Kopcsak, Lemons, Lahtis, Lotzes, Millers, Mrazeks, Skaers, Bill Smith, Ginie Thackeray (with Izenours), Thomases and Praegers.

Bert, Jan and "Limestone Quarter" are no strangers to large gatherings and heavy traffic since the place is one of the prominent historic sites of the Leesburg area, subject to frequent tours by social groups. We never learned whether Lee or Jackson slept there but they certainly were frequently in the area. The landscape maintenance by Bert and Bert Jr. is a considerable effort beautifully done. It entails, as a starter, mowing of some 5 acres of lawn then goes on to shrubbery and some 25 acres of total area, including extensive vegetable gardens. The sizable herd of dairy cattle out back belong to a neighbor.

Bert says his principal activity is real estate, which would no doubt be true without outside interest, but certainly is considering the total Harrison holdings, farming and commercial in and around Leesburg. Jan was



1938: Founders Day dinner, Huntsville, TN: (L-R) Bob and Grace York; Bill and Betty Weisinger.

already a Harrison before marriage and has numerous relatives living and owning property in the area. Since Bert has most of the management responsibility, I presume he has made Bert Jr. VP in charge of "Limestone Quarter." Jan Jr. has just graduated Summa Cum Laude from Mary Baldwin College in Staunton and presumably will join the family until romance inevitably intervenes.

It is noteworthy that Skaers and the Corbetts previous private party givers were present and that all 3 have provided outstanding examples for posterity. For the regular Class dinners at the ANCC, Arp and Tess Kopcsak have already announced details of a dinner on 12 Jul and Ken and Helen Skaer are the next hosts at a date to be determined. At the last dinner at ANCC hosted by the Damons, we fortunately shared a room with USNA '38 which considerably enhanced enjoyment of the occasion by both groups. This event was chronicled in the '38 column of "Shipmate," the Navy counterpart of these notes which Bill Smith provided. Bill and I hope we can revive the tradition of joint parties which was somehow lost in limbo some 10 yrs back. Since both classes have independently settled on the ANCC as a locale for dinner parties, the indicated coordination should not be difficult.

Carl and Dottie Dapprich, those intrepid world travelers recount a relatively short range (for them) Easter tour of Central America. Advice derived from this trip—1) Stay away from Panama—low and dirty. 2) In Guatemala don't miss Chichicastenango. I saw Carl and Dottie Harrisons' party but forgot to check the spelling. After the cocktail hour checking probably wouldn't have helped.

Romance is either at low ebb or our children are outgrowing it. Sole marriage item is 22 Mar in Norfolk. Nancy Lucille Royal (daughter of Capt and Mrs. Warren Royal) to Cy Douglas Hulse. Now back to checking for birth announcements.

The last Founders Day dinner and reluctant Chapter photos uncovered another small pocket of classmates. In this case the WP Soc of the Tenn Valley it was Bob and Grace York, Bill and Betty Weisinger in Huntsville.

Each quarter in the scribing trade I gratefully receive one letter from out-of-town. This one comes from Max Murray, who breaks with the golfer-country squire pattern. Max and Jeanne have gravitated from city managing in PA to an old family haunt

at Nantucket. Now Max is an authentic sea dog and dedicated fisherman with a Mako 20 fishing boat. He is also chmn of the Nantucket Conservation Dist. It seems to me the fisherman and the chmn may have a conflict of interest. At any rate, Max says the boat is ready and the blues and stripers usually run well into the fall. To classmates not nervous about fishing from a Mako 20 with the chmn, his address is: Gen Del, Wauwinet R., Nantucket, MA 02554.

Obituaries are never a pleasant chore and I have mercifully been spared it for the last few issues. In the present case there are mitigating circumstances in that the subjects, all Class fathers, have all had distinguished careers, contributed significantly to the Corps and died at ages ranging from 83 to 90:

COL Sewell M. Corbett, 85, died 16 May 75 in Winchester, VA. He was commissioned in M.C. in 16 after graduating from GWU. His positions included cmd of Gorgas GH in CZ, and Dpty Cmdr of WRAMC. He ret. in 48.

COL R. Ernest DuPuy, 88, died in WRAH 12 May 75. He needs no introduction to the Class particularly since First Class year when we clung to his every word while reciting from his History of WW I.

George Kopcsak, 90, died 27 Mar 74 in Greenville, PA, father of Julius, Pete, (USMA '33), Arpad and Coleman, grandfather of George Coleman (USMA '62). Production of 3 WPers and 3 outstanding football players is not a bad score.

Frank O. Miller, 83, died in Vancouver, WA 3 Mar 75. He was an Army CPT in WW I. His son Frank D. and 4 grandsons are worthy additions to the Long Gray Line.

It is ironical that the fathers of Bill and Trevor, who have always been look-alikes, close friends and had parallel careers and even now live near each other should lose their fathers within an interim of 4 days. Not surprisingly, from the obituary photos, their fathers also had a considerable resemblance. To stretch the parallel a bit more, Bill and Trev were both only sons, but gave their fathers 3 and 9 grandchildren respectively.

Frank and Peg Miller have a house full of 10 grandchildren, sending 3 of 4 grad sons, Brink, Bob, and Jerry off to various stations in Germany. The Millers continue to prolong the Long Gray Line.

I suppose Ralph Praeger Jr. and I are entitled to be envious, having lost our fathers at a very early age.

On a more cheerful note, Frank Izenour's father, age 88, is hale and hearty, living with Frank and Billie at Union Bridge, MD.

Gene and Myrtle Kelsey have decided to depart the DC scene and join our sizeable contingent in SE FL. They are joining Paul Cornwall, Wally Ford, Skaers (part time) at Cocoa Beach. Their new address is: 5 Willow Dr, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. Daughter Anne will accompany them. Gene says there's a great golf course out their back door.

Keep in touch!

'39

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One of the most newsworthy items for this column must be the ret. of Mike Davison, in Heidelberg, 30 Jun. His last 4 yrs as CinC USAREUR were particularly trying for both the Army in Europe and Mike. But, you can't keep a good man down. Mike and Jean are moving to DC where Mike will become the

pres of USO. There couldn't be a better choice. Many a serviceman will be thankful that such an able, sympathetic person is looking out for his welfare.

What a job Mike Krisman did with all those pics in the Jun ASSEMBLY. Thanks, Mike. And speaking of the ASSEMBLY and more particularly with rising costs of publishing, he needs all the support he can get. Those who have not sent in their subscriptions please do.

Only one Class son graduated from any of the academies this year. 2LT Edward Danemiller II was sworn in at WP by his father, in the presence of his mother, grandparents and Mike Krisman who did the honors for the Class with the customary engraved platter. Danne himself was sworn in this Jun as CD Dir for Augusta and Richmond Counties, GA. Danne, who has been active with the Boy Scouts since ret. has some interesting plans to involve 19 local Explorer Scout posts in civ def.

Bob Studer's daughter-in-law, Nancy, writes that in Jan Bob got his PhD in political science from S. Cal. Bob and Cheri now have 3 grandchildren and a new wedding coming up. Nancy's husband, CPT Eugene, Class '70, is in his 2d yr of law sch. Thanks Nancy. Would that more daughters pass on such news. 'Twould make a more interesting column.

Bernie and Phyllis Teeters were happy to have their son and family (5 children) back from Germany en route to the NavWC.

Dick White wrote from Honolulu that LT Kenneth Kobes, youngest offspring of Frankie Joe and Lydia, was married in May at Ft Lewis. Nena, Dick's wife, has recovered nicely from her Apr surgery. A sad item. Gerry, wife of Mac McFarland, died in Tripler Hosp 8 May and was buried in the Punch Bowl Cemetery.

Other deaths I'm sorry to have to report. Jack Wintermute after a long ordeal with bad health, including many uncomfortable hours on a kidney machine, died this Jun. Services were held in the Ft Myer Chapel and Arlington Cemetery. Bob Chester's son, in a letter this May, tells us that Bob died



1939: Mike and Jean, some time before his retirement, with the Mayor at Place General DAVISON, Meximieux, France, which Mike liberated in 1944.



1939: Dannemiller administers the oath of office to son, Class of '75.

in May 71 at Ft Custer. It is unfortunate that notification of Bob's death did not get in this column before now. Bill Stubbs passed away Sat, 8 Jun in Atlanta. He was buried at Macon on 30 Jun. On behalf of the Class may I extend to the families of Gerry, Jack, Bob and Bill our sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

Nothing like a nice warm fall day to read a ski story from Aspen and Bill Martin. Last Mar during a phone conversation with Dan Minahan, they made a date to meet at the top of Ski Lift #3. The next day Bill was paired on the lift with an "elderly gentleman" for the ride up. On the way Bill kept up with normal chit-chat, finally he looked closer at this gentleman sharing the lift and said, "Say, haven't we met somewhere? What's your name?" "Dan Minahan" was the reply. Obviously we need more reunions says Bill. He also reported that last winter Tom Whitehouse spent a month in Aspen skiing.

Charlie Duke is in the Veterans' Hosp, DC, slowly recovering from a broken hip.

Pat, widow of Charlie "Butch" Pulliam, who was killed in an air accident in Aden in 48, was married this Jun to MG Robert Barrow, USMC, the new DCS, Manpower, HQ USMC. Our best wishes to them both.

This spring Lydia and I made a quick trip to Columbia, SC to see our daughter Monty, who graduates this summer from U. of SC. Talked with George Winton who is a Dean at the U. and PT Clifford who has made quite a name for himself teaching math. I understand PT keeps a tight rein on his pupils. They grow to appreciate this by the end of the course on discovering they now know some math. Howard St Clair had just bought a house in Columbia having moved from Fayetteville, NC where he was for a short time. Saint's older son, Mike, is a law clerk in Phoenix, AZ; the younger, Steve, who has developed into quite an athlete, enters Dartmouth this fall.



1939: Krisman presents class gift to Dannemiller '75 at swearing in.

As if full time work with the Woodrow Wilson Cen weren't enough, Andy Goodpaster was tapped by VP Rockefeller to be his advr on the Murphy Comm on Reorganization of the Govt for the Conduct of Foreign Policy. When Mr. Rockefeller became chmn of the comm to study the CIA, Andy in effect had a new and completely full time job with the Murphy Comm. It's good to know that they had the benefit of Andy's knowledge and experience in the conduct and organization of foreign policy. Andy played a very important role in this area under Pres Eisenhower.

Jack Samuel and Julian Ewell are rightfully concerned about the slow growth of contributions to the Class gift project. As you may recall those who attended the 35th Reunion agreed that we would ask for 39 bucks from each classmate for each of the next 5 yrs so that by the time of our 40th we would have a worthwhile sum. We are too far behind our goal. Julian visited WP recently and found out that recent and projected budget cuts make donations more essential. Please send your contribution to the WP Fund of the AOG, earmarked "for the Class of 1939 fund."

The last of May Bob Richardson took a quick trip to France and Germany peddling arms and commodities. While in Paris he attended a meeting of the French chapter of the SHAPE Alumni Assn. He saw many old friends and assoc including the Louis Kunzig's. Louis is still with the NATO council in Brussels. Bob returned in time to attend the graduation of his daughter from Northwestern U.

In a letter to Mike Krisman, Sam Hickey Ex-'39, reminisces about the way Red Rooster Gideon got that moniker during Beast Bks for his taunting cackle to Jim Luper, Stan Smith and other yearlings during inspection in ranks. Sam and Red Rooster served together numerous times on active duty and after ret. at Lockheed. Red, who was "lost" for several years, is working with Cornell Labs in Dayton, OH.

Thanks to hard work by Ed and Grace Hamilton, Dick and Adelaide Cleverly and Chet Lennhoff, the DC contingent looks forward to another bang-up get-together at the Cleverlys' poolside the end of Jun. The deadline for the Sept ASSEMBLY is such that I must write this in advance. Including out of towners, Bud and Jackie Newcomer, Jim and Fran Shepherd and Carl Buechner, we expect 70 to 75 assorted wives and classmates for this gathering for golf, swimming, cocktails and grilled steak.

Please note the change in my address. The apt bldg we have been living in has been sold and all tenants evicted. Our new address is just around the corner from Yolande and Jim Collins; and a funny thing, right next door to Mo Preston '37. If our mail gets mixed up like it sometimes did for 2 yrs in "A" Co, USCC, it will be something. Be sure to send my mail to 2219 and not a higher number. Thanks to all of you who have sent news for the column. I had hoped to have acknowledged more personally. After I get settled in my new abode, expect to do better.



1940: 35th Reunion

'40

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And now it was the seventh time we returned to the great plain hard upon the river flowing from the northlands to the sea. And all the tribes were there tepeed at the waterhole with name of la ramada. We came from the west and to the north, the far western shores of that great water, the southwest, the central heartland and the south, the sun-splashed states of the great gulf and southern ocean, and also from the eastern coast and from the north. There were even 4 of us who came from lands outside the nation on silver birds to stand up and be counted.

The first night of the pow-wow was spent on that great river in a craft not graceful like a war canoe but able to take 150 of us and bring us all together. The moon came up and shone over the folly known as dic's and onto the water making golden



1940: 35th Reunion



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streaks as we moved towards the upper region and turned about downstream to stop at that great bridge they called after the bear. And all the time we sampled spirits from the rye, the grain, and the juniper berry. And this left us content.

The second day we sunned ourselves about the watering hole and exchanged our thoughts of all those moons ago when we straight-lanced were the new warriors in the tribe and had to prove our good not only to our people but to ourselves. And that evening we gathered in the hall of that great father known as Washington and clasped hands with our new leader and noted now the triple stars, so new, that gleamed from his trim shoulders. And we saw those braves from other years who were nurtured in this land and now were back to pay the homage due to the great spirit that binds us all together.

That third day we gathered early at the Hall of Cullum and then marched forward as the drum beat led us to that place beside the plain where we gazed into the eyes of Thayer, that noble man we all revere. And after we had stood together joined we then did hold a silent prayer for those who have left our sphere. And then we saw the new ones who passed before us, proud as we had been. The heavens wept and we ran for cover for old men should not be rained upon... it brings the fever.

And the third night we met and feasted trading news of the south, the north, the east and of the west. And now that the rain had come we thought that we could dance and feast in proper shelter and rejoice. We were with our own.

Starred, eagled, and leaved we were here to take note of 420 moons now passed. We were chieftains now, survivors of 3 savage wars, and all along we only thought of peace. Now we do not run the deer or kill the caribou, but rather raise our voice at the campfires of common counsel where our word is heard with deference and respect.

If there is a happy hunting ground for us, it is in this great dutch valley for here we hunt our memories. Three days there were of thoughts of long ago.

And after the third day we did return from whence we came, confident again in the Long Gray Line and the 3 precepts by which we live—Duty, Honor, Country.

'41

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Jack Norton was born at Ft Monroe; 18 years later he was back, learning to wrap leggings, and, as we all know, he wrapped them well indeed. And, after 34 impeccable years of service, our gallant First Soldier with his sparkling bride Cheyney at his side will stand in the receiving line to greet well-wishers and guests at his ret., 29 Jul 75. The place: Ft Monroe.

Your pres and Chief Kahuna for the big 35th sends the following communique: "The Reunion will be Wed, 26 May, through Sat the 29th. Everyone should set aside the dates NOW!! CP: most likely will be the Holiday in Newburgh. I have Joe Ahern, Potter Campbell, Howdy Clark, Bill Clifford, John Easton, Jack Millikin, Spec Powell, Chuck Schilling, and Barney Woodruff as "volunteers" to put the show across. Thus far the firm agenda items are the Dinner Dance, Thurs eve; the Alumni Exercises, Review and Luncheon the 28th! We hope to come up with a theme that will tie our Reunion to the bicentennial. Will have a flyer out this fall with more details."

Mike also reported, "Wendy Knowles is in town. He was evacuated from VN 18 Apr; Carmen and Mike had left on the 7th. He reports that AID has another job for him somewhere in the middle of nowhere! In any event he'll be in DC for 3-4 months. Hopefully Carmen will be here next week. Charlie Fletcher organized and hosted a '41 cocktail party at the Ft Myer club 10 May. We were able to round up about 54 guys and gals for the occasion. Curt Chapman who had just ret. was there with a 'salt and pepper' beard almost as bad as Joe Reed's but a bit more refined! We are, incidentally, expecting Joe and Maurine to drop by en route to daughter Patty's wedding."

'Tis my sad duty to report to you that Bill Gleason died at Walter Reed on 6 May. The funeral was at Ft Myer Chapel with burial at Arlington on the 12th. Karma can be reached at 1899 NW 186th St, N. Miami Beach, FL 33179. She asked me to say these words: "Bill (Pete to a lot of his classmates) put up a hard fight for 6 mos. We really thought after his cobalt treatments that we'd have him for at least a couple of years, but such was not the case. He was fighting hard to get home for Liz's wedding, but at the end requested she not postpone her wedding day, so after the beautiful services at Arlington, his children and grandchildren all came home with me—we had a lovely little wedding at home with Bill Jr. giving the bride away. The new bride is now the wife of LT Stan Norris, USAF, and en route to Vandenberg. Citadel grad! How about that! "A lovely floral arrangement at the services came from the Class—I want to thank you all for that remembrance, and a special thanks to Jim Sykes, Burnside Huffman, Mike Greene, and Jack Millikin who were among the honorary pallbearers for walking that last mile with Bill. I know he knew they were beside him.

"Bill Jr. and I will be here in N. Miami Beach at least through next year when he finishes his 2d year of college."

The Asst Gen Mgr, Finance, of the Pub Utilities Comm of San Fran organized and laid on a CA Class Reunion on 6 Jun at The Lighthouse, Yuerba Buena Is, which mustered a bunch: Chuck and Kevin Cannon, Jack and Muriel Christensen, Lou and Ann



DID YA' GO 'PRO' THIS WEEK?

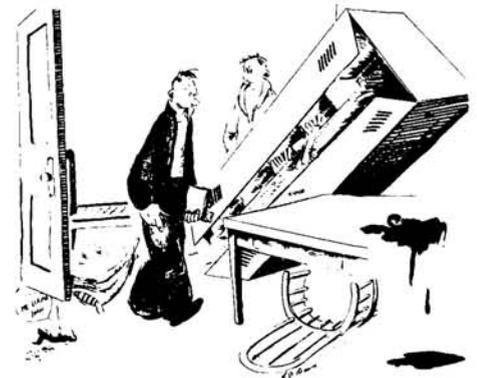
1941:

Elder, Matt Harrison, Gerry and Merritt Hewitt, Bob and Bev Johnson, Jim and Ann McElroy, Gregg and Mickey McKee, Walt and Doris Mullane, Paul and Tressa Pique, Stan and Buddy Ramey, and Bud and Carole Thompson.

Further, the deponent sayeth that the monthly luncheon bolstered the Ft Mason Club's receipts with chits signed by Lynn Lee, Matt Harrison, Merritt Hewitt and Christensen. And, would you believe it, these candidates for the 75 Pizzazz Trophy have 13 reservations for the fete after the Army-Stanford game on 6 Oct. Yet!

Received a press release from the Wachovia Bank & Trust Co, of Asheville, NC announcing that Horace Brown has been elected Asst VP. And quite coincidentally the new Asst VP dropped me a note to report, "I was at WP for June Week attending the AOG Bd of Trustee meetings. Saw Chuck and Martha Schilling, both in fine shape. There was a great turnout of the reunion classes—1600 at the Alumni Dinner Dance. 1935 had over 100 classmates there and they only have about 200 left. 1945 had over 400. Certainly hope we have a maximum turnout next Jun. We can do better than all the rest."

Bob Kramer came through with a complete report on the Peachtree Troops. "Checked with John and Lynn Callaway—she is recovered from surgery and back on the golf course. Steve Kosiorek and Evelyn heard from Bill Gillis' daughter. Mickey and Mary Ann Moore had Fox and Lid Rhynard for overnight guests on their way to Eglin to visit son Mike, called on Andy Evans and spent an evening together. Harry Trimble



Has the Tac!

1941:

called John Callaway while on a visit to Atlanta. Harry lives near Shaw AFB and has a daughter at Emory U. John Van Hoy and family visited Corpus Christie to see his first granddaughter—their son John's. Moose and Betty Ann Male working and playing golf. Roger and Connie Lawson have nothing new to report. Wyn Curley spent the night with Jo and me a couple of weeks ago. He had been traveling to Florida—visited Jack Murray in Athens prior to departing—Wyn looking fit as a fiddle." Bob closed with the happy note that he and Jo are planning a trip to CO this summer.

A card from the Mauna Kea Beach Hotel on the Big Island showing a green as big as a polo field with a foursome in put formation announced that Bill and Ruth Gurnee were living the good life and hoping that Jack and Muriel would join them.

Lyman Faulkner sent in a letter to the ed he had submitted taking issue with Jack Anderson's attack on the Joint Chiefs. Activist Faulkner notes, "Thought you would appreciate one of the privileges of no longer being on active service—answering back!"

The Class will be saddened to learn that one of our most esteemed mentors passed away recently. George A. Lincoln '29 died a warrior's death on 24 May. He was high in the Rockies on a competitive trail ride and just coming into the noon check point, having stopped and struggled to help another rider who was having difficulty, when he pitched out of the saddle with a massive coronary. His lovely bride who was also on the ride can be reached at RR5, Bx 790, Evergreen, CO 80439.

In Apr I space-Aed it to DC (and for those who think that's an easy way to travel—be disabused). The Class Luncheon—a good turnout at one of the most elegant dining rooms in DC—placecards read: Anderson, Buttery, Canella, Chapman, Deane, Hays, Locke, Millikin, Sykes, Woolwine, Wixon, Reynolds, Crow, Fletcher, Gould and Greene. I got nosed out for recognition as the most remote commuter by Buck Reynolds who flashed his business card with a Zurich address. Jim Sykes took me to lunch at a joint that only a lobbyist could afford. I was about to report that he is with a gas pipeline co. but I just heard that he had decided 74 bosses are too many. Spent some time in the office of the Peter S. Tanous Co. and occasionally heard a word of Engl. Pete and Maxine put me up for the night in their lovely home, where I had a chance to meet their 2 charming daughters who take after their mother!

Julie Easton writes that Tiger John is doing "great," and keeping busy in his Real Estate business.

The local chapter is looking forward to the arrival of Tom and Jean Corbin. Paul Skowronek sent a card saying that they would be back in Boulder this summer. John and Dottie Henschke and Bill and Renee Linton are keeping the Denver area covered. Renee said over the phone, "We are well and that ain't bad these days."

Who would you say would be the last man in the Class to comb his hair down and don a beaded choker? For a comparison of your choice to mine see p. 73 of the Jun 75 ASSEMBLY.

By the time you read these words, the answer to the question, "How many days?" will be—Sir, there are 250 days till Reunion! Let's make the 35th a max effort. We won't be able to lay on too many more max efforts so let's "go for broke" as we tie our big one to the nation's very big one.

And if you have a moment, you might drop a note to the guy who has been our pace-setter since 1 Jul 37—A Hell of a Soldier—too bad they don't make 'em like him any more. PO Box 118, Basye, VA 22810 (phone 703 856 2805).

YEAH REUNION!!!

'42

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To lead off with a gay (old style) note, the local reps celebrated our 33d with roast beef and trimmings at Bolling on 30 May, arrangements courtesy of Ray O'Neal. Avoiding a snide comment regarding the poor participation, let it be noted that 42 '42ers did their best to commemorate the occasion. And although Ben and Laverne Hill could not participate because of a visit with family in San Antone, their vibes were obviously in tune because they brought back an envelope full of 29 May 42 nostalgia. Of course, that's so long ago that even the NY you-know (required reading), made favorable references. Included were pix of graduation, the text of GEN Marshall's address and a series of photos of cute young things about to embark on the seas of etc., with some of the graduating class—a few of whom were also pictured but were not nearly as cute! The Hills' agenda included a visit with the Hanleys and Ted Michel.

If you were reading the list of USMA grads of the Class of '75 and noted that the #1 man was John Moore McMurray, be not dismayed. His dad, Bill, of '45 was nice enough to drop a note to let us share the fun and to assure us that when young John was named for his uncle, they never dreamed that they were creating an identification problem for the AOG!

Class gifts were presented during June Week to 3 graduating sons, James A. Marks, David F. Miles, and William W. Watkin III. The proud poppas were all present, but due to the plethora of rehearsals produced by the impending presidential visit, it proved impossible to gather all the sons at one time. Incidentally, earlier Class sons are now returning to USMA for tours of duty. CPT James H. Wood '65 is departing this summer for Leavenworth after 3 yrs in the Dept of Tactics; CPT Russell P. Bonasso Jr. '68 is an instr in the Dept of ES&GS; and CPT



1942: And one more: Cutler, Miles, and 2LT Miles.

Thomas G. Fergusson '65 is returning this summer to teach in the Dept of Hist.

The first half of the year has been a tough one for '42ers. Since the last report, George Hughes has lost his mother, who was living with them. Gloria Hamilton's father also died as did Butch Offley's father. Even closer to home, Dottie Thompson's courageous struggle finally ended and she was buried at WP in early Jun. Bob Beers died of a heart attack at their winter home in Eleuthra on 20 Apr. His ashes were interred at WP, with the Cutlers helping to ease the burdens. Bob Evans, Doc Hyde and John Sheffey drove up for the services and reported that Boots was standing up well. Just 2 wks earlier Joe Schmidt died of a fall at their home here in Annandale. The services at Ft Myer were extremely well-attended, to include many of the Class. Jeanne has been in to the office to get her various claims under way and seems to be doing well. Deepest sympathy from us all to you in your losses.

A nice note from Kathy Flanagan thanking all for their thoughtfulness and help. She and the young'uns are about to move into a newly-purchased home in Highland Falls. Jim and Debbie Josendale had dinner with her when they were up for the last AOG trustees' meeting and found her doing well. Jim reports that Kathy is to be one of the Cadet Hostesses—as if she didn't have enough kids already! Won't she be a winner! The Hanleys timed a stop with the Roberts for June Week so Tom joined Jim in the Alumni March.

Ted and Millie Marks have moved to 1675 York Ave, Apt 23-K, NYC 10028. Greater security, Ted? Ray Murphy gave subtle notice of his forthcoming ret. by sending a new address—905 Taurus (wow!) Dr, Colo Spgs 80906. He has been back here briefly to refurbish the Annandale house and get it on the market. The Krafts move to Ft Dix where he will head Army RR II. Other retirees are Bob Terry, and Dan Raymond, both of whom have promised to stay in our area. Rumor hath it, unconfirmed at this date a week before my deadline, that we're also losing our other Murphy, John, this summer. Maintaining the enviable record of '42, John has provided no input to enlighten us all! Pat Timothy, c/o KAPS Transport, Inc., PO Box 2823, Fairbanks 99701, checked in with a note of thanks for AMAA's Kindly, Kour-



1942: Class Gift presentations: (L-R) Marks, Cutler, Marks, Miles, Watkin, and Watkin.



1942: Jim, Margaret, Debbie and Don snacking at the Sheraton Waikiki.

teous, competent service rendered as he was off to be Mgr of Opns for the above, which hauls 80" x 48" diameter sections of pipe for the trans-AK proj. At the time of writing it was still a toss-up between the Esquimanx and the polar bears. Can't wait for the next report.

To inject a note of business, on 1 Apr I reported to Patrol Leader Bill Shedd that the votes from y'all favored the Eisenhower Hall Patio by about 8 out of 10. On that basis, Tom Rienzi has been in touch with Ec Cutler to get plans under way. See ya at the dedication in 77!

In keeping with my dedication to duty, I took off for USAREUR on 20 Apr to give a series of talks on the Survivor Benefit Plan, joining 2 of my cohorts who'd already had almost 2 wks of fun—er—labor! Helen Kraft was smart enough to be in CONUS when I hit Heidelberg, but Bill and I free-loaded at the same dinner party. In Stuttgart, Cald Ryder attended one of our briefings and was so dazed that she issued a dinner invitation—accepted promptly, of course. Although we had observed the high-caliber help Cald had had in Athens, I was quite impressed with the way the General chopped vegetables and poured martinis! Do not let the fact that I drove myself clear across town with no mishaps afterwards indicate that it was not a fun evening and a profitable one for Gordons or Gilbeys or whomever! The high point of my trip which ended at Camp Darby with a look at the leaning tower of P. was a pilgrimage to the metropolis of Simonskall in Germany where some dumb Kraut laid me low 31 yrs ago. All of you Infantrymen beware because I even have pictures! Immediately following my return, Barbara claimed her reward, 2 wks in Naples. Found Harv and Sissy Shelton A#1 and celebrated locally in song and story with a full page of pics and details about their efforts with the Heart Assn (Harv's on the Bd of the FL Assn) teaching courses in emergency resuscitation. The weather was gorgeous, and except for the usual projects and chores, we enjoyed mightily. With a 10 year-old granddaughter in tow we had an excuse to do Disney World on the way home, and do it we did. If ever you're seeking thrills, try getting in and out of a continuously moving ride while on crutches!

Ann Ryan had a recent seige in Walter Reed and wrote that the posies that George Allin sent for us helped her to recuperate promptly. And speaking of our devoted Class secy, George made himself a highly sought-after partner by shooting a hole-in-one!

The Offleys made their end-of-the-tax-year journey to their Spanish hideaway. If the length of their stay is in direct proportion to Butch's fees, he's not standing short!

Frank Koisch wrote that the Reinzis and Shedd's had joined them for a cruise up the Miss. The Rienzis confirm that it was a delightful treat. Frank's present plans are to continue representing us among the actives for the next couple of years.

Joe Cannon proved that I'm back in his good graces with another communication, this one from his area regarding Tom Furey and Vinnell Corp.

Those of you who served at USMA in the dim, distant past undoubtedly remember Jane and Lin Arison from his service with the Usmay Band. Since they are practically adopted members, I know that many of you will be distressed to learn that their son of '73 was in a very serious auto accident at Ft Bragg but is bouncing back in Arison style, and they hope to have him home for R&R soon.

The Gernerts are coming this way for Bill to attend an appraisers' convention in Jul. Most importantly, they announce a reunion chez eux after the Army-AF game. Reservations are already in hand for Gates, Redlingers and Henneesses so you're urged to join the fun if you're within range.

Bob Blair advises that son Russell did make it to the HI House of Reps 3 wks before his 25th birthday! Bob reached the other end of the spectrum on 22 Dec when he received his master's—and had the most ancient B.A. among the recipients! Way to go, Bob!

Lee Cage sent a flier re a new prosthesis which is implanted in the recipient's leg or arm bone. Ouch! They'd been over for Ginger's father's 82 birthday and were about to celebrate daughter Sally's graduation from MD, leaving only 2 more to educate. What a bird shooter!

Thanks to my tidy file system, I don't know whom to thank for a news item citing Dr. Edward A. Martell and his finding of radioactive materials in tobacco. Ed spoke at a seminar sponsored by the U. of KS Coll of Pharmacy and the sch's Tobacco & Health Rsch Inst.

Received in the mail from Exposition Press a flier regarding "Softness in the Wind," a collection of poems by Esther Gates. The proceeds are to be donated to a worthwhile charitable cause so we wish you a monetary as well as a critical success, Esther.

Jeff Davis provided a series of shots of a reproduction of the Mannikin Pis, underneath an Army pennant, garbed in a '42 sash and '42 beret and doing what comes naturally. Knowing the tender sensibilities of graduates everywhere, I've declined to risk a rejection by the editor and proceed to Jeff's account of a May odyssey west of the Miss. The Urrutias provided bed, board and sight-seeing in San Antone. Talked to Jim Vivian in Phoenix and found him suffering from a pain-in-the-neck which might necessitate surgery. Esther Gates met them at the airport in Vegas and there followed a great stopover of equal parts of Gates' hospitality and casino-hopping. L.A. included a stay with the Omans, a visit with the Woodwards, whose home and pool are slowly setting in the West, and dinner with the above plus Dick and Martha Miles. San Fran, via Amtrac up the coast, where they visited family and did the whole bit, included a phone visit with Betty Crowley, Jack being off on an unspecified jaunt with one of their sons.

Jeff commented on his efforts to sell non-believers on subscribing to ASSEMBLY, a project in which we should all join. Obviously the non-participants—more than 100—won't see my words so each of you should raise the question with whomever you're in

touch with. An ASSEMBLY subscription plus a 10¢ communication with me will assure them of being in print at least once a year—and that ain't bad!

I hope that each of you read the last issue completely enough to swell with pride over Lu Clay's Founders Day address at Ft Carson. It was all that we'd heard it was—and more! Congratulations and thanks, Lu. Noted also in that last issue that Gene Weeks is pres of the E. TN Soc and was credited with "some humorous remembrances of Academy life" at their dinner. Funny now, or then, Gene?

The official input was limited but made up in quality. A bio of Jack Deane plus the accompanying photo is certainly enough to make me sleep better these nights! Since assuming command of AMC, Jack has been pictured addressing the Tenn Valley Chapter of AUSA, shaking Bo Callaway's hand as he was awarded his 4th star, etc.

Sr Asst Postmaster Gen Carl Ulsaker is quoted by AP as saying that the Postal Service has cut costs by 2 billion since 71. Now if we can just get 'em to deliver the mail! He spoke at a Jun meeting of the DC Postal Customer Council but got away early before our rep could pose his searching questions!

Jim Vivian interspersed some business questions with news that their granddaughter—and her parents—were visiting from Ft Bragg and about to celebrate her oneth birthday. Jim celebrates an occasional round under 80—but more that aren't!

Noted on the guest register at the Army-Navy Club that Cal and Mrs. R.P. Tabb had been in town in early Apr. No confirmation from other sources would indicate that they sneaked through successfully.

Miz Plott made us turn a bilious shade of green with a card from San Juan Beach, Cozumel, Mexico, where she and Bill were sunning, snorkeling, visiting Mayaan ruins (ugh!) on the mainland, etc., (whatever that means). They recommend the place highly. Marilyn had had her 3d, and hopefully, last spinal surgery.

At least once a year I read the society news in the local press. My 1975 exposure on 23 Jun informed me of a black tie dinner dance given by the Iranian Ambassador and attended by the Burrises, just back from Teheran where there was a bash at the palace to announce the engagement of son Howard to Princess Shaharayad! Now that they've



1942: Move over Lu!

solved their energy crisis, perhaps we can get a '42 spigot on a pipeline somewhere!

Another communique from the **Josendales** regarding a trip to Tokyo, Hong Kong, Guam (for a week with son Peter, bride and a first look at their 8-month-old #2 grandson) and HI—which included the **Boltons**, as you can plainly see. Showing a touch of class, Jim attended 2 Founders Day affairs this year—Leavenworth and Riley.

Had the pleasure of attending the Jun wedding of that cute Nancy **Koster** at Aberdeen. Our first sight in the chapel was 3 ushers, Lt Sammy in blues back from Carson with his cute PG wife; Cadet Bobby, resplendent in FD; and Jackie, looking as though he wondered (1) why there had to be a wedding, and (2) why it couldn't have been on water skis! Suzie was a very pretty matron of honor, Cherie shed only a tear or 2 and Sam spent his time trying to fund the occasion with a golf game, cribbage or whatever. The reception at the Club was delightful and included a visit with the **Cages**, **Bringhams** and **Ulsakers**.

Lest you outlanders picture the Army-Navy C.C. as staid and stodgy, I quote from their latest bulletin, "...when your group is all male and the mixed grill is crowded, ...check the men's gill (sic) for service." Makes sense, doesn't it!

And that about does it except for heartfelt thanks to all of you who thought of me! Bless you individually and collectively on behalf of all the readers who benefit from your input. To the rest, do work on increasing subscribers and remember that when you read the next issue, I need news for the following one!

FLASH: Jan '43 is arranging space on the Italian Lines Ship *Carla C* for a Caribbean Cruise 14-21 Feb 76. Points of call are Curacao, Venezuela, Trinidad, Martinique and St. Thomas. Air departures to San Juan on the 14th from NYC-Phila-Balto & DC, or Boston-Chicago-Detroit and Cleveland. Make inquiry of USAA Sp Svs Co., 4119 Broadway, San Ant 78288. Let's see how many of you think you are up to such!

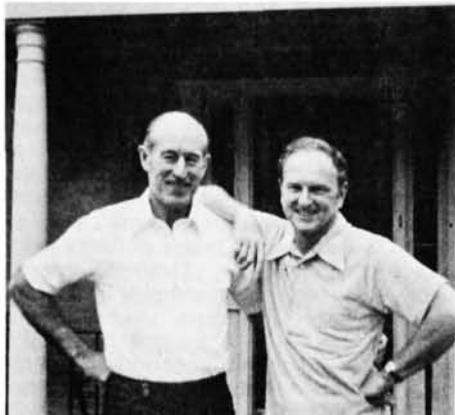
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A fine letter from Elvy Roberts about the time that he ret. as CG, Sixth Army, indicated that he has joined the Western Hqs of Metropolitan Life Ins Co. in San Fran and



Jan '43: Buck/Madge Stahle and Lee/Kathleen James at recent reunion at Redstone Arsenal.



Jan '43: Seith (SHAPE CS) visits former roommate, Minckler, on one of Ted's recent trips to DC.

is involved in Exec Mgmt. He and Drucilla have leased a home at 208 Rafael Ave in Belevdere until they find the kind of home that they really want in the Bay area. Elvy also reported that he had recently seen Bob Beightler and Joe Nett there in the Bay area.

I was advised by several Classmates that Bill Pitts will ret. as the CG, 15th AF, at March AFB in Aug which, if I am not mistaken, will reduce the number of our AF classmates on active duty to just Ted Seith at SHAPE and Lou Wilson at PACAF.

Here in the DC area, it's hats off, hats off, hats off to Frank Camm, who was selected for promotion to LTC and will move to old Ft Monroe, VA by the end of Aug where he will be the DCG of the Army's TRADOC. Meanwhile, Johnnie Baer has graduated from American U. with an MA in real estate and urban devl, which is the field that Johnnie's been in since he ret. from the AF. Art/Terry Grace, who passed through DC in June en route to a highway right-of-way seminar in NYC, were kind enough to call and, among other things, Art advised us that he is still with the TX Hwy Dept and still has some hair. Art/Terry live in San Ant and have one grandson by their oldest son, who is a grad of the U. of TX. Their youngest son graduated from TX A&M. Also in DC at the same time were Jim (J)/Jean Cobb, their 3 daughters (Justine and husband, Jeanine and husband, and Jamie Dee), Fae (Jean's sister from Morristown, NJ, and J.J. (their almost human dog—except he can't talk or drink whisky). The occasion was the wedding of Debbie Shellman (daughter of Bob/Helen Shellman, USMA '39) to Donald Seymour in the Ft Myer Chapel.

A goodly group of 25 DC area classmates, led by Adrian St. John (Class Pres), turned out for the annual spring luncheon meeting in the SA's Mess. Among those present were 2 out-of-towners: John McGowan from Richmond and Howard Wehrle from Hampton, VA.

Ed/Dot Bennett had such a marvelous time on their recent golfing, fishing, and lollygagging trip to FL via Augusta, GA that Ed's ready to press the repeat button. While in FL, they attended the wedding of Bill/Mary Dee Starnes' daughter Lucy, to Delmar Calwhite II in Cocoa Beach, FL on 18 May. Also present for the wedding were Lucy's Aunt Millie/Uncle Brad Lundberg and Joe/Nan Dover. Speaking of weddings, we offer our somewhat belated congratulations to Tom Johnson (USMA '65), the oldest son of Johnnie/Liz Johnson, who married Cynthia Galas,

daughter of Dave Galas (USMA Jun '43), in the Post Chapel at the Presidio of San Fran on last 21 Dec. The Johnson's younger son, John, completed both his internship and residency as an M.D. at WRAMC and is still there as a MAJ on a 2-yr kidney fellowship. We also wish to congratulate Howard Elliott Jr. (USMA '73), son of Ace/Lorrie Elliott, who married Deborah Costellana in the Saint Catherine of Siena Church, Garden Grove, NJ on 24 May.

Those present for the mid-summer dinner dance in the Williamsburg Room and on the roof of the Army-Navy Country Club in Arlington, VA included Jack/Jackie Armstrong, Ed/Dottie Bennett, Joe/Nancy Benson, Wendell/Nancy Bevan (who recently had a delightful week in jolly olde England), Bob/Ruth Cook (and Bob has now ret. from the Army IG's Office), Frank/Arlene Camm, Ben/Jane Ann Edwards (whose daughter, Cash, graduated from Wells Coll in Jun with a BA in economics and is now with the National Bank of Washington), Bob/Barbara Fiss, Jim/Alice Frankosky, Tom/Betty Griess (who had a marvelous, but tres cher month or so in Western Europe), Pete/Nancy Grimm, Bob/Ginny Harrington, Charlie Heltzel (while Margaret entertained a guest from Austria), Rex/Boots Minckler, Johnnie/Irene Norris, Jack/Dee Russell, Jim Schofield and his guest (Shelby Dean), Adrian/Penny St. John, Frank/Billie Shaw, Don/Dawn Thompson, Jack/Cecily Wood, and Howard/Mary Wehrle from Hampton, VA.

Finally, Bob/Barbara Fiss invite us all to join them and other classmates for an 8-day/7-night cruise stopping at 5 Caribbean islands (Curacao, Trinidad, Martinique, St. Thomas, and Puerto Rico) and the S. Amer port of La Guaira, Venezuela. The cruise departs from San Juan, Puerto Rico about midnight on 14 Feb and returns about 8:00 a.m. 21 Feb. The cruise is being handled by the USAA Travel Service and will range from \$435-\$665 per person, depending upon his/her accommodations. Of course, your connecting flight (or water wings) to San Juan is extra. Further details are available from Bob Fiss (a non-agent) and the USAA Travel Service.

