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Dear Fellow Graduates and Friends of the Military Academy:

The Class of 1980 numbered 1,485 new cadets at the beginning of Cadet Basic Training, including 119 women cadets. At the completion of Cadet Basic Training on August 30, 1976, 1,334 members of the Class of 1980 were received into the Corps of Cadets. This included 102 women cadets. The rugged and physically demanding 8-week training program required only minor adjustments to account for the physiological differences between men and women. The overall performance of the women was excellent and has helped to establish them as members of the Corps of Cadets. You will be interested in reading the preliminary report on the performance of women cadets included in this issue of ASSEMBLY.

Women cadets are now actively involved in all facets of the cadet academic year routine. As a group, they appear to be doing slightly better than their male classmates in academics. They are participating in fall intramural sports (soccer, track, flickerball and triathlon), intercollegiate athletics in the form of women's club teams (basketball and gymnastics), and many other cadet activities such as the Rabble Rousers, Fourth Class Glee Club, Sunday School Teachers, the Orienteering Club and the Cadet Chapel Choir.

We are encouraged by the performance to date of women cadets. Since we are only halfway through the first year of the 4-year experience, it is too early to draw any definitive conclusions. I am confident that the women who graduate with the Class of 1980 will have a better knowledge and understanding of the Field Army than newly commissioned women officers have ever had before.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Leonard S. Marrella as Director of Intercollegiate Athletics. A short biographical sketch of Colonel Marrella appears in the Down the Field section of this issue. As we began the selection process that culminated in the appointment of Colonel Marrella, we gave serious consideration to the possibility of choosing a civilian--or retired officer--for this most important position. The long term continuity that this would give us in directing intercollegiate athletics was a strong attraction. However, my decision to select an active duty officer was based on the need that I see at this time for military leadership in the Office, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics. I have been concerned with the relatively high number of resignations among young active duty officers assigned as coaches. The recent problems with honor also influenced my decision to continue to have an active duty officer as Director of Athletics. Colonel Marrella's excellent background in management and command made him, in my eyes, the best candidate for the job.

Since my last report to you on the honor situation, the work of the Boards of Officers hearing alleged honor violations of the Electrical Engineering 304 home study project has been completed. As of this writing, a total of 132 cadets have resigned under the provisions of Secretary Hoffmann's decision of August 23, including all but 26 of the 103 found by the Officer Boards to have violated the Honor Code. These 26 cadets have elected to await the Secretary of the Army's decision on their cases.

Currently the Cadet Honor Committee is moving in several directions to take maximum advantage of the increased attention and concern of the Corps of Cadets in strengthening and improving attitudes, particularly those dealing with Duty, Honor, Country. The Honor Committee has developed proposed new procedures which will provide full due process at Honor Committee level and will eliminate the requirement for a Board of Officers hearing in honor cases. They also have developed a proposal which, based upon carefully defined criteria, would allow retention in the Corps of Cadets of some cadets found to have violated the Honor Code. Both of these proposals will be voted on by the Corps during November. The Honor Committee has specified that a 2/3 vote is necessary for adoption of these two proposals. I believe that those changes, developed by the Committee on their own initiative, if adopted, will lead to a stronger Honor System.

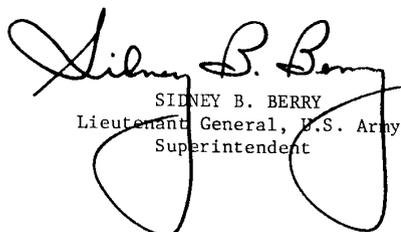
Concurrently, the Honor Committee continues to investigate the affidavits developed by EE 304 honor violators, which were delivered without condition on September 16th to the Chairman of the Honor Committee. A number of investigations have been completed. The Honor Committee will continue to investigate every accusation; and appropriate action will follow.

Meanwhile, the Borman Commission is proceeding with its investigation into the causative factors of the EE 304 situation. The Commission concluded its second visit to West Point on October 29th and will visit with us at least once more prior to submitting their report to Secretary Hoffmann in December.

The Corps of Cadets and all members of the West Point community continue to work to strengthen and improve all areas of life at the Military Academy, particularly in matters of honor and duty. We believe we are making progress and are confident in the future of West Point.

Finally, we expect to BEAT NAVY on November 27th.

Sincerely,


SIDNEY B. BERRY
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
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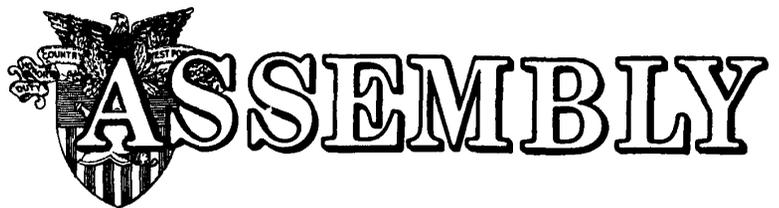
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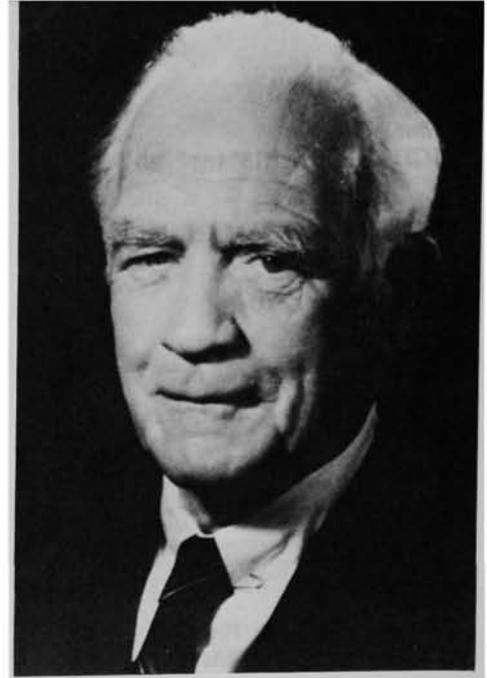
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GRAY RECEIVES THAYER AWARD

THE 19th annual Sylvanus Thayer Award, presented for outstanding service to the nation, was awarded October 18 to Gordon Gray, a publisher and communications industry leader with a long record of government service.

The Award is named in honor of Sylvanus Thayer, USMA 1808, the 33rd graduate of the Military Academy, who nine years later became its fifth Superintendent. Serving in this capacity until 1833, Thayer instituted principles of academic and military instruction, based upon the integration of character and knowledge, which have long been recognized as the hallmark of the Military Academy. Under his direction, the United States Military Academy became the first technological school in America; and his curriculum, textbooks, and engineer graduates were in great demand among the nation's colleges and scientific institutions as they developed throughout the 19th century. Thayer was elected to the Hall of Fame for Great Americans at New York University in 1965 as an educator, the father of technological education in the United States.

Mr. Gray was honored at a cadet review on the Plain. After inspecting the Corps of Cadets, he was presented a cadet sabre by the Cadet First Captain.

Presentation of the Award was made following dinner in the Cadet Mess Hall by Major General (retired) Charles E. Saltzman, president of the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy.

In accepting the award Mr. Gray said, "From the bottom of my heart I think this is one of the greatest honors one can receive." He then addressed the Corps of Cadets as follows:

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"The theme of the day, and the purpose of this award, is the exemplification of what this institution is all about: Duty, Honor, Country. I want to talk about these; I also want to talk about the Honor Code; and I want to talk about some of the reasons why you in your professional career must be leaders.

"The motto of West Point may seem to some to consist of abstractions; to some to be shibboleths; to some, stereotypes; to some, just big and respected, but not necessarily meaningfully connected words. One reason for this may be the free use and constant repetition of these words.

"Allow me to take a very homely and certainly not parallel example. In our daily civilian life all of us say 'good morning' almost countless times. My point is that we really seldom *mean* good morning. It has become a salutation, largely empty. It's a habit. We say it in cold weather, rainstorms, snowstorms and periods of high air pollution count.

"But I am sure that I do not have to tell you that Duty, Honor, Country are not abstractions; not shibboleths; not stereotypes; and not just big words. They are surely more profound; more subtle; more complex, and more meaningful; and an integral part of a noble concept than a casual recitation of them would portend. *I submit that the name of the game is Trust.*

"You cannot trust someone without a sense of—indeed a deep commitment to—duty. This means the acceptance of an obligation to perform with all of one's capacities. It involves a continuing follow through. It means not quitting.