In closing, the Class was saddened to learn of the almost concurrent deaths of George Weart's father and mother on Apr 5 and 6, respectively, at WRAMC. We also commiserate with Jim (B)/Lynn Cobb on the death of J.B.'s father in Bradenton, FL on 25 May.



Jan '43: Elvy Roberts receives Honorary Citizen of Kansas award from Hon R.J. Fegan, Civ Aide to SA.



Jun '43: Marguerite Welph and Stan Wilson at Founders Day dinner, Redstone Arsenal.

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The earlier events of this eve—29 Jun—have left me still shaking my head in amazement. You will find this story difficult to believe, perhaps; but it is not one of those tall tales from short Willy for which I have some (undeserved) reputation. It happened just this way, and I'm glad to tell it.

Last time I reported that Dick Shaefer, after undergoing difficult back surgery, had returned to Brussels where he was Dpty Chmn of the NATO Mil Cmte. Later, however, I heard from Peggy Magathan that Dick had been evacuated on orders of the neurosurgeons back to a medical facility in the San Ant area. Caroline had to manage clearing qtrs and act for Dick at the departure ceremonies. Mail would reach the Shaefer's, Peggy said, at 313 E. Forest Rd, Oak Ridge, TN 37838.

Early this evening I called Magathans to ask if they had any further information, but they did not. Seized by some kind of inspiration generated by the uneasy knowledge that I didn't really know enough about Dick's situation to write anything, the thought then occurred: "If he's in the San Ant, area, Al Burdett will know."

The chances of reaching Al were slim, but after a bit of conversation with a few operators, here and there, the phone rang in Burdett's qtrs and in a few moments Al came on the line in some surprise. After exchanging greetings, I asked, "Can you tell me anything about Dick Shaefer's location and status?" The answer was both welcome and unexpected: "Yes. His present location is right here. He and Caroline are having dinner with Antoinette and me a little later, so let me get him and he'll tell you his status himself."

In seconds, I heard Dick's voice: "Good Lord, how do you do it? Is there no way to hide from you intelligence types?" "We have some resources other than cracked crystal balls," I said, "So—how are you?"

Dick's trouble is called cervical spondolosis. Nerve root damage, affecting his back and neck, necessitated lower back surgery, and he has been a med patient since Jan 75. He was returned by Air Evac in Apr to the Wilfred Hall Med Cen at Lackland AFB, and continued there until medically cleared for disability ret., scheduled for 1 Jul. At the eleventh hour, just before adjourning on 27 Jun for summer recess, Congress approved Dick's ret. in grade of LTC. A ret. review, he said, had been scheduled for

him at Lackland AFB on 1 Jul. He expected that classmates from the local area who would be present at the ceremonies would include the Burdetts, Harrolds, Hagens, Tellers, and perhaps more. Next time, I'll hope to have a picture and a more detailed report.

Dick's voice was strong and confident as ever. He knows that recovery will take time and patience ("although I'm damn impatient, I can tell you") and he is optimistic. Initially, he and Caroline expect to stay at their daughter's home in Nashville. They will concentrate on his recuperation, and plan to do some easy traveling. "You know," he said, "I've been overseas for 10 of the past 12 yrs. We are going to get reacquainted with this country and do some visiting." He sends greetings to all classmates. To you, Dick, we wish all the patience you need and a speedy recovery. Mail will continue to reach the Shaefer's at the Oak Ridge address given above.

There is more from the south TX area, courtesy of Jim Harrold at 2518 Danbury Dr, San Antonio, TX 78217. Jim sent the picture appearing in this column of the welcoming reception on 25 Mar when Al Burdett assumed command of Fifth Army. According to Jim, "it would be a lot simpler if all the Class moved down here. Most of us here don't understand why anyone is anywhere else." In addition to those in the picture, Jim has identified Tom Garrett and Fletcher Veach in the San Ant area. Craig Teller, of course, is now there also, as reported last time. Ed Blount is at 4005 Knollwood Dr, Austin, TX 78731 and Lee Hudson ("believed to be in the sheriff business") is at 1711 Quamasia St, McAllen, TX 78501. Harrold is active in the 416th Bb Gp Assn. He knows that a number of classmates served with this organization, and asks that any who have not been contacted for membership get in touch with him, please.

Now, I have a short clipping from the San Ant Express-News with the sad news that Ed Rumpf died at Kerrville Veterans' Hosp on 14 Mar 75 of heart failure, after having been ill most of the time since ret. in 73. At his request, his body was donated to science. Harrold and Hagen represented the Class at the memorial svcs. Jean's address is: Mrs. E.J. Rumpf, 626 Northridge Dr, San Antonio, TX 78209.



Jun '43: The Wickert and Dick Hemsley (L-R) at Class dinner in Alexandria, VA.

I wish that Ed Rumpf's passing were the last that had to be reported, but it isn't. Keith Whitaker's wife, Annelle, died last 6 Jan. Keith's address continues to be 15609 Gulf Hills Ct, Sun City, AZ 85351. He recently visited briefly with John and Peggy Lucas at 2308 Leeward Shore Dr, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Johnny wrote that Annelle had suffered for years from diabetes, and he added "I've never known a braver, less-complaining person than Annelle Whitaker."

After Gordon Schraeder ret. on 1 May 71, he and Dee made their home at 20 South Pine Circle, Belleair, FL 33516. In the next few years, Gordy established Schraeder Enterprises, Inc., at Largo, FL. With his typical concentration of energy, he devoted himself to developing his exec office park, but Dee did manage to get him away for a 2-week Caribbean cruise at Xmas time in 73. In Jan of 75, however, Gordy became ill, and after a series of examinations and diagnoses, he was told on 26 Feb that he had cancer. The affliction soon spread to his lung area, and on 28 May he died—peacefully, and at home.

After Mass at the Old Chapel, Ft Myer, Gordon was buried with mil honors in Arlington on 2 Jun 75. Class representation included Clare and Jane Farley, Les and Betty Hardy, Walt Hutchin, Wally and Peggy Magathan, Bill and Nancy Malone, Bob and Elinor Mathe, Jack Morris, Sam Pinnell, Bob and



Jun '43: Classmates Hinds, Harrold, Hagen, Eastmead and Metts welcome new Fifth Army CG Burdett (right) at Ft Sam Houston.



Jun '43: (L-R) Mark Boatner and Alan Jones at Class dinner in Alexandria, VA.

Florence Plett, Ned Schramm, Bill Scott, Don and Lee Spiece, Harriet Tenney, and Dutch and Ginny Umlauf. Farley, Hardy, Magathan, Malone, Mathe, Morris, Schramm, and Umlauf acted as hon pallbearers. Afterwards, in accordance with Gordon's particular wish, since the exigencies of work and asgmts had so often prevented him from attending Class functions, members of the family, classmates, and other friends gathered at the Ft Myer Officers Club.

Dee Schraeder has asked that her gratitude be expressed in this column for the support of all those who were present with her in person and in spirit; in particular, for the assistance of Bob Mathe during the last 2 months and in making the final arrangements. To her, to Jean Rumpf, and to Keith Whitaker we all extend sincerest sympathy.

One evening late in Jun I had a call from George Moe, who said he hoped I wasn't just about to sit down to supper. I said I wasn't (which was true, since I had already sat), and we had a pleasant chat. Having just attended his daughter's wedding, George was passing through the DC area and extended greetings. Moe's address is Rt 4, Box 920, Rapid City, SD 57701—"in the shadow of Mt. Rushmore." Those who are heading for the hills of SD are advised to check in with George; he'll be glad to see you.

Here's a release from the Denison U. News Service at Granville, OH. Stan Pace, who has been a member of the bd of trustees since '71, was elected "first vice-chairperson" of the bd in Apr '75. Pace's son Lawrence was then a sr at Denison; an older son, Dan, graduated from the U. in '70. When Stan is not busy being a chairperson, he is exec VP of TRW, Inc.

Fortunately, I have a note from Dave Schwartz in West Covina, CA or there would be no items from the West Coast. Dave



Jun '43: Patricia Boatner and Cecile Cover (L-R) at Class dinner in Alexandria, VA.

has been working in Real Estate Securities and Tax Deferred Annuities for Teachers for the last 5 yrs. He recently became sales mgr for the San Gabriel Valley Div of Teachers Mgmt and Investment Corp, handling some dozens of school dists and colls. He is presently trying "to get things set up so it doesn't take 26 hrs a day, 8 days a week." In spite of this, he says, "Juanita and I are planning to catch a hop to HI soon for a break."

Most of our news this time seems to be from the South, and the southernmost item is about Hal Parfitt, in Panama. I am reliably informed by General Officers Branch that since Mar '75 Hal has been Gov of the CZ. This should be familiar territory, for if you will check your "43 Plus Twenty-Five" year-book you will note that Hal was LT Gov down there from mid-65 to 68.

Moving northward now, I have a formal announcement from Tommy Tomlinson in Jacksonville, FL of the marriage of his daughter Jane to David J. Brightbill on 17 Jun '75. And, from over in Melbourne, FL Lee Hogan has relayed the information that our Class gift segment of the WP Fund, with an accrual of \$221.12 interest on 1 Apr, has become \$2,502.00. (Tommy—there is no connection between these last 2 items except that they both come from classmates and



Jun '43: Betty Benson, Lee Spiece, Harry and Betty Page Schroeder (L-R) at Class dinner in Alexandria, VA.

from FL. You are not going to get a special grant-in-aid.)

From PO Box 57 down in Buford, GA 20518, I have a fine letter dated 23 Jun from Jim Cain. Here are some extracts that I would only spoil by trying to put in different words.

"Well, Jun '43 has launched another son into the Army with the Class of '75. 2LT James Lawton Cain was sworn into the Army by his old pa, Jim Cain, at some ungodly hour like 0800 on 4 Jun. Lawton much appreciated the beautiful Class gift. He will send off a note to Bill Malone when he recovers from an auto accident which he and a classmate suffered in the NY mountains (canoeing trip) 4 days after graduation. After Ranger and Basic crses he will join his armd cav unit at Ft Carson sometime after the first of '76. Second Son Michael is in the Class of '77. So, I expect that Elaine and I will make another trip to the Rock in '77. Now, if 'they' approve of girls at the Academy I wouldn't be surprised to see Melinda, our youngest, take the route too!

"To bring all up to date, after I ret. in '68 to take over a family business back in the old hometown of Buford, GA, all of us had a great 5+ years until I had a couple of heart attacks. In Oct '73 I therefore sold the business and ret. a 2d time. Then I really got bored—so launched career number 3 as a coll prof! Have just finished my 1st year at



Jun '43: Don and Lee Spiece at Class dinner in Alexandria, VA.

Young Harris Coll in N. GA Mtns. The year was better for me than all the doctors' prescriptions I've had! I'm now convinced the younger generation will survive! I may!

"Elaine and I live very quietly with our remaining one, Melinda, except when the boys come thru, like now! Elaine stays occupied with Garden Club, Women's Club, Bridge Club, yard work, etc., like usual. Regards to all." It seems some of us do get back to the home-town after all. Makes me homesick for Johnstown and the hills.

The DC clan dined out again, on 23 May, at the John Bull Inn in Alexandria, VA. Bob and Florence Plett, assisted by Sandy and Chris Sembach and Ted Tansey, made the arrangements. I told Bob beforehand not to let John Bull and Co. get the notion that just because of the Bicentennial we were about to pay them back for the tea that got thrown out at Boston. In fact, it was a most pleasant evening, as always. I was particularly happy to see my former roommate, Mark Boatner, now the sage of 2343 S. Nash St, Arlington, VA 22202, in one of his rare public appearances. Those present included Atkinsons, Bensons, Blacks, Boatners, Burrs, Christys, Covers, Childs, Ellis', Farleys, Hardys, Heintzelmans, Hemsleys, Hutchins, Ivans, E.A. Johnsons, Johnstons, Alan Jones', McGregors, Malones, W.C. Moores, Novaks, Pletts, Proctors, Rundells, Schroeders, W.F. Scotts, Sembachs, Spieces, Ted Tansey, Harriet Tenney, and the Wickerts.

Can you stand a little homespun philosophy? The news of our Class, even as imperfectly and partially told in these column notes, is a panorama of life: achievement and struggle, satisfaction and trouble, sickness and health, sorrow and joy. Through all of this, there is a continuity of spirit and renewal. I can't think of a better way to illustrate this continuity than by passing on to you the post-script Jim Cain added at the bottom of his letter: "P.S.: My younger son Mike ('77) found our Class fountain one day by stopping to get a drink from it. I never have seen it. But it is doing its job." I guess that's what we all have tried—and still try—to do.



'44

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The annual Class Meeting was held at a luncheon in the SA's Mess in the Pentagon on 7 May 75, thanks to Doc Hayward and Don Carter. Class Pres Jim Connell announced: Joe Cutrona as new Social Events Chmn for DC succeeding Don Carter, who received a vote of thanks; no recent word from George Pappas on 30-yr book; all 'mates will receive a 2-part postcard requesting a return of news and addresses in Oct; a 35th Reunion chmn will be appointed in the next 2 yrs. John Sullivan, Secy, presented minutes (approved) and posted list of "lost" classmates. Change of addresses requested to Class of '44, Box 1100, Ft Myer, VA 22211.

George Hayman, Treas: All bills for 30th Reunion and Class gift of windows have been paid; \$2901.15 in Class fund will cover paper, postage, flowers, gifts to Class sons, etc. for awhile. (If Congress persists, gifts to Class daughters graduating from USMA may be in order!) Win Scott investigating a project to illuminate Class Windows for hops in Washington Hall; will report to Class officers. Your scribe requested help in drafting 40-plus obituaries of deceased classmates by roommates, friends, families (more on this later).

Exercising varying degrees of discretion at the table were: Carter, Connell, Cooper, Cowherd, Cumberpatch, Cutrona, Czapar, Dancy, DeArment, Dunn, Farris, Francis, Gregory, Gruenther, Harris, Hayman, Hayward, Ingersoll, McAuliffe, McGlothlin, McGuire, Mickelwait, Morrison, Moulis, Muller, Norman, Parson, Patton, Richards, Scott, Smith, Steger, Sullivan. Present from out of town were Bill Marks, Bucks Co., PA, Bob Rodden, Hillsboro, CA, Bob Selton, Hilton Head, SC and John Susott, Honolulu. John's son has designed a beautiful wall plaque of the view of old Central Area thru the East Sally-port of Central Bks (as we knew it) which is to be cast in bronze, pewter, etc. More about that when I learn more; it's a beauty.

On 20 May, Pres Ford announced the appointment of John Eisenhower to head the Refugee Resettlement Comm to deal with refugees from the VN withdrawal. I have been involved personally in setting up airlift for their evacuation. Although many arrivals are faceless unknowns, many of these people have worked for the U.S. Govt loyally and effectively for years. The latter have earned our support; all need help and our charity of mind. I hope all will support Eisenhower's efforts in welcoming and aiding these unfortunate people.

Have heard that Doug Kinnard is still on the political sci faculty at the U. of VT.

We were pleased to receive an announcement from the Archbishop of Chicago of the ordination in Chicago of Jim Dunham to the Holy Order of Deacon in the Roman Catholic Church on 24 May. Jim and Beattie preceded this event with a 3-wk trip to Europe where they planned to visit with Oz and Valeria Duttwiler somewhere in the Greek Is. Jim is ret. this month as a BG, USAR to devote his spare time to his churchly chores.

As a related item, the following announcement appeared in the religion section of the Washington Star-News on 2 May with picture of the speaker: "Guest Speaker: COL Heath Bottomly, USAF, May 4-11:00 a.m. The legendary Bald Eagle of Takhli was the

most powerful war lord in Asia. Hanoi had a price on his head. In a fit of anger, COL Bottomly violated the bombing halt by retaliating to enemy fire which led to a possible court martial. Hear him personally tell the outcome of this life changing experience. LARGO COMMUNITY CHURCH, LARGO, MD." Bo, an assoc staff member of the Mil Ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ, Intl, also spoke in the Pentagon and at other sites in DC the following week; auditors reported him a spell-binder. Thus 2 of our 'mates join Johnny Moore, in Guam, in the 3d estate.

I put down the phone on 25 Apr from a talk with Jack Hennessey, our CINC-RED-COM, to open a letter from Staser. What tumbled out was a snap of Wolfinger and Rock pointing to Jack's new yearling corporal stripes. Though yearlings, they were just as BJ as before.

The Alexandria (VA) Gazette announces the-Jun wedding of Miss Mollie Donohoe and John James Tkacik Jr. who is a career Foreign Service Officer in our Embassy in Taiwan. The Tkaciks will have a beautiful daughter-in-law.

Jinnie and Jack Pollins' daughter, Mary Elizabeth, was married to LT Robert Richards, Class of '74, at the Catholic Chapel, WP on 5 Apr. They'll be off to Germany in the summer. Guests included Barbara Brown, the McWilliams, Murrays, O'Briens, Dusty Rivers, the Fred Smiths and the Wessels.

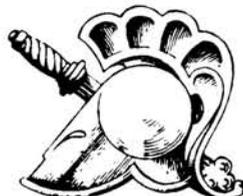
At the Army-Navy Country Club in Arlington, Audrey and I encountered George and Beth Blanchard in town for George's briefing by the DA staff preparatory to his assumption of command as CINCUSAREUR on 1 Jul.

Phil McAuliffe reported lunching with Dixon Rogers in DC on vacation from his sch teaching in MO. Earlier Dix and Tommie had visited the Hennesseys in FL and the Tarpleys at Benning. Phil and Kathleen enjoyed a visit on Cape Cod with Johnny and Frances Johnson on the occasion of the marriage of the Johnsons' son, Wick. Mother of the groom looked beautiful, the father stunned, Phil reports.

Bob Ginsburgh has announced his vol ret. from the AF effective 1 Jul. Bob has accepted a position as Ed of the prestigious Strategic Review published by the U.S. Strategic Inst, DC. Bob and Gail will stay in DC. Since Gene Steffes hung up his helmet and goggles after a review and parade at Barksdale AFB, LA on 26 Jun, that leaves your scribe as the last man of '44 in the AF. I guess it's up to me to close the door, which I will do by ret. on 1 Aug 75. The home and mailing addressing will remain unchanged. Steffes will ret. to PO Box 424, Monument, CO 80132.

With that news is coupled the happy news that Jack Cushman and Ken Cooper have been nominated for promotion to LTG. Ken will take the post as Dpty CINCUSAREUR to George Blanchard.

The Alexandria Gazette announced the candidacy of Jelks Cabiness for one of the 2 seats from our fair city in the VA House of Delegates. Jelks is as handsome as ever; if he kisses the right number of babies, he'll make the grade. Good luck!



1945: (L-R) Mary and Dick Boberg, Betty and Ray Miller, and Nancy and Russ McGovern, Founders Day 1975 in Brussels, Belgium.

'45

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Reunion '45. Wish all of you could have made it. We filtered in to Ladycliff during the afternoon and early evening of Wed, 28 May. Our cmte and the Class aides took care of sign-in and issuing poop sheets. Down one flight of stairs the cocktail party started at 1830 with the ever present cry of seeing an old friend for the first time in many years. The buffet dinner was a delight. Thurs morning Al Knight conducted a service at the post cemetery in memory of all classmates who have died. (We know of 103 who have died and 16 are interred in the post cemetery.) A bright sunny Thurs afternoon was the time for our Class Picnic at Camp Buckner. Of course there were hamburgers, hot dogs, and other goodies. Almost everybody was taking a picture of everybody else. There were cries of "All you B-2 company files, fall in for a picture." And most of the company groups did have a picture. Perhaps the highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of the handsome class medallions to 8 Class sons graduating with '75. These medallions were designed and produced by Bob Ives and are just beautiful. According to my records there are now 67 sons who have graduated from one of the 3 service academies. Fri morning, '45 assembled for the alumni exercises. It looked as if we outnumbered all the rest of the alumni combined. And at the luncheon following, GEN Berry commented that he was glad to see such a large group from '45, as his first indoctrination had been under our supervision. Following the alumni luncheon and meeting, we moved to the 5th floor of Washington Hall for a Class meeting. (This is TAC country now, but I think it's about where we were making conical and chisel points on 3H drawing pencils—or perhaps where then LTC Wansboro kept the temperature at 55° to keep us awake during a lecture on organization of the Army.)

Class pres Haley asked Sibert to lead a prayer. Haley announced that Hap Adams' father is sponsoring an award to CPT of Squash team in Hap's name. O'Brien gave status of 30-yr book: 220 pages, available about 1 Nov, cost \$20, about 350 responses for input to book. Hasket requested help locating widows and obtaining obituaries. Daoust covered reunion, thanking the reunion team, Ladycliff, said we would balance budget, and a summary newsletter would be mailed. Nusbaum said Class treasury stood at about \$20,000. \$12,000 was in outstanding student loans which he has had no success



1945: Fathers with sons, Class of 1975: (L-R) St. Onge, Hughes, Groves, Conniff, Guthrie, Moore, McMurray, Macintire.

in collecting. Any suggestions? Yerks offered to prepare directory of those employed (with possible hiring possibilities) and those who want jobs. (Already mailed to participants.) Ives discussed the medallion situation. Present policy is to donate medallion to any son graduating from a service academy. Anyone wanting one for other sons or for themselves may purchase for \$12.50. Moore suggested we plan to give medallions to grandsons. Haley said this would be considered by Bd of Govs. Fitzpatrick reminded us to notify a Class officer when we knew of a classmate's death so that flowers could be sent. Hughes reported the nominations for Class officers which were approved by acclamation. (Officers are: Haley, pres.; Daoust, VP; Elkey, Benson, Argo, Cummings, Fitz Fitzpatrick, Holcomb, members of board. Appointed officers are: Pavia, Secy; Nusbaum, Treas; Macintire, Hist; Favret, data; Adair, USMA liaison.) Benson, after recounting the experiences of several friends, in particular Joe Stanowicz, reported on the work of the cmte formed to determine a Class gift. Gift will be planned for 35-year Reunion using suggestions from Supe's cmte.

The Fri night Dinner-Dance was the final organized activity—and another fine occasion. The company was most enjoyable, food excellent, and very fine danceable music. The 4 young officers who functioned as Class aides were guests of the Class and were recognized at the dinner.

All of us present thanked George Daoust and his cmte for an outstanding reunion. Sorry all of you couldn't make it. Now let's look forward to the 35th in 1980!

With my son Dave graduating, I switched roles to parent on Sat and was a part of the remainder of June week activities. Baccalaureate services on Sun were most appropriate. (I made a special trip after the services to see the 3 windows our Class gave to the cadet chapel inscribed 1845, 1945.) The cadet glee club was outstanding in concert. And Class son McMurray graduated #1 in 75!

Pres Ford nominated John Holdridge to

be ambassador in Singapore. John played a leading role as a member of the Natl Security Council staff in the opening of China and has been stationed as dpty chief of the In office in Peking since then. John accompanied Mr. Kissinger on his secret trip to China in 71 that led to Nixon's visit in Feb 72. As a career Foreign Service officer he served previously in Bangkok and Hong Kong and as dir of the State Dept's Asia-Pacific rsch staff. Congratulations, John!

A delayed note from the WP Soc of Omaha told of Gerald Monson and Yale Trustin attending the 75 Founders Day dinner at Offutt AFB. Yale, who is Pres, United Svcs Co, organized the Omaha WP Soc and was Pres this past year.

A card from Clair Whitney gives his new address as 22C "Ranelagh," Darling Point Rd, Sydney, Australia. Clair says this 12,000-mile distance is what kept him from our 30th. He's head of Boeing Intl Sales there. Has a lovely large apartment overlooking Sydney harbor and wants us all to visit.

Dick Boberg writes (for what he says is the first time in 30 yrs) about the Founders Day dinner held in Brussels attended by Bobbergs, Millers, and McGoverns. Dick says he's finishing his 30 with 5 yrs as Dpty Secy, Intl Mil Staff, NATO Mil Cmte. Ray Miller is Ch, Pley Br, Plans and Pley Div at SHAPE, and Russ McGovern is Cmdr, Intl Hqs Spt Cmd, SHAPE. Ret. plans for Ray include tying fishing flies, Russ has nothing definite, and Dick speaks of working on some property he owns in the Pacific NW (Rt #1, Box 55-B, Eastsound, WA).

Pat Powers has been named new CG of TECOM at Aberdeen PG. Pat is an outstanding choice for the job. Congratulations, Pat.

The Army football team plays Vanderbilt here in Nashville this fall on 15 Nov. All '45ers who can get to the game, please come to the Macintires for a victory (we hope) celebration after the game. My address is at the top of this column and we're listed in the Nashville phone book. See you then!

'46

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(115) When you read this article another football season will be upon us. Here's to Homer Smith and the 75 Army squad, may they have a good year! Again the Frances should have season tickets close by the 50-yard line.

The numerous photos included in the last issue were mailed direct from sources to AOG; so I was not able to identify the individuals in some. I do, however, apologize to the HI group for the misplaced names, albeit all were included.

LTG William J. Evans, AF DCSR&D, has been nominated by the Pres for promotion to full (4-star) GEN! The promotion will be effective 1 Sept 75, subject to confirmation by the U.S. Senate.

Concurrent with the announcement of his promotion, Evans has been named to assume duties as Cmdr, AFSC, replacing GEN S.C. Phillips, who is ret. With his forthcoming promotion, he will become the first member of our Class to attain 4-star rank. He is a cmd pilot with more than 5,000 flying hours to his credit, the majority of which are in ftr aircraft.

Star Status report from May issue AFJ indicates that Andy Atkinson, COL (P), of course by now he could be wearing his star, goes from Ch, Pac Div, J3, OJCS to Asst Dpty Dir (Cond & Con), J3 OJCS, Wash, DC. MG Ed Harris from ADCSOPS, SAC to VCmder, 15th AF, SAC March AFB, CA. MG Charley Simmons from ADCSOPS for Jt Affairs, DA to CG 3d AD, USAREUR. Also in an article in AFJ ref was made to MG Ken Chapman as the USAF's ADCSR&D. From Mar issue AFJ we find MG Charles Buckingham going from DCSAcqnllog, AFLC, W-P AFB, OH to CS, AFLC, W-P AFB, OH. BG John Hill from Ch, US MTM, Saudi Arabia, to CS III Corps, Ft Hood, TX and LTG Bob Shoemaker, from CG, 1st Cav Div, Ft Hood to CG III Corps, Ft Hood. That makes a promotion for Bob and our congratulations to him on receiving that 3d star. The III Corps is surely in good hands with 2 former C-2 co. mates from '46 running the show.

Received a letter from Lou Creveling giv-



1946: Evans nominated by the President for promotion to four star general.



1946: Beasleys, Gradys, Carbines, Wildricks, Hoskins, Streiffs, Founders Day 1975, SHAPE, Belgium.

ing us some poop. Along with Shoemaker, another C-2 classmate Marty Colladay, has received his 3d star. We now have 5 AF and 2 Army LTG's. Lou also stated that he believes Dick Breshahan, Hill and Bob Malley have received their 2d star—so congratulations to all. If you think I am biased in my C-2 references, you are right, naturally, since I also belonged to said stalwart group.

Bill Baisley ret. 1 Feb 75 and went to HI. So along with Lou (46A Bowen St, Langley AFB, VA) that leaves Don Hughes and Bob Wayne as the last 3 classmates left in TAC, out of over 100 who started out as ftr pilots. Lou does mention Bryce Poe as still being considered a ftr pilot, but with USAFE, not TAC. As Lou states, the current price of aircraft does not allow us the vast numbers of fighters we enjoyed at the end of WWII. Creveling also gave us an address from among those I listed in last issue as still being desired by AOG—LTC Richard A. Kellogg, Ret., 3355 Lafayette Dr, Boulder, CO 80303, along with his wife Mimi and 3 daughters. That cuts the list to 25; see last issue for remaining names.



1946: Ed Weber receives LM from MG Brown at Aberdeen, MD.

Charlie Barker came thru with the letter on details of his son's wedding that I referred to in Mar issue. On 29 Dec 74 Charles III married Kathryn D. Mullin of Colts Neck, NJ in the Catholic Chapel in an "ecumenical" service presided over jointly by Father Curley, asst Catholic Chaplain and by Father Nelson Kochewski, Episcopal asst to Cadet Chaplain and a personal friend of Charlie's since before he was ordained. Their reception was also held at WPOOM. The young Barkers are at Ft Knox, but headed for Europe this summer. JR and Tykle Horowitz were up for the wedding. Barker is still with HQ, AMC as Ch of the Engr Div. They reside at 6443 Northanna Dr, Springfield, VA. His brother-in-law, Phil Haisley ret. last year in HI. Phil and Ginny are expected here in the East this summer for a visit. A rundown on the Barker's other children: Mary graduated from U. of VA this year; John is a soph at VPI; Sarah a jr in HS and Joshua in 2d grade.

From GA we have an up-date on Les and Bobbie Shade. Les ret. in 66 and with the help of GI Bill studied law in night school at Emory U., while working full time. He is now an atty in both FL and GA. Their son, Les III, graduated from GA Tech in Dec 74 and is now employed by a company selling air compressors. Sharon is finishing her jr year at GA Tech and works part time as a secy for Les, with the thought that she may go to law sch too. Their youngest, Cindy, graduated from Brenau Acad in Gainesville, GA in May 75 and will go to Emory to study psychology. Les has seen Jack and Ellie Montague in Tampa where they ret. in Jul 74. Jack works there too. Les said he was going to Ft Bragg in May for an airborne reunion.

My mother sent me a newspaper photo of Sam Walker and Secy of State Kissinger on the occasion of the Secy's visit to West Berlin, his first such visit in said capacity. A French honor guard is being reviewed.

Rex Beasley mailed a photo of '46 group at Founders Day dinner at SHAPE, Belgium, 14 Mar. He and Connie are now ret. (30 Jun) and at Box 704, Lake of the Woods, Locust Grove, VA 22508. Dick Streiff married Phyllis on 10 May 75; our best to the newlyweds. The Torgersons, also with SHAPE missed

the dinner. Al commands the NATO/SHAPE Spt Gp. Others ret. this summer include Grady and Wildrick. Of the 100 odd in attendance, the '46 group was the largest.

Ed Weber is shown in a photo receiving congratulations from MG Charles Brown, Cmdr, US Army T&E Cmd, upon Ed's receipt of the LM for service as pres, U.S. Army FA Bd, Ft Sill, OK.

The morning papers of 6-25-75 carried headlines of an Eastern Airlines 727 crash during a thunderstorm, while attempting to land at Kennedy Airport in NY. The flight, non-stop from New Orleans was trying to land shortly after 4 p.m., 23 min late, when according to at least 2 eyewitnesses, was struck by lightning, erupted in a ball of fire, crashed and scattered over open fields and portions of highways. A crew of 8 and 115 passengers were aboard, 109 were killed and 14 survived, most of these in critical to fair burn condition. This was the 2d worst single-plane disaster in the history of U.S. avn. The NY Times listed 4 prominent NY residents, one of which was Saul Horowitz Jr, as on the passenger list. On behalf of the Class, I wish to express our profound sorrow to Tykle and her family caused by JR's tragic and sudden departure. At the time of his death he was Chmn of the Bd of the HRH Const Corp. Words are meager to express our feelings, but I often find solace, and I hope Tykle may too, in the phrases of "The Corps" particularly the latter half, when looking for the strength required of the living to continue as we should.

'47

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Fourth of July weekend I was sitting on the porch after dinner with Barbara and Dick McAdoo when the subject of the column came up and I remembered my deadline was 30 Jun. So with apologies to the Ed for being a little late, here goes:

Dick McAdoo was in town for a long weekend at home from his current stint in Houston where he is heading up a Bechtel design team on a Saudi project for Aramco.

Congratulations to: Hank Emerson on his marriage to Joan Woodside at Ft Myer in Jun; also to Hank on his promotion to LTC and asgmt as CG, XVIII Airborne Corps, Ft Bragg; to Jim Johnson on his promotion to MG, RA BG, and asgmt as CG The Engr Center and Ft Belvoir, and Cmdt The Engr School; to Tom Monahan as Pres, VA Bar Assn; on ret.: Jack Dunham, Bob Lilley; on upcoming ret.: Jake Jacobson, Buck Fernandez, Dick Steinborn, Tom Benson.

At a Class dinner party at the DACOR House in DC in Apr: Mary Lou and Lou Rachmeler, Marie and Kermit Reel now both ret. and living in Charlottesville, VA, Sam Starobin, Jane Shields, Lynnda and Chuck Stewart, moving to FL, Lannie and Jack Dunham now joined the Mastins in Roswell, NM, El and Ed Greene, Madeline and Bob Curtis, Nancy and Bob McCord, Nancy and John Gerrity, now at home at Ft Myer, Naoma and Buck Fernandez, Betty and Bill Reckmeyer, Stella and Mike Bellovin, Nicki and John Lauterbach, Sylvia and Wally Lukens, and Beverly and yours truly.

Two Brownie points to Bill Reckmeyer going on his first campout since Beast Bks with son Tony. Don't know quite how Bill made it, especially since Tony is 5th scout in family.

At the annual Engr Dinner and Ball this

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year: Pete Boerger, Kay and Jim Johnson, Meg and Howie Sargent, and Beverly and I. Howie now with Con Ed in NY, found the life ins. business too dull.

Had a long talk with long lost Tom Benson this spring. Tom at Oakland Army Base as Dpty, living at Ft Mason in beautiful qtrs. At last report Joe D. Johnston doing fine after surgery for a loose retina.

Class lunch at the Pentagon in May saw Buck Fernandez, John Miller, John Lauterbach, Lou Rachmeler, Jim Johnson, John Kennedy, Don Robb, Wally Lukens, Jim Robinson, George Bland, Ben Hollander, Bill Sullivan, Len Staszak, Chuck Stewart and myself. Someone reported having talked with Jack Schuder who is encouraged by recent Army recruiting.

A letter from Jake Jacobson announces his return from Japan and ret. 1 Jul. Jake and Ginny will be in SD and MN for summer and then wherever the job might be. Jake reports son Chris plans to stay on in Japan teaching Engl while studying, Cathy in MN, Curt in SD. Claudie, Craig, and Colin home with the family, with Claudie to U. of SD in the fall to join Curt.

A note on the Class gift: From Jan thru Apr 75 the '47 RR Sta has been used for 47 parties attended by 1250 cadets and 1409 others. In Mar and Apr alone there was a party every other day. This is SUCCESS in a big way. Now we need to finish paying. To do this we need: those that owe their 75 payment please send it in; there are still some 74 pledges due; and there are still 93 classmates to be heard from. To quote Tom Hayes: "We have done a magnificent job in donating over \$50,000 thus far from 186 individuals. This kind of giving is unprecedented in the history of the Academy. Our generosity, selection of gift, rapid completion and presentation have labeled us the 'Can Do' Class at WP."

I have the sad news to report that the 25 yearbook is dead. With only 90 "takers" the project was not economically feasible. Ben Hollander is holding all of the pics and info that were submitted and we'll try again for 30. Speaking of 30, it's time to get started. Tom Rogers suggests Ladycliff as a reunion hqs. It's close, convenient, and reasonable, and from reports of recent reunion classes it works.

Another June Week and another Class son joined the Long Gray Line. Al Haig was on hand to present Brian with his diploma, and at a party the night before Al presented Brian the Class Sabre as Pat beamed. Also on hand were Pat's father, LTC Fox, her brother LTC Fox and family, Barbara and Alex, Cindy Webb, Meade and Ann Wildrick with Yearling son Meade, Jack and Betty Schuder.

Congrats to Rick Rachmeler who contributed to the golf team's smashing victory over Navy.

New asgmts find Ron Heiser as CS USAREUR, Heidelberg, Germany, and Bill Webb replacing Ron as CG, 1st AD, Ansbach, Germany. Bill comes to Germany from G3 Eighth Army, Seoul.

Once again I'd like to remind you of my deadline for these columns: 30 Sept, 5 Jan, 30 Mar and 30 Jun. This past quarter has been pretty quiet, and with so many of the Class now in the ret. ranks the normal sources don't provide the flow of news. We need YOU to keep it coming.



1948: Standing (L-R): Jim and Tammy Richardson, Pat and Jack Oteen and Ginny and Les Carter; seated: Ann Schoenberg, Jim and Ginny Fraser ('47) and host, Irv Schoenberg.

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The wonderful news that Jim Allen and Sid Berry were selected for a 3d star each makes all of us very proud. Congratulations to you both, as well as to Kitty and Anne.

Jack Capps sent along a photo of the Class of '76's wetting down their rings at Marie's and Jack's qtrs on 25 Apr. Two of the 6 sons couldn't make it, Carl Horn being laid low by a flu bug, and Bill Caldwell was off in pursuit of a blind drag.

Jack reports that Mercedes Hughes dropped by and showed them her plans for her new home in Tucson, at 1776 Calle de Cielo. Also that Joyce and Merle Sheffield have moved back to upstate NY after his sojourn at the Choate Sch. Jack had a chance to chat with Bill Smith on 10 Jun at GEN Lincoln's memorial service.

Dave Garrison sent 2 clippings about R.O. Barton. One shows R.O. receiving the 75 Boss of the Year award, presented by the Augusta, GA, American Business Women's Assn. The 2d tells of R.O.'s responsibilities as chmn of the annual Red Carpet tour, held each year at the time of the Masters. Top corp execs are brought to Augusta from throughout the nation to tour the state, ending in Augusta, with Gov Busbee accompanying the group to that city. Nice going, R.O., and thanks, Dave, for sending them in.



1948: (L-R) Whitehead, Eastman and Braswell, Founders Day dinner, Stuttgart.

A recent Evans and Novak column in the local paper about Ronald Reagan mentions Bill Mounger, who is MS's Republican finance chmn. Bill introduced the former gov at a dinner in Jackson.

Phil Day brings us up to date on his activities. Walt Plummer paid him a visit, and they spent a couple of days together. Phil reports that Jim Sandman is his counterpart in AF recruiting, and will be staying another year at Mather. Phil says Jim is probably the top AF recruiter in the country.

Phil keeps in touch with Norm Robinson regularly. He is Acting Dir of the Air Mobility Lab, part of AVSCOM. And, Lyle Walter is now with a real estate co in San Rafael. Phil and June are celebrating her reception of an advance degree in sp educ from San Fran State—congratulations. Phil's daughter, Deborah, married James Lind of Argyle, Iowa, last fall. Debbie has a degree in psychology from the U. of San Fran, while Jim has a BS in Forestry from the U. of MO, and did his graduate work at Humboldt State Col in Arcata, CA. Jim is now with the Dept of Agriculture in Audubon, IA. Phil's sons, Mike and Steve, are at CO State and the U. of CO, respectively. Phil is still Cmdr of Western Regl Recruiting Cmd at the Presidio, San Fran.

Jim Hall has been appointed managing dir of the aerospace div of ICI U.S., Inc. This position keeps him traveling, since the parent offices of Imperial Chemical Ind, Ltd, are in London. Great going, Jim.

Walt and Elaine Beinke's Betsy continues to make the news in swimming. She finished 35/100 of a second behind Olympic medal winner Melissa Belote in the 200 yard Fly, at the Potomac Valley AAC championships, with both girls breaking Melissa's old record of 2:12.21. Then, in the Summer Solstice Swim Meet she cut over 7 seconds off the 400 meter Free record, finishing in 4:42.2, in the 13-14 year old group. She also set a new record of 2:27.3 in the 200 meter Fly. Keep it up, Betsy.

If the picture from a newspaper is reproducible, you should see the smiling faces of Sarah and Dave Mallett and young Dave at the Biltmore Forest Country Club. Dave Jr. reigned this year as the king of "the mythical realm of rhododendron." The annual Rhododendron Festival was held in Asheville, NC, until WWII. The selection and crowning of a king and queen remains, however. It couldn't have happened to a nicer young man from a truly fine family.

Irv Schoenberg dropped a line to tell of an all too brief visit from Tammy and Jim Richardson. They arrived Sat at 3:00 a.m., and the 4 talked until dawn. Then Ann and Irv hosted a get-together that night. Jim Richardson still practices law in Bogalusa, LA. Their son Steve has graduated from Duke, and daughter Elizabeth is wowing the boys at LSU, where she is a sophomore. Irv also reports that Jack Osteen is head of Intel at FORSCOM, and the 2 of them, along with Gordon Duquemin ('47) manage tennis now and again. Babs and John Wadsworth were down to visit the Osteens in the spring, and the latter invited the group in the vicinity, including Ed and Sandy Bertram, over. Irv really is holding his own in tennis, regularly beating club members 15 and 20 yrs his jr. He and Bernie Abrams ('47) have the store fixture manuf business humming. In case you've lost track, as I had, sons David, Eric, and Jeff, are now 16, 13, and 10, respectively. Eric had his Bar Mitzvah in Aug. Irv says they're handsome, because they look like Ann, and smart and athletic because they take after



1948: Qtrs 35, West Point, 25 April 75: (Front Row, L-R) Willy Medsger, Jerry Medsger, Sid Berry, Steve Capps, Gordon Cerow; (2d Row, L-R) Denny Patterson, Hugh Perry Jr., Hugh Sr., Jack Capps, Don Cerow.

their father. A final note, Clarence Elebash called them to say he has remarried and lives in FL. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple.

Bob Whitfield reports that Sid Berry made the annual presentation of one of the Richard A. Whitfield Memorial Awards—to the underclassman who contributed most to the USMA Debate Council during the academic year. This presentation was very special to Jerrie and Bob, and all of us, too. A '48 man was doing the honors, who had himself been on the debate team, had later taught in the Soc Sci Dept, and had met Rick. Young Dave Whitfield, who graduated from Lycoming College in Frank Cancelliere's hometown in Williamsport, PA is scheduled to receive his MBA in finance from Clark U., Worcester, MA, in Jan 76. Bob also made the other 2 memorial awards, the first to Company G-3, and the other as part of the Awards Convocation—the Protestant Sunday School Supt's Award. Bob and Jerrie want to especially thank Marie and Jack Capps who placed flowers on the graves of classmates, wives, and children again this year.