"You cannot trust someone with a cavalier attitude toward honor. This means probity, integrity, rectitude, valor, moral and physical courage. It means, in short, believing and doing the right thing.

"You cannot trust a fellow American who doesn't love his country. In your high profession you cannot trust someone who hates, or even suffers his country. And here we mean just not our territorial boundaries, our mountains and rivers and cities and hamlets and farms. We mean the spirit of our people. We mean our established union, justice, domestic tranquility, the common defense, the blessings of liberty, freedom for all. We mean our institutions, our culture, our customs—altogether, our way of life.

"And why is trust so important? I suggest to you that it is virtually indispen-

sable among people in any institution or organization. In the Army it is *everything*. Trust you must, and you must be trusted.

"Let us look for a moment at the unique nature of Army life.

"You are being trained as leaders to exercise high military skills. You are, indeed, being trained as combat leaders if war should come. Picture yourself going into battle, or even less decisive crisis situations, alongside someone, or under someone's leadership you cannot trust. How do you know that he would not cut or run? How do you know that he would not crumble under pressure, and leave you exposed or more important, betrayed? I know that this is an imperfect world with many imperfect people. But if West Pointers cannot be trusted in this sense, who can? Of course, fighting will not be your constant and continuing concern throughout your career, and there are other aspects to the need for strong moral leadership to which I will later advert.

"In the late 1940's I was a member of the Board that drafted the Uniform Code of Military Justice. I have not in many years read that record, but I do recall being the only dissenter as to many points that were proposed and finally adopted. One sticks out in my mind. I felt that the other members were failing to recognize the circumstances peculiar to Army life and, in one respect at least, were seeking to fit military justice to the ordinary standards of civilian justice. As an example, there are countless areas where military justice requires more severe penalties for similar infractions in civilian life, in the name of discipline and morale. I believe that I was the only member of the Board who had served as a private soldier. In any event, I had lived in an Army barracks.

"I know, and you should, that if a dollar is pilfered from a foot locker in a barracks, that episode has infinitely greater implications than if twenty-five dollars disappears from a country club locker. In such confined quarters and intimate atmosphere, there would be per-

vative distrust with disastrous results for efficiency, compatibility and maybe even the ability of the unit involved to perform.

"I should not overlook the fact that it should not be necessary to talk with you about the problems of confined living conditions, and the pressures, constant and unrelenting, of enforced and unaccustomed personal arrangements.

"It is against this broad and imprecise backdrop that I wish to speak from my heart and conscience about the Honor Code. I won't dwell on the Honor System for various reasons: it has been evolutionary; it is too complicated for discussion here; and it is now being studied by higher authority and competent Boards.

"But I do want to stand foursquare behind the simple but immutable moral imperatives of the code: 'A cadet will not lie, cheat or steal, or tolerate anyone who does.'

"Again I return to the unique character and quality of Army life. And I say again—in the Army you must trust, and you must be trusted. Who can disagree with Newton D. Baker, then Secretary of War, who said in a letter to the Chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs, dated 17 May 1920:

'Men may be inexact or even untruthful, in ordinary matters, and suffer as a consequence only the disesteem of their associates, or even the inconvenience of unfavorable litigation, but the inexact or untruthful

soldier trifles with the lives of his fellowmen, and the honor of his government; and it is, therefore, no matter of idle pride but rather a stern disciplinary necessity that makes West Point require of her students a character of trustworthiness which knows no evasions. In the final analysis of the West Point product, character is the most precious component.'

"Who will defend lying or cheating or stealing? Lay aside what happens in civilian life. Who can possibly defend them in Army life?

"And if they cannot be defended in Army life, how can they be tolerated?

"How effective can the Honor Code be, if you as an individual scrupulously
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Gordon Gray receives Thayer Medal from President, Association of Graduates as Superintendent, USMA, looks on.

Cadet sabre presented to Gordon Gray by First Captain, USCC.



1976 SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD

CITATION GORDON GRAY

As educator and distinguished public servant, the Honorable Gordon Gray has rendered a lifetime of outstanding service to his country and to its citizens. In multiple fields of endeavor and in positions of extraordinary responsibility, Gordon Gray has exemplified, through his accomplishments in the national interest and manner of achievement, the ideals of West Point expressed in the motto, "Duty, Honor, Country."

As President of the Consolidated University of North Carolina during the critical years of expansion and rising expectations following World War II, Gordon Gray instituted organizational and administrative concepts and procedures which markedly enhanced higher education in his state and the nation and which became examples for other public and private educational institutions. Largely as a consequence of his belief in the right of each individual to equal treatment under the law, during his presidency the first black students were admitted to the University in a peaceful and orderly manner thereby establishing a precedent and a pattern for racial integration of institutions of higher learning in accordance with the law.

Gordon Gray's public service has spanned almost forty years of his life. From his service as a state Senator and his World War II duty as an infantry officer to his appointments as Secretary of the Army, Assistant Secretary of Defense, Director of Defense Mobilization, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, he has brought to the service of his nation a patriot's concern for and dedication to our national interests and a unique capacity for solving national and international problems affecting those interests.

Through his long and selfless service to his country and his fellow man, Gordon Gray has made a significant and lasting contribution to the security and welfare of the United States. The nation's recurring call to duty and his inevitably willing response symbolize and reflect the values expressed in the West Point motto. Accordingly, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy hereby presents the 1976 Sylvanus Thayer Award to Gordon Gray.

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President

Preliminary Report on Women Cadets at USMA

EDITOR'S NOTE: Presented here is a slightly condensed version of a paper prepared for delivery at the 1976 Regional Meeting of the Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama, October 22-23, 1976. It discusses preparation and planning made by USMA regarding admission of women to West Point and analyzes preliminary findings on their performance during Cadet Basic Training.

ON 8 October 1975, the President of the United States signed Public Law 94-106 directing that women be admitted to America's service academies. The law states that:

"... the Secretaries of the military departments concerned shall take such action as may be necessary and appropriate to insure that (1) female individuals shall be eligible for appointment and admission to the service academy concerned, beginning with appointment to such academy for the class beginning in calendar year 1976, and (2) the academic and other relevant standards required to appointment, (admissions) training, graduation, and commissioning of female individuals shall be the same as those required for male individuals, except for those minimum essential adjustment in such standards required because of physiological differences between male and female individuals."

West Point began its detailed planning for the possibility of integrating women

into the Corps of Cadets years before the law directing that women be admitted was signed. Several women were actively involved in that planning process...

Decisions were quickly reached concerning uniforms, haircuts, height requirements, and most importantly billeting. The Academy decided to billet its women cadets by assigning them to all eight Cadet Basic Training companies; four per platoon, assigned to each squad in pairs and lodged in barracks with male cadets but with women cadets clustered around a women's bathroom. This decision to billet men and women together reflected USMA's policy of integrating women into the cadet corps rather than isolating its women cadets in separate living quarters. This decision was consistent with West Point's philosophy of attempting to insure that all cadets would continue to share common experiences in all phases of cadet life.

While the foregoing items were of import to USMA and the female cadet, the most important question concerned physiological differences between males and fe-

males. Given USMA's emphasis during the summer training period on physical fitness, daily runs, calisthenics, inter and extramural sports, marches, obstacle courses, bayonet courses, and field training exercises, some standard criteria for women's physical aptitude had to be derived. It became painfully evident that more lacunae than actual data existed regarding these male/female differences. Accordingly the Office of Physical Education, in cooperation with personnel from the Exercise Physiology Division, U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine (USARIEM) designed and conducted a research project, Project 60, in an attempt to delineate differences between men and women and to identify the young women whose performance during physical training indicated they would have a reasonable chance of successfully completing training at West Point, specifically during Cadet Basic Training (CBT) and ascertain whether their Physical Aptitude Exam scores were predictive of their performance.

For example, tests administered to

TABLE 1

CADET AND STAFF ATTITUDE TOWARDS ADMISSION OF WOMEN AT WEST POINT

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THE ADMISSION OF WOMEN TO WEST POINT:

	CLASS OF:						Staff & Cadets Faculty Overall	
	77		78		79			
	Aug 1975	Mar 1976	Aug 1975	Mar 1976	Aug 1975	Mar 1976	Mar 1976	Mar 1976
Strongly Positive	6	10	6	10	4	9	32	10
Moderately Positive	8	16	16	18	14	17	25	17
Slightly Positive	9	21	7	21	8	27		
Neutral							17	24
Slightly Negative								
Moderately Negative	23	18	33	18	41	20	13	18
Strongly Negative	55	34	38	33	33	28	13	31

Source: Office of Institutional Research, USMA

TABLE 5

CADET 4th CLASS SUMMER ATTRITION

Class	Percent
1980	153/1485 = 10.3%
1980* (women only)	19/119 = 15.9%
1979	137/1433 = 9.6%
1978	127/1433 = 8.9%
1977	164/1372 = 12.0%
1976	184/1375 = 13.4%
1975	134/1339 = 10.0%
1974	124/1373 = 9.0%
1973	95/1438 = 6.6%
1972	98/1243 = 7.9%
1971	57/1054 = 5.4%
1970	56/1019 = 5.5%
1969	63/1137 = 5.5%
1968	76/991 = 7.7%
1967	68/823 = 8.3%

No. Resigned/No. Entered = % Attrition

*Note: Women figures are included in overall Class of '80 figures.

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women high school and college students, women ROTC cadets, and women officers and enlisted soldiers showed that less than one-tenth of one percent of the women tested could perform the six pull-ups which would be considered marginal for a male candidate. An adjustment was therefore necessary to provide a "discriminator" to determine upper-body strength between weaker women and stronger women. The test selected for women candidates was the "flexed arm hang," currently used in women's physical fitness tests throughout the Army. The flexed arm hang consists of hanging from a bar with both hands, chin over the bar, similar to the "up" position of a pull-up. Candidates are timed for the number of seconds they maintain this position. Time is marked when the chin falls below the bar. An average for this event is about 20 seconds. About 35 seconds or more places a woman in the top quintile of those tested.

During their first year at West Point, cadets take classes in boxing, wrestling, swimming, and gymnastics. Medical authorities say that there is danger of breast injury to women who box or wrestle. Consequently, West Point adjusted this requirement and substituted classes in self-

defense, to include instruction in Karate and Judo. Swimming and gymnastics requirements will remain for both men and women. Also on the advice of the medical authorities, women will be prohibited from participating with men in hard contact varsity sports, such as football, hockey, men's lacrosse, and wrestling. All other varsity sports will be open to qualified women athletes. As the interests and talents of women cadets are determined, and as the number of women at the Military Academy increases in future years, teams will be organized for women only, to participate on an intercollegiate level with women's teams from other institutions.

As we shall see later in this paper, male/female differences on physical strength and endurance impact enormously on women's self-esteem and even peer acceptance in the USMA environment. Successful individual performance in demanding physical activities may be one of the strongest operating norms at West Point.

Since all data indicate that male/female differences in intellectual ability and performance are negligible, no changes were made in regard to USMA's academic program.

Military specialty training now open to

cadets consists of parachute school; helicopter flight school; northern warfare, jungle warfare, and Ranger training. At present, all are open to women except Ranger training, which women are currently excluded from by Army regulations. Although women are currently prohibited from entering the combat arms, combat related training is an important aspect of the ethos of the Academy, and is considered critical for developing future Army leaders.

While provisions discussed above for the admission of women were proceeding at a rapid pace, so also was the search for talented women with high academic grades, leadership ability and physical stamina. Since the bill was passed in October a concerted effort had to be made to find women who contemplated a military career; and could pass USMA's standards in the three areas of grades, leadership and physical fitness and who would be nominated by their Senator or Congressman. Accordingly the Admissions Office of West Point took the following steps: (1) a letter was mailed to 18,643 High School Counselors informing them of the new law; (2) approximately 2,000 women who had applied for ROTC scholarships during 1974 and 1975 were sent a

TABLE 3

SICK CALL VISITS OF NEW CADETS
8 July - 24 Aug 1976

A. Medical/Surgical Sick Call			
1976	Men	830	
	Women	179	17.7%
	Total	1009	
1975	Total	969	
1974	Total	916	
B. Orthopedic Sick Call			
	Men		
	Women	293	19.7%
	Total	1488	
Stress Fractures (as of 27 Aug)			
	Men	5	
	Women	7	
	Total	12	
C. Stress Clinic (Mental Hygiene)			
	Men	11	
	Women	7	38.8%
	Total	18	
1975	Total	25	
1974	Total	31	

Source: MEDDAC, USMA

TABLE 4

PREDOMINANT REASONS FOR WOMEN CADETS ON RECONDITIONING

(R-Day - 24 Aug)

Blisters	Contusion	Sprain (knee/ankle)
11 + 4 = 15	2 + 3 = 5	knee 6 + 11 = 17
		ankle 8 + 14 = 22
Sickness (mono etc.)	Muscle pulls	Tendonitis
5 + 10 = 15	3 + 8 = 11	4 + 10 = 14
Shin splints	Stress fractures	Heat illness (Hospital)
4 + 5 = 9	3 + 12 = 15 women	20 overall
	6 men	Admitted: 4 women
		2 men

Note: Date is reported in two time periods - July and August.

Source: Office of Physical Education, USMA

letter informing them that West Point was open to women; and (3) a search was conducted by the American College Testing Program which identified college bound women by athletic and academic standards. As a result of all these actions, 867 applicant files were started on women, 631 were nominated and examined, 148 were offered admission, 28 declined and 1 was disqualified medically, and 119 women were finally admitted. They represented 8% of the Class of 1980.

The United States Military Preparatory School designed a tailor-made program for 18 women enlisted soldiers who entered January of 1976. The preparatory school itself is a September through May program for enlisted personnel who are high school graduates with high ability who need remedial English or Mathematics in order to raise their SAT scores and then enter West Point. Of the 18 women enlisted soldiers who entered USMA Prep, 7 were admitted to West Point. As of this date (September, 1976) none of these women have resigned.

Excluding physical aptitude scores, there are little differences between male and female cadets of the Class of 1980. Mean male SAT scores are 549 (Verbal) and 639 (Math), and for women 569 (Verbal) and 627 (Math).

Women came to West Point representing all parts of the country with 33% from the east, 27% from the midwest, 21% from the south, and 19% from the west. Interestingly enough, more women cadets, 31%, as compared to 14% of male cadets, had previous college experience. There is a significant difference between male and female cadets on both prior college experience,

and on the education level attained by their fathers. . . . Similar to the West Point men, many of the women had served in a wide range of leadership positions: they were presidents of extracurricular activities, captains of athletic teams, to include a number of All-State distinctions in such sports as fencing, basketball, swimming and track. They were leaders in bands, Girl Scouts, Girl's State and church groups. In short, they represented a vast potential reservoir of leadership skills and abilities.

Prior to the admission of women to West Point, acrimonious debate pro and con their admission took place in the press, the halls of Congress, and in the mess hall and barracks of USMA. The Superintendent of West Point, Lieutenant General William Knowlton and Department of the Army officials adamantly opposed allowing women to enter West Point on the grounds that USMA prepared officers for combat arms specialties. Once the Congress voted to allow women to enter the service academies, USMA officers accepted this mandate. Attitudes changed somewhat prior and post the passing of the bill. Table 1 shows that in August 1975, 78% of the Class of 1977; 71% of the Class of 1978; and 74% of the Class of 1979 expressed a negative attitude towards the admission of women. Alerted to the extent of these negative attitudes, West Point launched an intensive educational campaign through a number of approaches to do something about them.

One approach was to invite prominent men and women to West Point as guest lecturers. . . . In addition, a number of

prominent educators with wide ranging backgrounds visited West Point to review and comment on existing plans to integrate women. Among them were Dr. Morris Janowitz (University of Chicago), Dr. Charles Moskos (Northwestern University), Dr. Janet Spence (University of Texas at Austin), Dr. Evelyn Gendel and Dr. Anne Jewitt—specialists on physical training for women, Dr. Wyneen Spirduso (University of Texas) and Dr. Jan Felshin (East Stroudsburg State College).

Another approach was to send members of the Academy staff, faculty and cadets to various locations around the country, such as the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, the Women's Army Corps Training Center at Fort McClellan, Alabama, co-educational police academies, women's sports camps, and civilian colleges to see what women were doing in other environments, and how the men were facing up to the challenge.

Finally, an intensive 8-hour workshop was conducted by the Office of Military Leadership for all members of the summer cadet cadre. The objectives were to help foster an organizational climate conducive to the integration of women and to sensitize cadets to issues in training women.