Ennis and Novella Whitehead were present to see son Jim graduate. Congratulations to you Jim, and the Class hopes the bookends come in handy.

The Class of '79 will have at least one son entering, Charlotte and Ken Webbers' 2d son, Kurt, following in his father's and brother's footsteps.

Two weddings of offspring to report. Jerry and Tom Jones' Andy married Margaret Hendricksen of Pearisburg, VA at Blacksburg, VA on 4 Jun. From all reports she is a very lovely person, but what would you expect from a Jones male, and particularly Andy?

Then, KC French and Greg Ford were married on 19 Apr in an outdoor chapel on a beach at a church camp on Northern Oahu, HI, where Greg's brother lives. The couple are presently in Morgantown, WV where Greg just finished his jr year in EE at the university there. However, he has applied for a job in HI, and if he gets it, they will go there, where he will finish his degree at the U. of HI. Emmy and Nelson French are fine. He has just become pres of the Columbus Rotary, a 500 member club. They were fortunate to attend the Rotary Intl in Montreal. Wonder if they ran into Jack Withers? Nelson reports a great year for his company.

The Assn is trying to increase subscriptions

to the ASSEMBLY and REGISTER. Your efforts in their behalf will help them to refrain from a price increase.

Who's going to be the first daughter of the Class in the Corps?

'49

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"Mighty Mouse" Hartinger was just approved for his 3d star and will take over as CG of the 9th AF at Shaw AFB, SC. There are 6 new 2-star selectees in the Army—Don Keith, Lee Surut, Jack Forrest, Huck Long, Jerry Lauer, and Joe Kingston. I hate to mention this subject but has anyone else noticed the relative size of these stalwarts; that's right, 5 of them are runts—our congratulations to one and all.

Bill Gorog has been appointed as Dpty to the Asst to the Pres for Economic Affairs with the title of Dpty Dir for Domestic Economic Policy. The White House press release



1949: Bill Gorog

notes that Bill was a founder of Data Corp in 56 and merged with Mead in 68, and Bill was Chmn and Ch XO of Mead Tech Lab at the time of his appointment. He was one of the developers of the computerized legal rsch sys known as LEXIS now in use by law firms and courts throughout the country. Bill and Gretchen plus 6 children have been living in Dayton, OH.

While on White House matters, I'm sure most of you have read where Bo Callaway will resign as SA to assume the role as head of the Ford Reelection Cmte, a fact which will predate this column by a month or so. Bo also made the front pages when he and Beth were involved in an accident where their driver was killed in GA. Fortunately, they sustained only minor injuries and Bo was able to dedicate the West Point Dam the following day on the GA-AL border.

Several ret. are underway, see Nulsen pic, plus Chuck Olentine, Punch Jamison, and Dick Slizeski. Chuck will remain in DC; Punch is heading for S. CA while Sli intends to enroll at the U. of WY and will make the 6th family member in school this coming fall. Bob Estes also ret. and will remain in the DC area.

Harry Spillers is now DCS/LOG for MAC at Scott AFB; Frank Clarke is moving from TRADOC to Dpty CG TECOM at Aberdeen. Chuck Watson, the original 4-H member, reports he and Pat have their summer work underway in New Boston, NH, gardening, spraying fruit trees, and fattening the steers. Daughter Amy is working at Rye Beach from her studies at Keene State while son Kevin graduates from Wright State in Dayton, OH in Aug. Letter from Mark Milliken thanking the Class for their gift on graduation from Annapolis. Walt also extends his thanks to Ken McIntyre, John Magnotti, and their wives for travelling down to USNA to present the gift. Mark is in charge of Plebe induction day at USNA where he remains until the end of Aug. He will be married on 6 Sept and goes on to flt sch at Pensacola, J.P. Hawn doing manuf rep work in Albany dealing with heating equipment; has one daughter who graduates from Skidmore this year and is going on to med sch, while another daughter begins her studies at Wellesley. Frank Sarsfield reports that Collier Ross hosted Founders Day at Ft Ord which he enjoyed. By so doing, he missed Dick Connell as MC at the Presidio Founders Day banquet. Dick was also the speaker at the Santa Clara ROTC commissioning ceremony.

John Walter has joined Jim Hartinger, Walt Milliken, and Fred Westfall at the AWC. Jack is now Ch of Acad Instr Div.

Ken McIntyre headed up the group from the DC contingent who marked our 11 classmates' graves at Arlington on Memorial Day. John Magnotti, Hill Dickinson, and the writer accompanied him.

Joan and Doug Weart extended their thanks to the Class for their remembrance of Doug's father and mother who died within a day of each other early in the spring. Doug's dad was CO at Ft Belvoir when many of our Class were there for the basic course and they remember him with a good deal of fondness.

Charley Adams wrote from the frozen northland where he is DO for USARAL. Sent along a picture of Founders Day which included Cindy, Rob Brunhart and his date Jean Brockert, as well as Harry Donohue, USNA '49, and spouse. Roy is still IO for the Alaskan Cmd. Charley wanted you to notice the light spot on the left side of the



1949: BG Bob Stevenson presents Nulsen 2d OLC to LM at retirement.

photo—there was a bear's head there but someone stole it just to embarrass the MC, one C. Adams.

Dan McGurk is giving up his title of Pres of Computer Industries Assn since they are moving their hqs from L.A. to DC. In the clipping forwarded by George Summers, *Electronics Magazine* mentioned that Dan's reticence to move was motivated by his consideration of running for Barry Goldwater Jr.'s seat in Congress, should that gentleman vacate to oppose Tunney for the Senatorial seat. Dan also made the trade papers with the announcement that he was elected to the Bd of Inforex. Chmn of the Bd of that org, as well as Chief Operating Officer, is Tim Cronin.

Received a most unusual birth notice (yes, BIRTH) from one of our members, Dean McCarron and his frau are the proud parents of a boy born on 3 Apr 75. The notice printed in English and German indicated that the intl shipyard Dean J. and Barbara McCarron announces the launching of the 5 lb, 9 oz, 19" fast cruiser Daniel Oliver under German-American flag. There goes the record of those late producers like Charley Byrne, Harry Griffith, and Ted Boland—pickers. Dean and Barbara can be reached at Box 141, Pirmasens Army Depot, APO NY 09138.

The Peters family was the subject of a feature article in Apr in one of the local

papers, the *Fairfax Journal*, complete with color photography. I wish I could publish the whole article, but in capsulation Bruce acts as photographer, Barbara as the writer, and their 2 children as active participants in travel features written around their backpacking journeys. Out of 27 travel features written, they have sold 20 and have been published in such magazines as *Holiday*, *National Geographic*, *Carte Blanche*, and the *Christian Science Monitor*. Bruce runs his own consulting firm and also teaches behavioral science and management courses at GWU, while Barbara substitutes as a teacher in local schools and also gives private language lessons. A very busy, involved family.

We have kicked off the 2d phase of our Class Memorial Fund Drive—Bob Nulsen is chairing the effort and your writer is collecting the funds. We mailed letters of explanation of the drive along with a picture of the Lodge and our current financial status to all members for whom we had a current address. This letter was mailed in late May and as this column is written one month later we have had 37 responses for a total of \$3,852 toward our goal of \$20,000. Bob Nulsen has designated classmates to handle each of the states to follow-up on our original letter. Our goal, of course, is still to have every classmate participate in this venture,



1949: Founders Day, AK (L-R): Donohues (USNA '49), Brunharts and Adams'.

so please, no matter what you can afford, drop a check in the mail to my address printed at the top of the column. The check should be made out to the "West Point Fund—Class of 1949."

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The 25th Reunion was a blast! All of those who made the trek will have another great set of memories. All of those who weren't so lucky: we just wish you could have been there. From Wed eve, 28 May, through Brunch on Sat the Class went non-stop, but everyone was in agreement that the Fri night of dining, dancing and discoursing at Lady-Cliff Coll was the high point of the week. By that time everyone had renewed old acquaintances and caught up with the intervening years; things were very relaxed and everyone was ready for a good time. A 3-piece combo had everyone dancing to great old tunes (including an Irish Jig by Phil and Lorel Bolte); there was plenty of energy expended on that dance floor. Incidentally, our thanks to Laurie Eek for providing such good pics.

The Class Memorial, Restoration of the Thayer Collection, was formally presented to the Academy on Thurs. Although most of us knew what an undertaking the project



1950: Phil and Lorel Bolte dancing an Irish jig at the Reunion.

was, we were impressed by the display of "before" and "after" volumes that were shown to us. Two of the Library staff explained about the procedure for restoring the books, and we all came away proud to be part of the contributors to such a worthwhile cause. Note the pic of the Supe with Dave Cameron, as Dave gave him another check to continue the work being done. At our Class meeting, following the Dedication, it was agreed that we should complete the restoration by the 30th in 80. To that end the Class assembled agreed to an assessment of \$10.00 a year per member, for the next 5 years, in order to reach our goal. Also at the meeting we agreed to a \$5.00 per year assessment to go to the Class general fund for the next 5 yrs, so that we will have the money to handle such things as planning the reunions, Class gifts to graduating cadets, mailing expenses, and the like. Both of these will be billed to you annually by the AOG.

Speaking of gifts to Class sons, during the gathering at the Library for the Dedication, we presented trays to the 9 Class sons in the Class of '75: Thomas A. Austin IV, Edwin S. Borman, Russell W. Glenn, Andrew T. Hamlin, Stephen P. Hetz, Gerald P. Kelley Jr., Michael W. Means, John P. Mitcham, and Alan S. Rogers.

It would be impossible to list everyone who came, but I'd like to mention a few who came from distant lands. The Ramoses got the prize for coming the greatest distance; both Eddie and Ming looked great and were kind enough to bring Philippine cigars especially made for our Reunion. They brought one of their daughters, Angelita, who has just finished her 2d year at Bryn Mawr. The 3 of them were going on to Rumania, where Eddie's sister is the new Philippine Ambassador... From Zaire came Bob and Bobbie Grow, who swapped stories of Mobutu with Leo Romaneski... Bruce and Barbara Petree made the long trek from Athens...



1949: West Point Society Dinner Dance: (L-R) Bruce Carswell, Betsy and Dick Connell.



1950: Class sons.



1950: Alma and Bob Hoisington, Founders Day, Redstone Arsenal.

I know that each one of those couples was very glad they had the chance to join in all the fun.

We all owe a debt of gratitude to Jim Tormey (who Chaired the Reunion first from DC and then from WP), Dave Cameron (who oversaw the WP end of the planning), and the other classmates stationed at the Acad who worked so hard on all the details that made this such a memorable Reunion: Art Blair, Joe Griffin, Stan Reinhart, Manley Rogers, Sib Sibles and Bob Wilson—and of course all of their wonderful wives.

So now the 25th Reunion is history. I'm sure that those who came need no urging to get ready for the 30th in May of 80, but for those who weren't with us this time: don't miss the next one!

Incidentally, thanks to all of you who sent notes with your responses to the Reunion flyers. It's impossible to answer them personally, but it meant a lot, and also helped to write this column.

There were about 160 classmates, plus wives at Reunion. I talked to nearly every one of them (I hope) but of course can't remember all the news they shared. So I'll just start with the correspondence that has come since the last deadline, and as I think of things I'll put them in.

Had a note from the WP Soc of Omaha, telling of our '50ers who attended Founders Day there: Russ Glenn, Omaha Dist Engr; Bob Kubby, Chief, Army Sec, Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff at Offutt; Lou Rising, PMS, U. of NB; Dick Newton, VCdr, Offutt AB Wgs; Gerald Monson, HQ, SAC.

This seems a good place to tell you of Lou Rising's heart attack. Sue was kind enough to write when he was in the ICU of the hospital. She said it would take time for a complete recovery, but they expected him to do well. He would welcome hearing from any of his friends, and his address is: L.E. Rising, 1600 Twin Ridge Rd, Lincoln, NB 68506. John Jones also had a heart attack, 2 weeks before Reunion. He is here in Alexandria, home on convalescent leave, and doing very well. He's tan and rested, and eager to have the Army tell him he can go back to work. His address: 3907 Belle Rive Terr, Alexandria, VA 22309.

Tom Lobe dropped me a note to tell me he's being transferred to Teheran, Iran, the end of Jul. Tom is with RCA in the Intl Div, and his job is in marketing; he's really looking forward to the challenge of the new location. His address is: T.J. Lobe, RCA Iran, LTD, Box 12-1359, 160 Blvd, Elizabeth, Teheran, Iran. We'll miss you in the DC area, Tom.

Bob McCutcheon wrote when he was cleaning out his desk prior to leaving Gunter AFB, AL (where to, Bob?); he said the only re-

unions he's made were the ones during the 3 years he was stationed at WP. Bob Whiting has been appointed V-Cdr of the Air WC at Maxwell, where he had previously been the Chief of Resident Instr. . . . Pat McGill wrote from Heidelberg that he and Ray couldn't make Reunion; they're returning to CONUS later in the summer, so he must have a new assignment. . . . Jim Lynch is also there. . . . Buz and Lila Baxter had planned to be at WP for June Week, but sudden orders in Feb sent him to Udorn, Thailand, where he says he has the best job in the USAF: CO of the Tac. AF in Thailand—still flying fighters and hollering "Beat Navy." Ros and Mary Round have the trailer next to Buz' when they come from Laos; he had seen Jack and Julia Palmer as well as Reg Lombard after Cambodia fell. Ken Ebner and Hale Hubbard are at the Embassy in Bangkok where Buz saw them soon after arriving. Chip Kaseman was his neighbor for about a month, but has now gone to Okinawa where he is Dpty Cdr for Maint in the 18th TFW.

Nate and Boe Gallagher made it to WP on their way to Nate's new assignment to the UN from Sawyer AFB, MI. They both looked great. Ken Ebner wrote they were planning a 25-'50 blast in Thailand, 13 hours ahead of our celebration. He said '50 had the largest group at Founders Day, for there were 10: Baxter, Ebner, J.F. Elliott, Ewan, Hale Hubbard, Kaseman, Palmer, Round and Sachers. Ken and Loris hope to come home on Space-A leave this summer, so we hope to see them.

Great news for 3 classmates on the recent Army BG list: Stan Fye, Denny Roush and Gray Tate. Congratulations to all 3 of you—how about a picture the day you pin the stars on?

This brings to mind more good news, for Denny Roush wrote Clyde Spence from Korea that he and his bride, Ruth Marie, were married 12 Apr 75. Denny's daughter Missy was Matron of Honor. This is a good spot to mention other weddings. Lou and Peg Prentiss' youngest, Marti, married Richard Allen Morris in Annapolis, MD on May 18; Sid and Jeanie Steele's daughter Peggy married Ray Raposo on 14 Jun in Miami, FL; Tom and Jinny Loper's daughter Betsy married John Hess 15 Jun in DC; Wendy and Penny Phillips' daughter, Mary Kay, married Donald M. Kelly at Ft Myer Chapel on 21 Jun; Nels and Margaret Thompson's daughter Linda became the bride of CPT John McCauley Plewes II at the Ft Belvoir Chapel on 28 Jun. I'm sure there will be others this summer, so be sure to let me know.

The pic of Bob and Alma Hoisington was taken at Redstone Arsenal on 22 Mar 75 at the Founders Day celebration. No other picture came from there; were you the lone '50 rep, Bob?

Tom and Betty Lou Austin made it up from Panama to see son Tom graduate; They brought Laura Nell and David with them, and the Panama crew (Austins, Faurers, Romaneski, Striders) even managed to have breakfast together one morning. The Austins were able to do some househunting in the DC area before heading back to Panama—Tom will depart the Embassy there in Jul, to head for the jungles of the Pentagon when he joins ISA.

George Cannon wrote in Mar from Duluth where he and Ann moved in Aug 74. George is Cdr of the 23d ADC, having replaced Lou Leiser who moved to Malmstrom AFB MT to become Cdr 24th NORAD Region and 24th ADC. George said Ernie Dunning is sr adv to the MA Air NG Wg at

Otis ANG Base, MA. The Cannons' oldest daughter Sunny married Ens David Evans in 74, the day after he graduated from USNA. Second daughter Susie is a frosh at the U. of MN—Duluth campus. George and Ann also have a son, Curtis (15) and 4-yr-old daughter Jeannette. They couldn't make Reunion due to NORAD/ADC conflicts, but "for sure I'll try for the 50th in 2000." (!)

Reg Lombard returned from Cambodia in May, and after a vacation in ME began his new job as Secy at the NWC. Bill and Marie Claire Steinberg left for Korea in Jun where Bill will be the Garrison Cmdr at 8th Army HQ. Morris Herbert joins the ranks at WP this summer, returning to be Alumni Gift Programs Officer; as such, Herb will be working to develop major projects for gifts to the Acad. We saw Bill Mastoris in early spring when he was in DC beginning a new assignment as part of DA TDA Anal Tm #2; it was visiting TRADOC installations in order to locate and identify unnecessary personnel positions. Bill said they weren't making many friends, but found the job challenging and enjoyable.

Clark and Barbara Martin are living in East Lansing; Clark is the PMS at MI State U. Jack Hendry wrote a note to tell me that John Begley and Ted Seeley, both ret., were at Founders Day at the Presidio of San Fran. Jack saw Ed Gradoville and Chuck Rhoads last fall—both are assigned to the Readiness



1950: 25th Reunion

Group at Shilling Manor, KS. Ed and Marcie West had to cancel out on Reunion at the last minute. In Apr Ed was named Pres of Green Intl Inc. of Sewickley, PA, an A/E firm. Ed wrote his "quintennial" (good word, Ed) letter to me in Jun. Daughter Becky graduated from Temple U. and is working and living in Philly; daughter Steffie has just finished her 3d year at American U., having spent this past semester in London on an exch prog.

Sam Smithers has just become CS for MDW, and is in the process of moving to Ft Myer. Wally Nutting has returned from Europe to be in ODCSOPS. Pris Glenn wrote just before we all were together at WP. It was a special time for them, with Reunion, Silver Anniv and Rusty graduating with the Class of '75. The Glenns had had a week in the snow at Aspen, and loved it. Son Rob is at FL and doing well—earned a Silver Medal in the MASTAR race. Son Randy will attend CO State U. or Ft Lewis Coll in Durango, CO this fall.

Jack Magee wrote from Moscow, ID in Apr; he ret. in Jul 74 and is teaching management at the U. of ID. Jack received his 2d adv degree in Aug 74: Master of Forestry in Wildlife Mgmt—and is a PhD candidate in Wildland Recreation. Kay is the school nurse for all 6 Moscow schools; their only daughter Debbie married in May. Jack says they fish, hunt, ski—are short on crime, smog, traffic jams—"Not a bad life, really." Elaine Ward wrote that she and Bill celebrated their 25th wedding anniv at St Luke's Hospital in NYC, where Bill was operated on 7 Jun for a tumor, which proved, happily, to be benign. He will spend several weeks recuperating, which is a tough way to get a rest.

Had a fine letter from Corinne Detherow, telling of Ralph's medical ret. in May. You will remember Ralph had a stroke in 74, and though it's been a tough struggle, you can't keep a good man down. Ralph is in the VA Hospital at Columbia, MO (address: COL Ralph H. Detherow, Ward 3B, V.A. Hospital, Columbia, MO 65201) and Corinne and the 3 youngsters are at Box 140, Rt #4, Columbia, MO 65201. Ralph's stroke was in the pons area of the brain, where all motor coordination is handled. Hence, he can stand for periods of 10 minutes only, is not able to walk or do things that take coordination. He can read large print now, and can talk on the phone and be understood. He is strengthening his eye muscles with the help of an IBM machine and flash words in P.T. Corinne says he tries to lift the spirits of others on the ward—in other words he's determined to lick the whole problem. He would like to hear from his friends, and if you're in the area, Columbia One goes from St Louis to Kansas City. Corinne says "let it be known that as always the door is always open." Three cheers for both of you. We all wish you every encouragement, Ralph; there's no way that your determination won't pay off.

The Army's MG list came out the morning Reunion started, so there was cause for great celebration that night at our first '50 party. Jim Kelly, Jack Koehler, Ben Lewis, Chuck Means, Wally Nutting, Jack Palmer, and Volney Warner were the '50 people on it. It's wonderful to see that kind of recognition!

This column must end with the unfortunate news of the death of 2 classmates: "Real" McCoy died of pneumonia on 19 Apr 75 at the National Inst of Health in Bethesda, and 3 days later his good friend Mauro Maresca died of a heart attack at Bolling AFB. I

know you all join with me in expressing sympathy to both families. Real's wife Evelyn, their daughter, Kem Carleton, and 2 sons, Mike and Pat, live at 8630 Blackpool Dr, Annandale, VA 22003; Maurie's wife Robin, daughter Gigi Pinkerton, and sons, Bob and John, live at 2901 Hewitt Ave, Wheaton, MD 20906.

This should arrive in Sept, when many of you are starting new asgmts. After the curtains are up and the dust has settled, how about letting me know where you are?

'51

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As you probably noticed, the column has a new author. Gus and I and the 3 youngest are moving to Ft Sill soon and Red has consented to keep track of the Class for awhile. Charlie Crowe wrote from Honduras about some of our people south of the border. He and Joan attended Founders Day as guests of GEN and Mrs. Somoza ('46). Ted and Suzie Picado contributed to a merry celebration. Charlie has also seen Frank Sisson in Tegucigalpa where Frank represents W.S. Kirkpatrick and Co. Kermit and Lynn Johnson with children Karen and Chris week-ended with Charlie after busing from Panama. Kermit must be vacationing before the upcoming grind at Carlisle. Got a surprise call from Bruce Robertson a few weeks ago. Bruce ret. after reaching his "30" last Sept. He and Sue are renovating an old house in Austin, and Bruce is doing some work in the DC area, trying the water, so to speak, so that they can make a decision this summer about where to settle down. More Founders Day news from Europe with a note from Shy Meyer commenting on the apparent youth of the '51 group. Art Scalice said, if I read it correctly, that he is in the Cherboung area. Larry Dosh and wife Mary are living in Munich where Larry is with GE. Harry Lombard, as noted in the last issue, is commanding the 7th Engr Bde. Gerry Tausch wrote from Sarasota where she and Roland will settle when he ret. in Jul. Joe and Martha Jo Rice managed a few hours with Gerry before the Rice's move to DC. Gerry also mentioned calling Mary Martin after the tornado went through Marietta, GA. Mary was OK and waiting for Brooks to get home from Cambodia where he was living out of a suitcase in Phnom Penh. Gerry had talked to Dick and Dabney McLean who



1951: (L-R) Meyer, Lombard, Scalise and Dosh.

have settled in St. Petersburg where Dick works with Honeywell and Dabney with H&R Block. For the McLeans, happiness is their 24' sailboat. Gerry is an intercontinental Dist Dir with Con-Stan Industries with consultants on 4 continents. Her business took her to Benning recently and a short visit with daughter Clare and husband, LT Jerry Miller. Chuck McLean wrote from his home in Minnetonka, MN that daughter Cynthia was married into the AF after the Acad graduation this Jun. Certainly a universally accepted way of carrying on tradition. Another AF note ref John Cunningham who was recently awarded the LM for his work as dir of engr in the SAMSO satellite comm sys. John and Margaret are now at Hanscomb AFB. Congratulations John. Pete Foss wrote from Rockport, ME that he and Marie were joined by Tom Horgan and Kit and Dolores Roth for Founders Day at Hanscomb. We congratulate Debbie Foss, Peter's oldest daughter, who graduated as valedictorian of her HS class. Loyd "Sully" Johnson and his wife Jamie recently completed their studies in French at the DLI in Monterey. Sully will be Ch of the AF Sec, MAAG France, beginning this Jul. From the desk of '51 pres Dan Foldberg was announced the addition of 2 more Class sons to the Long Gray Line with the graduation of Lynn McCrum and Jeff Van Kueren. Congratulations to parents and sons and thanks to Dan for presenting the Class gifts to Lynn and Jeff. More stars are on the way for '51. New MGs are to be Bob Yerks, Bill Richardson, Bucky Harris and Jim Rockwell. The Army BG list included Al Akins, Ted Atkeson, Stan Sheridan, Bill Louisell and Ed Peter. A new AF BG is Nub Reid. Keep 'em coming. A last minute note from Fran Craig enclosed a photo of the '51 folks at Heidelberg. No mention as to what they are doing except that Lee Duke is returning to DC and ret. Hank Evans is also coming to DC and a job in DOD. Fran mentioned that Marv and Jackie Krupinsky are in Ulm and Pete and Nancy Thoresen in Berlin. Norm Dunlap missed the picture but is also in Heidelberg. Thanks for the news Fran and all who have kept me up to date the past year or so. And now to report on the DC area class party here is Red Leffler.

Reb Barber and Ernie Peixotto provided a much needed shot in the arm to DC Class activities by organizing a Class party at Ft Belvoir 23 May 75. Attendees included the Barbers, Peixotto, Coughlins, Byers, Depews, Crouchs, Breakirons, Red Forrester, Klines, Elders, Grangers, Barrons, Joe Luger, Hemlers, Bucky and Pat Harris, John and Betty Samotis, Jack Martins, Rices, Roberges, Gorman Smith, Vellellas, Jim Rockwells, Bill Lackman, Pat Ryans, and Lefflers. The party provided a convenient vehicle for updating the DC roster for '51. Ernie has graciously consented to assume roster maintenance.



1951: Presentation of traditional stetson to Sheridan on behalf of Killeen Chamber of Commerce upon his departure from Ft Hood.



1951: (L-R) Goodnow, Evans, Duke, Morgan, Smith, Schweizer and Craig.

Please forward any updates/changes to BG Ernest D. Peixotto, Materiel Plans & Programs, ODCSRDA, Washington, DC 20310, or to this column. In addition, Reb Barber, in his position as CS, U.S. Army Pers Cen, will provide roster updates and quarterly ASSEMBLY inputs. Updated DC rosters containing almost 100 names will be distributed to members within the DC vicinity in the near future. Copies will be furnished upon request. Incidentally, another DC area Class party is scheduled for mid-Sept; Joe Fant, John Samotis, and Red Leffler are responsible for its organization and preparation; attendance by members from other areas is welcomed.

Our roving ambassador of good will, George Meighen, reports all is going well with Walt and Nancy Russell in Atlanta and the Volks and Bradleys in St. Petersburg. Incidentally, reliable sources indicated that George and Ann acquired a partial interest in a fashionable restaurant during their May visit to DC. Other recent snapshots of the DC scene included brief visits by Frank Waldman—Ft Monroe; Jim Boatner—Ft Polk; Pat Lynch—Europe; all passed the word they and their families were doing fine. Ret. notes include: Tee Nance, in CO until Aug, building a house in the company of 2 daughters; Mel Snyder studying diligently for his law degree at U. of WV; Bruno Giordano, ret in late 74, a sr scientist with BDM; Bill Edler and Bill Lackman associated with DC firms involved in sys planning, consulting, and proj mgmt; George Gardes continues with the AEC; Gordon Smith embarrassingly young and trim, with The Federal Energy Agcy; Wally Kline in Fiscal Affairs in Fairfax Co.; and Joe Luger scheduled to join the ret. ranks on 30 Jun. The Foldbergs' daughter Sally married Rick Conniff, Class of '75, on 8 Jun in an outdoor ceremony on Chapel Point at Camp Buckner. Rick is one of 16 going into the AF this year for the last time for WP grads.

At last count on 24 Jun there were 9 sons of '51 scheduled to enter the Point with the Class of '79 on 7 Jul: Dean Anker, Mike Boatner, Bob Hyatt Jr., David Lukert, Pat Forrester, John Foldberg, Gordon Wells, and Gary Yerks. Joining also will be Rick Hoff, son of assoc classmate, Buddy Hoff.

Mary and Dan Foldberg placed flowers

and an American flag on the graves of our fallen classmates on Memorial Day. This is something John Daigh passed to Bill Stockdale who until this year kept us in touch. Bill will again pick up the honors for us next year when he returns from his sabbatical.

Speaking of next year, mark 26, 27, 28 and 29 May on your calendars. June Week and our 25th Reunion will begin at noon the 26th and end at noon on the 29th. More info will be coming to you as we get organized in Sept.

Meanwhile, listed below are the type Class projects available in the various price brackets. Currently we have approximately \$10,000 cash with \$14,000 pledged. Please select the one you would like to see '51 adopt and write to Red Leffler. We will adopt the one that receives the most support and which we can afford. We plan to make the decision in Dec so please take the time to send us your preference. Look at the price range, remember how much we have after 4 yrs and be generous in meeting or giving in excess to your pledge. Conversation buys nothing, your generous contribution can help us make a worthwhile presentation from our section of the Gray Line.

Regimental Flags (Mexican, Civil Floridian Wars) with



1951: (L-R) Foldberg, Ed Van Reiesen, Jeff Van Reiesen, Lynn Jr., Lynn McCrum Sr.

Plaque	5,000
Bench and Fountain	10,000—11,000
Cemetery Directory	10,000—15,000
Athletic Scoreboards (Wrestling, Fencing, Pistol, Rifle Competition)	11,000—15,000
Golf Driving Range	20,000—25,000
West Wing—Pie Shape Room	
Co Size Dining Room—Select decor, etc.—Washington Hall	25,000
*Commemorative Medallion for Bicentennial	400—1,200
*Fort Putnam Monograph	
Funds for research, writing and publication of a monograph on history of the construction of Fort Putnam	4,000
Guides to West Point Museum Collections. Funds to prepare descriptions of the collections of Revolutionary War Arms, uniforms, paintings and prints in the museum	10,000
*Pamphlet on West Point in the American Revolution	7,500
Honor Committee Meeting Room	
Top floor of old 1st Div of Barracks	58,000
Whistler Papers: Funds for acquisition of a collection of letters, etchings, and books of James M. Whistler	25,000
*Could check possibility of selling these items at various stands at WP with the revenue being turned over to the General Maintenance Fund to be used to help maintain specified areas at WP.	

Remember, if desired, several projects of lesser costs can be adopted with left over money being earmarked for later projects. The Honor Committee Room is beautiful but expensive. There are other rooms on the same floor that could be picked up as a project also but at a lesser cost. Look them over and let us know your thoughts and preference. Be generous.

All members of '51 offer thanks to Jim Barron for his fine efforts in reporting activities during the past several years. Good luck and Best Wishes—Jim, Gussie, and family!!

Please continue to keep the column posted on your location, activities, and desires, as well as those of other classmates around you. Looking forward to your letters!!

'52

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You should all note the above change in my address and drop me a note to tell me about your summer. As you read this, Charlotte and I and Lynda are in the process of getting settled near Boston. With due regard for the responsibility of being your scribe, we decided we'd better position ourselves at a vantage point from which better to report on the bicentennial of the country and quarter-centennial of the Class. We departed Seoul, Korea on 22 Jul and were forced to spend a few days in HI where I was debriefed at my next higher hqs. We managed to bump into King and Irene Coffman there on their way to Germany. (Although, I must admit that this was not much of a surprise since they've been our next-door neighbors in Seoul until the day we departed.)

New arrivals in Korea to keep the Class representation up after the King and I de-



1952: Bob Craig and Tom Murphy

part include Tom Ayers. Tom arrived on 23 Jun as the ADC for Spt in the 2d Inf Div.

An early correction is in order concerning a misquote in last quarter's column. A proof-reader somewhere along the line deleted part of an apparent double negative in a sentence that should have read, "For example, classmates polled by mail who do not respond, will not be counted as 'no' votes." The absence of the second "not" was quickly noted by our exec cmte who feared that some of you might think they were "double-talking us."

One of the best bits of news that I've heard recently is the new Army BC list that contains 4 more classmates' names: Ed R. Thompson, Ken Roper, Sam Wetzel, and Loyd Rhiddlehoover. I attempted to get pics of all 4 for this issue but, as of this writing, only 2 have arrived. I'll include the others in the next issue if I receive them.

Ed Thompson, in his reply, provided me the only info I've yet received on the 7 Jun Class party, as follows: "The 23d Reunion party at Paul and Pat Browns' on the 7th was a great success. About 90 people turned out including out-of-towners: the John Garvers from WP and the Jagers from Ft Hood. The barbecued chicken and beef were good, and for anyone with memories of food running out in other years, let it be recorded that the last food was consumed at 0930 on the 8th! The Blue Grass band was also a success. The weather was perfect: clear and cool. Dick Wiles had his camera and believe is sending you some pics." Ed does not



1952: Wetzel "pinned" by wife and Burdett Jun '43. New assignment is J1 EUCOM.

yet know where he's headed but expects to leave DC after 10 yrs.

Ken Roper reports that, while his selection gives good press to Post Engrs, he never actually had the job from which he will be promoted. He reported into Ord on 14 Apr and the man he was replacing wasn't ret. till 30 Jun. So, as he put it, "I've been a snowbird and now I'm a lame snowbird." Nancy stayed at Campbell and was to join Ken at Ord in Jun, but, with the promotion, Ken expected to pick up the family en route back across country to Ft Belvoir, VA. Ken reports that he's run into more classmates at Ft Ord than any other single place. For example, he mentioned Tom Leggett who'd just finished cmd of the 3d BCT Bde and was heading for Turkey. Jim Crowe took over the Bde from Tom. John Hill just finished command of the 44th AIT Bde and is to be Ft Ord Dpty Installation Cmdr. Wayne Elliott is Dir of Pers & Community Affairs. And Joe DeAngelis is in CDEC. Ken says he'll have to mothball his sailboat again at Marina del Ray, but he managed first to get in some racing and was 18th in a fleet of 314 finishers on the Ensenada Race in Apr. As he put it, "not bad for a 15-yr-old wood boat."

Sam Wetzel reports that he turned over cmd of the 1st Bde, 4th Inf Div (Mech) to Steve Nichols at Ft Carson in Jan and was scheduled to take command of the Southwestern Regl Recruiting Cmd at Ft Sam Houston on 1 Jul. But the selection for promotion changes that and he now reports 30 Jun as Dir S1, EUCOM, Patch Bks, Stuttgart, Germany. With 2 moves in 6 mos, Eilene figures to get this moving business down pat. What junk missed being discarded on the first move surely made the 2d. They're taking their 5 youngest with them to Germany and leaving Margaret Ruth (21) as a senior at U. of Miami in Coral Gables in the Army Nurse Prog and Bob (19) as a soph at Penn State. Sam says that Ft Carson is full of the Class of '52. Besides Steve Nichols, mentioned above, Dick Larkin has the 2d Bde and George Tronsrue the 3d. Sam celebrated Founders Day at Ft Sam Houston with John Rollston, Cmdr 12th TFW, and Jerry Kutz, Dir of Safety, both from Randolph AFB. He has crossed paths during his recruiting travels with Don Weinert, Little Rock Dist Engr, and Mona & Jack Driskill, Tulsa Dist Engr. He has heard from Charlie Hoenstine, who replaced Homer Kiefer as CO, 41st FA Gp in Germany in Jan. And he has heard that Al Bracy has an AIT Bde at Ft Leonard Wood.

Loyd Rhiddlehoover replaces Tom Ayers as Asst Dpty Ch of Staff-Tng at HQ TRADOC as Tom leaves for Korea. He also reports that Lou Bryan and Ed A. Thompson are at HQ TRADOC and Dave Rohr is at Langley AFB.

Together with good news, there always seems to be a bit of bad news. While I do not have any details, Orin Hilmo passed away at Ft Leavenworth, KS on 9 Apr. The Class deeply mourns his loss.

Maureen Tensfeldt sent a note from Scottsdale, AZ. She and Ray are proud of their boys, Jon and Jeff, who were home for spring break (Jon on Supt's list at USAFA and Jeff on Com's list at USMA). Jeff is in the same cadet company as his dad (D-1) 25 years later (Class of '77). Jon is in Sq 24, Class of '76. Four girls complete their family, with Judy graduating in May from Mt. St. Mary's in L.A. with a B.S. and R.N.

One of the younger set, Carol Fiala, decided to provide me some assistance and sent the following report: "Since my father, Thomas Faila, doesn't have his own public

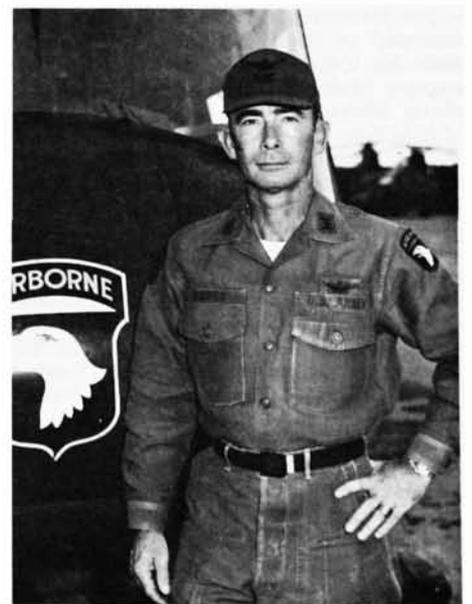


1952: Ray, Jeff and Jon Tensfeldt

relations dept to send out press releases, I decided to do it for him. He is pres of his own contracting company, Tomisite. It is located in Farmingdale, NY. Ruth, Tom and the rest of us have lived in Malverne, NY for 15 yrs. My sister Gail is 20 and a jr at Syracuse U., my brother Stephen is a freshman at St. Bonaventure U. and Carol (that's me) is a senior in high school." Tom, I'd say that you have a very good public relations dept. I wish more daughters or sons would decide to put in a plug for their pop. Tom's mailing address is 60 Ogston Terr, Malverne, NY 11565.

Jack Gilkey saw Jeff Knight at the small Portland Founders Day dinner. He says Jeff and family certainly seem to be enjoying ret. Jack also saw Lew Williams a while back. Lew is in the printing and graphics business in Tacoma and was in the throes of buying a new home in one of the suburbs not far from Ft Lewis. Jack, as pres of the local SAME post, was busy preparing to sponsor the National SAME Conv. The Gilkeys now own a 16 ft red and white boat which Maxine is threatening to name the "Screaming Eagle." Classmates passing through may want to have Jack show them the Columbia R.

I last heard from Jack Hettinger in 55 when he and I, as ILTs, supervised the construction of a sign designating Camp Pina, in the Canal Zone, as "The Eagle's Nest." He's just reported in from ret. in Colo Spgs, where he says he's a ski bum in the winter and a mountain rat in the summer. He attended Founders Day dinner at Ft Carson with Steve Nichols, Dick Larkin, George



1952: BG designate Ken Roper

Tronsrue, and Jim Cain. Steve, Dick, and George were reported on above. Jim, recently ret., has moved to Colo Spgs, where he had still not yet decided to go back to work. Jim had also recently passed his test for the Ski Patrol at the Pikes Peak Ski Area. George Bartel has joined Market Home Realty, Inc., in the DC area, with Al Thieme, Otis Moran, and Paul Brown.

Tom Murphy reported from a long weekend social in the mountains of WV with Alice and Bob Craig. He also reported that Chase and Bill Raiford were about to embark on a business trip to Europe and Bill was to continue solo to Russia. Tom's oldest son is on the Carrier Hancock, then off the coast of VN, but things sure change rapidly.

From Army Times: Tom Fitzpatrick took cmd of the 3d Bde, 9th Inf Div, at Ft Lewis; Jack Driskill left Tulsa to become Facil Engr at Ft Hood; Harry Dutchyshyn takes cmd as the Phila Dist Engr, succeeding Pete Selleck, who takes cmd of the 138th Engr Gp at Ft Riley.

The next two Class luncheons are in DC on 4 Sept and 4 Dec. If you can make them, call Bill Raiford or a member of the exec cmte for details. In any event, keep those cards and letters coming.

'53

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Hello, classmates. The news is picking up and, so far as I can tell, it's all good. Before I forget it, how about dropping a note in the mail tonight and bring us up to date on you and yours? We really are interested, don't you know?

The Class hit it big on the Army BG list of this spring. Sandy Meloy, Hiram Tompkins, Bill Burdeshaw, Dick Lawrence, John Oblinger, John Siegle, Tom Brain and Vald Heiberg join the rising stars. The poop has it that Bill Burdeshaw is staying at HQ TRADOC, Dick Lawrence will remain at his current Proj Mgr asgmt in Saudi Arabia, and John Siegle is moving to a NATO job. While we're still on the topic of generals, Glenn Otis is now the CG of the Arm TC at Knox. Also, Weemo picked up from the Weekly Activities Report that Frank Drew passed thru DC en route to Brazil, reporting at Rio in Jul as the AF delegate to JBUSMC.

Jim Pfautz reports from NYC where he is currently on the Council on Foreign Relations. He is scheduled to return to OSD this summer as dpty to Amos Jordan in Intl Security Affairs.

Mike Cousland took cmd of the 1st Bde 1st AD in Jun. Bill Hilley moved from ODCS-LOG to Korea in Jul to be G4 of I Corps Gp. Bob Rogers is at Phila in the Foreign Policy Rsch Inst. And Cary Hutchinson passed thru DC on his way to Europe and cmd of an AD Bde.

In Apr, Bill Cole was in town from Carlisle doing research at the Army Opns Cen. Would you believe the topic was Crisis Mgmt? Bill is scheduled to head up the Cmd and Control Div at C&GSC at Leavenworth after leaving AWC.