TABLE 6

WOMEN ATTRITION—EXIT INTERVIEW FACTORS

Based on information from counseling sessions and exit interviews, the following reasons were given for resignation by 20 women New Cadets:

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| 1. came to please parents, unable to remain with this as sole motivation | (3) |
| 2. unwilling to accept status of a fourth classman, wanted to be treated special, wanted social deference due women | (1) |
| 3. loss of femininity, didn't want to be treated like a man, felt her efforts were not good enough and were judged against male standards | (1) |
| 4. dislike of regimented way of life, desire for greater personal freedom, independence, and responsibility | (16) |
| 5. too stressful, unable to adjust | (1) |
| 6. too much criticism of performance, gave maximum effort but told it wasn't good enough, unsupportive environment, no positive feedback | (6) |
| 7. couldn't accept field training and emphasis on preparation for combat | (3) |
- Of the 20 resignees to date, most had had previous college experience or still had options open to them which probably influenced to some extent their decision to resign.

(Source: Major Howard Prince, Ph.D., USMA Cadet Counseling Center)

TABLE 2
RESULTS OF CBT RUNS

Date	Pace	# of Women Ran	# Women Fallouts	% Women Fallouts	# Men Fallouts	% Men Fallouts
26 Jul	8/2—8:30	46	2	4.3	0	Less than 1.0
27	"	22	5	22.7	0	"
28	"	34	6	17.6	1	"
29	"	37	4	10.8	0	"
30	"	40	5	12.5	0	"
31*	10/1—8:30	84	15	17.9	3	"
3 Aug	8/2—8:30	21	3	14.3	0	"
4	"	7	3	42.8	3	"
5	"	11	4	36.4	1	"
6	"	11	3	27.2	1	"
9	"	38	8	21.0	3	"
11	"	24	4	16.7	1	"
12	"	33	7	21.2	3	"
13	"	55	9	16.4	8	"
14*	30/0—8:15	75	27	36.0	21	2.0
16	8/2—8:15	59	9	15.6	3	Less than 1.0
17	"	43	10	23.3	5	"
18	9/2—8:15	36	12	33.3	5	"
19	"	52	13	25.0	8	"
20	"	60	21	35.0	35	3.0
21*	30/0—8:15	72	19	26.4	6	Less than 1.0
23	30/0—8:00	80	28	35.0	19	2.0
24	15/0—8:00	70	18	25.8	3	Less than 1.0

* Saturday run only

Source: Office of Physical Education, USMA

As a result of all this effort, there was a positive shift in cadet attitudes over time. As shown in Table 1, by March 1976, 52% of the Class of 1977; 51% of the Class of 1978; and 48% of the Class of 1979 expressed a negative attitude towards the admission of women cadets. What is quite astounding is that only 26% of the USMA staff and faculty expressed such a negative attitude. Nonetheless, this fairly "liberal" attitude may also be attributed to the fact that most of the male officers who answered this question have worked with women officers and enlisted.

One questionnaire that has been employed to measure attitude change at West Point by cadets and staff and faculty is a 25-item scale developed by Spence, Helmreich, and Stapp called the "Attitudes to Women Scale." The scale is designed to yield a score which indicates an orientation toward traditionalism or equalitarianism on issues related to the perceived role of women in society. Dr. Robert Priest of the Office of Institutional Research at West Point has been instrumental in collecting and analyzing data using this scale from samples of the West Point population. . . What is interesting to note is that cadets were significantly more traditional than the USMA faculty, and that the female cadets in the Class of 1980 were significantly more equalitarian than their male peers in the Class of 1980. There appears to be little attitudinal difference between male members of the Class of 1980 and their fellow male upperclassmen on this scale.

Against this backdrop of moderate hostility on the part of upperclass cadets, somewhat favorable attitudes on the part of USMA staff and faculty and accompanied by the hurly-burly of TV cameras and popping flashbulbs, women cadets finally arrived at West Point 7 July 1976. Rushing to and fro, reporting to the man in the red sash, trying to avoid photographers and desperately finding their way from room to room, women cadets finally took a series of attitude tests and filled out several questionnaires. Let us comment on the results of just one question taken from these many surveys.

In March 1976, only 22% of USMA cadets thought that Congress should allow women to enter combat units, while 42% of the USMA staff and faculty thought so. Of the incoming plebes 55% of the females and 39% of an equal sample of males felt that women should be allowed to enter combat units. That over half of the incoming women cadets felt that combat was an "appropriate" place for a woman is no doubt a reflection of these women's commitment to a military life and the aims of USMA itself.

But no matter how equal the women felt that they were or might be, their first days at West Point indicated that several adjustments had to be made due to physiological differences between males and females. Project 60 showed that many women could not come to inspection arms with the M14 rifle and the operating rod

spring was shortened. Since women's upper arm and shoulder strength is much less than men, women carried the M16 on marches and runs and use the M16 for bayonet training. Women were given pugil stick training but fought other women.

Women cadets marched in formation, recited their fourth class knowledge upon demand, learned inspection at arms, how to polish brass, shine shoes and in general more or less become integrated into the Corps of Cadets. But women were visible and vulnerable. A slightly higher percentage of women served disciplinary tours. There are several possible explanations: (1) women were inadequate cadets; (2) women were more visible to male cadet cadre; or (3) cadet cadre deliberately made corrections on women; or (4) cadet cadre deliberately held women cadets to a higher standard to avoid prejudice. Undoubtedly all of these reasons were operant.

Tactical officers and cadet cadre reported that women cadets were neater in personal appearance, learned fourth class knowledge faster and had tidier rooms than male new cadets. To the surprise of some officers, women adapted quickly and well to marksmanship training.

A major change that was initiated by the cadet cadre that impacted on fitness for training occurred at the beginning of the summer. The cadre requested a new policy to be adopted which would make it difficult for upperclass cadets to harass new cadets during meals. In essence, the policy involved a relaxation of traditional procedures associated with the meal, to include a relaxation of table posture during the meal. Some cadets and officers attributed this change to an "adjustment" brought about by the admission of women, but it appears that this action is the culmination of years of effort to arrive at this end.

West Point's emphasis on running, conditioning, marching and calisthenics took their toll among the women—and, of course, amongst many men. Even though women new cadets were in good physical condition and many were high school varsity track stars, the best that one can say is that it was not good enough. Given increased emphasis on women's sports, more funds appropriated to women's athletics in high school, earlier participation of girls in formerly boys sports (e.g., Little League Baseball) and more athletic role models like Billy Jean King, we would expect that women's physical conditioning will improve drastically in the next ten years. But West Point found that the women of the Class of 1980 had problems with physical demands of Cadet Basic Training. . . Table 2 compares male and female fallouts on morning runs. Of these relatively low numbers, the fallout rate varied from low of 4.3% (the first day) to a high of 36% (near the end of Cadet Basic Training). The percentage dropout rate for men varied between one percent to one day's high of three percent. Obvi-

ously the women were being asked to perform at a level higher than physically possible. Even though USMA staff feel that physical performance is due to emotional or psychological attitude, as much as physical stamina, it soon became evident that women new cadets were pushing themselves to extremes in order to keep up with their squads and companies.

To some extent West Point had predicted that this would occur and had designed a program to face the issue. The program was known as "Interval Training" and was designed for the new cadet who couldn't keep up with P.T., but who had no medical excuse. It was meant to be a developmental program to be held at the same time as regular P.T. As the summer progressed, however, it became obvious that the cadets themselves were applying strong sanctions against those cadets who went to interval training in lieu of doing P.T. with the unit, or company. Eventually, the cadets own refusals to be considered "different," i.e., attend interval training, contributed to rising sick call and accident rates for both men and women.

Table 3 outlines the number of sick calls, orthopedic sick calls and stress fractures suffered by men and women. A higher proportion of women as compared to men had what has come to be called stress fractures due to a number of conditioning factors. More women attended reconditioning (or remedial exercise class) in lieu of morning reveille exercise than did men. For example on 28 August 1976 26% of the women cadets attended reconditioning compared to 6% of the male cadets.

Table 4 shows the reasons why women cadets were sent to reconditioning class. However, tactical officers and medical personnel report that women were less inclined to go on sick call than men. Rather than going on sick call for minor reasons, women waited until a relatively insignificant difficulty had become a more serious problem. The fact that women avoided sick call showed that they were worried about peer group reactions. These women cadets tried to be strong, tough and stoic regarding their illnesses. In other words, these women tried *not* to fulfill male cadets expectations that women would "goldbrick" or use the sick role to avoid their obligations.

However, rather than belabor the point that slightly over one-quarter of the women were unable to keep up with their fellow male new cadets, we should point out that nearly three-quarters of the women performed adequately. In fact, in some companies, no women dropped out of the morning runs and many women did indeed complete runs and marches with very little problem. Minor physiological adjustments, however, like the substitution of the M16 for the M14 had been made.

West Point's insistence on physical fitness and grueling endurance took a psychological toll as well as a physical one. Undoubtedly the fact that women

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Cadet Lieutenant, "M" Co.,
1932.



Brand new 2d lieutenant, 1932.



In the field, just before
Pearl Harbor.



CS, 63d Division, Germany—
just after V-E Day.



General Wheeler congratulates
General McConnell, USAF, (class-
mate) at the change of command
ceremony at HQ EUCOM, Paris.
L-R: General Norstad, SACEUR;
General Wheeler; General Free-
man, CINC USAREUR; General
McConnell; and General Under-
hill, USAF, CS EUCOM, Sep-
tember 1962.



Addressing the graduating class
at USMA, 9 June 1965. L-R:
General Lemnitzer, General Van
Fleet, General Bessell (Dean)
and General Almond.

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by KENNETH F. ZITZMAN, BG, USA
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AT the annual Founders Day dinner at Fort Sam Houston in 1975, the lieutenant general commanding the Fifth Army was chatting with the oldest grad present, General William H. Simpson, USMA '09, who led the Ninth Army across Europe in World War II. That same evening, Bus Wheeler was 1600 miles away at his home in Martinsburg, West Virginia, enjoying a well-earned retirement after 46 years of service in the United States Army. None of the three had been in contact with the others for years. The subject was leadership, and the Fifth Army Commander told of an incident when he, Second Lieutenant Allen Burdett, eight months out of West Point, was with the newly organized 63d Division at Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi, in early 1944. The 63d would soon be in the war, and the Chief of Staff, Colonel Earle Wheeler, spoke to a group of company-grade officers on small unit tactics. After he left, the junior officers lingered to talk it over in a typical bull session. Before they returned to their quarters, all agreed that Colonel Wheeler would some day be the Army Chief of Staff. From there, the 63d went to combat and the impressed lieutenant went with it to start an outstanding military career.

If this tribute to Bus Wheeler had to be summarized in one paragraph, that would be it. He was a six-foot-two inch, well-built man with the looks of a movie star, which was an accident of birth. He was also sincere, articulate, sensitive to other people, always knowledgeable about his subject and able to inspire confidence in his juniors, his peers, and his seniors because he had confidence in himself, which was no accident at all.

Earle Gilmore Wheeler was born on 13 January 1908 in Washington, D.C.,

ASSEMBLY



Accompanying Admiral of the Fleet Mountbatten at the Pentagon, May 1965



Reviewing Honor Guard of parliamentary girls in an unspecified hamlet of Vietnam, January 1963.



the son of Clifton Freeman and Ida Gilmore Wheeler. He attended Eastern High School, was a member of the cadet corps, and while still a student, enlisted in the D.C. National Guard in which he served until he entered West Point in 1928. He was a platoon sergeant in the National Guard company which was outstanding in the summer camp competition and placed five men on the team which competed in the national interservice rifle matches.

At West Point, Bus ranked comfortably high in academics without undue effort, was on the color guard and ended up a cadet lieutenant. He was admired by cadets of all classes because he was always on hand for counsel when a man needed some help. Our classmate, J.P. McConnell, was one who took Bus's sound advice and thirty years later when he was the Air Force Chief of Staff, J.P. said that he had remembered it all his life. Even in those early days, Bus was a standout and he seemed to attract others of the same style. Of the three cadets who roomed with him for three of our four years at West Point, Chuck Anderson became an Air Force Major General with an outstanding war record and Jim Woolnough acquired four stars as Commanding General of Continental Army Command (CONARC) before he retired. Frank Howard didn't get the chance because he died in an air crash in 1934, piloting a plane when the Army Air Corps was directed to fly the air mail on twenty-four hours notice, even though he was out of flying school less than a year.

During Yearling Christmas leave, Bus attended a large New Year's Eve party in Old Greenwich, Connecticut, and as he was leaving in the early morning hours,
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With President Johnson and Secretary of Defense McNamara, September 1965.



With the III Marine Amphibious Force, South Vietnam, February 1968.



With former President Eisenhower and President Johnson (back to camera), April 1968.



the CEASELESS TRADITION

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a series of articles by cadets giving graduates the view from the "sinks" on subjects of current interest to West Pointers.



by CADET DAVID E. MECHTLY

"BOY, the Corps has ...! The last real Beast Barracks was in" (fill in your plebe year).

Familiar words?

In the midst of accelerated changes, women cadets, nylons in the Cadet Store, no ties worn with class uniform, "green girls" instead of "brown boys," cars in November for the First Class, no peanut butter on tables, a weekend leave for the plebe class second semester, and increased attention by the press, one thing remains constant and secure at West Point—cadets are always reminded of the way life used to be in the "Old Corps."

In the beginning there is Plebe Summer (now known as Cadet Basic Training). During this period of intense training a cadet learns the traditions and ways of West Point through Fourth Class Knowledge requirements, close interactions with his squad leader, and walking privileges to Trophy Point. Inevitably, we begin the exposure to how life used to be right

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here. Envision a warm summer night under the sheets in your bunk. The room door is propped open with the waste can to permit warm air to move in through the windows along with the sounds of lawn sprinklers on the Plain. Close-by in the hallway, just barely audible to the receptive ears of the new cadets, are the whisperings of an after-taps rendezvous of two squad leaders. "Remember when we went through Beast and. . ."

The Fourth Class academic year provides the next major input into a cadet's knowledge of "Old Corps" history. Math class is a live demonstration of the discipline, attention to detail, and motivation of past days that still remains intact (at least in this small realm). Other classes provide a captive audience of cadets on whom "old grads" can practice their story telling techniques. Many engineering classes start with the infamous words, "Back in the old days when giants strode the Plain. . ."

Football season takes us to the outdoors and we go climbing to the upper west sections of Michie Stadium. Here is the site of the "Old Corps Spirit" personified by hundreds of green-suited fans supporting the Army Team. This constant example for the Corps assures cadets that the "12th man" of the older days is indeed alive. Football rallies also provide ample opportunities for exposure to prime examples of "Old Corps Spirit." "Taking it off," leading rockets, and generally getting the rabble going are some of the antics that members of the Corps are to emulate.

Around Christmas time instructors never fail to make the Fourth Class envious by relating the verity that "you never have any real character until you spend Christmas at West Point."

Yearling year comes around quickly along with an eating stripe on your dress gray coat. Camp Buckner gives the Third Classman a closer look at the real Army and a chance to hear visiting officers say, "When I was here, the ladder on the slide for life was a rickety old thing. . ." As soon as the new cadets enter, rumors fly rampant about how they aren't doing some of the same sacred requirements that were expected of cadets the year before. It is at this point that the Third Class cadet begins developing his own prowess in relating the way it was.

Third class summer ends and a tough year of academics begins. Third Class

cadets now get a closer look at the new plebes and old memories are revived. But "the plebes could never have had it as bad as we did!" a yearling says, demonstrating his new-found talent.