Bob Barton received a note from Patti McCarty with the news that Dyke is returning to sch at OH State in Sept to enter a doctoral program. This in addition to his full time job on the AFIT faculty at W-P, having ret. from the AF in 71. Son Patrick will join Clair Conzelman (and undoubtedly others of whom we aren't yet aware) in the new WP Class of 79. Clair, by the way, is the 3d

generation of Conzelmans in the Long Gray Line. His grandfather is USMA '26. But back to Patti's letter. She and Dyke have kept up with Tex Schneider, who is a HS principal at Enid, OK; Paul Floyd in ret. at Huston, MS (doing what, Paul?); and Bob Karns as a VWg Cmdr at Zwibrucken, Germany. Thanks for the poop, Patti. Jay Tanzer talked by phone with Pat Morrison. Pat is about to wind up his PhD program and go job hunting. Jay is Camp Cdr at Buckner this summer.

There was a tremendous turnout for the Class party at Arlington Hall back in May. Rob Roy McGregor came along with Tom and Tardy as he was in town looking for a place to settle the family, including 9 dogs and I forget how many horses, while attending ICAF next year. I got the impression that our Class ret. rate is picking up, but I'll hold any announcements until after the parade!

In early Jun, the locals held a Class meeting at Ft Myer to elect a new slate of officers to carry on the great service of Bob Barton and his crew this past year. Price-Waterhouse officiated at the balloting. In the winners' envelopes were: as Pres, Weemo Wubben; as VP, Herm Gilster; Larry Davis as Secy, and Walt Henderson as Treas. Weemo is developing an imaginative program for this next year which we'll advertise thru this column. He's going to need your support, too. How about it?

At mid-Jun, Tom and Tardy McGregor hosted a perfectly delightful party at their Springfield home in honor of Tony and Kathy DeLuca who are ret. to 15 Audubon Dr, Denville, NJ 07834. They will join Sara and Lee Rew at the BASF Corp. Sharing in the fun, good food and pleasant talk were Larry and Vi Davis, Gail and Pud Friemark, Bob and Sue Fernandez, along with Ann and me.

Think positive. BEAT NAVY!
MIZPAH!

'54

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Congratulations to Bill Hilsman and John Bard, the first of our Army classmates to wear stars!

Westy Westervelt, Dir of Plans and Tng for the 9th Inf Div, wrote from Ft Lewis that Jean helped pin Bill's stars on 3 Jun. Two other classmates, Jack Logan (CS, 4th ROTC Reg) and Bill Thompson, Ch, Ft Lewis Readiness Gp, watched the ceremony with pride, as did Bill's 4 youngsters, Karen, Allison, Donna, and William. Bill is headed for Ft Monmouth, where he will be Proj Mgr for ATDS.

Carolyn Roderick wrote from Ft Hood that



1954: Bob Keener, sworn to silence at our last DC Class party, surrounded by two of his fans and one inquiring reporter.



1954: John Bard and Marge ignore their Div Cmdr, MG Fair, to share the joy of that first star.



1954: First of a new breed: Hilsman, '54's first Army General, gets stars pinned on by wife Jean and MG Henion, CG 9th Inf Div.

Marge pinned on John Bard's lapel star on 5 Jun, while John Jr. (16) handed his father a properly-starred new cap; Lisa (14), Cathy (10) and Jim (6), Carolyn wrote, watched the "obvious pleasure in the troops of John's 2d St. Lo Bde who took part in the ceremony—they had enjoyed serving with John." Next stop for John and Marge: Brussels.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes to Joe and Dee Gerda, whose 19-year old daughter Deidre drowned in an accident in Williamsburg on 9 May. Deidre was a freshman there at William and Mary Coll; she was buried at WP on 13 May, with the Class represented by Frank and Ann Ianni, George Storck, Lloyd Matthews and George and Georgeanne Chancellor. It is impossible to express to Dee and Joe the condolences I know all of us want to convey: we all expect to see our parents die, sometimes even our wives or husbands—but not our children.

Fletch Ware writes from Ft Benning that Don Nowak is at the Inf Bd, "a hotbed of action" (not clear if that refers to Don, the Bd, Benning, which 2 of them, or all 3).

Paul Reistrup, AMTRAK's new "no nonsense" pres, was featured in a recent Chicago Tribune article. Interviewed en route on AMTRAK No. 43, Paul was quoted on the N. Phila train station as follows: "It is the worst one I have ever seen in my life—anywhere. It should be closed off and sealed." (Paul also gave train No. 43 a D-minus on his report card and described his new AMTRAK job, like "trying to find your way out of a maze to get something done.") He told the Tribune: "I owe this country a lot. I was educated at WP and missed the war—between Vietnam and Korea. I would have served the country in some way. But I am a govt bureaucrat... I'm an implementor." Sounds like the right man for an impossible job. From all of us, good luck, Paul; hope to see you aboard AMTRAK (but not on train no. 43 or in N. Phila station).



1954: DC Class party.



1954: DC Class party.

Ed Roderick was due back from Iran as this issue of ASSEMBLY went to press, headed for MASSTER; he's been advising the 92d Arm, Carolyn writes, "down in the oil country."

Yale and Phyl Weatherby took the accompanying photo from '54's DC party last May, when Andre Broumas' brother John was made an honorary member of our Class. Shown in the photo: Gene Broumas (she finally accepted my invitation to dinner), Bob Keener (forcibly sworn to silence by Dianne Hobbs) and yours truly (trying to find out what Bob wasn't supposed to talk to the press about).

Wade and Nancy Hampton and Doug Stuart got a super turn out. Among those we enjoyed imbibing with: Dale and Valerie Vesser, Skip and Anne Combs, Dick Suggs, Raymond Aquilar, Jim and Mary Lou Henry, Paul and Carolyn Jenkins, Zeb and Sandy Lasher, Ron and Faith Lemanski, Dick and Maxine Littlefield, Bob Adams, Ken and Gloria Bailey, Ginger and Roger Brown, Tom and Barbara Brown, Jane and George Calhoun, Ed and Mary Louise Cutolo, Bill and Audrey Emley, Harry and Barbara Emrick, and Maury Leiser.

Bob Geasland took time out from planning REDCOM's contingencies in Europe and the Middle East to report that Bill Klein (REDCOM's Close Air Spt Div) is wearing out Tampa's tennis courts. Vince Suppicich is also in Tampa, a civ now with "his personal version of the population explosion." Bob, incidentally, is FL's West Coast regl VP of the WP Soc and even got Iron Mike Michaelis to smile—"right in front of God and everybody"—at a recent board meeting by reminding him of a few '54 escapades when Mike was our godfather: Remember marching into the lake at Buckner, painting the central area clock, etc??? Bob exhorts us all to carry on with H-2's '54 motto, "Blight a life a day."

I saw Ken Brant when I flew to Wright Fld recently for an AM Def Prep Assn speech. Ken has been editing the monthly newsletter of the Mil Opns Res Soc while serving as Dpty for Subsystems at ASD/SDM, but said he plans to ret. this year.



1954: DC Class party.

P.S. As this copy was in preparation, we were saddened to learn that Joe Rude passed away suddenly at his home in Valdosta, GA, on 12 Jul. Burial was at Joe's hometown of Harrisburg, IL. Our deepest sympathies go to his wife Ann, son Carl and daughter Karen.

'55

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DC area classmates gathered on 6 Jun at the Cameron Sta Officers Club thanks to Charlie Johnson and Todd Graham who were responsible for the arrangements. A good crowd in excess of 60 people attended this mini-20th Reunion cocktail party. All seemed to have a good time, many renewing some long lost acquaintances. Horizons certainly have broadened for the Class of '55 both in and out of service as you will see from the interesting variety of jobs people are now doing. Reunion talk was prevalent with many planning to attend our Homecoming/Reunion in Oct.

Activities will commence on Fri 17 Oct. Bill Wix reports that plans are progressing well. An informal cocktail buffet will be held that evening. Sat a.m. there will be various reunion activities followed by a Class luncheon. Then the football game, cocktail party and Alumni Dinner Dance at the Cadet Mess (as an ex-OIC I highly recommend we all indulge in their delicacies). Sunday a.m. there will be a Class brunch. Sounds like a great weekend with a lot to do, old friends to see, and certainly worth that little extra effort to be there. It's not too late but act now and notify Bill Wix of your plans to attend. You should make your own arrangements for accommodations and football tickets.

Bill Maus, looking well and still running miles every day, is now the Cmdr of the Army Rsch Inst. He is most happy with this job and reports that Stan Sydenham will soon join him as his dpty. The Class has been well represented in the OASECDEF for Atomic Energy with Jack Goldstein, Rich Miller, and Ed Zaboroski. Rich is now a student at the ICAF, along with myself and Lee McKinney. Ed is slated to command the AD Tng Bde at Ft Bliss next summer.

Ed Anderson reports having a good year at ICAF. The highlight was his trip to London, Paris, Madrid, and Barcelona during which Betsy was able to join him. He's now working in J3, OJCS along with Tom Mullen, a recent arrival in the DC area from Ft Hood. Del and Shirley Jacobs are now in Brussels where Del is involved in the multi-nation F-16 production. Del distinguished himself at the NWC this past year and sounds like the right man for this tough job. Another NWC grad is Norm Blahuta. Norm has an interesting job with the WSEG, part of DOD.

Three classmates are working with the Nuclear Regulatory Agcy in Bethesda. They are Fran Shauer, Chuck Domeck and Jim Cutchin. Jim was recently awarded a law degree from GWU. He got it the hard way —by attending night sch for the past 4 yrs. Congratulations!

Hats off to Bob and Marly Carpenter who sponsored a VN COL, his wife and 4 girls. Dave Gilpatrick is at HQ AMC where he works on the XM-1 tank proj. Zack Hagedorn recently changed jobs from the Concepts Anal Agcy in Bethesda to CDR 11th Engr Bn at Belvoir.

Jerry and Jessie Chikalla are looking for-

ward to the British Def Coll starting in Jan. Bob Chapman is now a student at AWC commuting back to DC on weekends. Dick White, Ex-'55 (F-1) is in L.A. practicing law and doing well.

From Ft Bliss comes word that Paul and Bobbie Parks have settled into a comfortable home off post complete with swimming pool. Paul continues on the S&F of the AD Sch. Chuck is starting his 2d yr at Wesleyan Coll and Charron is a freshman at U. of IN. Paul reports seeing Willie May and John Hamilton at Bliss recently. Willie is with MAAG Brazil and was escorting some Brazilian C&GS students. John was escort for the CS Swedish Army.

From the Philippines Joe and Purita Dado send heartfelt greetings and friendship on the occasion of our 20th Reunion. Sorry he can't make it but says he hopes to be able to make the 25th in 1980.

Don Wuerz, Ex-'55 (E-1) sends word from Europe on Engr classmates assigned there. Bill Sietman is the Facil Engr at Grafenwoehr with major responsibilities for several training areas. Joe Pettet is the Facil Engr at Manheim. Ted Gay is the Dpty Corps Engr, VII Corps. Don is finishing his 8th yr (3 tours) in Stuttgart and is now Dpty Facil Engr, VII Corps. Three of his 4 sons are now in college in the U.S. The youngest is still home in Stuttgart.

Bill and Jackie Streett have returned to WP after completing a 1-yr Rsch Fellowship at Oxford awarded by the Guggenheim Memorial Fndn. Bill's studies were in the area of adv rsch in chem. He was also able to enjoy some travel in conjunction with several lectures he presented in England and throughout Europe.

Todd and Sue Graham are beginning a 2-yr tour with MAAG, Iran where Todd will be the Dir for Pers & Tng. Todd is completing a 3-yr tour in DA, DCSPER and has been a mainstay in '55 activity in the DC area. We will miss both him and Sue. Ed and Pam Trobaugh have enjoyed the past 2 yrs as XO to GEN Deputy at TRADOC HQ. They are now in HI where Ed is commanding a Bde in the 25th Inf Div. Don Isbell is at TRADOC HQ in a CD job. It was good seeing Don who drove up from Ft Monroe to join our party at Cameron Sta. Also at Ft Monroe is Al Coleman in a Cmpt job. Up the road at Ft Lee, VA with the Log Cen are Frank and Sandy Robertson. Frank is becoming an expert in log sys. Also there is Bob Johnson in the Opns Div. Dan and Donna Ludwig return to the DC scene after a 1-yr sojourn at the NavWC. Dan will become the Dir, Inst for Water Resources, OCE. My friends tell me Dan is eminently qualified for this environment oriented job based upon his previous jobs and educ (PhD in Sanitary Engr).

Many thanks to Jim Drummond for the picture in the last issue taken at the Founders Day dinner at Carlisle. Jim and Helen are now at FAS at Ft Sill where Jim joins the S&F. Don and Mary Andrews are returning "home" to CT. Don will be with the recruiting cmd. Joe Vincent and Wil McIlroy shared the miles together as "roadrunners" between DC and Carlisle. Both are happy to be returning to jobs in the DC area. Wil will be working in the OIG. He had an interesting trip to London and Paris as part of his rsch effort. While in Europe he was able to visit with Marge's parents in the Munich area. Wil also reports that as part of his master's degree program with Shippensburg in Public Administration, he worked for a month this past summer in the City Mgr's office in

Vienna, VA. George and Patty Page are going to Leghorn, Italy where George will be Dpty Engr, U.S. Army Engr Div, Mediterranean. Jerry Denman moves to DC in OSD as Asst Staff Dir, Freedom of Info. Interest in that subject should keep Jerry quite busy.

On the post side at Carlisle Bill Brown and Tom Horst both remain for another year and are analysts with the Str Studies I. Fred Woerner also continues on the S&F as Dir, American Studies. For the past 2 yrs Mal Meekison has been running the non-resident program. He's now the Cdr at Watervliet Ars in upstate NY involved in the devl, procurement, and production of various weapons. His work force and annual budget are very impressive. Congratulations, Mal!

Some more good news from the Carlisle area is that Bert Torrence and 2 boys are doing well. Jimmy Jr. was awarded the American Legion Good Citizenship Award for Carlisle JHS for outstanding achievement. He participated in football and basketball as well as other school and civic activities. Pat and I visited with Bert in May. At that time his primary interest seemed to be a "particular" girl so we must conclude his interests are numerous and he seems to be following in his dad's footsteps.

News from those turning in their "green" or "blue" suits is on the rise. Just about everyone who did not resign earlier has now achieved the distinction of completing 20 yrs service. Such a nice feeling! From the Boston area comes word that Cliff Fralen has completed 3 yrs as an Asst PMS at Northeastern U. He has accepted a position with Northeastern and is remaining there. Jim Barker ret. at Ft Leavenworth and will be going to work for U. of AL at Tuscaloosa. Phil Blanton is living in Atlanta and teaching at the U. of GA. The college scene is doing well.

Bill Haas finished his service at TRADOC, HQ. He and Laura will be remaining in the Hampton, VA area. Jerry Hawkins completed more than 22 yrs service with the AF and ret. in Mar from Sheppard AFB, TX. Dick Bean helped to close out operations in VN and returned to Ft Carson in May. Dick ret. in Aug. He and Sally will continue to live in beautiful Colo Spgs, CO. Dick Gray completed a tour on the S&F at Carlisle and plans to remain in that area. Good luck to all in your new endeavors.

In the last issue I mentioned nominations for class pres. Several nominations were received and hopefully by now you have cast your ballot and our new class pres has been determined. Announcement will be made during our reunion weekend in Oct. Hopefully the results will be available in late Sept for inclusion in my next column. By the way my deadline for that column to AOG is 30 Sept. News and photos (black and white) will be appreciated.

A final note—if you are new in the DC area or if you are still in the area but have lost contact, please call either me at home or at ICAF or Charlie Johnson in DCSPER, DA and we'll add you to our roster.

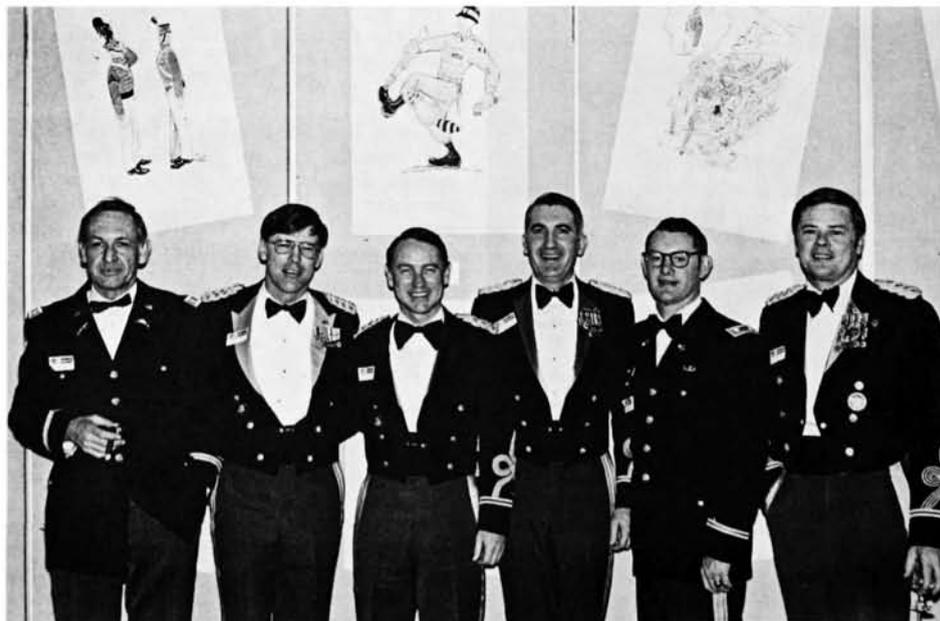
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Farrell Patrick asked that the following information concerning the 20th yearbook project be passed along to all of you. The project is well underway, and Ward Le Hardy is handling the finances and advertising. The final deadline for pictures and biographical info to Farrell is Mar 76. The book will be published in time for the Class Reunion in the fall of 76. The group completing the VN study for the book would like inputs now.

Farrell reports he and Nancy are having a great year at Carlisle, PA where Farrell is on the AWC faculty. They will return to WP this Jul and have been assigned qtrs 47, Wilson Rd, near the Hotel Thayer. Bob Sorley, George Stapleton and Don O'Shei are also on the AWC faculty. John Kirk and Charlie Glenn are there as students. Don O'Shei provided a photo of this group enjoying the Founders Day festivities which I hope can be used in this issue.

Matt Quinn is teaching at the U. of Houston, and assigned to the Mission Control Cen at the Johnson Space Cen. He has seen Tom Bullock's brother from time to time at the Center, and has run into Bob Sheridan more often as the Apollo-Soyaz mission time draws near. Bob is at NASA Hqs and also visited the USSR as part of the NASA team negotiating the flight with the Russians. Matt has offered a personal tour of the Johnson Space Cen facilities to any classmates who happen



1956: Founders Day at AWC: (L-R) Kirk, Sorley, Glenn, Stapleton, Patrick and O'Shei.

through Houston and look him up. Apparently, there was a rumor that Matt might have been one of those wounded during a student-faculty shooting incident at the U. of Houston last Apr; however, he assures me that he was not one of the victims.

We were very pleased to receive a grad announcement from James Paul Bolin Jr. He graduated from Eisenhower HS in Lawton, OK this past Jun. Speaking of graduations, Bill and Barbara Mc Peeks' eldest, Scott, also received his HS diploma this year and will be going to CO State U. Jeff, the next, will be ready for college in 3 years. Bill is Prof of Aerospace Studies at Cornell and also was elected as Secy-Treas of the newly formed WP Soc of Ithaca, NY.

Carl Coulter is still Chief of Facil Engr at NOAA in DC, and currently managing a 60 million constr proj out of his office. He and Pat managed to slip away for a week's vacation in Bermuda, however. Chuck Swezey works only 5 floors above Carl in the Environmental Monitoring office of NOAA. Chuck also has acquired 2 degrees at Cornell along the way. Carl reports that Art Boudreau is just coming off a very successful govt exchange as head of marketing for the Eastern Div of Rockwell Intl. Art is now a one-man task force in the Dept of Commerce for business contacts to the Middle East. Carl has also seen Gene Eastburn, who heads up the engr asgmts branch at OPO, John Wall, who is head of R&D at OCE, and Mark Sisenyak, whose current asgmt was not reported.

Many thanks for your cards, letters and graduation notices. We can use many more of the same, so don't be bashful about your accomplishments or those of your family.

'57

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Congratulations to all of you still on active duty. Word has it that you have done such a fantastic job the last year that you got a raise on 4 Jun (unless of course you had some prior service). Where have the first 18 yrs gone? As a matter of interest the number 18 in Hebrew is also the word life, and therefore it could be said that we are all now embarking on the "second life" after graduation. May it be a good one. Now to the news.

The last issue started with a letter from Tom Adcock announcing that Betty was expecting in Jul. I got a followup from Tom with a bid for a new Class first; Betty was given a test to actually determine the sex of the unborn child and, based on the result, has named her Wanda Callaway (Wendy for short). Tom, was the doctor right or do you now have a son named Wenday? Got a letter from Neal Ausman, who is now living in Glendale, CA. Neal is employed by the Jet Propulsion Lab and just returned from Germany where he was a consultant to the German Govt on a couple of space programs. One is a joint US-FRG project, called Helios, using a series of spacecraft to investigate the sun upclose (approx 0.3 astronomical units—put that on your pocket calculator) and the other was the launch of a spacecraft to Mars. The latter is part of the Viking program and will culminate in an unmanned landing on Mars in Jul 76. I hope the Martians don't use it to get back here, although that certainly would jazz up our bicentennial. Neal is also heavily involved in woodsculpture and stained glass design, a venture which appears to have



1957: Solberg, now in Iran, receives LM from MG Brown, CG TECOM.

resulted in some fame and fortune. He mentioned that he spent an evening with Bill and Pat Seely prior to leaving Germany, but nothing else about them. I guess Bill will have to write for himself. I met Bill Echevarria while I was TDY at Ft Knox and we spent a pleasant evening reminiscing. Bill and Margaret, and their 3 children, are assigned to the U. of Puerto Rico where he is the deputy PMS. They'd be happy to see any of you that are visiting, and to make reservations for you at the Ft Buchanan guest house if you need them. My apologies to my old roommate Cliff Goodson and his wife Sue. Cliff sent me a letter back in Feb and I did not include the info in the last column. He is the cmdr of an AIT bn at Ft Leonard Wood and says he really enjoys it. And now one of the big surprises—got a letter from Bill Huckabee. Bill and Bridgett and their 3 sons are living the good life on their 37-acre homestead in Albemarle, NC, where Bill owns the Builder Mart, a company selling building supplies and lumber, is on the Bd of Directors of the Carolina Lumber and Building Material Dealers Assn, and on the Bd of Directors of the 4th largest Savings and Loan Assn in NC. Anyone need some cash? Bill has also promised to appear in person at the Iverson's bicentennial blast next year. Got a letter and 2 beautiful pictures from Tom and Ann Olson, who are currently in HI. Tom is the area engr at Ft Shafter. It's too bad you can't appreciate the color, but the pictures should be somewhere in the column. Actually Ann wrote the letter. Maybe we've been appealing to the wrong member of the family all these years. Come on all you wives, girl friends, lovers, mistresses, and others—drop us a line and see your names in print. All those in the latter categories be sure to enclose pics. Received a letter from another wife, and am equally indebted. Let it be known that Lura and Hoyt Kennett, and their 2 sons, are alive and well, although geographically separated. Hoyt is now in Korea, in the HQ, UNC/USFK/EUSA, J3 Plans, having just left the job of DCS, Recruiting Cmd, Ft Sheridan, IL. If you have any subpar troops from that part of the country, blame it on him. Lura and the boys are spending the year in Winter Park, FL, which sounds like a mighty nice vacation.

Unfortunately, that's the end of the letters, but I did get a call from Ken Parker when he was conducting a seminar in the DC area in Jun. Ken and Joy, and their 3 children, are living in Dallas, TX, where Ken is the pres of his own company (Computer Info Mgmt). He spends a lot of time traveling and covers the country conducting seminars on computer software. He encourages you all to come and visit—they're always good for a free meal, scotch and lots of stirring conversation. (Better known as B.S.) His main message to the Class is "The world outside is waiting for '57." I knew something was wrong. Other classmates living in the Dallas area are Fred Kohler, who works for Xerox; Bill Ellis, who works for Bell Helicopter; Ken Bryan, who flies for American; and Turner Gaunt, who flies for Braniff.

The Class party at the Iversons' on 14 Jun was a great success, and the info that follows came from there. I'm happy to report that I am now convinced that some of you are actually reading the ASSEMBLY, since a couple of classmates came to the party after reading about it in the last issue. Be advised that there will be another party next year, same place, close to the same time, and you're all invited. Luis San Andres (our Filipino classmate) was in the states in Jun, for the first time since graduation. He has 4 children and is now a COL, and was here with GEN Ramos of the Filipino Constabulary. His present job is Dpty and Exec Off, ODC of Constabulary for Home Def. That's a mouthfull. Luis visited WP for June Week and made it to the party on the 14th. Some people never age, and he's one. He mentioned that Don Stackhouse is the Gen Mgr for RCA Global Comm in the Philippines, and has been there (with wife and 2 children) since 72. Luis also visited with Joe Spector, who now owns a couple of supermarkets in Short Hills, NJ. Jack Adams actually came to the party from Richmond, VA along with Jack Solomon. Both are civilians and have been for awhile. Jack A. is the secy treas for J.K. Tes---ono and Assoc, Inc. I'm sorry Jack, I just couldn't read it, but that may be fortunate since a usually reliable source says there's a lady at Indiantown Gap who's trying to get in touch with you. John and Jackie Barbazette, and their 3 children, are now in the area.



1957: Tom and Ann Olson

John is with the Foreign Mil Sales to Iran office in HQ, USAMC. Don and Bobbie Barlow are leaving MILPERCEN and going to WP where he will be Treas, USMA. Sounds like a great job. Don and Pat Baughman are in the area, and Don is a computer analyst with the Dept of Labor. Bill and Mary Champion have just moved on post at Ft Belvoir after living on the local economy since their return from Turkey. Bill is the Cmpt, Operational T&E Agcy, but I just heard the agcy is now leaving Belvoir. Wonder what happens now. Stan and Cecily Cass are now in Vienna (VA). Stan is still with ODCSRDA working on Avn R&D. Bobby and Denise Christy arrived from the AWC. He is in the Off, Ch of Army Reserve, HQ DA. Hal Dyson said that Joe and Sue Tedeschi are living in Annandale. Joe is in the process of transitioning from ICAF to DCSR&D, HQ DA. Fletch and Carlyn Elder just started a new 3-yr tour with OSD (Public Affairs). Fletch is a Freedom of Info Action Off. Carlyn is teaching at the Educ Cen, Ft Belvoir. Bob Leard has just arrived and is assigned to DCSOPS. Bob claims to be a bona fide bachelor with no children of which to speak and info which is not for publication. Wonder what he's been doing! Bernie Loeffke, another bona fide bachelor, brought along a well known TV newscaster—but I can't reveal her name. He's on orders to become CO, 1st Bde, 9th Inf Div at Ft Lewis. Bob and Beth Merrick are assigned to the Latin American Br of the OJCS-J5. Austin and Suzanne Miller were up from Hampton, VA. Austin is a DOD civ working for Combat Devl, TRADOC, at Ft Monroe. He said that Carl Burgdorf is also at TRADOC. Don and Peggy Miller are living in Fairfax, and Don is Asst Ch, Off of Sp Asst to CS, AF for Abn Warning and Control Sys matters. I had to write that out because it tops even Luis San Andres' job description. Nick and Terry Monaco now work for the new Energy R&D Admin, where Nick (a GS-15) is the Ch, Budget Opns Br. Here's another surprise visitor. Dick Murtland came in from Richardson, TX, where he is the Regl Mgr for Kepner-Tregoe, Inc. We're sorry that Susan couldn't come along with him, but I trust he was on a business trip. Dick and Phyllis Pfeiffer have joined the VA crowd, and Dick is working in ODCSOPS, HQ DA. Living in the area, but previously unknown to anyone, is an engr-turned-lawyer, Steve Quatannens. He is in the Contract Appeals Div of the JAG office at Bailey's Crossroads, having switched to JAG when he determined that it was better to be a lawyer with an engr background than an engr with a law degree. Steve says that if you need a criminal law lawyer contact Bob Comeau. As a matter of fact, and this is serious, we do have a classmate on the West Coast who could use a good criminal law lawyer. If we have one out there I'd appreciate a letter. "JD" and Esther Smith (did I get it right this time?) are still with us, but "JD" is going to Korea in Sept, as previously reported. He said that Sid Britt just relinquished cmd of the 4th Bn, 68th Arm, 82d Abn and is moving to DC to work in DA (OCSA). As mentioned earlier Jack Solomon also came up from the Richmond area where he is the Br Mgr for IBM for all of VA. Jack and Pat (and their 3 children) live in Midlothian. Len and Sandy Wishart came and corrected an error I made in the last issue. To set the record straight, Len's new job is mil asst to the SA. Shortly after he got the job, the Secy quit, which makes one wonder. Len

did say that Jerry Jagrowski is coming into the area this summer following a tour at the AFA. Others who were at the party and filled in poop sheets for me were John and Barbara Hocker, George and Ellen Iverson (it's a good thing they were there; otherwise we would have all been arrested for house-breaking), Jim and Elisabeth Jenkins, Jack and Rosaleen Meehan, Jim and Virginia Salzman, Wade and Mary Shaddock, Ed and Pam Szvetcz, Dick and Cynthia White (Dick is about to become a Staff Asst, OATSD (AE) after completing ICAF) and Gordy and Margaret Williams. Gordy has just completed the NWC, along with Jerry Dwyer, Bill Ray, and Joe O'Neill, and is going to Izmir, Turkey, as the cmdr, Det 118, TUSLOG. Special highlights of the party were the provision of all the beef by Lofton White from his herd of cattle (it was great!) and a gift from the Class to the Iversons in appreciation of their continuing support. The gift was a complete set of framed photographs of USMA, the kind you see hanging around on the walls of those who count in the Pentagon. Got a call from Tom Garigan, who is still our man at WP, saying that Guy Wallace is just back from VN, having been evacuated from a roof top in Saigon in the closing moments. He was there as a civ in the Def Attaché Off and is married to a former air line stewardess. His wife is now trying to round up the members of her family who were able to escape, while Guy is out looking for a job since the market for Def Attachés in VN is now depressed.

Shown below is the format of a questionnaire I'd like you all to fill in and mail to me. It would be greatly appreciated, will get your name in print (unless you request otherwise) and will enable us to gather up some info on the Class: 1. Name; 2. Rank; 3. Address; 4. Wife's name; 5. Children (include age); 6. Present job; 7. Next assignment (if known); 8. Info you'd like to share. Please include a brief history if you've never written before.

One of the complaints received has been about the use of unintelligible alphabet soup. I sympathize with you, especially since I don't understand it all either. Therefore, please spell out what the letters mean unless it's obvious. I am making a suggestion to the ASSEMBLY ed to put a glossary in the magazine for all to use, and if he doesn't I'll spell a bunch out in the next column. As you can see, without the party I'd be hard pressed to write the column. Also, almost no pics have been received. The theme for the next issue is "Support your DC correspondent—send letters (with pics if possible)." As a parting question, where are you Willy Smith, alias Smyth?

Added Footnote: This year, for the first time, the Class has received a mailing from USMA asking about sons who want to attend. If there are some going, please let me know.

'58

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A sad note from our pres, Jack Bradshaw. Doug Sedgwick's wife Linda passed away several months ago. On behalf of the Class, Stew Willis has sent contributions to the American Cancer Society in memory of Linda and of Jack Schneider. Fran Schneider has sent a note of thanks to '58 to those who were able to help during their time of sor-



1958: Shirley and Otto Thomasett at Redstone Arsenal.

row. Our prayers remain with both the Sedgwick and Schneider families.

A look at the Cmd Selection Lists indicates that '58 is going to have a big hand in commanding the Army during the next 18 mos. Your scribe counted a total of 36 classmates on the lists, and hopes that he didn't miss any: AD: Jack Crandall, Harrell Hall, Bruce Hamilton, Fred Kulik, Bob Mathis, and John Stone; Arm: Jack Eliot, Bill Gillette, Bill Graf, Mike Harvey, Church Hutton, Stan Maxson, and Bob Tredway; Chem: Pete Hidalgo; Engr: Bob Dey; FA (the big winner): Bob Clewell, Mike Daley, Turner Griffin, Corky Henninger, Heyward Hutson, Art Mace, Paul Makowski, Gerry Mitchell, Fritz Nuffer and Ron Olson; Inf: John Herren, Ken Montgomery, Ray Tomblinson, Ron Turner, Fred Mayer and Joe Schwar; MP: Bob Donovan; Ord: Duff Manges; Sig: Dale Cockle and Lou Gennaro; Trans: Ron Andreson. Congratulations, Classmates, as you go into the trenches. How about passing the word to your scribe as to where you are going.

We also welcome 3 new members to the '58 family. Cindi and Bob Julian have a new son, Jeffrey Edward, who weighed in at 9 lbs 10 oz in Wiesbaden Hosp on the 7th of Apr. Jan and Bin Barta were joined by son Robert Scott back in Sept 74. Alex and Charlene Johnston were married in Jun 74. Alex is now the Dpty Cmdr of the 20th Engr Bde at Ft Bragg.



1958: Jack May and friend with winning Ferrari.

Other word from Ft Bragg has it that Mel Drisco will be off to the Middle East, having turned over his bn in the 82 Abn, and that Wes Loffert may be leaving shortly for a turn at recruiting duty. Keep this Volunteer Army going, Wes!

The Barts are at Ft Kuox where Bin expects to be working for RR IV by the time you read this. Bin is finishing up a master's degree in Sys Mgmt from USC by long distance—using the USC computer from a Knox terminal! Bin notes that Max Pearsall has been advising the 149th Arm Bde, KY NG.

Over in Vientiane, Laos, John Soper is winding up a 2-yr tour as an Asst Air Attaché. By the time this issue hits the street, John should be commanding the 9th Fld Maint Sq at Beale AFB, CA. During a recent visit to Bangkok he ran into Pete Kullavanijaya, now an O-6 and Asst G3, Royal Thai Third Army, and ex-classmate John Bond.

Meanwhile, around the Pentagon Ben Pellegrini is in the process of becoming a Mil Exec to the SA. One can't help but wonder if there is any relationship between Ben's arrival and the sudden departure of Bo Callaway. If you're affected by a sudden reduction in ammunition plant opns, the guy you'd better call and talk to is Bob Gall in DCSRDA. Sam Collins is due into DCSOPS shortly from Europe and Jack Bradshaw is now scheduled to move into ASD(ISA), although that is subject to change. Amos A. Jordan will be waiting for you there, Prez!

Elsewhere in DC, Tom Sands moves back into OPD before the 1st of Jul, this time into the COL's Div. Jim Hall, with the Def Nuclear Agcy, is now Exec Secy of a high powered consultant group and finds a good part of his time spent on the road, most of that on the West Coast.

The photo of Shirley and Otto Thomasett, taken at Founders Day festivities at Redstone Ars, is proof that we're still strong in AL.

Finally, if you missed the 5 May issue of Time magazine, you missed it all. Jack May, now of Gainesville, FL, and a friend have set a new transcontinental auto speed record—from NYC to Redondo Beach, CA in 35 hrs and 54 mins and only one traffic ticket! Jack won the 75 Cannonball Baker Sea-to-Shining Sea Memorial Trophy Dash with only one traffic ticket in a beautiful Ferrari. If you don't believe that one, look at the photo and think of the TDY money you could save! That's Jack in the front.

'59

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Polly and I were delighted to see Jerry Fogel in May while he was here watching the machinations of the Congress. One of the debates he attended concerned the admission of women to the service academies. He writes as follows:

"This reporter's first reaction upon learning of the vote as I sat in the gallery of the House of Reps and realized that women were to be admitted to the halls, to say nothing of a few other places, of our revered institution, was "YIPPEE!" I immediately wired GEN Berry for a readmission application, but was turned down—something about my age. Discussing this turn of events with my old roomie, J. Herman Coreth, he, naturally, came up with the observation that Beast Bks Shower Formations would certainly take on a new twist, or curve, and that we surely should have to change that report! Two minutes in the shower, hell!



1959: (L-R) Dorris, Wheeler, Palmer, and Lutz.

"In a more serious vein, however, there are many things to be considered. For example, Plebe Wrestling, formerly an unpleasant after-breakfast experience, might now become more popular. Dragging, however, would have its drawbacks (how do you tell your roommate you have a date with someone else?).

"I can hear your wives, who are ingloriously reading this missive over your shoulders (for shame, ladies—for a short while longer, at least, this is a man's magazine) accusing me of being a male chauvinist you-know-what. Believe me, ladies, you should have been in the Gallery during the debate, as I was, to hear some real MCP rhetoric!

"I just thought of one final advantage to having the female of the species in our midst. Sales of ASSEMBLY would boom and Joe would never again complain for lack of classmate participation if the editor were to add a new feature: a 'Cadette of the Month' centerfold.

"Well, take that Bella Abzug and Sam Stratton—and you thought we'd be upset. 'Follow Me' has taken on a whole new meaning!

"See you at our 20th. I'll be dragging a cadette from A-1... old times you know."

Everyone who wrote to me for this issue (both of them) mentioned the prospect of women at WP. The other (of the 2) correspondents was Dick Sundt, who, along with Bill Zaldo, Dick Bennett and Stan Kanarowski, is putting together a '59 European Reunion at Berchtesgaden over Labor Day Weekend. I am sorry that you will receive this issue too late to sign up for the festivities, but I'm sure a good time will be had by all of those on the mailing list. Speaking of which, it is short enough to be included here, so it will be. Last names and APO's are as follows: Baldwin (09403), Bennett (09053), Broocke (09696), Corby (London), Cotts (09403), Dorris (09351), Ferguson (09165), Gray (09039), Hewitt (09111), Hightower (09162), Ivey (09039), Johnson, B. (09168), Johnson, G. (09175), Kanarowski (09053), Kendall (09166), Krawciw (09411), Larson (09033), Lutz (09107), Fuller (09139), McInerney (London), Moraski (09165), Netzloff (09742), Oliver (09737), Palmer (Frankfurt), Passarella (09403), Pistone (09227), Pollock (09403), Roberts (09114), Rogers (09175), Seybold (09111), Sadler (09074), Sullenberger (09111), Sundt (09403), Todaro (09168), Turner, R. (09162), Wheeler, J. (09107), Wilson (09403), and Zaldo (09403). So start writing to each other and to this column when you have the chance. Dick Sundt promises complete info on everyone, maybe even pics, after the event occurs.

John McInerney organized a mini-reunion at the Pentagon Officers Athletic Club on 23 Jun where beer and snacks were enjoyed by all. Bud Imler took some pics which will

hopefully be ready by next deadline date. The attendees I saw and spoke to were Frank Besson, Tom Borlund, Ed Burba, Fitz Chandler, Phil Gibbs, John Gurr, John Guthrie, Jim Hahn, Dick Maglin, Bob McDonald, Bob Novogratz, and Walt Wosicki.

Get off your duffs, folks; we need poop.

'60

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This is the last time I am going to write this column in the middle of a move. Maybe it will be the last time I write the column or make a move. Fortunately, a number of Founders Day pics and letters came in which makes filling the page a little easier.

John Ello reported on the Founders Day activities at Ramstein AFB in Europe. The Class of '60 had 10 of the 80 in attendance, which provided more than a fair share of the audience comments during the necessary speeches. John is the XO to the USAF VCINC which to me means clean sheets when you go to the field—if you go! John indicated that the affair at Ramstein was a first, so we can look forward to bigger and better affairs in the future.

SHAPE, Belgium provided the next news and photo. Hank and Sharon Drewfs have moved from the U.S. Del at NATO in Bruxelles to the G2 of the 3d Inf Div in Wurzburg, Germany. At the time of the letter, all Sharon could say was that it is great to be back with the Army. The Drewfs pass on an invitation to all travelers to make a stop in Wurzburg. Ed Garton and Randy Perkins are also with the 3d. Andrea and Bob Leech were in the midst of a guessing game with DA at the time of the Drewfs' letter. It appeared that a SHAPE ext or Civ Sch were the 2 options leading the pack.

Peg and Bob Ammerman are being re-assigned from DCSRDA to Martin-Marietta Aerospace Co. in Orlando, FL (Bob's hometown). This will be part of a year long look at the industry side of R&D programs. Bob will be the Asst Program Mgr for the Cannon Launched Guided Projectile Program. Next summer the Ammermans will probably go to Ft Monmouth. Bob took an elk with a bow last fall. He would like to pass on to H.B. Smith that he can have his "small" deer head back since he is having trouble with his household goods weight allowance.



1960: Michigan Founders Day: (L-R) Gwen and Art Judson, Janice and Grant Schaefer, Mary and Harry Brownfield.



1960: Ramstein AFB: (L-R seated) Hayes' date, Mrs. Ello, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Ritchie; (L-R standing) Hayes, Ello, Bennett, Kramer, Mrs. Kramer, Ritchie.

(Sounds like a problem that is beginning to plague most of us—and elk heads don't count as professional equipment.) The Ammermans' address—6523 Wynglow Lane, Orlando, FL.

Received word this spring that Jim Stewart had been awarded his 2d Navy CM for VN service for (get this) service from Sept 68 through Nov 72. Anybody who would hang in there that long deserves 4 or 5 of those things.

Art Judson sent word from the MI Founders Day dinner. Grant Schaefer is still Mgr of Schaefer Chemical in Saginaw. Harry Brownfield is a sr designer with Fisher Body (If I had the time, I'd expand on that), and Art is still in the Commercial Ins business with Frank B. Hall and Co. Joan and Pat Clarke were also in attendance but left early before the picture. Pat is an auditor-in-charge with the Def Contract Agcy.

Keith Garner sent along a picture of his son Jamie and his first deer. There was also quite an article from the Abilene newspaper which essentially pointed out the fact that Jamie outshot Keith decisively—in fact Keith has since taken up fishing.