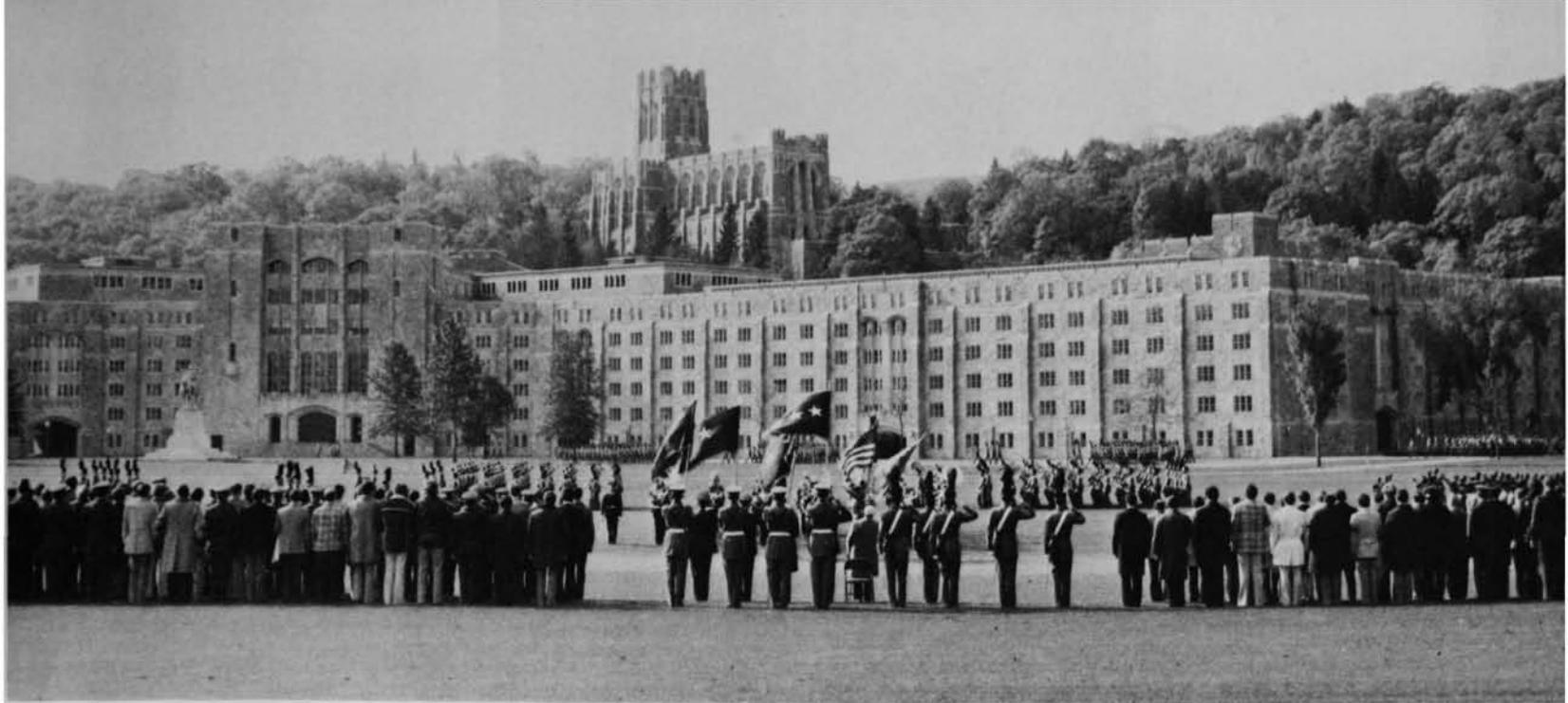
Sponsors begin to have social interactions with cadets by inviting them over for dinner and visits on the weekends. This provides a steady exposure to the "Old Corps" for the remaining cadet years at West Point.

Cadet Troop Leader Training (formerly Army Orientation Training) gives the new Second Classman the valuable opportunity of participating as an integral part with a combat unit in training and everyday Army life. The Second Classman finally thinks he is going to get away from the grey walls and aura of West Point until he gets together with his company or battery officers. He soon finds that where two or three West Pointers are gathered together, there the "Old Corps Spirit" descends like a grey cloud upon the group and inspires great words of wisdom and amazing tales of days gone by. The cadet invariably takes the most abuse when any matters concerning differences between class experiences arise. This situation serves to sharpen the cadet's developing talent of expressing how his class achieved more character than those of more recent times, a valuable lesson in carrying on the tradition of telling it like it was.

The next important stage in this tradition is First Class year when policies governing the underclasses are more pliable. Advice is wisely sought in preparation for instituting new policies or changing old ones. At this time an in-depth look is taken at results of policy options and the "Old Corps" experiences provide a valuable basis for determining a proper course of action. The cadet now realizes the value of reminiscences by those before. What is left when the reminiscences are sifted is history—priceless chances to learn from the past.

I know that we at the Military Academy will carry on into the future the socialization process into a tradition of pride and esprit developed at West Point. Stories of how life used to be will never end. Each class at West Point is deeply rooted in history and each has a part of West Point tradition and experience to pass on, even though the real "Old Corps" ended in . . . (fill in your graduation year).

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Colors pass at Alumni Review, Homecoming.

HOMECOMING '76

On a sunny but chilly weekend over 444 graduates returned to West Point for Homecoming activities. The Reunion Classes included '56, '61, '66 and '71, with '66 having the largest attendance. The oldest graduate present was Colonel John K. Meneely, Class of 1915.



First Captain Miller with oldest graduate, Meneely '15, place wreath at Thayer Monument.

Center of the Alumni Review line at Homecoming.

Saltzman '25—President, Association of Graduates, Meneely '15—Oldest Grad, and Berry '48—Superintendent, USMA, lead march to Thayer Monument.



1956

WELL, it's all over, and I find it a little difficult to remember what happened on that fabulous weekend. Was it the football game, or the fun of being with old friends, or was it the incredible amount of liquid intake that causes one's mind to blur? Probably a combination of all three, and we certainly did have plenty of all. The Class of 1956 only gets together once for their 20th Reunion, and I guess it's best that way. Could you stand another weekend so full of activities? Our hats are off to our great classmates stationed at West Point for doing it up right for the rest of us. Jim Anderson was the overall coordinator, and leader of the mob, with a great deal of help from Bill Weihl, Mike Sirkis, Bob Easton, Jim McNulty, Jim Strozier, Mark Sisinyak, Farrell Patrick, and Arv West. All of you and your lovely brides (?) were more than generous to your visiting classmates. Not only did you run the events for us, so all we had to do was eat, drink, and have fun, but you also explained the new things that we saw (girl cadets), you took us into your homes, and you made it a memorable time. Was there a highlight to the weekend? Difficult to say. Certainly the most moving event was Bill Weihl's talk about our classmates who can never be with us again. I think we all felt a little closer to each other when Bill said how he wished he could have told a classmate how much he thought of him and respected him, before he lost

his life in Vietnam. Or was the highlight of the weekend the cocktail party at the Golf Clubhouse where for four hours you kept meeting old friends for the first time in a long while? Or maybe the highlight was being on the top deck (new!) of Michie Stadium and watching a spirited Black, Grey and Gold team compete for your attention with the green, and yellow, and rust colors of the hills across the Hudson on a beautiful, sparkling fall day? The highlight for many of us was seeing Stan and Betty Wilker who have been so faithful to us for these past twenty years. Or was the highlight the Boston cream pie that was served for dessert in the Mess Hall on Saturday night? (Memories!) Or was it the report from the Cardiovascular Study telling us that by and large we're all healthy, though one or two are "Mildly Obese?" It was a thrill to see our one and only Brigadier General and young bride (Charlie and Patsy Bagnal); our many, many fine looking cadet sons; and the great natural beauty of that place on the Hudson. For those of you who couldn't make it, we missed you! You know it doesn't matter what your rank is, or what profession you're in, or religion, or marital status . . . you graduated with one of the finest groups ever to have been at West Point, and you ought to be damn proud of it, and show your pride by participating! Next chance, our 25th in 1981. Don't miss it!—*LeHardy*





1961

'61 opened its 15th Reunion with a rally and beer call at the Ski Lodge. By the time the last straggler arrived at 11:30 p.m., 95 classmates, wives, and dates were elbow to elbow at the bar. Saturday morning, some Friday night survivors were joined by new faces for a routstep march to Thayer Monument. The Bloody Marys matched the eyes of most of the class who attended the pre-game tailgate party at Lusk. No comment about the game. Saturday evening even more arrivals swelled the ranks to 160 for dinner and reminiscing at the Golf Club. Sunday at the Old Cadet Chapel, Chaplain Ford conducted a memorial service for our deceased classmates. The Reunion closed with 66 of the heartiest trying to drink the O'Club out of coffee during the class brunch and business meeting.—*Dreesbach and Schell.*





1966

IT is said that reunions are for rediscovering forgotten memories, for rekindling old friendships and for reaffirming common bonds. And so it was when the Class of 1966 reassembled for its 10th Reunion. We saw that collectively we were different from those cadets who, ten years ago, went forth to insure that "Fame will mix with '66." We were older—though all wore the effects of the decade well. We had assumed new responsibilities—as husbands, fathers, and soldiers (both past and present). We reflected the additional balance and maturity which comes only with age. And we were fewer in number, our ranks thinned by the tragedies of war. But we also saw that we were much the same—still idealistic, still dedicated to Duty, Honor, Country, still striving to live above the common level of life. And as we gathered at the Cemetery to honor our fallen classmates, it was to those undying values that we rededicated ourselves. For two happy days we had known laughter, music, good times—the tangible aspects of reunion festivities. But as we went our separate ways, we knew that we took away something far less tangible but far more lasting—a renewed sense of purpose and a rejuvenated unity of spirit.