Tom Eynon and family have moved from Taiwan to Knoxville, TN; however, the job is unknown. Tom says he'll be at homecoming. Mark Lowrey sent word via John Lenti that he has just finished undergoing neck surgery at Walter Reed. Seems that bridging 5 minutes a day since graduation has taken a very severe toll. He didn't say so, but all I can envision is Mark with a



1960: SHAPE, Belgium—Hand and Sharon Drewfs; Andrea and Bob Leech.

size 24 neck. At any rate, the Lowreys are still in Panama where Mark is doing his thing with the Sec Asst Off.

Tom Noel delivered a talk to the WP Soc of NY in Apr. Tom reportedly delivered a well-prepared, well-delivered, and well-received talk. Anyone else in the Class would have given such an undertaking 2d thoughts with O'Connor, Holleman, Schneider and Handler in the audience. Buck Bochnowski did give some support, but only because he promised Carol he would when he left the house.

Hank Fisher is leaving his job at Andrews as the XO to the VC of something or other to become the first of our Class (as far as I know) to attend a sr service sch. Hank will attend the ICAF commencing long before this hits the newsstands. Congratulations Hank—the rest of you eat your hearts out.

Hope to see the majority of you at the Reunion—if you are coming bring your camera and we'll make the editor of ASSEMBLY wish he had never agreed to print pictures.

'61

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For whatever the significance, this is the first ASSEMBLY report for our Class that has come from the home of such wonderful things as the "veto-proof" Congress, columnist Jack Anderson and the Washington Post, the highest cost of living in the country, and of course, the Pentagon. As Dale mentioned in the last issue, Ron Hannon decided to move the Class hqs here. Gary Hyde is the treas and I the scribe—temporarily until we can organize elections. We have delayed until the summer turnover is done.

I would like to be able to congratulate new MAJs (P), but the LTC list is being held up while Congress acts on our budget. Since Dale reported the command list selectees, the MILPERCEN dart board came out of its dark closet. Some asgmts are: Jerry White from Inf Br to Panama (Mech Bn) this summer and Tom Gordon from DA DCSPER to Germany (175 Bn) in Sept. Next



1961: L.A. Founders Day 1975: (L-R) GEN Haig, Zaldo, Jaulwan and Strauss.

summer: Bill Reno from OCSA to Riley (Engr Bn), Mike Hale from DA DCSOPS to Berlin (Inf Bn); Ray Starsman from OSD to Korea (Hawk Bn); Pete Offringa from DA DCSOPS to Hood (Engr Bn, 2d AD), and Howie Graves from OSD to Germany (Engr Bn). Discovered how to make a preference statement work—Jerry White made one up for me and took it down the hall to FA Br. Got my first choice (from OCSA to a 105Bn, 7th Div, Ft Ord). Jerry takes full credit. R.J. Wooten, Moose Harmon, and George Joulwan will take/have taken commands in Germany along with Rusty Dyer and John Solomon. Bob Chelberg has an FA Bn in the 2d AD. John Cornelison and Frank Tilton are due into DA DCSOPS this summer. Gary Lord moved from MILPERCEN to Congressional Legislative Ln in the SA's office. Al Armstrong's 2d tour in Cambodia was abruptly curtailed by the bad guys, but not before he was wounded (not seriously). He is at Ft Ord, reportedly to be the Race Relations Equal Opportunity Off. Bob Rosenkranz phoned on his way from Ord to Germany (2 yrs in Garmisch studying Russian and wedels) with following report: Bruce Bradford is at Monterey in DLI; Larry Richards and Ken Meissner at Ord with CDEC and Tom Rosseau is Asst G4 in the 7th Div. Rod Granneman is there studying Saudi and will be deferred from his cmd until he completes a 2-yr tour in Saudi Arabia.

A long letter from Red Zaldo included a pic of '61 folks at L.A. Founders Day dinner: Red, Bob Strauss (still flying w/Continental and negotiating for the ALPA when he's not doing whatever bachelors do in Marina del Rey), and George Joulwan and GEN Haig (not '61). Red is Shell Oil's Dist Engr in Long Beach (again proof that one's class standing is an indicator of one's class standing and not much else. Congratulations, Red). He has recently seen: Pat Carroll in Detroit; Glen Adams in Dallas; Frank Egan in Atlanta; Manny Sciveletto at Norton AFB, CA; Al Vanderbush and family en route to AK;



1961: Shipleys and Gibsons at Barb's folks' on July 4th.

and Ken Meissner and Bob Rosenkranz at the Army-Cal game last fall. He also reports that Tom Mercer is with Borst Investments Planning Svc, Inc. in Albany, GA. Red's address is 10197 Stilbite Ave, Fountain Valley, CA 92708. Thanks to recent Congressional action, Bill and Louisa Heiberg may be able to carry on a family tradition by sending not only their 2 sons to WP, but their new daughter, Harriet. Other new arrivals are: Zaldos', a red-headed girl (will be 2 this Sept), Gordons' no. 2 son, Steven Glynn (born last Sept and named after godfather Glynn Mallory), and Rod and Jan Granneman—their 2d.

Janet and Pat Hillier have made their stay in the DC area somewhat permanent. Pat is now a civ working in OSD. Hank Lilienthal is out and works for OMB. Bob Hampton is a principal in the DC mgmt consulting firm of Cresap, McCormick and Paget. He bought a farm on a mountain top in WV that he, Betty, Betsy, and Kerry commute to frequently on the weekends. The Hydys and Holbergs spent a weekend there with them—a real haven from the DC rat race. Roger Middlesteadt has recently been appointed production supt at Corning's plant in Pakersburg, WV. Dave Biddinger checked in for the first time in 5 yrs to report that he is a sr staff engr at GM's Tech Cen in Detroit. He is a jogging enthusiast (4 miles a day) and member of the Natl Jogging Assn and Detroit Striders. He'd be right at home here where thousands of young and old, male and female daily pound their frustrations into the pavement of the parking lots and cloverleafs surrounding the Pentagon. Dave and Vicki and their 3 children live at 16050 Dumblaine, Birmingham, MI 48009 (313-642-5828).

Dale advises that another plea for the AOG fund drive is in order (and by the time this article is printed, my late contribution will have relieved me of any hypocritical twinges). That fund provides money for worthwhile cadet activities that otherwise will not be available—contrary to popular belief, cadet privileges have not been so expanded that cadets do not need the benefits from that fund. And, if subscriptions to alumni publications continue to fall off, we will keep replacing the historian until we find one whose articles are sufficiently fascinating to bring in a flood of subscriptions.

LATE FLASH! Congratulations to classmates who came out on the latest LTC list. You can see the names in the ARMY TIMES under Primary Zone sequence nos. 1546-1597.

'62

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At this writing, I am in the muddle of another move. We leave WP with mixed emotion and take residency for a few months at the AFSC.

I recently saw JJ Kelly and his family on a sightseeing tour of WP. They had visited on the first Tues in Jul to observe the arrival of new cadets only to find that the new cadets now arrive after the Jul 4th holiday. The Kellys just left the AFSC and are en route to Ft Hood.

John Dilley is here for 2-wks summer training; he does his summer duty with the Dept of ES&GS. John now resides in Maplewood, NJ.

Gary Sharp sent me a photo of himself and Bill White on a cross country ski trip near



1962: (L-R) Webb, Lougren, and Sarran.

Steamboat Spgs, CO. I regret that I cannot share the photo; it is a magnificent example of But sadly, the photo is in glorious color and will not print. Gary develops real estate in CA and may be contacted at 796 Woodside Lane E., #1, Sacramento, CA 95825.

Bob Carroll sent me an update from Ft Carson. Jerry and Karen Commello are expecting an addition to their family. Jerry is the XO of an Inf Bn. John Schmidt is due to move from S1, DISCOM to XO of the S&T Bn. When Karen allows it, John works out as the post handball champ. Dave and Sharon Garvin are scheduled to depart Ft Carson for the AFSC. Denny and Mary Jo Reimer recently arrived at Carson; Denny is with DIVARTY S3. Finally, Bob Carroll claims that he is busy winning the minds and hearts of the cowboys and Indians as Div G5. He confesses that the brighter side of his life is Betty Sue and his 2 small, chunky boys.

From our Marine classmates: Marsh Carter has been selected as a White House Fellow for this year. He is the 2d one we have had to receive this honor. John Mumford was a Fellow during the 72-73 class. Congratulations Marsh. Gary Garwick is stationed with the Navy in DC.

Ray and Julie Pendleton send their regards from New Orleans. Ray's business, the Pendleton Detectives, Inc., is doing well and recently he was installed as pres of the Executives Club of LA. Ray said he still ends up the days helping with the dishes at home.

That is it for now. I welcome any news you can send.

'63

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It is a sad duty indeed to announce to the Class the untimely and tragic deaths of 3 members of the '63 family.

Roger Stribling was killed in a private plane crash at Hilton Head, SC on 26 Apr 75. Roger was VP of the heavy equipment firm of Stribling-Packett, Inc. in Jackson, MS. He had recently been named winner of the Jackson Jaycees Distinguished Service Award and subsequently honored as one of the Mississippi Jaycees 3 Outstanding Young Men in the State for achievements in civic and religious life. Barbara and the 4 children reside at 2259 E. Manor Dr, Jackson, MS 39211. I know she would like to hear from Roger's many close friends. Roger was a dedicated father, devoted churchman, and successful businessman—he will surely be missed.

On 24 Jun 75 Pete McCullough was the check pilot aboard the Eastern Airlines plane that crashed at Kennedy Airport in NY. Pete

was buried in Park Ridge, NJ on 28 Jun 75. Ellen and the 4 children reside at 2 Hall Ct, Park Ridge, NJ 07656. A memorial service is planned for Pete here at WP on 3 Jul. I regret that I have limited information on this tragic event. I urge those of you who knew Pete well to contact Ellen at the above address.

George DeGraff's great lady, Mary, died of double viral pneumonia on 24 Jun 75 at Mount Sinai Hosp, NY. Although the doctors at WP and NYC did all they could, the viral infection took Mary in a very short time. Mary had been an active participator in the WP community and was preparing to send George off to Korea for a year. George will be reassigned, but nothing definite yet. George's address is 3082B Stony Lonesome, West Point, NY 10996. Lee and Mary Ann Earnest have organized a DeGraff Memorial Fund to accept donations in memory of Mary to be used to purchase a meaningful gift for the new WP Hospital. Contributions should be sent to: DeGraff Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 3, West Point, NY 10996.

As I write this, it seems inappropriate to include other notes—

It has been a sad week at WP. I do not know who the new scribe is, or will be; however, send your notes to my address and I will forward them to the new scribe. Next deadline in 30 Sept 75.

'64

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As you may note from the above return address, George Vondruska has passed on the baton as Class scribe. He has served the Class faithfully and well in his endeavors and we all owe him a big vote of thanks as he moves on.

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of Allison Wilderman on 10 Apr 75 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Graveside services were conducted at the WP Cemetery on 17 Apr. Allison is survived by Glenn and their 3 children,



1964: Only her hairdresser knows for sure.



1964: (L-R) Sternberg (disguised as Al Russo); Cope, back to camera; Leslie Seiler as Columbia; Seiler in defilade.

Susan Ann, David Albert, and Jay Allen, who are now living at 276 Slocum Rd So., Ontario, NY 14519. Glenn is currently working for Eastman Kodak.

News from the field finds members of the Class involved in a host of constructive activities.

John Knutzen reports from Leavenworth the arrival of his and Lenore's first daughter, Kristina, on 27 Jan 73 (late report) and 2d daughter, Kerrie Elizabeth, on 14 Apr 75. Congratulations to all concerned. John also hypothesized a correlation between basic branch and gender of offspring. A quick survey of 9 CE classmates in the CGSC Class of 75 revealed a total of 18 daughters and 4 sons. The results of this survey led him to observe that for CE classmates wishing to make future contributions to the Long Gray Line, recent Congressional action on women at the service academies may have lost some of its sting. The Knutzens are headed for an exchange tour with the Navy in San Diego and are already rooting for a scrubbing of the Mids this fall.

Beverly Winter, the widow of our classmate Carl, recently completed work on a bachelor's



1964: Baratto in his imperial summer robes and Amy Robinson as the court jester.

degree while continuing her role as both mother and father to son Curt. Bev is planning to run for City Council later this year, so it looks as though she will be putting her educ credentials to good use. Congratulations, Bev, and good luck!

Denny Gillem is currently holding down the XO slot in 1-26 Inf at Göppingen, Germany. He reports having seen only 2 classmates in Germany—Lanny Fly, now back in the Army as a Chaplain, and Al Williams who is in an arty bn. Denny and Marilyn recently passed through WP en route to the AFA where Marilyn's brother Pat graduated and Denny commissioned him.

There has been much Class activity at our Rockbound Highland Home as well. The normal activity of wrapping up the academic year with term end exams, Leadership Evaluation Sys forms, counseling, visiting, and parties has given way to preparing for the new year with course plans, new instr tng, Camp Buckner, and new cadet tng to keep us all occupied. Some like Norm Grunstad who recently received his Private Pilot Certificate and Holly who flew as his first passenger, have been especially productive.

The highlight of recent Class activity was the costume party held at the train sta on 14 Jun. It would be extremely difficult to convey the mood of the occasion in print, but fortunately Al Russo has provided us with some well composed and illuminating pics to do the job. I believe they speak for themselves.

Prizes, which consisted of chilled bottles of champagne, went to Leslie Seiler for best costume, to George Fisher for most infeasible costume (a doctor equipped with Preparation H), to Oren Swain for most creative costume (Uncle Sam) to Jim Cornell for most ridiculous costume, and mother-to-be Sandy Boyd for sexiest costume. Tom and Christa Devanney received an award for the most appropriate costumes; and Dave and Judi Bramlett, Jay and Peggy Cope, and Norm and Holly Grunstad got prizes for the best couples costumes. Prizes also went to Jay and Peggy Cope for the couple married the longest and Dave and Judi Bramlett for the couple most recently married. With all these champagne corks popping, a good time was had by all.

The big news from WP, however, is that the number of classmates here is rapidly declining. By the latest rough count we are scheduled to lose 29 this summer and only gain 5, which should leave us with about 39 present for duty. In practical terms, this means that it will become increasingly difficult to stay in classmates' homes for football games and reunions, but this shouldn't dampen our desire to periodically reassemble and reminisce.

The biggest contingent is departing for C&GSC at Leavenworth. This group includes Howie and Babs Bachman, Bob and Carol Balderson, Dave and Judi Bramlett, Arnie and Linda Gaylor, Norm and Sandi Gill, Denny and Ellen Gilson, Ray and Iris Knell, Barry and Jill McCaffrey, Denny and Leslie Seiler, Chris Shore, Bruce Sinclair, Don and Kathy Ullman, Juba and Sharon Wass De Czega, and Wayne and Cindy Wheeler. Pete Schmeelk is passing through the 2-wk resident phase of C&GSC to complete the correspondence course en route to DC where he is scheduled to be an intelligence briefer in the OCSA.

Also headed for staff colleges are Bruce and Carol Howard and John and Louise Murray to the AFSC at Norfolk; and Seth and Joy Hudgins and Dave and Sandy Kirkpatrick to the NavCSC at Newport, RI.



1964: Holly and Norm Grunstad tending bar for thirsty Rangers coming off patrol.

Bill Annan and Bob Ballagh are on orders for Korea. Bill Mayhew was also on orders for Korea, but he and Norma are now headed for Augsburg, Germany. Norm and Holly Grunstad have orders for Berlin. Roy and Judy Finno and Dave and Lory Roessler are en route to DC. Bill and Marge Jackman are going to Ft Carson, CO.

Two classmates stationed here are leaving the Army, Jack Darrow will be going to work for Chase Manhattan as a budget anal and Morry Lent will be attending the Episcopal Seminary at the U. of the South in Sewanee, TN.

New arrivals include Ken Sprague (Phys), Joe Arnold (Hist), Waldo Freeman (Soc Sci), and Frank Giordano and Ed Sims (Math).

That's about it for now. I would only like to add the traditional reminder from all newly appointed scribes that any news of your activities and those of other classmates (and especially pictorial documentation of same) help keep friends informed and the Class bound together.

Best wishes to all and Beat Navy!

Late flash: Congratulations to Dave Baratto, Ged Brown, Dan Evans, Waldo Freeman, Frank Giordano, Dwayne Lee, Carl Megnell, and Tom Reese on their selection for promotion to LTC. The Class is well represented.

'65

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The 10th Reunion has come and gone and because of the calls and notes we will do it again at "Homecoming 1975." More later. About 163 classmates returned for the Reunion. Some came a great distance. To mention a few: Winstead—Japan; Ruggles—OR; Buckowski, Seleski, Kuhn—CA; Tuchings, Paek—TX; O'Donnell, Cindric, Myers—Ft Sill; and Bryant—AR. Some came disguised with beautiful beards—Jack Terry and Roger Frydrychowski. For only a nominal fee the local Native Guide will send the 15 qualifying



1965: Delores and Dick Mohlere, Marge and Miké Drinkwater, Nancy and Bill Hecker, Founders Day, Redstone Arsenal.



1965: 1st Regt at C&GSC 1975.



1965: The Wild Bunch



1965: 2d Regt at C&GSC 1975.



1965: (L-R) Thompson, Brown, Renny, Keith and Radcliffe.

wives their Recondo Patch. Remember the boat ride back.

New local Class Officers are Pres—Gilchrist, VP—Sperry, Treas—Reed, Secy—Ryan, and the Assoc Rep—Heaston. They will be hard pressed to surpass the excellent work of the outgoing Class Officers, but we are sure it can be done.

New children have arrived for the Genettis', the Applers, and the Ryans. If there are any more please advise!

Incoming classmates are John Alger and Tom Fergusson—Hist, Zig Roebuck—OMI, Bob Radcliff and Pat Kenny—TAC, Jim Golden and Sandy Hallenbeck—Soc Sci and Bob Baldinger—Engr.

In light of the fact they could not make the Reunion, Clair Gill who is off to Europe sent some great pics of the Class members who just graduated from Leavenworth. The pics were taken by Colin Halvorson, a recent photo hobbyist. The only ones missing in the pics are the McGurks, the Higgins, and Matteson.

Preston Hughes sent a pic of the "Wild Bunch" who look more like "Grey Hogs" everyday. Marianne and Jim Paley, c/o Mcgaughy, Marshall and McMillan, Bldg B, Athens Towers, Athens 610, Greece, report that Duncan and Jeanne MacVicar, Fremont, CA have visited and that they are looking for the rest of us to drop in on them. Those of you looking for Terrence Tutchings can write Andrews and Assoc, 304 Travis Park W., San Ant, TX 78205. A little information for the wives, Bill Byrne just became a Dr of Obstetrics and Gynecology from Penn State. Congratulations are also in order to all the new MAJs.

There is a big drive to increase the number of grads who subscribe to the ASSEMBLY. What better way to keep updated on WP and your classmates. The Class is getting closer together, but I need to hear from the Silent Majority to color in the entire picture. All pics and letters will be greatly appreciated and printed.

Now the best for last. We are an official Reunion Class at "Homecoming 1975." So



1965: (L-R) Alger, Bailey, Shirl Bailey, Webb, Watson, Tragemann.

far a tailgate party before the Pitt-Army football game and the AOG Dinner-Dance are planned. The man to write is MAJ Gilchrist, Dept of History, USMA, West Point, NY 10996. Get reservations with AOG, NOW! Let's out do Jun!

"Strength and Drive" Bud.

'66

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I just saw Jim White on the steps of the O'club and he asked me when the next issue of our class notes would be published. I frantically searched through my mind to try to remember and realized that my notes were due to the AOG by 30 Jun! And tonight—(2 Jun)—Bonnie and I are due to leave for Spain until 30 Jun. Consequently, I am now writing what I can between open house/static display assignments to provide some information for our Class. Unfortunately, many of you who will write to catch me before the deadline will have your information published in the Dec 75 issue. This is great to hurry this little bit of information out to you—I felt just like a cadet again—trying to squeeze out a yesterday assignment.

Actually, I have managed to press Phil Riley into service to edit and amend these notes up through the end of Jun. It seems that many of you must also be suffering from that cadet-induced malaise known as—wait until the last minute to let Seigle in on our news!

Well, returning to Jim White who was left standing on the steps, Jim explained that he and Justin Pleasant were at WP under the auspices of the DCA to provide commo support for Pres Ford's graduation address to the Class of '75. It certainly is nice having classmates in high places who are capable of bugging the Pres's ear. Jim reported that Justin was still single—is that a class record (?)—and is living in Alexandria, VA. Jim and Justin were roommates in Alexandria until Jim married the former Rozann Skozen about a year ago. Good news sure travels fast? Rozann is an atty with the Civil Aeronautics Bd and she is quite an accomplished pilot. As a matter of fact, Rozann and Jim met while they were both enrolled in the same flight instr classes at Washington National. Talk about jet-set romances... Jim



1966: Welch and Carole Anne Agnew with daughter, Laney Ann.

also mentioned that he thought he might hold a '66 record since he still had his original '66-graduation special—Corvette. However, Hank Langendorf said that he still had his '66 Malibu and that he thought that Rick Thoden still had his original GTO.

Having very little fresh information from which to work, I decided to call Rick to check on the reliability of Hank's memory. Laura Thoden told me that she and Rick disposed of their beautiful, beautiful GTO only 4 months after graduation because Laura was too short to reach the pedals and Rick refused to put wooden blocks on the brake and clutch pedals after Laura had missed 8 changes of a light on a busy thoroughfare. Not bad so far, Hank!

To give you some insight into how well informed I am through sources other than you, Jim and Hank had to tell me of Wes Clark's selection as a White House Fellow for the coming year. Hank reminded me that the news had been printed in the local paper. However, I was perceptive enough to realize that the Korea 1975 Founders Day picture was incorrectly labeled. Even after 9 years, John Ford doesn't look anything like Neils



1966: Founders Day, Redstone Arsenal: (L-R) Tim and Tina Fields, Tom and Van McLaughlin, Johnny and Gina Zierdt.

Biamon, and Thornblom and Coats really haven't exchanged faces. The only one in the picture who was correctly labeled was Woody Brown—all of which leads me to believe that some heavy drinkin' was goin' on in Korea that night and Woody Brown was responsible for submitting the picture. That will teach you guys to send your photos to your old scribe next time instead of straight to the ASSEMBLY. My last question is—where is Biamon?

Carol Correia wrote me to say that she, Rusty, and the kids (Katie—6, Rusty—2½) were leaving Germany and moving to an ROTC assignment at Providence Coll, Providence, RI anytime after 15 Jul 75. And, since I'd never print this on my own, Carol's exact words were, "We'd be glad to hear from (see, feed, etc.) any classmates visiting New Engl after 15 Jul 75. Their new address is: CPT & Mrs Wm H. Correia, c/o Silvia, 1222-R Hope St, Bristol, RI 02809.

Dennis Perkins was caught lurking around the OML hallways last month while waiting for a briefing from our office on the new Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT). That's AOT for you old grads! Dennis is a training officer in the XVIII Abn Corps G3 section. He mentioned that John Rantala was in the same G3 office after finishing a tour of AK. Dennis also reported that Jim Lee was just leaving Ft Bragg with his PhD in physics and was thought to be on his way to WP, and Dave Crowell was listed as an S3 of an FA Bn in the 82d.



1966: Wright receives CM at the Citadel.

I also saw John Carrow at WP in Apr while he was inspecting the USMA computer operations under some boondoggle ticket from the CSC. John is a proj officer for advanced programming techniques, and he and Lani and 2 children (Jon—8, Melanie—6) live in Springfield, VA.

Information I received that was too late to make the last issue was received from John Dubia at Ft Hood. Bruce Schremp is in the 142d Sig Bn, 2 AD, as a co cmr. Bob Michener is in a sig bn in the 13th COSCOM. Reed Canning visited Hood from Austin where he is beginning his master's work in Motion Picture Prod at the U. of TX Aud; finally, John and Maureen Dubia are winding up their tour as S3 of the 1/78 FA in the 2AD, on their way to CGSC. Thanks for the news, John.

My old roommate, Rich Tarpley, was up here some time ago and I forgot to mention that he, Emily, Scott, Neva, and twins were all enjoying their lives at the U. of DE in an ROTC assignment.

Kerm Morgan, his wife, Carole Anne, and kids (Michelle and Mike) stopped by my qtrs on the way to Jerry Moll's qtrs down the street. Kerm was passing through WP on his way to an educators conf in DC. Kerm is now working (??) as the Dean of Student Affairs at Mount Senario Coll, Lady-smith, WI. Many of us remember Kerm as the Don of Affairs around here. To add to his already impressive credentials, Kerm collected his MA from U. of WI in 72 and his PhD in clinical psychology from NM State in 74—all after working as an engr for 1 day in Milwaukee.

The final news transmitted to me as of this date mentioned that Jouni Keravouri will be headed to the Navy C&S this fall after



1966: Utter and his camouflaged wheels! We knew recruiting was bad but camouflage?



1966: Picnic at Ft Leavenworth. Sitting (L-R): Gay Kelsey, Kelsey, Dunn, Faber, Anderson, Utter; kneeling: Rita Dunn, Ellen Faber, Ann Anderson, Linda Gorski; standing: Scott, Seger, Susie Scott, Nicki Seger, Grant, Ellen Grant, Harrison, Joyce Kirk, Kirk, Gert Clark, Judy Harrison, Gorski.

his return from overseas this summer. Also, Jim Gardner, who is teaching a public policy seminary for soc sci here at WP, has been selected to attend a NY State Mayors Conf in Jun 75. Jim's wife Linda will head the OWC "Great Decisions" program here next year.

That's all from me. Phil, it's all yours!

Thanks a lot Bob! I'm just back from a week's leave in Utah having weathered the shock of meeting most of my wife's relatives for the first time ever. Also it is just 2 days!! from deadline. I might have known an old basketball player like yourself would put me into a press. In your overstuffed distribution box (wait till you get back) I have found several informative letters which will get us up to date on more of the Class.

From Ft Leavenworth the Rick Gorskis report that the 66 crew at this past session of C&GS accounted well for itself when they all graduated on 6 Jun. Wes Clark received the Marshall Award as the top ranking grad, and also an MMAS (master of mil art and sci) degree. Hilton Dunn, John Kelsey, and Rick Gorski graduated as honor grads (top 5%). Rich Swain made the Cmdts list (top 20%). Well done!

Rich and Linda Gorski will be reporting for assignment to the Royal Sch of Mil Engr in Chatham, Kent, England. For those abroad or going abroad they can be reached c/o U.S. Army, Box 84, FPO NY 09510. Dick and Stephanie Murry are headed for Germany. Ed and Ann Anderson are headed for HI to join the 25th Inf Div. Ann (and we hope Ed too) is expecting their 2d child in Jan. George and Vonda Crocker are off to Duke U. They are expecting a 3d child in Jan. Is there something to Apr in Kansas?

Rich and Mary Swain are going to the 82d Abn. Art and Ellen Grant will be joining the S&F at WP while John (and maybe Gay too) Kelsey has been assigned to the UN Peace Keeping Mission in Israel. Mat and Judy Harrison will go to DC. The Duns will be staying at Leavenworth except for

Hilton who is going to Korea. Mo and Ellen Faber will spend 6 months at KS U. in Lawrence, KS so Mo can finish up his master's. Then they'll be off to Germany. Bob and Nicki Seger will go to the 4th Inf Div at Ft Carson. Howie and Joyce Kirk will stay to join the Dept of Tactics at Ft Leavenworth. Two other classmates in the KS area are George Utter, stationed and with a pretty wife in Lawrence as part of the Recruiting Cmd, while Tony and wife Susy Scott are selling insurance in Topeka.

ONE other letter appeared amongst the load of administrivia in Bob's box. It was from Ed Wright who just finished up a 3-year tour at the Citadel. He reports that he is still a bachelor and that he was awarded an ARCOM for his service as both a TAC and an instr at that southern imitation.

Before closing these notes, I'd like to recognize the outstanding yet little known contribution that one of our '66ers is making to the Army Ice Hockey Program. Jim Backlin, who was the '66 hockey mgr, has since founded and is directing a WP Hockey Assn (WPHA). Besides getting the old hockey players together biannually for RMC weekend reunions, the WPHA supports Army Hockey in a number of ways especially in the area of recruiting through a member-candidate sponsor program. Jim himself writes and distributes for the WPHA both a Parents' Newsletter (for the players' parents) and an Assn Newsletter, which keeps members up-to-date about the team's performance and players' status. Speaking for the other old hockey pucks in the class (Pilot Eklund, Dr. Kelley, and bankers Kobes, and Hansen) we'd like to thank Jim for his great unselfish efforts, (not to mention the good times we had skating and partying at this year's reunion.

Finally, I'd like to tell Bob that having now done this little bit of "scribing" I appreciate much more the work you do for us. It is work, gang, so appreciate him and keep Bob informed. Phil Riley

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Greetings to all from Bill Eggering at WP and Hank Berthelot in LA. Another June Week has come and gone—this last one fairly wet—and we are now over 8, another year gone since we stood on the Plain, watching the rest of the Corps pass in review. First, the news from WP:

In the last column, I mentioned that we would have several more classmates joining the S&F, and I would like to expand that list. The Physics Dept will get 4 new instr, with Larry Izzo, Ray Winkel, Cal Delaplain and Jim Tankovich going there. Earl Walker is going to Soc Sci, Jack Wood and Tom Jacobus to Mech, Dave Peixotto to Engr and John Gale to Chem. Tom Lanyi and Bob Griffith are going to the Dept of Hist, Chuck Sutter to Juice, Mike Cox to Math, Bob Frank to OPE, Rich Estes to ES&GS, and Woody Held will teach Portuguese in the Dept of Foreign Lang. I ran into Ken and Candie Rice—Ken will be joining the TD this summer, and will be the Tac of Co. F-4.

I got a letter from Jim Saine the other day, and he sent along some news about classmates scheduled to join the faculty here in the future. Jim himself, with Suzanna and boys Sam (4) and Charlie (3) just finished up at U. of NC, where Jim got a master's in Engl. Also at U. of NC is Harry Rothmann, with Suzie and sons Scott (6) and Troy (3). Harry is getting his master's in Hist, and should be joining the Dept of Hist here in 76. Also from Jim is news of Ed and Jan Smith, who with son Jeff (3) are in Lexington, KY, where Ed is attending the U. of KY, working on a master's in Engl. Ed should join the Dept of Engl here in 76. Thanks for the letter, Jim.

For new arrivals on the smaller side, congratulations are in order for Rich and Judy LaBouliere on the birth of their 3d child, first daughter, Amy Irene, born 3 May 75, for Bob and Judy Keck on the birth of their 3d child, first daughter, Ginger Lee, born 24 May 75, and for Lee and Diane Murfee on the birth of their daughter, Eileen Decatur, born 11 Apr 75. Lee leaves the Math Dept this summer for the Mobile, AL Engr Dist. Lee will be living and working in Columbus, MS, where Lee will be working on a lock and dam proj.

Chico and Joan Hernandez departed here in Jun for Ft Sam Houston, TX. Chico has left the SC and is now in MSC, and hopes to put his computer knowledge to use in med rsch. He'll be at Hqs, Health Svcs Cmd at Ft Sam. Ray and Bernice Roe leave WP this



1967: Class boatride: Smiles in the chow line—Cates, Arango, Phalan, and Waltz in the background.



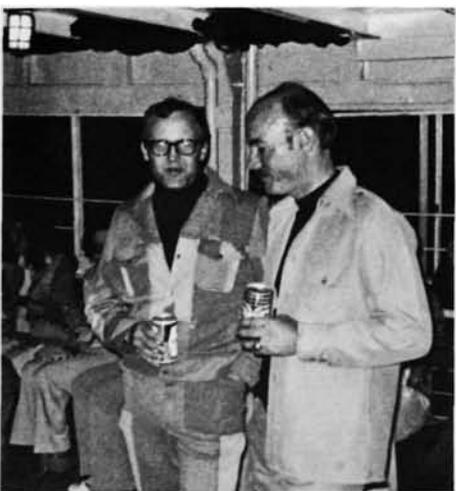
1967: (L-R) Winkel, Donnell, Miller.



1967: Class boatripe: Shumate with the last can of anything drinkable.



1967: Class boatripe: Penny, Swett and Windeler.



1967: Class boatripe: James and Moore anxiously waiting to see the underside of the fabulous Poughkeepsie Bridge.

summer after only one year—Ray is to be the exch Tac to the RMC at Sandhurst, England for the next 2 years.

In the "Change-to-what-was-previously-reported" column, Jeff and Sandy Madsen will not leave WP this summer, but will remain a 4th yr, after which they are off to Sheboygan, MI, civ life and the Charmin Paper Co., where John and Linda Boretta are.

News about classmates from classmates: Karl Jacobs mentioned that Steve Kurtyka is in the area—Steve is an Engr adv to the Readiness Gp located at what used to be Stewart AFB—now Stewart Army Subpost, and is living there. From Chuck and Sally Thomas I've received all sorts of poop about classmates through a letter from Gary Downs. Gary and Cindy, with daughters Jennifer (3) and Jessica (1) are presently in Atlanta (3450 Evans Rd, Apt 107B, Atlanta, GA 30341), where Gary is attending GA Tech Grad School in Aero-Engr. Gary also mentioned that Joe DuBois, Phil Fracker and Wayne Monroe have all joined civ life—Joe as a lawyer in L.A., CA, Phil is in OH and Wayne is in IN. Chuck and Sally also mentioned that they met with Doug and Vicki Brown, along with little Douglas, recently. Doug is working with the Def Nuclear Agency in Alexandria, VA.

Now, before I turn things over to Hank, I'd like to get the Class opinion on something. This last June Week, the Class of '65 held their 10th Reunion—a departure from the traditional time of having the Reunion during Homecoming in the fall, with quite a bit of success. Having a reunion during June Week has a lot to say for itself—more classmates will still be stationed here June 77 than in the fall of 77; classmates could perhaps better integrate the reunion into their vacations/leaves, and we would have more time for Class get-togethers in Jun than over a football weekend. I would be interested in the response of the Class—pro and con—as to whether June Week or Homecoming would be preferred for our 10th Reunion. It's never too early to start planning so please let me know, preferably by Xmas. Any response, pro or con, will be appreciated.

The pictures are from the '67 Boatripe on 9 May 75. Due to hails and farewells, prior engagements, etc., only about half of our WP contingent could attend. A good time seemed to have been had by all, and no one really had to worry about having a headache the next day. Speaking of dates to remember, deadline for input for the Dec ASSEMBLY article is 23 Sept, and Homecoming this year will be 18 Oct—the Pitt game. Hope to see a good turn-out there.

Since Hank received no input this last time around, I'll simply pass on from him that he, LaVon and family are all well and



1967: Class boatripe: Newton, Caldwell and Kern.

working hard. Keep those cards and letters coming, folks. Don't forget: no news is no news.

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The first news this time came from Dan and Jane Carroll in Apr. They welcomed their new daughter, Theresa Marie, on 18 Feb. She is their 2d child; they also have a son, Daniel, who was 5 when they wrote. Dan mentioned that he was working on a master's in addition to his regular duties at Ft Sill. I next heard from Jon Anderson who left the army in 73 and took a master's in Counseling from FL State. He was currently working with the V.A. in Cold Spring, NY as a counseling psychologist. He is married and has 2 sons.

Early May brought a letter from Larry and Barbara Rapisarda. They wanted to announce their 3d child, Kathleen Marie, who arrived last Aug 15th. Larry is now a juice



1968: (L-R) Morand, Strand and Erion at Founders Day, DC.

"P" at WP and apparently being kept very busy. They mentioned Pete Bonasso, also at WP and expecting the arrival of his 2d child in May. Lee Morand's wife, Ginny, wrote in late May to say that Lee, Bruce Erion and John Strand had all run into each other at Founders Day in DC. Ginny mentioned that Bruce had recently left the Army to join EXXON and that he, Sandy and their 2 children were living in Foster City, CA. Ginny also said that she and Lee occasionally saw Steve Osborn and Jerry Buckley who are both assigned to AMC in the DC Area.

Jim and Gail Swinney wrote in Jun from Durham, NH, where Jim is getting his master's before going to the MP&L Dept next year. They welcomed their first child, Jennifer Lynn, last Oct. They also said they had heard from John and Jeannie Harmeling who had moved to Charlotte, NC, where John is working for Haskins and Sells (CPA's) after he had gotten his MBA at Wake Forest. Chuck Giasson also wrote in Jun from Ft. Monmouth. He and Phyllis wanted to announce the birth of their 1st child, Joseph V., on 6 Feb. Chuck mentioned that he had received his MBA from NY Inst of Tech in May and that he was moving to Mannheim, Germany, to be the 2d Sig Gp CE engr in Jul. Chuck said he had seen Mike Laing and Greg Unangst who are both working at ECOM

and Dick Powell who was in CE class 60 and is to go back to WP as a TAC in late 75.

The last letter I got was from Bob Clarke from Kaiserslautern, Germany. He was then aide to CG, 32d AADCOCOM and he and his wife Anne have 2 children, Connie and Robbin Jr. Bob included the following info about classmates he had seen in Heidelberg for Founders Day. Bob Alexander then had HHB 2/27 FA at Friedberg and his wife Patricia was expecting; Ed Hammond had A Co, 237 Engrs at Heilbronn; Keith Merritt was in 3d Inf Div Divarty at Kitzinger and he and his wife Marianna had 2 children, Brian and Mike; Mike Murphy was attached to RPL, Karlsruhe from the USMA Stu Det and he and Diane had 2 children, Krista and Ryan; Ed Thal was in the 23d Engrs in the 3d AD at Hanou and he and Peggy had one child, Christina.

The AOG sent me a notice that Tony Ambrose was in the OB-Gyn dept at Wm Beaumont AMC here in El Paso. My own contribution includes the recent arrival of Bruce Korda in the 3ACR here at Bliss. Bruce is the 1st Sq Motor Officer.

That's all for now, folks. Everybody please write and take care.

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After 3 unsuccessful attempts at a witty opening sentence, I'll begin in the standard fashion by saying that this column is being written on 29 Jun 75 and covers news from 29 Mar 75 until today. You will note almost a total absence of photos in this issue—even the Hammonds did not send one this time! Seriously, I and many others in the Class enjoy seeing pictures of you and your families, so please include one in your next letter if possible. On the subject of photos, let me apologize to those classmates who were improperly identified in last issue's Founders Day coverage. Because of time constraints, Founders Day photos are sent directly to AOG, and I see them for the first time when the Jun issue appears. Of course, I would prefer to see them before publication to correct any errors, but this would mean the photos would not appear until the Sept issue. I do apologize, however, for errors made in this attempt to publish timely photos.

The big social event, for me at least, since the last issue was the wedding of Mary and Rich West on 31 May 75 at Ft Sill. Bob Berry and I flew out from DC and joined the following classmates at the ceremony: Walt Ballenberger, George Coan, Harry Dolton, Tom Fagan, Terry Freeman, Joe Halloran, Phil Holden, Jet Johnson, Mike Landrum, Steve Rhyne, Tom Rogers, Red Taylor, Ken Wanless, and Jay Wheeler. From this assembled group I was able to collect a good deal of information about them and classmates with whom they kept in touch. Terry Freeman was heading to Penn to study Engl, while Joe Halloran was en route to UNC in the same discipline. Others from the Ft Sill group heading to grad sch were Bill Jones (MIT), Harry Dolton (UNC), Wayne Renner (Naval PGS), and Jet Johnson (Duke). Lois and Jet were expecting their 2d child in Jul. Sharon and Red Taylor were on orders to ROTC duty at VMI and asked that Walt Strother write them c/o Instructors Group, VMI, Lexington, VA. Those remaining at Ft Sill included Jim Fouché, Phil Holden, and John Pederson. Still in the Adv Crse were John Bolger, Bill Groening, and Barry Robella.



1969: The Narel family: (L-R) Janice (holding Lucas), Joshua, Veronica, Micah, and Jim (holding Judith).

Tom Fagan gave me an update on those at Ft Knox, including the fact that Katie is expecting their first child sometime after their move to Princeton. Also going back to school were Skip Bacevich (Princeton), Bob Baldwin (MIT), Blaine Ball (OH State), Jed Cantley (U. of IN), Len Hawley (U. of MI), Bob Hoffman (U. of IN), Al Leister (U. of WA), Doug Madigan (U. of MI), Ed Mayer (CAL at Irvine), Dale Smith (Duke), Bill Taylor (E4) (U. of MI), and Tom Wheelock (Harvard). Bob Goff was heading for Spain for studies prior to teaching Spanish at WP.

Speaking of WP, our ranks there are beginning to grow. Newcomers this fall will include Greg Binder, Terry Bresnick, Joe Cato, Mike Colacicco, Doug Craft, George Demetriou, Jim Giacomini, Jodie Glore, Jerry Hackett, Ken Hughes, Dave Kaplan, Jeff Kimball, Wayne Murphy, John Oristian, Steve Overstreet, Jim Reams, Dan Sharporn, and Don Smith. Leaving the Academy was Don Crosby who will begin MBA studies at UVA in Sept.

I have been particularly appreciative of those classmates who take the time to call or visit when in DC (703-538-2507). John Leone was in town in Jun recruiting for Pfizer Corp, for whom he works in Ridgefield, NJ. Mike Landrum spent a few days at the house while visiting Charlottesville to find a home for Sherrye, Jessica, and their new addition, Nick. Mike begins his studies in American Lit at UVA in Sept. If you are ever in town, please call when you first arrive so we can arrange a visit. And don't forget, there is always room if you need a place to stay.

As indicated by previous paragraphs, a large number of those classmates still in the service are in grad sch, and a good number of letters arrived from various universities around the country. Pam and Bruce Wheeler wrote from Tulane Med Sch that Bruce had one year of studies remaining and a portion



1969: (L-R) Burke, Kimmitt, DiBella, Seitz, Berry, Wheeler at Seitz' and DiBella's graduation from Marine AWS.

of that year would be spent studying in Edinburgh, Scotland, on an orthopedic clerkship. Linda and Johnnie Shaw sent a long letter from Norman, OK, where Johnnie is studying geography at OKU. Johnnie mentioned seeing Ed Quinn prior to leaving Korea, and said he had seen Ann and John Luchak since arriving at OKU. The Luchaks were en route to an ROTC asgmt in MN. Just leaving OKU bound for the JAGC basic crse were Teresa and Mike Smith.

In touch from the U. of MA were Janice and Jim Narel who sent a nice note accompanied by a photo of their "international" family. Janice and Jim now have 5 children: Micah, 5 (born in Germany); Joshua, 4 (adopted in Yugoslavia); Veronica, 18 mos (adopted in Korea); and Judith and Lucas, 9 mos (born in Korea). Jim remarked that their dinnertable resembled a UN conference! Joining Jim in his English studies at MA was Jeff Furbank. Jim also mentioned that Linda and John Harms were at Naval PGS and that Gail and Art Shean were at MIT. Also at MIT were Donna and Tom Ramos who had just returned from Korea.

Marilyn and Steve Hammond wrote to say that they are settled in Durham, NC, and that Steve had begun classes at UNC. Marilyn was expecting their 3d child in late Dec. Also writing from down South were Beth and Stew Bornhoft who were halfway through studies at GA Tech.

Barbara and Ernie Adams sent a nice letter from Ft Benning where Ernie is now an instr. Also stationed at Ft Benning are Barbara and Jim Johnston and Donna and Tom Piazze. The Adams' also mentioned that Barbara and Howie Hellerstedt were still in Heidelberg and had recently greeted their 2d son, Ryan Charles. Also greeting a new son were Colette and Greg Smith who welcomed Nathan Wright on 17 Jun 75 at Ft Monroe, VA.

Jim McDonough sent a long letter from WP, where he has joined Dennie Haydon and Scott Church in the Soc Sci Dept after completing studies at MIT and IOAC. Also writing from the NY area was Mary Ann Albanese who had just returned from midtour leave with Ernie in HI. Ernie was due home in Nov.

I received only 2 letters from overseas this quarter, indicative of our decreasing numbers abroad. Warren Mueller wrote from Korea that Jane and he welcomed Warren Douglas on 16 Mar 75 during midtour leave. Warren was due to rotate Stateside in Jul. Ginny and Doug Rogers sent a long and informative letter from Germany where Doug had just assumed new duties after 19 mos of command. Doug said that Don Warner had taken cmd of an arty det, while Denny Tighe was at SASCOM HQ in Pirmasens. The Rogers had heard from Betsy and Tom Garrett and Sharon and Scott Wallace who were bound for AOAC at Ft Knox from Fts Lewis and Bragg, respectively.

Letters from the civ sector were a bit sparse this time. Galina and Doug Jeffrey were settled in their new home in Bardonia, NY, just off the Palisades Pkwy, and asked that anyone heading to WP stop by and say hello. Doug had finished his training period with Merrill Lynch and was working as an acct exec in White Plains. Peggy and Dan Gruenke wrote from Chicago where Dan is working on his MBA and thinking of combining it with a law degree. They were planning a 3-wk trip to the Orient in Jul-Aug. Also traveling were Dickie and Rog Loder who write from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, near the completion of their journey through Af-

rica. They were planning to return Stateside in Jul to start school in the fall, and mentioned that Steve McGue was out of the service and working on his MBA at Wharton.

Diane and Bob Pitz were out and living in NJ while Bob commuted daily to NYC to work for First National City Bank. At the other end of the East Coast were Betsy and Jon Anderson, who proudly announced the birth of Sloan Kathryn on 3 May 75. Betsy and Jon had just moved into a new house in Sebring, FL.

That is it for letters, so on to some general news. I noticed in a JAGC publication the location of the following new JAG officers: Cary Gaylord (Ft Carson); Rob Leslie (Presidio); Bryan Schempf (Ft Meade); Craig Schwender (USAREUR); and Jeff Thompson (Ft Bliss). Also newly-settled were Cindi and Paul Raglin who had just moved into qtrs at Aberdeen PG where Paul is working at BRL. Susan and Steve White had left the service and were living in Dallas. BG Smith had just accepted a job in the DC area and called while up here looking for a home. He and Peggy hoped to move up this summer.

Dove Hofstetter visited for a few days on a TDY from his FORSCOM avn div asgmt. He mentioned that Fran and Ken Wanless were on orders to a LANCE asgmt in USAREUR. He also severely criticized me for saying last issue that he was in the avn sec at FORSCOM. Let the record therefore show that Hof is working in the avn div within DCSOPS at FORSCOM. After all, I don't want anyone to think that Hof is getting over in Atlanta! While Hof was here, we spoke of Mike Krzyzewski's recent appointment as head basketball coach at WP. I'm sure I speak for the whole Class in extending our congratulations and best wishes to Mike. Those of us who remember his playing style and drive during our cadet days are anxiously awaiting the new season, and hopefully many successful seasons to come.

In May Bill Burke, Bob Berry, Jay Wheeler and I attended the graduation of Fred Dibella and Bob Seitz as honor grads of the Marine Amphibious Warfare Sch at Quantico. Fred was en route to UVA and then WP as a TAC, while Bob was on orders to Korea. About the same time, Steve Metcalf called to announce his engagement to Marilyn Vuksich; they will be married on 25 Oct 75 at WP.

The last bits of news I have find Jay Wheeler and Bill Taylor (F3) leaving the service this summer, Jay for law sch and Bill for studies in intl affairs. Also heading to school but on an Army program is Jon Smrtic, who finished first in his IOAC class. Val and John begin studies at Harvard this fall en route to a position in the Soc Sci Dept.

I'll close this column by reminding you that this is the last issue before the Army-Navy game. A good crowd from the Class attended last year, and we hope to have more this year. We'll have a get-together at the Ben Franklin after the game, so just ask the desk clerk for the room registered in my name and come on up. Hope to see you there.

I hope your summer was a beautiful one. Let's do keep in touch. Until next time, God Bless to all in '69.

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Most of you subscribers to the ASSEMBLY will be receiving this issue in Sept in sufficient time to plan for our Class reunion at homecoming. We are sorry for being slow in get-

ting info out but the plans are just being finalized at the time of this writing. Our Reunion will be at the Homecoming game against Pitt on 18 Oct. Activities on that weekend are planned from Fri evening until Sun noon including a Sat morning class meeting at which we will discuss unfinished business. Business to be discussed includes finances, class educ fund and future class activities. If you cannot attend the meeting but you have ideas to present or if you want ideas considered in advance of the meeting, please send them to Dave Brown. Dave and Gary Steele are the 2 points of contact for the Reunion. A letter will be sent to each classmate outlining the detailed plans for the weekend; however, many of our addresses are outdated so spread the news should you get one. Do not write Dave or Gary for game tickets, they must be ordered directly from AAA. They assure us that sufficient tickets will be made available for the Class to sit together.

Please try to attend the Reunion and encourage others to attend. Since this is our first it will set the pace and standard for all future Class activities. It will be a fine opportunity to become reacquainted with classmates and establish the direction our Class will be taking in the future. If you have any questions write or call: CPT Dave Brown, 879 N. Jacksonville St, Alexandria, VA 22205 (Tel: 703-528-4412) or CPT Gary Steele, 239 Y St, Newburgh, NY 12550 (Tel: 914-564-4336).

We have heard of many classmates who are leaving the services for civ life. Dave, Debby and Katie Trammel are going to Ft Worth to the Baptist Sch of Ministry. Dave has been called to work with youth in the church upon completion of his study. Bill Wessels has been a civ since 73. He has completed his MBA and was invited to continue for his PhD in corporate finance. Bill is living in a cabin on the Elk R. in Huntsville, AL and is enjoying single life again. Tom Miller is leaving the Army to attend the Harvard BS after a summer vacation in Europe. Tom just completed a 3-yr tour at Ft Campbell including 15 mos of cmd. Tom Anthony left the USAF in Jun to enter the McGeorge Sch of Law, U. of Pacific in Sacramento. Tom and Sue will continue to live in Roseville, just outside of Sacramento. Tom Dockery plans on leaving the Army in Jun to assist in the family business. Dave and Barb Dvergsten are working in the banking business. They are expecting a new arrival in Sept to add to their Storm Lake, IA family of 3. J.D. Smith finished his MBA from U. of UT while with V Corps in USAREUR. J.D. is leaving the Army also. Finally Scott Knight hopes to be joining the PGA tour if he qualifies in Oct. Scott missed the summer cut for the tour by one stroke. We all wish him good luck.

Fred and Lisa White are leaving the MIOAC to go to RPI in NY to get a master's in Math. They and Art and Jackie Alden, also at RPI, will then go to the Math Dept at USMA. Take Boards!

Many classmates are now going to, attending, or just leaving their adv crse. John Van Vliet is now in IOAC. After getting his MA from Georgetown and commanding a Co in Korea, John is happy to be back at the home of the Inf. John is trying to get in touch with E-4 classmates. He can be written at 306 A Merrill Lane, Ft Benning, GA 31905. Greg Vuksich is going to the 1st AD in Germany since completing IOAC and the P-5 course.

Tommy and Karen Maertens are at the Trans Adv Crse at Ft Eustis. Roy Marshall will be joining them in Oct. Mark Gilbert

is CO of 1098 Med Boat Co. at Ft Eustis. The Maertens along with Joe Henn, Roy Marshall, Roger Fox, Scott Knight, Julian Burns, Jim Oxley and Skip Ryder attended Bill Malkemes's wedding in Jun. Bill's new wife is Melinda, a lovely Army brat!

Jimmy Crawford wrote from Germany. Some of the news may be out of date because the letter was written over a period of 6 mos. Jim finished his MA in Indl Rel from U. of UT and he's heading to IOAC. Jim is getting many tickets for the Vanderbilt game of 15 Nov and plans on having a large gathering there. Anyone who will be in the area for the game should contact Jimmy at Ft Knox (address unknown). Jim wrote that Nelson Johnson should be at Ft Hood now after completing the QM adv crse. Joe Newman is now at IOAC after a tour at Bamberg. Curt and Kathy Newcomb are at Ft Campbell. Curt enjoys his flying asgmt but misses an Inf Bn. Paul Frank is now in the recruiting cmd at Wilkes-Barre, PA after completing IOAC and Steve and Gayle Strom are going to Princeton.

Don Meinhold has just completed law sch of USC in May and will be at Ft Carson following TDY at JAGC school in Charlottesville, VA. Gene and Nancy Studer are starting their 2d yr at U. of Santa Clara law sch. Gene was one of 25 officers selected in 74 for the fully funded program. The Studers have 2 children, Jennifer Le (4 yrs) and Mathew Amandus (2 yrs).

Lenny, Irene and Joshua Weissman are now at Ft. Carson. Lenny is going into Pediatrics since finishing med sch. Randy and Jani Cox are now at FAOAC and will soon be with 1-73 Arty at Ft Bragg.

Russ and Christine Morris wrote from Ft Carson to belatedly announce the arrival of their twins, Alex and Andy, who were one year old 30 Jul. They are fraternal twins and do not look alike. Christine wants to put all you mothers at ease in saying that twins are not really "double trouble." Russ is CO of HHC&A, 704th Maint Bn, and spending what little time he has taking courses in Public Admin at the U. of CO.

Don and Susie DeCort are leaving the banks of the Hudson for San Ant to attend St. Mary's U. Sch of Law for the next 3 yrs. They invite anyone in that area to stop and visit them.

We saw Frank Monaco at Ft Benning. Frank is an FSO for 1st Bn, 320th Arty and was with an Inf Bn training at Ft Benning. The Monacos now have 2 boys, Frankie (3 yr) and Michael who was born in Jun. Frank reported that Jack Sabia is with 1/73 Arty at Ft Bragg and John Marcello is with 2/321 Arty as the S4. Sabia will be a battery cmdr. Pete Spivy is going to Germany and Tom Walker is heading toward Ft Hood. All of the above have just finished the FA Adv Crse Class 1-75 at Ft Sill, OK.

We must apologize to Don and Betsy Blakelee for not notifying the Class of the arrival of their daughter Jessamyn, born in Nov 74. This was an oversight on our part. The Blakeslees are living in Chicago.

Please be patient with some of the delayed news in the ASSEMBLY. Our deadline for submitting news is the end of each quarter but the magazine is not mailed until 2 mos later. That means some of the news may be up to 5 months old before you see it in print.

Dave Brown is going to be writing the class report for the next few years. Please send all future info to him at the address mentioned above.

See you at homecoming in Oct!



1971: CPTs Kevin and Phyllis Cogan with Timothy.

'71

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I write to you from Guam where I believe one of the most humanitarian efforts undertaken by the U.S. is transpiring. Army units from all over the world were deployed to meet the task of the total processing and care of over 100,000 Vietnamese refugees. I am very proud to take part in such a mission.

Others are accomplishing humane missions, also. Kevin James just completed a tour on the DMZ in Korea where he was a PL in the Joint Security Area. His platoon of border guards are all over 6' tall and pose quite a foreboding element in the def of soldiers and dignitaries on the DMZ. For his efforts, Kevin was awarded the JSCM. He and Rhonda just passed through HI on the way to IOAC. Feedback from Kevin indicates that Dell Dailey is also on the way back from Korea to IOAC 1-76. Jim Hickok and Gary Alexander remain there to command inf cos. Roger Duckworth and Jack Ogren are still with the 2d Avn Bn as the S1 and S4 respectively. Still trudging through the beautiful Sedate hills of Korea are Gus Bremer (1/9 Inf) and Eric Sundin (1/31 Inf). Dave Brown is with the 44th Engr Corp and is currently the action officer for a \$6 million bks renovation proj. Hiding in Camp Zama, Japan, is Bob Freeman who is the postal off.

Here in HI, rotation time is upon us. Dave Hardin, Jim Edwards, Louis Nido and Jim Floyd are off to the adv crse. Bob Elliot has opted for SF Sch. With the prevailing progressively young attitude of the 25th Inf Div, 6 of our classmates have taken co cmds: Pat McDonald, Bard Mansasger, John Beard, Mike Kendall, Buster Hagenbeck and myself. Don Hassin and Ken Hartlein are with the 1/27 Inf as S1 and S4 respectively. Geoff

Keith was awarded an ARCOM here as the captain of the FORSCOM winning 25th Inf Div Volleyball Team. Who says Geoff can't soldier with the best of them?

I was an honorary recipient of the F-1 "marching 100" gala newsletter issue compiled by those conominees for the Pulitzer Prize, Jim Floyd and Jim Fischer. On the road to IOAC are Tom Berry from Carson and Phil Daniels from Leonard Wood. Scott and Peg Crandell are still in HI where he is acting as the S2 for the 3/4 Cav. Scott's primary duty, however, is the chief of all aggressors in support of the div. Greg and Suzette Doepke are enjoying themselves at Ft Knox, where he is doing opns work while still managing to study for a master's in Indl Engr. Suzette, who is expecting, is teaching kindergarten. Ed Fenske, now enjoying the civ life in NJ is studying at Camden County Coll while teaching pre-sch in the summer. After submitting his request for branch transfer to MI, Jim Fischer became the S2 of his Abn Bn. Like Jim Floyd, he has received his commercial fixed wing license. The Grazzioplenes have left Ft Bragg for Germany where Jim is with the 1/13th Arm. Dick and Annette Graf have settled in the DC area where



1971: Kevin and Rhonda James on promotion day on the Bridge of No Return in Panmunjom, Korea.

he is working for the Pentagon Counter-Intel Fce, as a new MI Off. As the newsletter aptly put it, Dick is possibly the Class's first "contact man" at DA.

I received a nice letter from John Annis who is assigned to the MI cen at Ft Huachuca. He and Gail adopted a baby girl, Angela Marie Gail, in Apr. Also at Huachuca is Pete Morash who is assigned to the Electr PG. John mentioned that others from C-4 are also building up their families. Ford and Karen Droegemueller had their first child, Donald Walter. Tom and Lynda Lujan had their 2d boy, Trevor Justin. Now assigned to Ft Bliss is Eric Watkins and Kirk and Liz Cottingham.

The Big Red One is still well represented. Don Corn is the CO of the 172d Ord Det. He, Christine and their 2 kids seem to enjoy the KS plains. Ray Pawlicki is the TSO in an Ord Det. His wife, Teresa, is expecting soon. Steve Pjesky is the Div Claims Off. He, Sandy, and little Scott are expecting another member to the household soon. Hank Schrader and John Rose are off to IOAC in Sept. Joe Seitz is currently squaring away the supply opns of the 1/5 FA as the S4. Hugh Bracey is flying with the 1st Avn Co and Niche Franzino is the Div Rec Svs Off, a job



1971: Al and Pamm Fox with Al Jr.

I'm sure half one class would like to have. Squat Scales, now a content civ, is attending KS State for his postgrad work.

From the pen of Rod Erb at Ft Bliss, I find that Eric Watkins is working in AG after a tour with the 3d Cav and John Pegg is in the ADA adv crse. Guy Berry and his wife are with the How Bn there. Rod himself is on orders to Korea although he returned from VN only 2 yrs ago. His only out is to look for a cmd in Ft Bliss, which I'm sure he can do. He and his wife and 2 kids are doing well. Before I forget, Bill Wier married Mary Miller in VA on 10 May. Congratulations to you both.

In the past 3 mos, I received one lonely letter from Germany. Did I say something wrong? Anyway, I was glad to hear from Al and Pamm Fox in Butzbach. Before he was promoted, Al was a BXO for what could be a record of 31 mos. Presently he is in the S3 shop and on orders to the adv crse in Oct. Ray and Rose McKinney are at Erlangen where Ray is the airfield cmdr for the 1st Bde of the 1st AD. Bob Bishop is in fit sch while Jim Godwin remains the CG's aide in the 3d Inf. Jim and Peggie had a baby girl, Colleen, in Mar. Herb and Barbie Gallagher are near Bremerhaven where Herb is with the 51st Arty.

And that's all there is! Hopefully, as people transition through adv crses and contemplate ret., I will hear more. Let's don't lose touch. Think Reunion and Homecoming.

'72

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Greetings to all this Sept 75. Hope all is well with each member of the Class and that a pleasant summer was had. Now let's see what news there is, at least up to Jun.

I think it only fair to mention Tim and Pam Lupfer first this time. You won't believe, Tim, that I received your letter post-marked 6 Nov 74 on 23 Apr 75. It was "found in supposedly empty equipment" by the PO. Anyway, we'll let everybody know that Carl and Shari Kruger and Jim Bowden attended Tim and Pamelas' wedding in their hometown of Metuchen, NJ. How was England, Tim? More recently, Stan Florer sends news of his move to Korea. Didn't you say you would be there this Aug, Stan? Understand also that Stan and cohorts from old 2/325 Inf Ft Bragg, spent a portion of the past summer at Camp Buckner training the



1971: (L-R) Thompson, Tyndall, Ives.

Class of '78. The cohorts were Gary Dobija, Bill Tierney, and Steve Smith. Let me know if I left anybody out. Stan has collected other bits and pieces as follows: George Higgins at last count was an/the AdC at Ft Stewart. Right down your line, huh, George? Bob and Debbie Hieronymus announce the new addition to the family at Ft Carson. I believe that is the 2d child for Bob and Debbie. One of many projected arrivals belongs to Burt and Marcie Tulkki. They weren't sure whether they would make it to Germany from Ft Lewis before the baby or not. Russ Hall has been hiding at Berkeley for 3 yrs but should be finished by the time this is in print. Where to from there, Russ? A new arrival at Ft Bragg is John Corbett. John will have a stint with the 82d before getting back to his permanent MI branch. He recently finished his grad studies at U. of HI. A master's in Chinese Studies is John's reward for that hard work. Could it be that the Class of '72 will provide the next Henry Kissinger in the costume of John Corbett?

Those diehard docs at USC Med Sch, Bruce Van Dam and Ron Prier, keep their records unblemished and stethoscopes clean by providing a note for our ASSEMBLY column for the 5th consecutive issue. This time it's Ron with news that he and Bruce have started their 4th yr there. But the big event was Bruce's wedding last 31 May to Nina Su, a med sch classmate. Congrats, Bruce and Nina. Ron deserves a pat on the dorsal, too, for his accomplishments as pres of his class. Good work, you 2.

It seems that short tours are beginning to show themselves throughout the Class. Paul Albers and Jim Bowden are 2 scheduled for Korea, as is Ed McConaghay. Ed and Mary Ellen will remain at Ft Lewis until Nov, Ed's reporting date. Mary Ellen says she will go to grad sch (Rutgers) while Ed is on his short tour. The McConaghays send other news as well: Bob and Margaret Wood became proud parents of "Anne Marie" on 20 May 75 at Ft Lewis. Bob is with the 2d Bn, 75th Rangers, along with John Kidder and wife Bernadette. Ted and Mary Lynn Whitley have departed Ft Lewis and are at Ft Huachuca on TDY. Looks like Ted will be in fit tng at Ft Rucker after that. Other departures from Ft Lewis are Joy and Steve Kiernan, who will be going to Ft Benj Harrison after Steve's branch transfer from FA to AG. They expect to move on to Germany after that. Dennis and Pat Donahue departed Ft Knox in Jul for Ft Eustis, VA and TTS. Dennis transferred from Arm. They, too, should be in Ger shortly after that. Still other news has John McWilliam and bride (12 Apr 75) Kathy Weiss at Ft Monmouth, NJ, and Ken Davis sent invitations for his wedding this past 5 Jul to Alice Calabria. I guess Ken didn't actually send them himself! That's all the news via mail. I had the opportunity to make contact with a few, including Scott Rowen and Chuck Clements. These 2 were at Grafenwoehr, that vacation land artillerymen know so well, for part of the summer. Scott and Chuck both are with the 3/17 FA, of VII Corps Arty. Ned Bumgardner is a recent arrival in Baumholder, Germany. Ned is with 1/2 FA. Also relatively new in Baumholder is Bob Minutoli. Bob is with the 293d Engr Bn. Some news just in under the wire for the printing deadline is that Barry and Barb Willey are living it up at WP. Barry is BC Ulmer's aide now after spending 25 mos at Ft Bragg. Barry says he enjoys working for the Cmdt of Cadets and is gaining invaluable experience.

Looks as if the extension of tours in Europe and other places has the Class caught in a jam not knowing exactly when new asgmts will take place. Certainly some who were expecting to move have not done so yet. Nevertheless, the Dec issue should show some changes. Would like to hear from everybody so this column can keep people informed. Yours truly still enjoying Baumholder and hoping to hear from all of you.

'73

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Hello to all you "no time in grade" ILTS. I am sure that the promotions will be memorable. LTG Knowlton promoted several classmates in the Stuttgart area, and Don Ponikvar was promoted in the Range 80 tower in the true Armor tradition after being chided for his unit's maintenance disposition. I have also had feedback that some of the parties will also be remembered.

Ray and Diane Lindner write of Ray's completing his studies in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics at Oxford on his Rhodes Scholarship. They are being assigned to Ft Hood. They also wrote about Bill and Cindy Armstrongs' new son Jeffrey.

Jolene Zukauskas sent me a note with some G4 news. Bruce is a SWO in 2-41 FA at Bad Kissingen. Jim and Debi Baugh (A/1-6 Inf), Jim and Kathy Leonard (B/141 Sig), and Norm and Terri Hoerner with Tanya (I/3-11 ACR) have all visited on occasion.

Ken Riordan writes that he has moved from his platoon level asgmts to become the AdC to the CG of the 56th FA Bde. It should be an interesting asgmt. He says that both Glenn Nance and Rich Carter are doing well and are considering law sch.

Lou Bartok sends news of his relinquishing the bn title of the "longest time as a platoon ldr" to Joe Gaziano upon his appointment as company XO. Glenn Hawkins is a Scout Platoon Ldr there at Ft Riley. JB and Linda Harwanko celebrated the 1st birthday of their son Jeff last Apr. Mark and Kathy Sousa left for fit sch last Feb. Dave Rose was married on 28 Jun.



1973: Ray and Diane Lindner at Oxford, England.



1973: (L-R) Rice, Pearce, Riordan.

Steve and Pat Carlson were married on 27 Jul in Chicago. Steve couldn't stall any longer I suppose.

A pleasant autumn to all and keep those cards and letters coming.

'74

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Hello again and for the first time in a year, I've finally settled down for a while (I hope).

Actually this column is being written at a 4.2 mortar fir pt. Love that training.

This HI weather is great for thawing out winter Rangers, and a host of classmates will agree. Inf types here include Jim Laughlin (1/5), John and Marsha Martin (1/5), Carl Case (1/5), Jim Doyle (1/14), Mark Andretta (1/14), Clint Blunier (1/14), Gene and Debbie Dickey (1/19), Ed Filiberti (1/19), Paul Lemley (1/21), Mike Perry (1/21), Bob McFetridge (1/21), Don DeLeon (1/27), and myself in 1/53. Bob and I are getting our feet on the ground as Redeye SLs, while the remainder are PLs. FA here claims Milt Spaulding (3/13), Dan McCafferty (3/13), Rick and Sue Oertel, and Al Molich. Bill Davis is a PL with the 65 Engr. Kingsley and Brenda Fink, Bill and Franky Albrecht, and Brian Geehan are all with 25 S&T. Brenda is expecting in Aug. Finally Pete Breton and Dave Rynd are PLs in 1/62 ADA. Andy Knight (25 S&T) recently married Ann here at Schofield Bks with Bill Albrecht as best man, Kingsley Fink, Tom Loisel (725 Maint), Wil Grooms (725), and Dave Flyer (725) as saber bearers. The young couple then took a honeymoon trip to Maui. I might add that Brian Geehan, Jim Loughlin, Carl Case and Don DeLeon have recently been deployed from here to Guam to help out with the refugees there.

Elsewhere, wedding reports are still rolling in. Bob Richards was wed to Mary Beth Pollin in Apr at WP. She is the daughter of COL Jack Pollin and the couple is now living in Mannheim, FRG. John Majeroni was married to Linda Ann Koch on 3 Apr in DC. Anne Porterfield wrote me all about her marriage to George Oliver III on 1 Mar at Ft Benning. Chris Sinclair was best man with groomsmen and saber bearers including Allen Saum, Chuck Thebaud, Pete Stewart, Dutch Hermann, Dave Molten, and one of our Zoomies, Terry Barton. Pete is at Ft Campbell, Dutch at Ft Bragg and Dave on his way to Baumholder, FRG. Rich Wallace was soloist at the wedding and is now stationed at Ft Hood. George and Anne took a cross country honeymoon to Ft Lewis. Anne says that Carter and JoAnn Thomas along with Eric and Robin Fardelman are with them at Lewis. Eric and George are Mortar PLs.



1974: Ann and Andy Knight in HI, 31 May 75.

Got a big letter from my old 150's buddy, Gene Richardson, who's got all the news on 2/12 Cav, 1st Cav Div in Ft Hood. Gene is presently the Asst Bn S-1 and Lonnie Nesrsta the Sct PL with other PLs including Herman Yezak, Bill Chadwick, Bob Thorsen, Joe Gonzalez, Dave Wallinger, and John Batiste. In the 2d AD there are Bill McMillan, Bob Minor, Bob Visnovsky, Larry Milam, Bob Landseadel, Greg Schumaker, and Joe Franke. That unit is now involved in Bde 75, which sends a bde at intervals to FRG for 6 mos. In Rgr Class 5-75 we had quite a few honor grads, Dave Petraeus being dist hon grad. Other hon grads include Terry Freeze, Jim Doyle, Ralph Graves, Don DeLeon, Denny Brown, Roger Austin, Ed Filiberti, Rob Richards, Steve Shambach, Chuck Thebaud and Gene Richardson. I guess the NY weather helped the winter Rgrs do so well. IOBC 2-75 had some honor grads. Dave Petraeus, Don DeLeon, and Boog Powell. George Fenton was an Hon Grad at his Marine OBC and is now stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA. I wonder if he has anything to do with refugees. Gene closed his letter by saying that Jim Coggin was to get married 3 May, Bruce Grant in Jun and Dan Deaver on 29 May. Still others present at Ft Hood in some capacity are Denny Brown,

Chuck Kuklenski, Eddie Clark, Scott Myers, Ralph Holweck, Skip Sharp, G.W. Roberts, Fred Borman, John Van Vleet, Tom Goedkoop, Scott Larabee, Ken Hendricks, Champe Miller, John Haetinger, Jerry Topping, Ted Taylor, Jim Loy, John Koehler, Brad Lindsey and Bob Meyer.

With regard to the receiver of the class "baby cup" (which I didn't know existed), there appear to be 2 close contenders. Skip and Joe Anne Sharp previously claimed it with Elizabeth Ann on 13 Mar. However, Steve and Peggy Bollens betters that with Rachel on 28 Feb. If there are no other claims, I may just send a 20-yr-old plastic coffee cup off to Steve and Peg as a substitute for the imaginary award. Steve, SC, completed CESOC at Ft Sill and is now there with HB 1/17 FA performing numerous non-SC duties. He and Charlie Poure are helping with a new SCUBA club there. Skip Sharp writes that there are 6 D-2ers at Hood, previously mentioned. Along with others, they spend nearly every weekend at the lake in his boat. John Batiste and John Haetinger are scheduled to go to FRG for Reforger in Sept. Andy Green was top grad in his AOB as was Bob Kocher in Motor Off Crse. Skip made Com's list in both courses. Thanks Skip. John Toth likes the ADA scene at El



1974: Gail and Dwight Morse in Portland, 17 May 75.

Paso. He says he's losing his roommate John Blanco, to Christina Siqueiros on 26 Jul. It looks like John bit the dust kind of quick. Understand that Howie Berner and Mark Davis tried out their Russian in the USSR for 2 wks over grad lv. Bet that was quite a trip. Howie then went to Rgr Sch, was Hon Grad in AOB and will finish CI Sch before his asgmt in FRG in Aug. Other marriages I got wind of are Pete Stewart to Lis Bourgeois on 10 May in LI, Scott Lorabee on 13 May and Larry Milam 16 Jul.

In case you're wondering why the news is a little outdated once in a while, it might help to understand my deadlines. I have to submit my article to AOG 2 mos before the issue which makes it 30 Sept for the Dec issue and 5 Jan for the Mar issue. If I receive news at least a week before these deadlines, usually they'll get in print and be as timely as possible. Drop me a note sometime. Excuse me now, I must return to the beach.

'75

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1975: Receiving line—graduation hop.

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V.P.: William F. Crain
Secy: Victor J. Berto
Cust: Paul S. Schaefer
Hist: Albert P. Lawson II

USMA grads (14 stars) in 3d and 4th grades, Fort Riley 1927. 1st Row: Heard '42; 2d: Hamilton '42, Arnold '44, Mandell '40; 3d: Davis '42, Andrus '41, Brown '41, Strong '40; Top: Boye '39, Davison '39, Arnold '40, Nalle '44, Milton '40.



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.



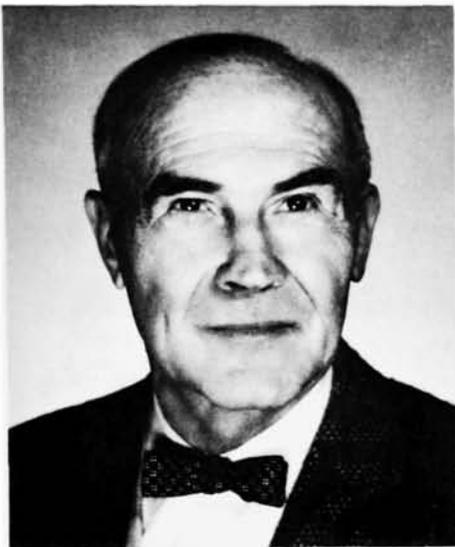
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Alfred Schrieber Balsam

NO. 5424 CLASS OF 1915

Died 14 March 1974 at Fort Ord, California, aged 84 years.

Interment: San Bruno National Cemetery, California



ALFRED SCHRIEBER BALSAM

FOUND AMONG HIS papers was a note Alfred Balsam had written about four years previously:

"When I die, please have my body cremated. The following squib should be adequate: 'ASB was appointed from Birmingham, Alabama, to the USMA where he graduated in 1915. Served 31 years and forced to retire as a result of imprisonment in Japan. He leaves his beloved wife "Dolly" and two sons, Howard and Dixon Balsam, who both live in the East.'"

Alfred was born in Birmingham on 29 April 1889. (Many years later he wryly remarked that he had the same birth date as the Emperor of Japan.) As he grew, his parents made him learn to play the piano. This skill proved advantageous, for when he later attended Birmingham College (now Birmingham Southern) with the aim of going to West Point, he paid his own way in part by playing at the silent movies and by teaching piano. He also swept floors and taught in a preparatory school to augment his earnings.

With an appointment from Senator Bankhead, Alfred entered West Point on 1 March 1910 with the Class of 1914. Here he acquiesced in a clerical error which changed his middle name from "Schreiber" to "Schrieber." Although he had earned top grades in mathematics at Birmingham College, inadequacies in the subject turned him back to the Class of 1915. He excelled in boxing, winning first place in the lightweight class and captain of the boxing squad in his First Class year.

Graduating in June 1915, Alfred was assigned to the 24th Infantry Regiment in San Francisco. In February 1916, the regiment was transferred to Fort D.A. Russell, Cheyenne, Wyoming. There he met and wooed Emily Frances Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard Jones. Their courtship culminated in marriage three weeks later (22 March), the regiment having been ordered to join the Pershing Expedition to Mexico.

For the next two and one-half years, the regiment "was glued to the border of Mexico" (in Alfred's words, from an autobiographi-

cal sketch written in 1961 from which much of this information is taken) well after America's entry into World War I. He finally was "unglued" in September 1918—for troop training duty at Camp Travis, Texas, followed by Reserve Officers' Training Corps tours at several colleges in South Dakota and Minnesota for the next four years.

His two sons were born during the border period. Also during this period, his rank fluctuated from first lieutenant, to captain, to temporary major, to captain, to major (16 July 1920).

In September 1922, Alfred joined the 19th Infantry Regiment in San Francisco, and served with it at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, for the following three years. After student tours at The Infantry School, Fort Benning, and the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, he was assigned for nine months to the 25th Infantry Regiment at Nogales, Arizona, one of his old stations. This was followed by a three-year tour with the 8th Corps Area General Staff, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

During this period, Alfred adopted tennis as a sport providing maximum exercise with minimum expense and number of players, for which facilities were usually available.

Having become interested in tanks and motor vehicles in 1931 at The Tank School, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, Alfred moved on to the Quartermaster Depot, Holabird, Baltimore, in 1934, and transferred to the Quartermaster Corps in 1936. It was as Philippine Division Quartermaster and Commanding Officer, 12th Quartermaster Regiment, that he began his foreign service tour in Manila in 1939. His wife Emily accompanied him, but not his sons, who became employed in the aircraft industry. He played tennis here in the fierce tropic heat with many younger opponents.

Although his foreign service tour was completed about July 1941, General Wainwright delayed the departure of all officers because of probable war with Japan. With other dependents, Emily returned to the States. She tended "Shoestring Manor," a small home on a former 77-acre farm on Taylors Island, Chesapeake Bay, Maryland. She remained here, with another "Colonel's Lady," for the war which soon followed.

On 7 December with the Japanese attack he was appointed Corps Quartermaster of the I Philippine Corps. After a battle lasting until 9 April 1942, Alfred was surrendered with the I Corps on Bataan Peninsula.

In the prisoner-of-war ordeal which followed for some three and a half years, commencing with the Bataan Death March, Alfred's tennis-toughened health undoubtedly enabled his survival while many younger men died. However, his digestion was ruined. He kept a diary on paper scraps in his own code. Some years after release, he discovered that he had forgotten the code!

The senior officer group in which he was held was first shipped to Taiwan, then moved to Beppu, Kyushu, then to Northern Manchuria. At the end of the war they were at Mukden, where the Russians freed them in August 1945.

Returned to the United States, Alfred was hospitalized and was retired on 30 November 1946 for physical disability.

Selling "Shoestring Manor," Alfred and Emily moved to Carmel Highlands, south of Carmel, California. There, in "Surf Song," they lived for 11 happy years. He joined the "Convivium," whose small membership consisted of retired Army and Navy officers and retired professional men. Alfred also served

as head of the Highlands Fire Commission for much of this time.

In December 1958 Emily, his beloved wife of 43 years, died after a brief illness in the hospital at Fort Ord.

Alfred soon entered the hospital himself, largely because of a heart attack. In October 1959 he left the hospital and shortly thereafter met Frances (Dolly) Fairfax Harrison, daughter of the former Governor General of the Philippines, Francis B. Harrison, and the late Mrs. Judson Harrison of Pebble Beach, California. They were married Christmas Eve, 1959, and lived happily in Dolly's home in Carmel until his death.

Arthur McKinley Harper

NO. 5684 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 23 February 1972 in Saint Petersburg, Florida, aged 78 years.

Interment: Enderlin, North Dakota

ARTHUR MCKINLEY HARPER was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on 23 December 1893, the 6th and youngest son of Christopher and Jane Harper. His father was a famous sprinter and all-round athlete, who established a world record when he was sixty years old.

Arthur Harper was appointed to the Military Academy from Enderlin, North Dakota. He graduated 20 April 1917 and was commissioned a second lieutenant, Cavalry Corps. Though he became an ardent field artillery man, he never lost his love for horses.

On 1 July 1944, as Commanding General of the XXIV Corps Artillery, in the field he issued a directive speaking of fire power employed in great volume and mass. It must have been effective. Lieutenant General Saito's last message to Japanese officers and men defending Saipan, 12 July 1944, spoke of the American devils, and the bitterness of defeat. "Even though the enemy has occupied only a corner of Saipan we are dying without avail under the violent shelling and bombing."

During the war he was also Commanding General of the 98th Division. From there he went to Fort Meade where he was Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 Second Army. Then to Athens, Greece, as deputy commander to General Van Fleet. In December 1948 he was assigned to Staff, Commander-in-Chief,



ARTHUR MCKINLEY HARPER

Naval Forces Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean in London. His last assignment was Commander of the Artillery Center at Fort Sill and Commandant of The Artillery School. It was he who led the fight to maintain Fort Sill as the home of The Artillery School.

"Duty, Honor, Country" were words that were meaningful to Arthur Harper. He believed in the principles for which they stand, and tried to live by them. Perhaps he expressed it best when he said, "Always do what is right come hell or high water."

A funeral service with full military honors was held in Enderlin, North Dakota.

Bartley Marcus Harloe

NO. 5748 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 20 July 1974 in Monterey, California, aged 77 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

BARTLEY MARCUS HARLOE was born in Brooklyn, New York on 16 February 1897, the son of George and Mary Harloe.

Bart was appointed to West Point in June 1914 and commissioned in the Corps of Engineers upon graduation in August 1917. He served overseas in World War I and upon return was assigned to the Philippine Islands. In 1922 he received his Civil Engineering degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York. Subsequently, he served five years as instructor in mathematics at West Point.

From 1929 to 1931 he was stationed in Nicaragua with the 29th Engineer Battalion. Upon his return he began a series of civil assignments with the Work Projects Administration, first as Regional Director for the eleven western states, later as chief engineer for the national WPA program in Washington, D.C. Between times he completed the course at the Command and General Staff School at Leavenworth. During World War II he served in North Africa, first as Chief of Staff, Atlantic Base Section and later as Chief of Staff, Services of Supply for the theater. Toward the close of the war he was assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington. From 1946 to 1948 Bart was District Engineer, Memphis, Tennessee. In 1948 he was assigned as District Engineer, Honolulu, Hawaii, where he was responsible



BARTLEY MARCUS HARLOE

for construction of Tripler General Hospital. After a brief tour as Division Engineer at Boston, Massachusetts, Bart retired from the Army in 1950 and returned to Honolulu where he lived until shortly before his death when he moved to Monterey, California.

After settling in Honolulu Bart began his second career as professor of engineering at the University of Hawaii, where for eleven years he also directed the University's Advanced Management Program, operated conjointly with Harvard University. He retired from the University in 1963 but then entered a third career as Managing Director of the City of Honolulu, retiring finally in 1964. From that time until December 1973 Bart and Virginia resided in their pleasant home on the side of Diamond Head, gracious hosts to the many wayfarers, friend and stranger alike, who passed through the Islands.

Bart had the audacity to marry the daughter of his first commanding officer. On 9 March 1918 in Macon, Georgia, Bart and Virginia Hazel Rankin formed a companionable and blessed relationship that lasted until Bart's death in Monterey last July. In addition to Virginia, he is survived by a son, Jack Harloe, of Placentia, California; a daughter, Ann Truscott of Albuquerque, New Mexico; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Bart will be remembered for his unflinching good nature, humorous and reflective, his consideration of others, and his high devotion to the ideals of West Point and the service. Most of all, he will be remembered by those of us who knew him best—his wife and family—as a dear and considerate husband and father, as a sometime poet, philosopher and raconteur—in a word—as a MAN who uniquely combined his high ideals with his mode of life. He was always authentically himself and never attempted to be other than that.

The closing passage from one of his essays, written in 1966 and entitled "Whistling in the Dark," is a fitting close to this remembrance:

"I see a pattern of survival of species, a pattern of survival for the human race. I see no sign of a divine providence interested in me as an individual. Bart Harloe will live forever! How egotistical in the face of the universe as we know it today! Heaven is my wife, my children, my garden, the blue Hawaiian sky and the beautiful stars at night. I am not interested in a life everlasting in an unknowable 'heaven.' Life everlasting is in our children and in our children's children. This is the tune I am whistling in the dark. My wish (dare I say—my prayer?) is that I shall still be asking questions that have no answers and whistling a cheerful tune when the dark becomes night and the stars go out."