—Gardner





1971

CRISP, sunny October days... Cullum Hall... Recognized faces, unknown names. 15 extra pounds... Hair... Hotel Thayer... Booze... Many civilians... 5 Star Inn... Armbands... The Corps... Women... FD without tails... Train station... Booze... Chuck! No, George... Hi, anyway... U14... Beat who?... Greens, Reds, Yellow, Browns... More Booze... Cold... Waitresses in the Mess Hall... No sugar bowls... Ski Lodge... Turning strange colors from booze... 0400... Brunch... Voluntary chapel... The Old Corps... Has the Corps? As we walked through our past the old camaraderie was instantaneous. As one of the largest junior Homecoming classes in history, 220 classmates, wives, and friends joined together. Our kudos to Mike Van Buskirk, Robin Miller, and Tom Lafaro who organized, coordinated, and executed a fine program of activities. Doctors, lawyers, engineers, business executives, students from Harvard to Berkeley, and the always illustrious battle captains meshed for some "Basic Partying." For those unfortunate ones unable to attend, see you in '81—*deMoya*





A MESSAGE FROM:

The Army

THE two questions most frequently posed by members of the Army Athletic Association are: "What is the financial condition of the AAA?" and "Why didn't I get a better seat at the last football game?" The purpose of this article is to provide an answer to each.

Future financial statements will be published after the close of each fiscal year. Because AAA operations coincide very closely with the academic year, the fiscal year will continue to be 1 July-30 June even though the Army has changed.

Certain points are of particular interest in the financial statement (chart 1). It will be noticed immediately that for the past fiscal year the AAA showed a profit, which was used to increase the reserve. This profit should not be taken with optimism. Television revenue from the Army-Navy game cannot be automatically assumed, and therefore the decision has been made that budgets starting with Fiscal Year 1977 be balanced not using any television revenue. Had this policy been in effect for the past fiscal year, there would have been a loss of \$142,877 rather than a profit. Current budget review indicates that the budget can be balanced for Fiscal Year 1977, and television money will be used to increase the reserve, which is tenuously low.

Another item is the Army Athletic Association Donor Program. A summary of the current year's program as of 1 October 1976 is shown on the accompanying chart 2. Donations are being used to supplement the AAA budget, which in recent years has, of necessity, been rather austere. Cutbacks in some budget areas were avoided—thanks to the Donor Program.

Donations that are designated for a particular sport are made available to that sport as additional funding and are most frequently used to purchase equipment that could not otherwise be procured. It has been surprising to note that more than 40 percent of the funds donated has come from nongraduate friends of Army athletics. The Donor Program is still new, and it is hoped that it will grow and help the United States Military Academy continue to field teams that are competitive in the inter-collegiate arena.

Army Athletic Association members continue to receive preferential seating at Army football games and other home athletic contests where reserved seats are involved. Personal-use tickets are allotted by class for those members who submit ticket applications prior to the specified

closing date, and the seating is always located in areas that are considered choice. The ticket policy has been expanded to permit the use of a member's personal-use tickets by persons who would normally sit with the member or his family. This change was at the request of AAA members and removes the requirement for the member to be present with his guest.

The accompanying chart 3 of the Michie Stadium Seating Plan shows the general seating areas that have been designated for the different categories of ticket buyers. The areas shown may vary slightly based on season-ticket sales prior to final allocation and an estimate of the number of AAA-member, single-game tickets which will be required based on earlier years' sales. For AAA-member, season-ticket holders, allocations are made, starting at the 50-yard line, by class, until all classes are accommodated. Seating allocations for AAA-member, single-game tickets are made in the upper deck following the same procedure

ARMY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS FISCAL YEAR 1976

RECEIPTS:	
FOOTBALL GAMES — NET INCOME	\$974,315
TELEVISION	220,536
SALE OF PROGRAMS	30,675
CONCESSIONS	27,678
CADET ACTIVITY FEES	105,600
SUBSCRIPTIONS & MEMBERSHIP DUES	51,185
WINTER/SPRING TICKET SALES	51,847
DONOR PROGRAM	13,344
INTEREST/DIVIDENDS	62,553
MISCELLANEOUS	17,102
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,554,835
EXPENDITURES:	
PERSONNEL	\$983,570
SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT	173,579
SERVICES	90,119
ADMISSIONS SUPPORT	66,179
TEAM SUPPORT	94,791
VISITING TEAM SUPPORT	27,381
MISCELLANEOUS SPORT ACTIVITIES	41,557
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1,477,176
NET INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	\$ 77,659
FUND EQUITY:	
AAA CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$127,858
RESERVE FOR IMPROVEMENT OF FACILITIES	213,322
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$341,180

Athletic Association

until all have been seated. This gives rise to a frequent question: "Why can't I sit with my class?" To have all members of a class, both season and single-game ticket holders, sit together at each game would require that tickets for each game be reallocated—an action which is simply not practical.

Non-AAA members are allocated seats in the areas shown, as are the cadets and their guests. The balance of the seats in Michie Stadium are sold to non-AAA members. This brings us to the matter of the non-AAA member USMA graduate. Except for Homecoming, nonmembers, although graduates, are given no preference over the general public in seating.

The point is frequently raised that the Army Athletic Association should not pay so much attention to public sales. It should be pointed out here that experience has shown that about 25 percent of our income from ticket sales at football games comes from cadets and AAA mem-

bers, with the remainder from the general public. If this large group is alienated, then our income, essential to the survival of an intercollegiate program at the United States Military Academy, would be severely reduced.

Seating at away games, of course, is not under the complete control of the Army Athletic Association. Although numbers of tickets may be requested as well as location, whether or not our desires are met is another matter. Seating within that available is allocated in the same order of precedence as for Michie Stadium.

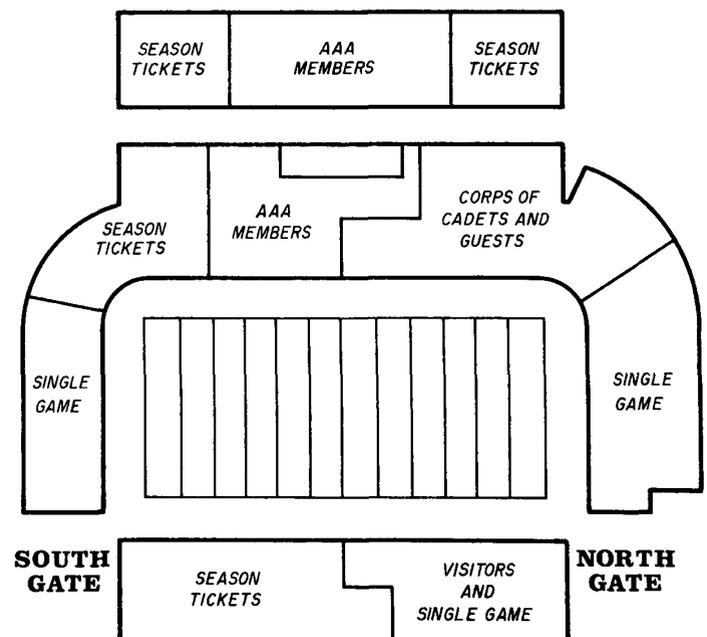
It is hoped that this article has answered the two original questions. One additional point is in order. The Army Athletic Association is required to stand on its own feet and have, as a minimum, a balanced budget each year. Here we are no different from associations in the vast majority of other colleges and universities. They rely very heavily on the support, material as well as spiritual, of their alumni. Here again, we are no different.