—Jack Harloe, son

Lloyd Van Horne Durfee

NO. 5828 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 30 September 1974 in Alexandria, Virginia, aged 78 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

RED WAS SOLID Army—the son of Brigadier General Lucius Loyd Durfee '86 and Fanny, daughter of Brigadier General William M. Van Horne. That Red ever learned anything



LOYD VAN HORNE DURFEE

is a tribute to his native intelligence, nine different schools in two of which the only available teacher was an enlisted man, but he entered West Point on a presidential appointment and not only handled the curriculum without difficulty but had time for athletics. He was on the baseball squad all of our three years and won his "A": in hockey too he got his monogram, no letter then for hockey. As an acting corporal in yearling camp, he won a BA and AB. However, he recovered and was corporal in Second Class year and lieutenant in our First Class year. Of course his sweet tenor voice had him in the choir from start to finish.

In the Infantry after graduation, he reached France 22 July 1918 and served in the Vosges and the Meuse-Argonne (Victory Medal with Battle and Defensive Sector Clasps). Back in the States, he had a four year Reserve Officers' Training Corps tour at Clemson before his linguistic ability took over. After the Escuela Superior de Guerra, he began teaching Spanish at the Military Academy. His tour was interrupted twice to be president of the Departmental Board of Elections in Nicaragua.

After the advanced infantry course at Benning, Red did a stint as subdistrict supervisor for the Civilian Conservation Corps, twenty-two months in Havana as assistant military attaché, then four years as assistant professor of modern languages. At Schofield Barracks in September 1940, he suffered a heart attack and after eleven months' hospitalization, was retired. Immediately called back to duty, he was assistant professor for Spanish and associate professor of modern languages until July 1948. Awarded Legion of Merit.

Reverting to retired status, Red made his home with his sister Dorothy and her husband Red (Brigadier General L.V.) Warner. This happy trio moved about from Fort Monroe, West Point, Heidelberg and finally, Alexandria, Virginia. There they had twenty wonderful years with one another and among their friends. Towards the last of them, Red just gradually wore out. He is back at the Point where many classmates awaited him.

That story of a fine career tells nothing about the Red Durfee we knew for sixty years. He was a loyal friend and brother, good company and kind beneath a sometimes crusty exterior. We around Washington were happy to have been with him in his last twenty years. We miss him.

Frederick Brenton Porter

NO. 6536 CLASS OF 1919

Died 19 November 1974 at Veterans' Administration Hospital, Denver, Colorado, aged 77 years.

Interment: National Cemetery
 Fort Logan, Colorado



FREDERICK BRENTON PORTER

FREDERICK BRENTON PORTER, second son of William Ruric Porter and Clara Valverde Day Porter, was born in Kerrville, Texas, on 22 June 1897. His family lived in Chihuahua, Mexico, until he was five years old at which time they moved to Douglas, Arizona. After graduation from high school he was appointed to the Military Academy by Senator Ashurst and graduated on 1 November 1918. After the class tour of Belgian, French and Italian battle fronts, and the Army of Occupation in Germany, he was stationed at Camp Benning, Georgia, and graduated from The Infantry School there.

His first assignment was to Camp Stephen D. Little, Arizona, with the 25th Infantry. In 1921 he married Rosalee G. Foore, at that time Deputy County Recorder for Santa Cruz County. One of his most interesting assignments was to Arivaca in the spring of 1922, after the raid by Mexican bandits and the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Pierson at Ruby, Arizona. His first command was that contingent of infantrymen protecting that portion of the Mexican Border.

In June of 1922 Fred transferred to the Field Artillery, and joined the 15th Field Artillery, then stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Later he was transferred to the 4th Field Artillery and then orders took him to his first assignment at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. The 13th Field Artillery was a fine outfit and he was there until his next assignment to Fort Sill, Oklahoma in 1927.

During the five and one half years there he was with the 1st Field Artillery, was Trial Judge Advocate of the Military Court for two years, and graduated from both the Field Artillery School and the advanced motor course. In June of 1932 he was ordered to the 10th Field Artillery at Fort Lewis, Washington. Part of that tour he served as aide for General Castner; then the depression entered the picture and he spent several months with the Civilian Conservation Corps in Oregon.

March of 1934 took him back to Hawaii for a second tour, that one with the 11th Field Artillery. When that ended he was ordered to Purdue University, he taught motors to sophomores for two years then on to Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. The next post was Fort Bragg, North Carolina, the highlight of that being his assignment as a Field Artillery Observer with the British Forces in North Africa. Upon his return to Fort Bragg he served on the Field Artillery Board until spring of 1943 when he was sent as the Field Artillery Liaison Officer to Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland.

After a year there he was sent to Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he activated, trained and commanded the 416th Field Artillery Brigade which he took to Europe in the fall of 1944. After the war he was ordered back to Aberdeen Proving Ground, once more in plans and training.

September of 1946 found him on his way to Japan, his first year spent as Military Governor in Takamatsu on the Island of Shikoku, then the transfer to Yokohama where he was Military Governor of Kanagawa Prefecture. He and the Japanese got on beautifully together. Returning to the States he was sent to Fort Monroe, Virginia, once more in plans and training for the Field Artillery.

The year at Fort Monroe went quickly and when orders came for him to return to Purdue as Professor of Military Science and Tactics he was delighted. Old friends were still there and though he had been ill from time to time it was with heartbreak that he was retired in 1953. Percy Jones Hospital found the arterio sclerosis and enough other things like the fall from a horse at Fort Sam, and the crack up in the British plane in North Africa and the injured shoulder from that, with a 70% disability record the service career of 35 years was ended. Every year had had Fred's entire attention and devotion and his best effort in every assignment.

From a hot tip at a cocktail party in Denver he found out that the Government Personnel Mutual Life Insurance Company wanted an agent in Colorado Springs, Colorado, so two weeks after retirement he was in business, selling insurance to the men and boys he had spent his life with. Needless to say it was very successful for ten years.

After his second retirement he kept busy as he always had to be, building a cabin at Lake George, with the Retired Officers Club which he helped organize, the West Point Society and various civilian groups. He was an active member and past president of the Cheyenne Mountain Lions Club for twelve years.

His failing health slowed down his activity and, saddest of all, prevented him from joining his classmates at the 55th Reunion in June. Son, Frederick B. Jr., was there with his class for their 30th Reunion and so contact was kept. We were fortunate to have kept him home until September, then hospitalization was necessary and he had marvelous care at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Denver. He was not conscious for the last eleven weeks, it was Heaven's mercy for him but very heartbreaking for those of us who loved him. Death came from pneumonia on 19 November. He was buried on 22 November at Fort Logan Cemetery.

Fred is survived and mourned by his wife, Rosalee G.; son, Frederick B. Jr.; grandson, Frederick B. III; granddaughter, Jane H. and grandson, William Foore. Also his brother,

William C. Porter, and sisters, Beulah Stockham and Evelyn Kaufman, all of Phoenix, Arizona.

-R. G. P.

William Lemuel Mitchell

NO. 6772 CLASS OF 1920

Died 10 February 1974 in Washington, D.C., aged 76 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery,
 Arlington, Virginia

WILLIAM LEMUEL MITCHELL entered the United States Military Academy on 14 June 1918 with the Class of 1920 and never stopped serving the ideals of West Point until his death on the 10th of February 1974. Born in 1897 in Mandeville, Louisiana, Mitch spent the early years of his life in and around southern Louisiana and Mississippi and attended Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi, for two years prior to entering the Military Academy. He never lost the countenance of a southern gentleman, even though he later married a Yankee from West Virginia, Mary Virginia "Winnie" Rapp.

From the Deep South he approached the gray walls on the Hudson not at all sure just what the military was all about; and in fact, after the initial issue of academic equipment as a new plebe, he was heard to ask "Where are the medical text books?" But during his thirty-five years of active military service and his subsequent retirement period, there was never any doubt in the minds of those he touched that here indeed was a truly dedicated soldier and a staunch believer in the motto of his beloved alma mater: "Duty, Honor, Country."

Following graduation in June 1920, he was commissioned a second lieutenant, Infantry, and along with the rest of his class was immediately promoted to first lieutenant only to be returned to the rank of second lieutenant two and a half years later. Trapped in those days of stretched out time-in-grade between promotions he spent a total of fifteen years as a lieutenant. During the early portion of that period he served as an infantryman in the Panama Canal Zone and at Fort McPherson, where in 1922 he met and married Winnie, his devoted wife until her death in 1958.

His next assignment was with the Reserve Officers' Training Corps Detachment at



WILLIAM LEMUEL MITCHELL

Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge where he served as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics. Then in 1933 at Fort Benning he completed The Infantry School's tank course and began a long romance with armor which was not to culminate until his retirement in 1955 as Commander of the Fifth Armored Division.

While still a lieutenant Mitch was dispatched to Tioga County, Pennsylvania, where he commanded a company in the Civilian Conservation Corps, and constructed a CCC camp from scratch out of a rugged wilderness. He then moved on to Fort Meade for an assignment with the 66th Infantry Regiment (Light Tanks) and it was here that he developed his expertise as a tanker. It was here also in 1935 that he finally achieved the rank of captain; the grade at which, as he often expressed later, he was hopeful to retire.

Graduating from the Command and Staff College at Leavenworth in 1937 he then proceeded to the Philippines for a two year tour as Aide to the Commanding General of the Philippine Department. His return to the United States put him back with tanks and the 66th Infantry; initially at Fort Devens, and then at Fort Benning, where in 1940-1941 he worked under General George Patton as a battalion commander in organizing the 2d Armored Division and developing armored tactics that were to be used later so successfully in World War II.

Just prior to the outbreak of World War II Mitch was dispatched to Washington and selected to serve on the staff of Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, where from 1942 to 1944 he worked on plans for organizing, training and deploying all of the Army's divisions committed to combat in the overseas theatres of operations. By the end of the war he had advanced to the rank of brigadier general and was named General Secretary to the International Military Tribunal responsible for conducting the Nuremberg war crimes trials. In 1946 he reverted back to the grade of colonel and returned to Washington where he served on the Department of the Army Staff until 1948 and was awarded credit for attendance at the National War College.

For the next two years, 1948-1950, he was stationed in Japan where he served on the staff of Headquarters, Far East Command. Shortly after the beginning of the Korean conflict he was once again promoted to brigadier general and assigned to the Eighth Army successively as Deputy Commander, IX Corps, and Assistant Division Commander, 25th Infantry. During this latter assignment he was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action.

Returning after the cessation of hostilities Mitch found himself at Camp Chaffee in 1952 assigned once again to an armored division, this time as the Assistant Division Commander, 5th Armored. In 1953 he was promoted to major general and remained at Chaffee for the next two years as division and post commander of what was then an artillery training center. It was here on 31 August 1955 that Mitch and Winnie retired from the military and took up residence in Sumner, Maryland, near Washington, D.C.

Even in retirement Mitch never lost touch with the Army and West Point and continued to actively participate in all of his Class's activities. It was during this phase of his life after the loss of Winnie that he grew especially close to his alma mater, its alumni and the Class of 1920; and it was there that he felt the most comfort. His death came peacefully during sleep on 10 February 1974.

He is survived by his two children, Suzan Sigmon and William L. Jr., and by his grandsons, David and Mark.

Mitch's way of life can best be summed up by quoting from his Silver Star citation which reads in part, "His keen insight and calm demeanor inspired those around him to maximum effort and were decisive factors in enabling the battalion, with minimum casualties, to drive the enemy from a commanding objective. [His] valorous leadership and notable military ability are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army." These are often considered hackneyed words by many, but to Mitch this was really what he was put on this earth to do—and he did it.

—W. L. Mitchell Jr.
Class of '52

Alexander Davidson Reid

NO. 7078 CLASS OF 1923

Died 1 September 1974 in Santa Barbara, California, aged 73 years.

Interment: Calvary Cemetery,
Santa Barbara, California

WHO WAS "REID, A.D.—Class of '23"?

Like each of us, he was many people. When he entered West Point, he was an unsophisticated young man from South Dakota, son of a Scottish immigrant and an Iowa farm girl, and also, as he often remarked unabashedly, a "former plumber's assistant." He went to West Point because he couldn't afford any other comparable education, but became committed to the Academy and the Army during the unlikely period of his plebe year.

To his classmates and other friends throughout thirty-one years of service, he was "Shim," or "Shimmy"—a nickname acquired at yearling summer camp when he was put on report after a hop for dancing the forbidden shimmy—which he always insisted he didn't even know *how* to dance.

To the Army, he was a dedicated officer who went where he was sent and served where he was needed, not necessarily without complaint, but always to the best of his training and ability. First, it was as a second lieutenant at Plattsburg Barracks (still so unsophisticated that when his troops received a forced issue of chutney, he tasted it for



ALEXANDER DAVIDSON REID

the first time in his life and then confidently advised the mess sergeant that the obvious thing to do with it was to make pies).

Among his later assignments, some held particular interest or gratification for him. In 1926 he served on the Tacna-Arica Plebiscitary Commission, which sought to settle territorial disputes between Chile and Peru; in 1947-1948 he was the first chief of the United States Army Mission to Venezuela. Perhaps his most demanding, yet in some ways most rewarding, duty was as commanding officer of the 424th Infantry, 106th Division, during the Battle of the Bulge.

In this action and throughout his career, he earned various medals and awards, but he often said that he was proudest of the Combat Infantryman's Badge, which accompanied him to the grave.

To his wife, Katherine Alene O'Connell, whom he met at his first post and married in 1926, he was... always her favorite dancing partner; her touchstone of strength, kindness, and devotion; her constant companion; and her lifelong love. So much so that when he died, she could no longer continue her own losing fight for life and re-joined him just 36 hours later.

To his children, James and Peggy Ann, he was a man to measure other men against. He was love mixed with discipline and laughter mixed with responsibility; he was a teacher of honesty and character; he was a caring and cared for father.

His epitaph, in the hearts of his family and friends, might well be: "He never faltered in his commitment to 'Duty, Honor, Country'—and he never lost his sense of humor."

Bernard Aye Tormey

NO. 7110 CLASS OF 1923

Died 23 April 1973 in Hampton, Virginia, aged 73 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

BARNEY WAS BORN in Spokane, Washington, where his father was Superintendent of Schools. He spent his boyhood in the northwest United States and Canada, always recalling in later life the spectacular beauty of the region. Graduating from high school in 1917, he enlisted in the Army and began a career which would include assignments the world over, with fifteen years of service overseas.

Arriving at West Point after World War I, he was a cadet during the period General MacArthur was Superintendent. Later he was to serve on MacArthur's staff during most of the World War II campaigns in the Pacific.

As a cadet he was a member of the fabulous M Company. The HOWITZER of 1923 records that he delighted his classmates with tales of escapades in New York City. A sense of humor and athletic ability helped him to enjoy his years at West Point.

Upon graduation he was assigned to the 7th Field Artillery at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. This was the first of a series of assignments in the horsedrawn artillery. In 1925 he joined the 17th Field Artillery at Fort Bragg. During both these assignments he found time to play on Army football teams. At Fort Bragg he was the coach of the post team. On one occasion during this period Fort Bragg played the Parris Island marines, with unspectacular results. With the team on the short end of a lopsided score, the post commander of Fort Bragg ordered Barney to "suit up and get into the game." He recalled



BERNARD AYE TORMEY

later that the outcome was unaffected by his participation but he was not sure how long it would require for him to recover from the game.

While at Fort Bragg he met Louise Dixon who was living in Fayetteville. They were married in 1926.

After attending The Artillery School at Fort Sill, Barney was ordered to Fort Stotsenburg in the Philippines. Besides the challenges of duty in the tropical environment, he had the opportunity to apply his interest in foreign languages by learning several native dialects.

His interest in languages was furthered by duty in China from 1932 to 1936. In those days, a language detail was stationed at Peking. An officer spent two years in study followed by two years duty as an assistant military attaché. It was an eventful period, particularly in its later stages as China was drawn into war against Japan.

Upon returning to the United States in 1936, Barney was assigned to the 6th Field Artillery at Fort Hoyle, Maryland. He was always proud to have commanded Headquarters and then Battery A of the 6th when the regimental commander was Colonel William P. Ennis. It was a crack unit, commanded by a well known and highly respected officer, in an ideal setting at the end of the era of United States mounted troops.

In early 1941 Barney was ordered to Hong Kong for duty as Assistant Army Attaché. His family could not accompany him because of restrictions on travel to the Pacific. Within a few months his station was changed to Singapore where he was located when the Japanese attacked the United States and British forces in the Pacific.

He was an observer attached to British units during the Malayan Campaign. At the conclusion he left Singapore on one of the last ships. Fortunately it eluded Japanese naval forces and reached Australia safely. There he joined the staff of General MacArthur who had recently escaped from the Philippines.

After the return to the Philippines, Barney sought assignment in the China Burma Theater where his knowledge of Chinese could be applied. This was accomplished and V-J Day found him in China.

Notwithstanding his interest in the Far East, Barney sought duty in Europe during his next tour overseas. He and Louise spent three interesting years in Stuttgart, Germany, where he commanded the 66th Counter Intelligence Corps Group.

Like many military men in retirement he devoted himself to his avocation, which in his case was foreign languages. Princeton University offered an opportunity for study in pleasant surroundings so he made his retirement home at Princeton. He was awarded a master's degree in 1956. In 1960 his health began to fail and curtailed his expectations of further work in languages.

Until the end of his life in 1973 he never failed to show a great capacity for enjoying people and life as he found it. He was intensely loyal to the Military Academy and the Army. His family believes it is especially fitting that his final resting place is at West Point.

—J.H.T.

Robert Herman Krueger

NO. 7176 CLASS OF 1923

Died 3 August 1974 at Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, aged 74 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

BOB WAS BORN in Morris, Minnesota, the son of Julius R. and Minnie Anna (Kerl) Krueger. He was graduated from Morris High School in 1917. He attended Carleton College for one year before receiving an appointment to West Point from Congressman Andrew Volstead, the father of the Prohibition Act, and then attended Krafe's Prep School in Minneapolis. He entered the United States Military Academy in June 1918, and graduated in June 1923. He was assigned to the Coast Artillery and ordered to Fort Monroe, Virginia for the basic course. While there he met Miss Eugenia Nealon. They were married in 1925. Their first station was Fort Rosecrans, near San Diego, California.

Before World War II Bob served in Panama, Fort Monroe, the Philippines, Fort Scott, Key West and Fort Monroe again in 1930. While at Monroe he with another officer was ordered to Civilian Conservation Corps duty. They were the first officers to establish CCC camps in 1935 in Pennsylvania.

Later he attended the usual Army schools including the Command and General Staff College at Leavenworth. The day after graduation the Kruegers, now three with daughter Joyce, were en route to Hawaii when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.



ROBERT HERMAN KRUEGER

Bob returned to the anti-aircraft brigade at San Diego and was later assigned to the Anti-aircraft Training Center at Camp Hann, Riverside, California.

From the training center, he was called to Washington and joined General Patton's Staff. He landed with Patton's forces at Casa Blanca, was with him through Tunisia, then joined General Bradley's staff as anti-aircraft officer for the landing in Sicily. He was Bradley's anti-aircraft officer in Italy thru the Monte Cassino operation. He then became executive officer of an anti-aircraft brigade in Sardinia for the landing in southern France and establishing the anti-aircraft defense of the Marseilles area. At the time of the Battle of the Bulge he commanded the anti-aircraft and infantry troops that provided area defense. He was then executive of another anti-aircraft brigade until he returned to the United States after the war with nine battle stars and forty-four months of service overseas, and was assigned to duty in the Pentagon.

While he was on duty with the 11th Air Force at Harrisburg as a planning officer, he set up what was known as the Eastern Air Defense Command covering the waterfront from Boston to Norfolk and involved the Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard.

He later joined the Air Force, transferred to the 1st Air Force and became Base Commander of Otis Air Force Base. Later he transferred back to the Ground Forces and was ordered to Fort Bliss as an administrative officer in the Anti-aircraft School. During this time the Korean War started. He was directed to organize an Officer Candidate School which ran for about a year. He was then ordered to Japan and took command of Camp Drake, a replacement depot. As the Korean trouble was dying out he organized and ran Camp Tokoyo, an octopus of a command. He retired there on 30 April 1955.

He returned to the United States and to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where he took a civilian position as administrative officer with the General State Authority of the State of Pennsylvania. While there the Kruegers built a home overlooking the Susquehanna River. But, after some years they decided that Bob should retire completely, so they built a home back in Hampton, Virginia, on the Hampton River, very near the place where he and Jean had met some forty odd years before. (Based on notes prepared by Bob.)

George Arthur Duerr

NO. 7265 CLASS OF 1924

Died 31 October 1974 in Miami, Florida, aged 72 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

GEORGE DUERR'S LIFE shaped itself around two loves: an enthusiastic professional love of soldiering and a deep, romantic, and joyous love for his wife Mary. Upon his retirement from the Army in 1957, he grew even closer to Mary; and after her death, he lived less than a year.

George decided as a small boy that the Army would be his career and West Point his alma mater. An avid reader of the Dick Prescott series, his early accomplishments rivaled those of his fictional hero. At DeWitt Clinton High School in New York City, he was a respected student leader and the sole student representative on the faculty committee. At West Point he stood high academically and was cadet captain of L



GEORGE ARTHUR DUERR

Company and captain of the Army swimming team. A classmate writes:

"He set high standards for himself, and from the start set out unostentatiously to attain his goals. He had all the tools: always strong academically, he presented an unusually fine military appearance, had excellent personal relations with his classmates, upper classmen, and officers of the tactical department; finally, he was mature, fully responsible, and performed all his duties to the best of his very considerable abilities.

"Yet with all these attributes he was 'one of the gang,' and participated in as many of our escapades as the average cadet. So it really surprised no one that he was always one of the top ranking cadets militarily in the class—2d after Yearling year, 5th after Second Class year, and 4th after First Class year. And all this was accomplished without his ever being considered a 'file boner' by his classmates."

After graduation, George served briefly as a second lieutenant of Artillery at Madison Barracks, but resigned during the economy drives that reduced the Army's strength during the 1920's. It was a bad mistake, for no civilian career ever interested him; and when offered an opportunity to come back as a major in the mobilization of 1940, George jumped at the chance.

His war record is typical of the man. As Commanding Officer of the 187th Field Artillery Battalion, George first trained and then led the battalion across Europe—from D plus one on Omaha Beach to VE day in Czechoslovakia—with energy, enthusiasm, and the highest standards of professionalism. In 335 days of combat—including the invasion, the Wallendorf diversion, the Bulge, and three crossings of the Siegfried Line—the battalion had few combat casualties and but one death from direct enemy action. Although George was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Croix de Guerre, it was his battalion's record of continuous combat with effective fires and few casualties of which George was most proud. He reconnoitered personally and thoroughly, set high standards for his battalion, and discouraged carelessness. For example, an officer who served with him notes: "We insisted on constant defensive organization of our positions; every man had to have his own slit trench deep enough to put him below ground level. We were bombed, shelled, strafed, and under small arms fire at times; but no man took a direct hit that resulted in death."

George's postwar career was an anti-climax, although he made the regular army on the first list. In 1942 he had decided to turn down an opportunity to attend Command and General Staff School, because it would have prevented his going overseas with his battalion; and age precluded his being offered a second chance at Leavenworth after the war.

On his return from Europe, George accepted a public relations assignment. Remembering the economy drives of the 1920's, he felt that the key problem in peacetime would be maintaining enough interest in the Army to assure its continuing operational readiness. Typically, he devoted himself to this unglamorous and sometimes distasteful mission with the same attention and energy he had shown in combat.

If his last ten years of service were professionally disappointing, they were personally satisfying. He and his beloved Mary made enduring friendships and enjoyed happy times at Carlisle Barracks, Fort Shafter, Chicago, and New York City, where George retired in 1957 as G3 of the New York Military District.

With Mary he spent 16 more happy years after retirement—first in New York and then in Dover, Delaware, with winters together in the Florida Keys. Mary got her wish; she died first. George died eleven months later.

Upon his death, one friend of 60 years' standing noted: "He had a successful career, a successful marriage, and he laughed a lot. A man can't ask for more than that." And another friend who fought across Europe with him summed George up well:

"Serving in combat with him was a pleasure, a privilege, and an education. He was a gentleman, a professional, and one hell of a good soldier."

William John Carne

NO. 7719 CLASS OF 1925

Died 17 September 1974 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, aged 75 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"BIM" (WILLIAM J.) CARNE was something special. He was gentle but could be tough; he was stern but could be humorous; he saw some good in everyone and it was in this way that he approached life. He served in peace and in war and, in the opinion of those who knew him, he served well. He was born in Mississippi and moved to Kentucky where he enlisted in the National Guard. He received his appointment to West Point as an enlisted man.

After graduation in 1925, it was Manila, Spokane, and then an interesting job as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at McKinley High School in Honolulu. From there he went to The Infantry School at Benning, to Camp Gordon and the 8th Infantry where he was the Executive Officer to then Colonel Van Fleet, and then to form part of the cadre which was to build Camp White at Medford, Oregon. From Camp White he was transferred to Fort Ord. It was here that BIM was hospitalized and then retired. His chosen life was over in 1944 as a regular army officer but BIM was employed to teach history at Valley Forge Military Academy and a new and productive life began.

His life at Valley Forge was a vigorous one. He liked the cadets and the cadets liked him. He developed the strong and vital



WILLIAM JOHN CARNE

Valley Forge Military Academy Junior College at Wayne, Pennsylvania. He held many positions of honor at Valley Forge such as Chairman of the History Department and Dean of the Junior College.

Bim's great love was teaching and although he held important administrative positions and carried out his duties in the superior manner, characteristic of him, he always reserved one or two periods a day or week when he would be in the classroom as the instructor.

His love for West Point was great and his reverence for his alma mater was awesome. He was wont to belittle his own accomplishments and give the credit to West Point. He came back to every reunion of significance and was planning to be at West Point in May of 1975 for his 50th Reunion.

Classmates will miss him, no doubt, but those who will miss him most will be those people who knew him at Valley Forge and the many cadets he had in his classrooms over the years.

These words are not being set down by one of his classmates but rather by one who followed Bim at West Point and who was also retired early and found a home at Valley Forge. Bim and his lovely wife Genevieve were responsible for our successful transition into civilian life.

You know a man when you exchange books, words, ideas, and opinions with him and this was my good fortune with Bim Carne.

Valley Forge Military Academy has long been identified with the State of Pennsylvania and Bim was certainly a vital part of the Valley Forge community. Consequently, the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania saw fit to honor him with the rank of brigadier general in the State Guard.

After retirement from Valley Forge, Bim and Genevieve continued living in Strafford, Pennsylvania, where they had built their home.

Bim's service did not end with his retirement from Valley Forge Military Academy. He did volunteer work at the Bryn Mawr Hospital close to where he lived. This was of great satisfaction to him for he felt that he was being useful.

He is buried at West Point, a wish that he had expressed many times. One of the Long Gray Line's many sons has come home.

Bim Carne is a classic—he was something special.

—Long-time friend
Class of 1940, USMA

Kenneth Perry McNaughton

NO. 7992 CLASS OF 1926

Died 16 June 1974 in San Francisco, California, aged 70 years.

Cremated ashes scattered at sea.



KENNETH PERRY McNAUGHTON

IN THE EARLY morning hours of 16 June 1974, Ken McNaughton joined his departed comrades in the Valhalla of American Warriors—the final ranks of the Long Gray Line. Thus ended a long and distinguished career of service to his country—a service that began with a climb up the banks of the Hudson in 1922; a service studded with achievement, courage and decision; a service epitomizing the tenets of Duty, Honor, Country.

Small wonder that this Michigan farm-boy gravitated to West Point—for his blood was the blood of the MacNaughtans of Argyll and Dunderave, and his natural fighting spirit the fighting spirit of the Highland Scots. Ken McNaughton was not just a warrior. He was a natural leader with the instinct, ability, and determination to master any situation in which he was involved. He was a rugged, forceful personality and a doer.

As a child, he was a tough adventurer. At three he became lost in the winter woods of Michigan for hours until found at last by the family dog. At nine he rebelled against the hell-fire-brimstone religion of his grandmother by going into the open and challenging God to strike him dead. At fifteen he fought the village bully around the clock, and at sixteen was buried alive beneath tons of grain in his father's grain-elevator when a hired-hand threw the wrong switch.

Ken was a natural athlete. He was an All-State halfback in high school, a soccer player at West Point, a polo player at Fort Sheridan and a low-handicap golfer the rest of his life. He was a great gamesman, particularly at poker and bridge, then finally at dominoes. He was a great storyteller, the life of the party, a man's man, and a lady's man. He loved life and he lived life to the hilt. Yet, he never feared much of anything—certainly not any man. He liked people and in his dealings was unprejudiced, open and generous. He never thought of himself first.

During his cadet days, he was a good man to have around—a happy extrovert with boundless energy and good humor, but withal, a sober sense of duty. Following graduation

he toured Europe where he met his future wife, the artist, Elizabeth Baskerville of Los Angeles, whom he married in 1931.

Ken's initial assignment was as field artillery officer, Fort Sheridan, Illinois. But he had yearned to become a pilot. His visual acuity was below flying school standards, however, due to, as he himself put it, "straining my eyes reading the finely print scriptures in the dimly-lit West Point chapel." He spent his free time "strengthening his vision" at juggling, fencing, and polo, and by 1928 was able to enter primary training at Brooks Field, Texas. With his usual McNaughton enthusiasm, Ken threw himself into pilot training, became a superb flier and was one of only three officers to graduate from an initial class of ten. Following an observation assignment at Fort Sill and photography school at Chanute, he became an expert at aerial-mapping. From 1931-1934 he performed the monumental task of aerial-mapping of the Hawaiian Islands.

In 1937, as Commandant of Cadets at Randolph Field, Ken instituted practices that markedly reduced the high student pilot wash-out rate, simultaneously improving pilot quality. He did this by hammering out quality instructors.

In the dark early days preceding World War II, Ken's dynamic leadership and organizing ability made him a vital figure in the gigantic task of expanding the Air Corps training program. His specialty was the formation of Civil Flying Schools. All schools were expanded as rapidly as facilities could be built, instructors trained, and aircraft delivered. Contractual arrangements were made by the most expeditious means—usually verbal, with the paperwork formalities accomplished sometimes years later. In 1938, the United States Army Air Corps graduated a grand total of 313 pilots. By 1944, the program had been geared to train 102,000 pilots and actually graduated 87,336. All other flight crews, ground crews, and allied personnel were expanded at a commensurate rate. Ken McNaughton was the catalyst for this expansion. He was everywhere, cutting across command channels, selecting the sites, establishing a military-civilian-contractor team from scratch, then insuring that it all worked. He was a real leader. He selected excellent people, allocated their jobs, then left them alone to produce. He was always available for advice, encouragement, and help. He trusted his selections, and they, in turn, would have laid their lives on the line for him.

A wartime deputy wrote "my recollections of Captain McNaughton made the biggest impression of my life on me. His understanding, his guidance, his determination, his forcefulness, and his absolute disregard for his personal safety in flying into fields without radio controls (700 feet, half-mile visibility) made him an object of awe to the rest of us pilots—including those of the airlines. At 5:00 p.m. one evening in Glendale, California, he was ordered to be at Randolph by 8:00 a.m. the next morning. Flying a BT-9, he tangled with severe thunderstorms for two hours between El Paso and Austin. The plane was junked at Randolph. How he flew it in, I'll never know. When I joined Colonel McNaughton again at Fort Worth in 1943, it was at the time of the amalgamation of the Technical Training Command and the Flying Training Command. The drive he exhibited—twenty hours a day—flying and inspecting thirty-five major installations makes me wonder even today how he did it. But he did, and he became an expert on all of them."

Ken was thus a key figure at the hub of

the massive training program that produced the hundreds of thousands of American and Allied war and ground crews required to win the war. For this, he was made a General Officer, the first in his West Point class. After the war, Ken filled many high positions—all with distinction and courage—and all with that verve and happy air that comes of duty well and cheerfully performed.

He received his 2d star in 1948 while serving as Deputy for Air Force Training and Requirements, Pentagon. Early in the Korean War, he refused to play politics with an unscrupulous senator over the establishment of a badly-needed navigator training base. He was quickly transferred away to Scott Air Force Base, as Vice Commander, Air Training Command, then finished a 30 year career as Vice Commander, Far Eastern Air Force. Leaving active duty, he turned his energies to the business world as vice president and director of Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corporation, and as a member of the board for the Wackenhut Corporation.

Finally retiring at Pebble Beach in 1964, Ken avidly pursued his favorite activities—hunting, fishing and golf. He was a long-time member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St. Andrews, Scotland; member, Daedalian Society, and was active with the Scottish Society of Monterey, California. His many decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Bronze Star. Foreign decorations include the Order of the Royal Crown of Thailand, Chinese Cloud Banner (Nun Hui), Commander of the British Empire, Order of Military Merit (Teaguk, Korea), and Order of the Rising Sun (Japan).

Ken McNaughton died from a rapidly progressive brain stem cancer at Letterman Army Hospital. His remains were given to medicine and his ashes to the winds at sea. His memorial service was held in Monterey with eulogy delivered by one of his 1926 West Point classmates.

He is survived by his wife Beth, by his daughter, Perry Anne Jamieson of Claremont, California, with grandsons Jeffrey and Dalton; by his son Grant (Lieutenant Colonel, United States Air Force Medical Corps, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas) with grandsons Kenneth, Timothy and Shannon; by his sister, Margaret Vance of Charlotte, Michigan; and by his brother Franklin (Colonel F.H. McNaughton, United States Air Force, Retired) of Azle, Texas. He is further survived by many good friends who fondly recount great stories about this swash-buckling personality who was truly one of the noblemen of his time.

Alfred Norman Webb

NO. 8384 CLASS OF 1928

Died 3 December 1974 in La Jolla, California, aged 69 years.

Cremated ashes scattered at sea.

ALFRED NORMAN WEBB was born on 2 February 1905 in Surrey, England, of an English father and a German mother. His father was in the import business and, after emigrating to the United States in 1910, had to spend much of his time away from his family traveling throughout Europe. Norm spent his boyhood along the Rhode Island coast and developed a strong attraction for the sea, sailing at every opportunity when not engaged in competitive sports. As an only



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child, and because of the prolonged absences of his father, Norm became a very independent young man. He attended St. George's Preparatory School and lettered in football and baseball. During the summers he worked on fishing boats. In 1923 he entered Massachusetts Institute of Technology and spent a year studying electrical engineering until he received a Congressional appointment the next summer to West Point.

Entering the Academy with the Class of 1928 as a member of M Company, he spent a hard plebe year adjusting to the system. But later he made the football squad, became a hop manager, and attained the rank of color sergeant in his First Class year. The last two years were happy ones, particularly the time spent on the athletic field and in the study of engineering subjects. Although quiet and reserved, his "foul smelling pipe" became a legend throughout the Corps. In the best residential section of North Barracks, he could be persuaded to speak about the sea or England almost any afternoon.

Choosing the Infantry upon graduation, he was temporarily assigned to the military attaché section of the United States Embassy at the Court of St. James as a member of a group of new lieutenants studying fortifications of Europe. He served a brief tour training new recruits for the 1st Infantry Division and resigned from the Army in 1930 to join the canning division of Crown Cork and Seal Co. Just prior to resigning, he married Jane Reid Venable from Richmond, Virginia, in November of 1930. The diminutive, five-foot Jane Reid came from an old Virginia family whose men had played significant roles in the Civil War.

At Crown Cork & Seal Norm worked as a personnel and sales manager, setting up new outlets and making ten permanent moves in the following twelve years to Boston, Philadelphia, New York, and other East Coast cities. In 1943 he joined the War Production Board in charge of obtaining and distributing tin plate. As a "dollar-a-year-man" he worked throughout the war keeping that commodity in supply. Returning to industry after the war in 1945, he rose to the executive level in his company and retired in 1954 to settle in Baltimore, Maryland.

The following ten years were undoubtedly the happiest of his life—teaching mathematics at St. Paul's High School while pursuing his main interest of assisting candidates entering West Point. Working with the Army Athletic Association, he was instrumental in improving

the caliber of Army lacrosse. Ten of the cadets he had helped to enter West Point were selected to All-America teams. (Norm Jr. played three years of varsity lacrosse and was All-American in 1963 and 1964.) He was also active in the Baltimore sports community in general and spent considerable time helping young men to further their education, regardless of their athletic ability. He was always available to those students who sought his assistance. Many revered his dry humor and ability to listen and understand. "Norm's kitchen" was a meeting place for area lacrosse buffs.

In 1965 the Webbs retired to La Jolla, California, for the warm weather and the sea. Living on a hill with a view of the water, Norm enjoyed swimming and gardening and was involved with the local chapter of Kiwanis. Both he and Jane were active members of the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club and avid enthusiasts of San Diego sports.

After suffering a severe heart attack in February of 1972 which restricted his activities, and losing Jane Reid of lung disease on 24 November 1974, he died of a heart attack ten days later in his home on 3 December 1974. Upon his request his ashes were scattered to the sea he loved. He leaves his three daughters, Jane, Patricia and Sara, and his son, Norman Jr., United States Military Academy, Class of 1964, Captain, United States Army, Retired.

Norm and Jane will be greatly missed by the Class and their many friends everywhere.

—His Classmates

Norman Edwin Poinier

NO. 8575 CLASS OF 1929

Died 19 January 1975 at Brooke Army Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, aged 67 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

NORMAN EDWIN POINIER, affectionately known at West Point and during his lieutenant's days as "Oink," was born on 17 October 1907 and raised in Indianapolis, Indiana. As a cadet he will long be remembered as one of those sterling "I" Company disciples of "Pete Newby" Conrad, which included the like of Dave Buchanan, "Red" Cooper, "Satan" Buck, Paul Freeman, Charlie Tench, "Gus" Brown, Jack O'Hara, Phil Draper, "Marco Polo" Mathews, "Cowboy" Connally, and others too numerous to mention.

Upon graduation Oink and five of his classmates joined the 6th Field Artillery, "Bracket Horse Bracket," at Fort Hoyle, Maryland, where they became known as the "Rover Boys." After two years Norm took a detail in the Ordnance Department. In 1932 he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and subsequently served at Watertown Arsenal, Massachusetts; Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland; and Raritan Arsenal, New Jersey. In 1935 Norm reverted to the Field Artillery, and served for a year in the 77th Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, during which time he was married to Miss Helen Carroll of Lawton, Oklahoma. In 1936-1937 he took the Regular Course at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, following which he spent two years with the 24th Field Artillery at Fort Stattenburg, Philippine Islands.

Came the war and Norm was S2, Division Artillery and Commanding Officer, 205th Field Artillery Battalion, 41st Infantry Division in the Southwest Pacific Theater. From 1944 to 1945 he was Director of Materiel at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill. In 1946-1947 he attended the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Virginia, and in 1947-1948 he was assigned to the Greek desk in the Pentagon where he worked on aid to Greece during the communist troubles in that country. In 1948 he attended the Army Language School at the Presidio of Monterey, California, as a student of Portuguese, and from 1949-1952 he was Chief, Combined Arms Section of the Joint Brazilian-United States Military Commission in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

From 1952-1954 he was assigned to Headquarters, Continental Army Command, in the Office of Research and Development where he worked on the development of the first atomic cannon. From 1954 to 1957 Norm was the Defense and Army Attaché to Portugal in Lisbon. He returned to the United States in 1957 and served as Chief of Staff of the VIII Corps in Austin, Texas, until his retirement in July 1959.

Norm's decorations include: the Silver Star, two Bronze Star Medals, the Commendation Ribbon with metal pendant, the Military Order of Merit of Brazil (grade of officer), the Military Order of Merit of Portugal (grade of officer).

After retirement Norm attended the University of Texas for one year, studying physics and mathematics. He worked for one year for the Balcones Research Center and was a teacher in the Austin public school system. By 1962 he had retired completely. In retirement Norm was an avid, ardent (daily!) golfer at the Austin Country Club, where he served on their Board of Governors and was treasurer of the club for four years. He was elected by that club as "Sportsman of the Year," was a registered tournament official and a renowned gin rummy player. His civilian friends in Austin and throughout Texas will remember Norm with respect and affection, as will his classmates and the hosts of other friends he made while in the service on active duty. He was an outstanding officer, an astute scholar, a cheerful and loyal companion, and truly one of God's gentlemen. In the spring of 1974 doctors in Austin discovered a malignant growth on Norm's lung. Chemotherapy treatments were admin-



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istered with remarkable success, but by September it was found that he had cancer both inside and outside the liver, necessitating surgery at Brooke Army Hospital in November. He was able to return home with Helen for ten days over Christmas and their 39th wedding anniversary, but by the end of the year the malignancy was out of control and on 19 January the long fight was lost.

Norm is survived by his wife, Helen M. Poinier, of Apartment 123, 7920 Rockwood Lane, Austin, Texas; his brother, Colonel Arthur D. Poinier, United States Army (Retired), United States Military Academy, Class of 1939, of Route 3, Box 978, Merritt Island, Florida; his son, Major David N. Poinier, Military Police Corps, United States Army, a student at the Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama; and three grandchildren, Carol, Stephen, and Catherine. David's wife is the former Ann Savage of San Antonio, Texas.

—R.D.W.

John Spencer Nesbitt

NO. 8606 CLASS OF 1929

Died 25 June 1957 at Chevy Chase, Maryland, aged 51 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

JOHN SPENCER NESBITT was born at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, on 27 December 1905, the son of William Franklin Nesbitt, United States Military Academy, Class of 1898, and Florence Spencer Nesbitt of Cleveland, Ohio. John's early education was at Army post schools, and his life as an Army child continued when, following the death of his father in 1916, his mother was later married to Colonel John Scott, United States Army. John attended high school at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and Washington, D.C. At West Point, in the Class of 1929, he was early recognized for his personality and leadership qualities: he was named acting corporal in his yearling summer, corporal in his Second Class year, and cadet captain and regimental supply officer in his First Class year. Outgoing, ebullient, and friendly, enthusiastic about the Army as a way of life and a career, possessed of the highest moral and ethical standards and a fine mind, he was one whom his classmates judged to be destined for a high place both in the Army and in life. Circumstances denied him the former, but not the latter.

Upon graduation he was assigned to Fort Hoyle, Maryland, and served both with the 6th Field Artillery there and as aide to Brigadier General James B. Gowen. He next served at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, with the 8th Field Artillery and as aide to Brigadier General Henry W. Butner. Following service at Fort Lewis, Washington, he graduated from the battery officers' course at the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, in 1934 and was sent to Paris as a language student prior to prospective duty at West Point as an instructor in French.

It was while he was pursuing his courses in Paris that he was stricken with polio. He was returned to the United States for treatment at Walter Reed General Hospital from October 1935 to May 1937, when his recovery enabled him to proceed to West Point to teach for two years before he was retired for physical disability as a captain in June 1939.

John established himself and his family



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in the Washington, D.C., area and became a highly valued instructor at the Sullivan School (preparatory for the service academies), where he continued to teach except for active duty at West Point with the Department of Modern Languages during the World War II years 1942 to 1946. He was successively promoted on the active list to major and lieutenant colonel, and following termination of active duty, to full colonel on the retired list.

The most felicitous event of John's personal life came early in 1930 when he married Alice Patricia McDonough, daughter of Mrs. Alice Kinzie McDonough and the late Lieutenant Colonel Michael J. McDonough, United States Military Academy, Class of 1899, and sister of Robert K. McDonough, United States Military Academy, Class of 1926. Three Army families came together in this marriage, Alice Nesbitt's grandfather having been David Hunter Kinzie, United States Military Academy Ex-1863, a Civil War veteran, and ultimately brigadier general, United States Army. John and Alice Nesbitt had two fine children: William F. Nesbitt III, a distinguished military graduate from the University of Maryland and now serving in the Regular Air Force; and Ann, now deceased, also a Maryland graduate and a teacher of exceptional children, who became Mrs. Walter Geyer of Damascus, Maryland.

The polio attack from which John made such a remarkable recovery was not the first physical and psychological blow fate had dealt him. An earlier event almost seemed destined to prepare him to cope with a long recovery from semiparalysis. In late 1922 John had suffered multiple leg fractures in the collapse of the roof of a Washington theater during a heavy snowstorm. The initial prognosis was that he would never walk again, but during a year in Walter Reed he regained the complete and normal use of his legs and went on to qualify physically for West Point and to win a competitive Presidential appointment in 1925. Years later he met his polio attack with the same courage and determination he had brought to his severe leg injuries. Few of us are so gravely tested, twice in a lifetime. John Nesbitt was indeed valiant and steadfast in adversity. Characteristically, John maintained lifelong contact and friendship with the black fire company which had rescued him as a boy

from the wrecked theater, and its members attended his funeral in 1957.

A firm and loyal friend, a charming and delightful companion, a gifted and stimulating teacher, a devoted husband, father, son, and son-in-law, a graduate who always held true to the highest ideals of West Point, John Spencer Nesbitt—although denied the opportunity for the long career of service he had always looked forward to and the high advancement for which he was so certainly qualified—made his life an example for others to follow and a contribution for others to share.

—William J. Thompson

Charles Wheeler Thayer

NO. 9595 CLASS OF 1933

Died 27 August 1969 in Salzburg, Austria, aged 59 years.

Interment: Church of the Good Shepherd, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania

CHARLES WHEELER THAYER was born on 9 February 1910 in Villanova, Pennsylvania, the fifth of six children of George Chapman Thayer and Gertrude May Thayer, born Wheeler. His first schooling was at home with his brother and sisters, cousins and neighbors' children. He attended St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire, graduating cum laude in 1928. After a year hunting in England with an uncle, he entered the Military Academy and graduated in 1933 as a second lieutenant of Cavalry. As a cadet, Charlie Thayer was widely known and highly popular among his classmates who knew him for his many activities ranging from riding and polo, as associate editor of the *Pointer*, and chairman of the Young Men's Christian Association Council to "Queen of the May" as a plebe. As a founder of the Cadet (Sunday night) Lecture Committee, he made a significant contribution to the intellectual vitality of the Corps. And finally, as a person, he is remembered for his radiant and sparkling, often whimsical humor, to include his delightful insouciance toward what seemed to us the stuffy and over-regulated areas of our environment.

Soon after graduation, he resigned to go to Moscow on his own to study Russian. When William C. Bullitt was named as first



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Ambassador to the Soviet Union in 1934, Charlie became his personal secretary and interpreter. After joining the United States Foreign Service, he was named Secretary of Embassy and spent seven years in the Soviet Union. Before the outbreak of hostilities he had introduced polo, which he had played at West Point, to the Red Army. He went on to serve in Berlin and Hamburg and in 1942 was named Charge d'Affairs in Kabul, Afghanistan, where he opened the first United States Mission there.

In 1943 he was assigned as secretary and translator to the Secretariat, European Advisory Commission, which drafted the terms of the German surrender. The following year, he reentered the Army as lieutenant colonel—paratrooper—and parachuted into Yugoslavia as chief of the United States Military Mission to Tito. He headed the Office of Strategic Services in Austria in 1945 as well as being advisor on Russian affairs to General Mark Clark, United States Occupation Commander in Austria, and was awarded the Legion of Merit for his services. In 1946, he was a member of the Joint United States-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Commission on Korea. Returning to the Foreign Service later that same year, he attended the National War College in Washington, D.C., and subsequently became Chief of the International Broadcasting Division of the State Department which operated the Voice of America. He set up the first Russian language broadcasts to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and in 1948 was named Director of the Voice of America. He was fluent in Russian, French, German, Spanish and spoke Italian, Serbian, Bulgarian, Slovene and Persian.

In 1949 he went to Bonn, serving first as assistant to United States High Commissioner John J. McCloy, then as United States Liaison Officer to the newly founded German Republic. He made friends with and advised many of the present German leaders. He ended his public service as Consul General in Munich, Germany, in 1953 when he fell victim to Senator Joseph McCarthy's malevolence. Under this kind of humiliation and suspicion and unjustly accused of disloyalty to the government, he resigned and went to live with his family in Mallorca, Spain, for a year. He was able to put down much of his bitterness and anguish and turned with characteristic verve to writing, setting down anecdotes, experiences and convictions gathered during his long government service. Moving to Munich, where he lived for nine years, he spent much time fishing and shooting and wrote nine books altogether, many of them autobiographical. He also kept up his studies on politics and communism, taking trips to Russia and the Iron Curtain countries while friends and former colleagues came for advice and discussions. He finally settled in Philadelphia with a summer home in the Bavarian Alps, where he was stricken and died shortly afterwards in Salzburg, Austria, on 27 August 1969.

In 1945, Charlie married Maria Petrucci of Rome, Italy, and they were divorced in 1948. In 1950, he married the former Cynthia Dunn, daughter of career Ambassador James Clement Dunn, who survives him along with a son, James Dunn Thayer, born in 1951.

Charlie Thayer didn't have so much a career or two careers—the Army and the Foreign Service—he had a life style. He chose to be in the center of action and was successful in achieving a turbulent and adventurous, even dangerous, way of life. With a rollicking and irreverent sense of humor, he also had

a deep underlying sense of duty and devotion to excellence and to the service of his country. Never timid in expressing his opinions, he enjoyed people and discussions on his favorite subject of international politics. Brilliant, courageous, amusing, with a mind that never stopped probing, he enjoyed life and met its challenges, good or bad, with his own special zest.

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In trying to summarize Charlie's life in as short a space as possible, I have quoted from newspaper articles published at the time of his death as well as tributes by his friends and colleagues. Special acknowledgment and thanks go to Bert Sparrow for the material on his cadet days.

—C.D.E.

Jack Wellington Turner

NO. 9700 CLASS OF 1933

Died 7 May 1967 in Old Forge,
New York, aged 56 years.

Interment: Riverview Cemetery, Old Forge, New York

THREE GREAT LOVES dominated the life of Jack Turner: love of the Army; love of vigorous exercise, physical exertion and challenge; and love for his family. Dedicated to being a professional soldier, conscientious, hard-working, trustworthy, serious-minded, Jack threw everything he had into his life and his work. With his lifelong interest in horses, riding, polo, cross-country, track, wrestling, he chose the Cavalry initially where he planned to burn up some of his driving energy. During his first duty at Fort Bliss, Texas, from 1933 to 1936, he married Jean Raymond Dunaway at Las Cruces, New Mexico, in 1935. Assignment and school at Fort Riley, Kansas, preceded cavalry troop duty at Fort Knox, Kentucky, from where he obtained a detail to the Air Corps on 1 July 1939, and to which he transferred in March of 1940. For three years at Brooke Field, Texas, Jack held a number of air assignments from 34th Pursuit Squadron to Director of Training at the Advanced Flying and Observation Training School. His hopes were high, and his dreams higher for meaningful and challenging wartime assignments.

Suddenly the knowledge of a physical disorder with which he would be destined to live created shock and disappointment which



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changed his entire life. He had to learn new disciplines and acquire different kinds of wisdom from those for which he had geared himself, a bitter assignment to a man who had lived a physically vigorous and full life. He was retired from the Army for physical disability after only ten years.

Returning to his home town in Old Forge, New York, Jack took up surveying and engineering work hoping to direct his strong sense of responsibility and determination to fulfill a worthwhile professional career into channels where his waning powers could serve his times as well as himself. In 1948-1949 Jack worked for the New York Thruway, on the Binghamton Arterial, and Horace Harding Boulevard, the Johnson City-Gloversville Bypass, and on several power dam projects. Each beginning demanded enormous effort on the part of a man once strong who had to relearn to live with physical disabilities. Basically devoted to the work ethic and totally imbued with a readiness to serve responsibly were continuous mountainous frustrations to a man who had only known himself as career-oriented and ambitious.

From 1959 on Jack was compelled to remain at home, from where he made himself available for as much volunteer work as he was able to give, serving as the town volunteer ambulance driver as long as possible. He was active in the Masons and veterans' organizations. His love of people, love of country, and love of Army sustained him over his long years of continuing physical set-backs. Loyal, reaching toward the best, he fought to serve others as long as his strength served him.

Jack and Jean Turner had three children: Jack Jr., born in 1939; Brooke Karen in 1941; and Shirley Dove in 1946. All three are married. Brooke now lives in San Diego, Shirley in Utica, and Jack Jr. is the Chief Project Engineer for General Motors Corporation at the Proving Grounds in Michigan. Jean lives in Old Forge, New York 13420.

His strong beliefs in his schooling at West Point proved an inspiration and a guiding influence to his frustrated and unfulfilled life. His wife Jean stood by patiently, sympathetically, and understood. His children were taught the earnestness, loyalty, readiness to serve which so characterized Jack.

Respected, loved, our hearts long ago went out to Jack in his long struggle with self. Jack Turner was sincere at all times. The creed of his life remained Duty, Honor, Country, his devotion was to Army. Jack's enduring faith in his ideals never faltered, he sustained his interest in his chosen Army field, with which qualities he achieved a dignity that remains an inspiration to those of us of the long gray line who knew and respected and loved Jack Turner at the height of his powers.

—A Classmate

Austin Andrew Miller

NO. 9858 CLASS OF 1933

Died 17 July 1969 in El Paso, Texas,
aged 62 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Bliss, Texas

AUSTIN ANDREW MILLER was born 14 July 1907 on a farm near Huntingburg, Indiana, the third child in a family of eleven children. In his youth he attended schools in Missouri, Kansas, and Indiana, graduating from

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grade school in Duff, Indiana, in 1921 and from Huntingburg High School in 1925. During his high school years he participated in athletics playing on the basketball and baseball teams, with the latter sport being his first love throughout his life. In 1928 he received an appointment to West Point from the Honorable Frank Gardner, Congressman from the then third district of Indiana. He pulled stakes from his native midwest environs and joined the Class of 1932 in what was to be the start of a long and faithful service career. He survived the rigors of plebe year, battling all the way with a spirit of natural aggressiveness that was to characterize him in all of his endeavors. All went well until his yearling year when he among many found themselves overcome by P Echols' descriptive geometry course. He departed the scene temporarily resolved to return and graduate. When he rejoined the Class of 1933 it did not take long for him to establish his identity with his new classmates as his warmth and his strong support became immediately evident. If one word could describe the basis of his relationship with his new classmates it would be loyalty. To him friendship deserved support and he could be almost overly aggressive in its provision. He would be the first to challenge any action that he considered to be unjust or even unnecessary that might have an adverse action in the case of a friend, yet not complaining if it were directed at himself alone. When he felt that a friend had been given a raw deal, let the giver beware.

On graduation he was commissioned in the Infantry with orders to report for duty with the 11th United States Infantry Regiment with station at Fort Benjamin Harrison in his native state of Indiana. However, he did not return there empty handed or without assistance, but took along a bride—a girl he had met during his cadet years—Clementine Cassidy, who hailed from New Bedford, Massachusetts. They were married in Washington, D.C., just prior to his reporting for duty, and from then on she remained the "better half" of the wonderful family life that developed. During this first tour of duty his accomplishments varied from duty with the Civilian Conservation Corps to company commander of a rifle company, but with time off to establish himself in his prowess as a baseball coach. His team won the city championship for the first time in the history of the post, despite the fact that they were

competing against much stronger teams fielded by business firms of the city. This coaching success carried over to his next assignment with the 14th Infantry in Panama, where he coached the winning team in the Atlantic Sector and then took on the Pacific Sector representative for the department championship. For a guy who had experienced trouble hitting a curve ball, he had become a really capable coach whose instinctive knowledge of the game coupled with his natural aggressiveness invariably produced winning teams. If you ever watched him catching behind a plate or coaching on the baselines, you could never forget the hustling spirit he always portrayed.

Panama was followed by a student year at The Infantry School and it was here that those of us assigned there at that time rediscovered what a devoted, staunch friend and neighbor he could be. Shortly thereafter and not at his own request, he was detailed in the Quartermaster Corps which led to duty with the 4th Armored Division first and subsequently the 7th Armored Division which he served in Louisiana, the Desert Training Center, Benning and finally in the European Theater of Operations as Division Quartermaster throughout its combat service. Here again the Miller aggressiveness became apparent. He was first awarded the Bronze Star for performance of duty from 10 August through 15 September 1944 for his role "in providing the required supplies to the combat elements during the lightning drive from the beaches of Normandy through Eastern France, despite extremely adverse conditions." Again in January 1945 he was awarded the Silver Star for "gallantry in action on 20 December 1944 in the area of Samaree, Belgium. When elements of a German Panzer Division threatened the supply dump at Samaree, Lieutenant Colonel Miller braved death to organize the small forces at his command into an effective fighting unit and quickly move them into a defensive position advancing to the most forward roadblocks and outposts, despite heavy artillery, tank and small arms fire, he supervised the operations of his men as they fought against overwhelming odds. Although his troops were actively engaged with the enemy, he still managed to continue issuance of vitally needed fuel and rations. Lieutenant Colonel Miller's courageous devotion to duty under the most hazardous conditions, which saved important supplies from seizure or destruction, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the service."

Following the war he underwent an extensive period of hospitalization, and then served in important quartermaster assignments at the Boston Quartermaster Depot, in the office of the Quartermaster General and as Assistant Commandant of the Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, Virginia. This was followed by a tour of duty in the G4 Section of the 7th United States Army in Germany where he was promoted to Colonel, and from there a tour at the Naval War College as a student. He then served successively as the quartermaster staff officer, III Corps, at Fort Hood and then at Headquarters, United States Army Pacific, Fort Shafter, Hawaii. It was during these years that he began to suffer from arthritis and respiratory difficulties and his physical condition deteriorated to an almost insufferable level. He had attempted to secure assignment to a hot dry climate at the suggestion of the medics but to no avail. He therefore decided to apply for retirement so that he could settle in El Paso, and in his application for same stated the

facts about his efforts to secure an assignment more favorable to his physical condition, but at the same time—in his typical fashion—that it was not his intention to infer that he wished a physical retirement but that the basis of his request was years of service only. He was retired at Fort Knox, Kentucky, in April 1961.

Aus had attended Babson Institute and had also pursued other graduate studies which were helpful in his second career as a teacher of high school mathematics in El Paso (apparently no similarity to P. Echols course) until his health deteriorated further, necessitating re-retiring. A routine pathology check showed cancer but not the source. Rheumatoid arthritis and emphysema had already taken their toll, and it did not take long for the cancer to attack all vital organs, resulting in death. On 17 July 1974 he took his place in the "Long Gray Line," having given his best for Duty, Honor, Country. He was buried at Fort Bliss National Cemetery.

He is survived by Clem who still resides at the family home they established at 6224 Bel Mar Avenue in El Paso. In addition, Austin E., his elder son better known as Buddy, was graduated from West Point in 1957 and served on active duty for twelve years. He now lives in Woodbridge, Virginia, is employed by the government and continues his military service as a major in the National Guard. Two other sons also served in the Army and one of them, Burt, is currently a captain on active duty in the Washington area and resides in Alexandria, while Charles, recovering from a recent serious accident, lives at Fort Lee, Virginia, and a daughter Sylvia, now married, resides on Long Island. For five years straight one of the sons served in Vietnam in combat, Bud and Charles having served two and Burt one tour there. There are also five grandchildren. They can all be proud of the great contribution Austin Miller made to his country during his long years of service, and of the fact that all who knew him benefitted immeasurably from his sincere loyalty and warm friendship.

—Hurly Hurlbut

Clarence Bidgood

NO. 10250 CLASS OF 1935

Died 20 February 1970 in Fort Belvoir, Virginia, aged 60 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

CLARENCE BIDGOOD was an outstanding soldier, husband and father. He took great pride in the United States Army and in his family. In return he was highly respected by his fellow officers, and deeply loved by his wife and children.

Clarence enlisted in the Army in 1929 and was assigned to the Philippines. As he told it, after almost two years as a private it was obvious that he would not be promoted to private first class in the near future, so he decided to become an officer. He received an appointment and entered the Academy with the Class of 1935. As stated in the HOWITZER, "Never a file boner in the true sense of the word, nevertheless he performs with the greatest care every duty, whether it be military, academic, or social. Here is a man who has pushed away all obstacles and gone steadily upward."

Shortly after graduation, Clarence made



CLARENCE BIDGOOD

what he considered to be his best decision; he married Isabel McKee, the real pride of his life. His initial assignment was to Fort Benning as an infantryman, but shortly thereafter transferred to the Corps of Engineers and carried out the normal duties of an engineer junior officer. Although not directly related to the foregoing, the first of the two Bidgood children, Fred, was born at the post hospital in May of 1938. The second child, Jayne, was born at Fort Jay in January of 1942; however, it would be a few years before Clarence would know he had a lovely daughter, because he was captured at Bataan before notification of her birth could reach him.

After the Death March and more than three years in Japanese prison camps where he taught sanitation, engineering and mathematics to his fellow prisoners, and was decorated for his conduct there, he returned to the United States and the long awaited reunion with his family. He progressed through the remainder of his military career attacking each new assignment whether it be command, staff or school, with the same intense interest and enthusiasm he displayed as a cadet. On the job he was not always a popular superior, for he had little patience and compassion for those who performed at a level below their capabilities, or for those who did not possess complete integrity. He was, however, highly respected because he was honest and fair, giving the full measure of himself in everything he did.

His last assignment was at Cape Canaveral as Aerospace Scientist for the Saturn program. Working with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), he actively participated in the program from concept through construction of the Vertical Assembly Building, then the largest building in the world, and launch complex 39 where the flight to the moon commenced. At Clarence's retirement ceremony, Dr. Kurk Debus, the Director of the John F. Kennedy Space Center, stated that when man set foot on the moon, Clarence Bidgood should take pride in knowing that he had contributed significantly to the achievement of this national objective.

Upon retiring from active service, Clarence joined Bellcom, Inc., in Washington, as head of the Launch Planning Department and continued to work with NASA on the Saturn program. Shortly after Neil Armstrong made his historic step onto the moon's

surface, Clarence turned in his papers and began what would be a very short retirement in Alexandria with Isabel. After a trip to Florida to visit with friends and classmates, Clarence fell ill and passed away at Dewitt Army Hospital, Fort Belvoir. He was buried at Arlington on 25 February 1970.

"And when our work is done
Our course on earth is run
Let it be said—we'll done
Be thou at peace."

James Burney Chubbuck

NO. 11039 CLASS OF 1938

Died 19 April 1974 in Altoona,
Pennsylvania, aged 58 years.

Interment: Little Falls, New York

HE WAS CALLED "Chub" by many close to him; Jim, by others. To everyone who knew him, the sudden death of James Burney Chubbuck on 19 April 1974, after an illness of only one day, brought shock and sorrow. We mourn the passing of a man whose keen mind and dedication had distinguished him throughout his life. We mourn the loss of a fine human being.

Jim was born on 15 December 1915 in Elmira, New York, the son of the late Manley and Marion Burney Chubbuck. He demonstrated exceptional intellect and perseverance early, for the family recalls that as a young high school student, he ground a mirror for a telescope, a proficiency that attracted friends and strangers alike to the Chubbuck lawn. There they would gaze at the stars and hear young Jim's identification and description of them.

After high school graduation at sixteen, Jim attended the College of Applied Science, Syracuse University, by hitchhiking back and forth to his home. He had passed ten college entrance examinations in one week, scoring perfect grades in chemistry. After two years at Syracuse, Jim accepted an appointment to the United States Military Academy.

The abilities that Jim displayed at West Point were not only academic—he was a star man and earned the endless gratitude of those whom he coached in the Sixth Company. The 1938 HOWITZER points out that he was a cadet lieutenant as First Classman and adept with guns, cards, and golf



JAMES BURNAY CHUBBUCK

clubs. As a golfer, he made one of the most remarkable shots ever registered during an Oneida, New York, Country Club golf match. His drive carried better than 300 yards and dropped into the cup for a double eagle on a par four hole.

Jim's mother had been a long-time resident of Little Falls, New York; and it was there, after graduating sixth in the Class of 1938 as a brand new second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers, that he married Katrina (Puss) Tanzer.

Jim and Puss shared tours of duty at Fort Dupont, Delaware; Fort Benning, Georgia; and Fort Custer, Michigan. Then came World War II and the Chubbucks moved to Plattsburgh, New York, where Jim helped to form and train the 36th Engineer Regiment.

Of Jim's war experiences his long-time friend and commander during a portion of these years, Brigadier General George Gardes, United States Army (Retired), wrote: "I had the privilege of sharing a warm friendship with Jim. . . . We served together in the 36th Engineers from its formation at Plattsburgh, through its training in the States, and subsequently through the invasion landing in North Africa, Sicily, Salerno, and Anzio and the campaigns that followed those landings. After the Africa landing, I took command of the regiment; and Jim became the Regimental Executive where he did an outstanding job. The Italian campaign saw extensive use of the regiment as infantry, in addition to its engineering functions. It landed as the infantry reserve for the 36th Division at Salerno and was fully committed until the breakout from the beachhead. At Anzio it was in the lines several times, including a period of 45 days with the British during the German counterattacks. Jim was a good friend and I shall miss him. His was a long and strenuous combat service experienced by few and he certainly deserves a 'Well done.'"

Jim was justly proud of the ten battle stars he won during these war years, as well as the three he was later to accumulate during the Korean conflict.

Following World War II, Jim returned to stateside assignments at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and Camp Campbell, Kentucky. In 1947 he attended the basic and advanced courses in The Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. This was followed by two years at the University of California at Berkeley, where Jim earned a Master of Science degree in nuclear chemistry. There, his daughter Carolyn was born. Another daughter, Jeanne, completed the Chubbuck family later in 1948. At that time Jim was assigned to the Armed Forces Special Weapons Project in Washington, D.C. He remained in the Washington area, later joining Headquarters, Joint Task Force III, until 1951 and then was posted to Headquarters, Sixth Army, Presidio of San Francisco.

It was from this assignment that Jim entered the Korean conflict—first with I Corps in the 1169th Engineer Construction Group and later with the headquarters of the 2d Engineer Construction Group, Far East Command. He returned to the United States and the 9829th Technical Unit stationed at Fort Belvoir in October of 1953. From 1956 to 1959 Jim and his family shared an assignment in France with the Army Communication Zone and 4th Logistics Command. They then returned to Fort Belvoir and The Engineer School, where Jim served as Chief, Combined Arms Branch. It was at Fort Belvoir that Jim retired from the Army on 1 September 1960.

Jim Chubbuck was 45 years old when he

turned his energies, intellect and abilities to his old love—education. He became assistant professor of chemistry at the Altoona Campus of the Pennsylvania State University.

Katrina, Jim's wife, writes of the ensuing years and his second career as follows:

"The next fourteen years were productive and satisfying ones for Jim—some of the most relaxed and happy years of all. The six-foot-four frame never became less impressive with the years. Students may not always have related to the former, rugged combat engineer; but they were treated to some fine humor along with the serious business of lectures and labs. They knew 'The Colonel' always kept office hours and urged students to come in for help. I'm sure they were impressed with his punctuality in getting quiz and exam grades out in a matter of hours.

"Jim was twice president of the Faculty Senate, Altoona Campus; and he served for several years as chairman of the Campus Student Affairs Committee.

"About four years ago, when the Altoona Campus began an extensive building program, Jim was chiefly responsible for planning the layout of the chemistry labs in the new science building; and he enjoyed showing visitors through them.

"During his Army years, golf was Jim's favorite pastime, with photography running a close second. Jim always set up the dark room while I settled the kitchen on our first day in a new home. After retirement from the Army, along with remodeling an old house, he began growing flowers. From a large garden of cut flowers, to growing under lights indoors, it was only a few giant steps to a greenhouse attached to our new home. He erected the greenhouse himself in 1970 and began filling it with orchids. This consuming interest resulted in a fine collection. He was an active member and past president of the Central Pennsylvania Orchid Society and of the American Orchid Society.

"Jim, at the same time, became actively involved in the animal shelter problems of the Central Pennsylvania Humane Society. At the time of his death, he was on the Society's Board of Directors, was treasurer, and was a humane officer who investigated cases of cruelty and neglect of animals. Jim was instrumental in starting plans for a desperately needed animal shelter. He headed the building committee and was giving his services as engineer on the job. He was a licensed professional engineer in both Pennsylvania and New York.

"Because of his sincere devotion to the cause of forsaken and cruelly treated animals, I requested that any gifts given in Jim's memory be made to the Central Pennsylvania Humane Society. Nearly \$2,000 has been contributed in his name.

"Jim was also working at the time of his death as a member of an Ad Hoc Committee appointed by the Mayor to help solve the solid waste problems of Altoona and Blair Counties.

"Jim was a member of the American Chemical Society, the honorary scientific society, Sigma Xi, the American Registered Engineers, and of St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Altoona."

A resumé of a man's life seems meager tribute to the total personality of a vital human being like Jim Chubbuck, but perhaps it shows the span of his interests and the degree of dedication he gave to them. Those who packed the Campus All Faiths' Chapel in Altoona for his memorial service on 22 April 1974, and the many friends of his

military career know that he shared generously his passion for improvement . . . of wisdom and wit; of humanity and nature. This is a living legacy for James Burney Chubbuck.

Jim is survived by his wife Katrina, who continues to live at Rural Route 4, Box 895, Juniata Springs, Altoona, Pennsylvania 16601; two daughters, Carolyn (Mrs. William J. Hillegas Jr.) of Rochester, New York, and Jeanne (Mrs. Darrell A. Norris) of Dundas, Ontario, Canada; two sisters, Mrs. John C. Walsh of Winchester, Massachusetts, and Miss Dorothy Chubbuck of Washington, D.C. There are two grandchildren, Lisa and Gregory Hillegas.

George Henderson Lee Dillard

NO. 11233 CLASS OF 1938

Died 28 September 1974 in Bethesda, Maryland, aged 59 years.

Interment: Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

IN MID-SEPTEMBER 1974, George was admitted to the Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland. His condition was diagnosed as widespread cancer, and on 28 September he died from complications at the age of 59.

Born in Bluefield, West Virginia, he attended Greenbrier Military School, Lewisburg, West Virginia, and entered the United States Military Academy in 1934, graduating in 1938 as a second lieutenant in the Infantry. His first duty station was at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he served as a company officer in the 9th Infantry Regiment. He resigned his commission in early 1941 to take up a medical career and entered the Medical College of Virginia at Richmond, graduating from there with honors in 1943. He returned to active duty as a member of the Army Medical Corps and saw service in the Pacific Theater until the end of World War II.

After the war, George took further medical studies at the University of Virginia, Vanderbilt University and the Medical College of Virginia. In 1954, he moved with his family to Greenwood, South Carolina, where he practiced medicine until 1963. This phase of his career was brought to an end by a heart attack, after which he sought a medical assignment with the United States Public Health Service. He was accepted by that



GEORGE HENDERSON LEE DILLARD

organization in 1964 and thereafter served for about ten years at Gaithersburg, Maryland, as resident physician for and medical consultant to the Bureau of National Standards. He found this service to be quite satisfying and challenging—probably the happiest years of his professional life, no doubt because of an enlightened Public Health Service commanding officer and high quality associates and colleagues in the Bureau of National Standards.

George was a diplomat of the American Board of Internal Medicine and a member of the American Medical Association.

He was buried at Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington, D.C., on Tuesday morning, 1 October 1974. He is survived by a fine wife, Jeanne (nee Alexander), and three exceptional children, Jeanne, George and David. The former two live in the area of Silver Spring near their mother: the daughter has graduated from college and George is now attending the University of Maryland. David is at student at the University of Colorado at Fort Carson. Their mother is a teacher in the Montgomery County School System.

In addition, George is survived by his mother, Mrs. George L. Dillard of Sarasota, Florida, and two brothers, Dr. Peter H. Dillard—a neurosurgeon in the Boston area—and Colonel David S. Dillard (United States Army—Retired) who lives on Long Island, New York, where he has been employed by Grumman Aerospace Corporation since early 1967.

George will be greatly missed by his many friends and relatives. He was a dedicated doctor, a highly intelligent and very sensitive man, although not one to let his emotions show. It was evident to me over the years, however, that he retained a deep respect and affection for West Point and her graduates whom he had known.

Joseph Lee McCroskey

NO. 12093 CLASS OF 1940

Died 26 April 1974 in Fort Sam Houston, Texas, aged 56 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

A SENTENCE of Joe's biography in the 1940 HOWITZER tells a great deal about him. ". . . the most perfectly relaxed individual ever to wander unaffectedly through the educational and military mazes of West Point." And wander he did right into the Cavalry upon graduation and his first assignment to Fort Riley. But then Joe became affected for it was here that he met Ann K. Raguse, daughter of Raguse (Class of 1924, United States Military Academy).

The Cavalry took him from the Basic Horse and Mechanized Unit course off to Fort Ringold, Texas, until June 1941 when he transferred to the Army Air Corps. After receiving his wings and promotion he was ordered to Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, to serve with and command the 36th Fighter Group.

He married Ann in November 1942 while on leave from the Caribbean. He followed the war to Europe and there was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. Meanwhile, his first daughter, Jo-Ann, was born. He returned to the United States in 1945 and was the Senior Officer in charge of Army Air Forces Tactical Air Command in Orlando, Florida.

At the end of the war, Joe was among the



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first ten who volunteered for the Russian Language Program. He spent a year and one-half at Columbia University and then went back to Europe where he served as Air Force Liaison with the Gehlen Apparatus. In Munich, where he and Ann spent two years, Janie was born.

He came back to the States and four years in the Pentagon on the Joint Chiefs of Staff—Air Force Headquarters. Then he went back to Europe as the first Military (Air) Attaché to Vienna, Austria, after the Treaty.

Joe was then ordered to Austin, Texas, where he was Commanding Officer, Central Texas Air Force Reserve. In June of 1963, he retired from the service and he, Ann, and his daughters became interested in sports cars. He became regional executive of the "Lone Star" Region, Sports Car Club of America. Ann and his daughters (both married and mothers) live in Austin.

Joe died 26 April and was buried with military honors at the Fort Sam Houston Cemetery.

Joe had a philosophy of life that was hard to match. He believed in going first class for himself, for his family and his friends. This was not a smug or snobbish look at life but rather the thought that the best was none too good and when you worked for it you deserved it and thus had every reason to enjoy it.



Somehow, you cannot put your finger on it, but you feel better because you had known Joe McCroskey.

—Dan Briggs, Classmate

Robert Henry Hurst

NO. 14360 CLASS OF 1944

Died 30 July 1974 in Umiat, Alaska, aged 53 years.

Interment: National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Honolulu, Hawaii

ROBERT H. HURST, known as "Herman" by his classmates, attended his 30th class reunion and died the following month after the helicopter which he was flying crashed on a mountain ridge in Alaska.

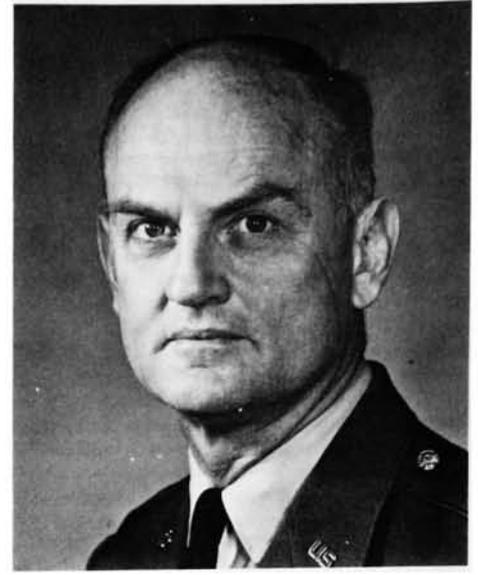
He was born the son of a prominent physician in Altoona, Pennsylvania, and attended Franklin and Marshall College and the University of Alabama before coming to West Point. The rugged competition and camaraderie of West Point was much to his liking, causing him to reflect often upon these days with the fondest memories. He followed up on this desire for action by quickly getting into the fray during World War II as an infantry lieutenant in Italy. After distinguishing himself during the bitter fighting for Monte Cassino, he was seriously wounded, but recovered with no crippling after effects.

After attending the usual schools between wars, he was stationed in Germany as an aide to General Trudeau. Throughout his life, Bob, as he was known then, felt that General Trudeau was the most inspiring officer of his career.

While at his next assignment at Governor's Island with the First Army, Bob married Ilse Riedel on 29 November 1951. One of the happiest periods of his life ensued as he experienced the stateside life of peacetime, enhanced by a marvelous wife. As with most of us, however, such enjoyment was cut short by the next war, and Bob departed for Korea in December 1952, after advanced infantry training.

Again, his love of zestful action, his enthusiasm, and ability to endure hardships stood him in good stead as he distinguished himself as a leader of infantry. What can you say about such a man in combat? His men loved him? His encounters were successful? He was a great leader in combat? All of these are true in his case, plus he managed to maintain his tremendous youthful zest for life.

As Bob's career progressed, he became more and more involved with aviation. He early recognized the great future of helicopters and was determined to be a part of it. After training and instructing at Fort Rucker, he obtained a degree in Aeronautical Engineering at Mississippi State, followed by Command and General Staff College at Fort



ROBERT HENRY HURST

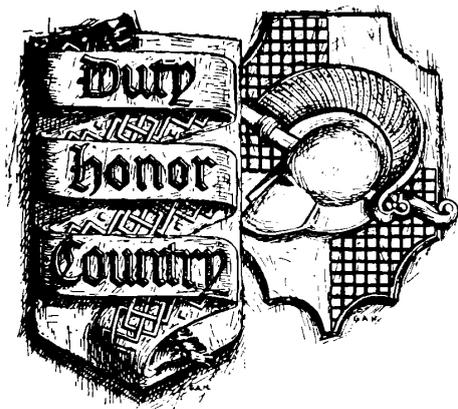
Leavenworth and a Research and Development assignment at Fort Monroe in 1960. His aviation expertise was now established and he was assigned to United States Army Pacific at Fort Shafter in Hawaii to participate in the early planning for military activities in Southeast Asia. He commanded an aviation battalion at Schofield Barracks and then returned to the USARPAC staff.

While in Hawaii, Bob recognized the great possibilities for helicopter utilization in the Islands. This location also appealed to him because of the outdoor way of life where he could play tennis every day after a hard day's work and enjoy his two great passions—flying and tennis. After an assignment with Research and Development in the Washington area, Bob retired at Fort Myer on 31 July 1968. He immediately returned with Ilse and their son Steve to Hawaii to pursue the objective he had established for himself—acceptance of the importance of helicopters to Hawaii.

For the next six years, until his untimely death, Bob haunted the halls of power within the state, appeared before committees, mingled with international aviation figures, and actively flew helicopters in his efforts to further this comparatively new aviation resource. He maintained his ties with the academic community by teaching mathematics at Punahou, the largest private school west of the Mississippi. At the time of his death he was gaining practical experience in possible helicopter utilization for Hawaii based on the problems of Alaska, a state with similar distance and remoteness characteristics.

Let it be known that his pioneering efforts have not been forgotten. His far-sighted wisdom will undoubtedly be recognized by his country in the future, even as the pioneers of fixed wing aviation were recognized at an earlier time.

—Jack Reisner, a close friend



Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the June 1975 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Frederick D. Griffith Jr.	1902 . . . 16	April	1975 . . . Louisville, Kentucky
Oliver A. Dickinson	1908 . . . 27	May	1975 . . . Fayetteville, North Carolina
John C. Beatty	1911 . . . 23	June	1975 . . . Portland, Oregon
Charles P. Gross	1914 . . . 18	July	1975 . . . West Point, New York
William R. Orton	1914 . . . 3	September	1973 . . . Vista, California
Roscoe B. Woodruff	1915 . . . 24	July	1975 . . . San Antonio, Texas
Stanley E. Reinhart	1916 . . . 4	June	1975 . . . Hendersonville, North Carolina
Wilhelm D. Styer	1916 . . . 26	February	1975 . . . Coronado, California
Robert H. Offley	Jun 1918 . . . 25	May	1975 . . . Camp Pendleton, California
Elmer Q. Oliphant	Jun 1918 . . . 3	July	1975 . . . New Canaan, Connecticut
Robert F. Carter	1919 . . . 23	June	1975 . . . Tours, France
Gordon L. Chapline	1919 . . . 24	August	1974 . . . Kansas City, Missouri
Charles N. McFarland	1919 . . . 17	March	1975 . . . Scottsdale, Arizona
Cornelius Garrison	1920 . . . 28	January	1972 . . . Port Republic, New Jersey
Harry B. Albert	1922 . . . 25	May	1975 . . . Brooklyn, New York
Frederick S. Lee	1922 . . . 11	June	1975 . . . Nantucket, Massachusetts
Frank M. Albrecht	1923 . . . 12	March	1975 . . . Atlanta, Georgia
Sheffield Edwards	1923 . . . 15	July	1975 . . . Leesburg, Virginia
Harold C. King	1924 . . . 3	July	1974 . . . San Diego, California
Francis X. A. Purcell Jr.	1926 . . . 26	May	1975 . . . Martinsburg, West Virginia
Greene C. Furman	Ex-1926 . . . 16	April	1975 . . . Washington, D.C.
Fred L. Thorpe	1927 . . . 10	July	1975 . . . Seattle, Washington
Alfred N. Webb	1928 . . . 3	December	1974 . . . La Jolla, California
George A. Lincoln	1929 . . . 24	May	1975 . . . Colorado Springs, Colorado
William H. Diddlebock	1930 . . . 1	May	1975 . . . Montpelier, Vermont
Roland C. Bower Jr.	1932 . . . 19	April	1975 . . . San Diego, California
Charles L. Hassmann	1932 . . . 29	March	1975 . . . Louisville, Kentucky
I. Sewell Morris	1932 . . . 22	May	1975 . . . Washington, D.C.
Austin A. Miller	1933 . . . 17	July	1969 . . . El Paso, Texas
Lewis K. Beazley	1934 . . . 26	July	1974 . . . Washington, D.C.
Robert S. Chester	1939 . . . 7	May	1971 . . . Fort Custer, Michigan
William H. Stubbs	1939 . . . 28	June	1975 . . . Atlanta, Georgia
Lloyd W. Hough	1940 . . . 26	June	1975 . . . Savannah, Georgia
Ralph E. Zahrobsky	1940 . . . 14	June	1975 . . . Potomac River (drowned)
William T. Gleason	1941 . . . 6	May	1975 . . . Washington, D.C.
Gordon A. Schraeder	Jun 1943 . . . 28	May	1975 . . . Belleair, Florida
Vernon R. Turner	Jun 1943 . . . 16	July	1975 . . . San Antonio, Texas
Kelton M. Farris	1945 . . . 11	July	1975 . . . Largo, Florida
Richard A. Smith	1945 . . . 17	June	1975 . . . Boca Raton, Florida
Kenneth W. Anderson	1946 . . . 13	June	1975 . . . Binghamton, New York
Saul Horowitz Jr.	1946 . . . 24	June	1975 . . . New York, New York
Joseph A. Rude	1954 . . . 12	July	1975 . . . Valdosta, Georgia
Peter J. McCullough	1963 . . . 24	June	1975 . . . New York, New York
Timothy L. Cline	Ex-1977 . . . 27	June	1975 . . . Brunswick, Georgia



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