ARMY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION DONOR PROGRAM

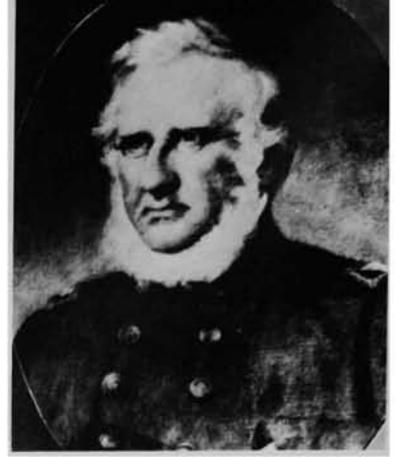
Money for Specific Sports:

Baseball	\$	120.50
Basketball		80.30
Cross Country		82.50
Fencing		637.50
Football		467.90
150-lb. Football		107.00
Golf		60.00
Gymnastics		110.00
Hockey		702.50
Lacrosse		653.30
Pistol		12.50
Rifle		30.00
Skiing		35.00
Soccer		140.00
Squash		42.50
Swimming		570.00
Tennis		150.00
Track		121.50
Water Polo		15.00
Wrestling		50.00
TOTAL		\$ 4,188.00
Money Donated for General Fund		23,139.50
TOTAL		\$27,327.50
Source of Donation:		
Graduates	428	\$15,939.00
Friends	157	11,388.50
	<u>585</u>	<u>\$27,327.50</u>

MICHIE STADIUM SEATING PLAN



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Richard Delafield, Superintendent at the United States Military Academy 1 September 1838 to 15 August 1845.

Rock-Bound Patriotism: RICHARD DELAFIELD AND THE STONE INSCRIPTIONS

by KENNETH RAPP

DURING the year 1857, Major Richard Delafield, then serving his second tour of duty as Superintendent of the United States Military Academy, had an unusual idea which has had a lasting impression on the United States Corps of Cadets. Strangely enough, his idea will probably have greater historical significance during our country's Bicentennial Year than it did for the first one hundred and eighteen years.

Delafield was an extremely patriotic individual and his interest in American history was clearly exemplified when he directed that the names of three major Revolutionary War battles be inscribed on rock ledges in various locations on the West Point Reservation. His intention was to insure that lasting memorials of our country's heritage would leave an impression on the minds of young cadets in the future. Unfortunately, the written records concerning this patriotic act are rather scanty. The only information available in the United States Military Academy Archives which verifies that Delafield was responsible for the accomplishment is a letter dated 26 April 1912 from William Ward, who had been the Chief Clerk in the Adjutant's Office for nearly a half century. Ward's letter was in response to a memorandum he had received

from his successor, requesting information as to under whose direction the names of certain Revolutionary battles were cut into the rocks. His quick and informative reply stated that "as near as I can remember (at this distant day) the names were cut by direction of Major Delafield, during his second administration, probably about 1857 or 8."

The names of the battles inscribed on the granite ledges were *Bunker Hill*, *Saratoga*, and *Yorktown*. The only other pertinent information available is contained in the early Treasurer's records which reveal that on three separate dates the total sum of \$109.60 was paid to one Peter Fritz as a fee for lettering the stone.

The *Bunker Hill* inscription was cut into a rock ledge along the river, just west of the present railroad tracks. It was removed shortly after 1920 during the process of widening the road for the newly constructed West Shore Railroad stationhouse. Although the authorities reluctantly considered the removal of the inscription they felt it advisable to do so, reasoning that West Point was quickly becoming a great attraction to the public and adequate transportation facilities had to be provided.

The rock ledge with the *Saratoga* in-

scription is appropriately located adjacent to Kosciuszko's Garden at the start of the well-known "Flirtation Walk." This inscription, because of its more convenient location, has been viewed more frequently by cadets, post personnel, and visitors than either of the other two inscriptions. Last spring I decided to take a leisurely stroll and ended up at the Kosciuszko Garden site. No other soul was in the quiet and especially peaceful surroundings, and a great feeling of pride arose in me when I realized I was standing on the same spot that the famous Revolutionary hero had visited on numerous occasions. The beautiful flowers and shrubs had reached their peak and the entire scene was simply breathtaking. There were at least twenty varieties of flowers. The multi-colored tulips were all so erect and stood like cadets at a parade formation. The fully bloomed azalea bushes were dazzling in beauty and the ferns in the background created one of the most picturesque views I have ever witnessed. Just beyond stands the massive rock ledge with the indelible inscription reading "Saratoga, 17th October 1777." The brass plaque near the base of the ledge states: "Kosciuszko's Garden—Built in 1778 for rest and meditation by the brilliant Polish military engineer who redesigned and su-

YORKTOWN inscription—located on northern portion of Flirtation Walk above Sheridan's Memorial Bench.

SARATOGA inscription—located in the Kosciuszko Garden.



pervised construction of the forts at West Point making it the 'Gibraltar of the Hudson' in the Revolution." There was no question in my mind that Major Delafield's selection of this magnificent site for the inscription of *Saratoga* was indeed an appropriate one.

I next visited the area of the *Yorktown* inscription, located farther north along Flirtation Walk on the prominent ledge facing Constitution Island. The lilacs were in bloom and their fragrance was very apparent. The large bold letters YORKTOWN appeared to literally reach out and seize my attention. While in the midst of enjoying the unforgettable handiwork of mother nature the only noises I heard were the singing of birds and a distant train whistle from across the river.

I believe it would be worthwhile to mention a few significant facts concerning Richard Delafield's background and sterling character which probably inspired him to have the names of the memorable battles cut into the ledges. His father, John Delafield, emigrated to the United States from Europe in 1783 and settled in New York City. He became so successful as a merchant that he was later referred to as "one of the fathers of Wall Street."

Richard Delafield was admitted to the United States Military Academy on 4 May 1814, at the age of 15 years, 10 months. He graduated at the head of his class on 24 July 1818, and holds the distinction of being the first cadet to whom an "order of merit" had been assigned. This was one of Sylvanus Thayer's innovations and from that day class rank has been one of the distinguishing features at the Academy, inspiring cadets to strive for academic and military excellence.

Subsequent to his graduation, Delafield spent the next twenty years on various engineering projects for the Corps of Engineers. His superiors noted that in the course of his duties he showed a marked ability to handle executive matters. When the vacancy for the superintendency of the Military Academy arose in 1838, Delafield was selected for the coveted posi-

tion. His contributions were many and their effect on the physical plant of West Point and the Corps of Cadets are still evident to the present day. One of his first objectives was the overall improvement of the post itself. He was instrumental in seeing that new roads were built, and that badly needed new living quarters were constructed for the comfort of post personnel. Another particularly interesting accomplishment by Delafield was the well-designed and beautiful "Chain Battery Walk." Over the years its name had been changed by the cadets to the familiarly known "Flirtation Walk." The romantic site, which winds its way alongside the majestic Hudson River, received national recognition in 1934 after the filming of the Hollywood movie bearing the same name.

An examination of Richard Delafield's superintendency reveals that he was not particularly liked by the cadets, although they certainly respected him for his ability and leadership qualities. They knew him as a strict disciplinarian who ruled with an "iron hand." As the years passed and these same cadets became more mature with age and experience, their personal feelings towards him changed. They realized he was a strong leader who wanted to insure that they learned their lessons well and were properly trained in the art of warfare. To prove this point, the following letter of condolence written by a former cadet was received by Mrs. Delafield after the General's death:

*Headquarters, Army of
the United States
Washington, D.C.,
Nov. 5, 1873*

*Mrs. General Delafield
Washington, D.C.*

Dear Madam:

Pardon me for intruding at this moment of supreme sorrow. The President and I have arranged to attend a Fair at Leesburgh tomorrow, and I will go over and see him, so that he may decide what he will do. I will not go in any event, but remain here to do whatever I can to manifest

my love, respect, and affection for General Delafield.

Were it my office, it would be a labor of love for me to prepare his obituary order, but this will devolve on the Secretary of War, as the Engineer Corps is not construed as a part of my military family. In the future do look to me as the friend of your family, and command my services whenever I can do or say anything to commemorate the virtues of one that, I think, I appreciated from the moment he became Superintendent of the Military Academy, when I was a mere boy. I then, by a mere chance, learned that beneath his severe exterior was a warm sympathetic heart for those entrusted to his care.

Sympathizing deeply in your bereavement.

I am, with sincere respect,

Your friend and servant,

W.T. SHERMAN, GENERAL

Unfortunately, and as happens so frequently, General Delafield never really received the full recognition that should have been accorded to him. Perhaps it was because he was not one to publicize or boast of his many accomplishments. To support this theory a letter written by him at the twilight of his military career was recently uncovered and explains his personal feelings concerning self adulation. This letter was addressed to Captain George W. Cullum, who was seeking information from former graduates while preparing his monumental *Biographical Register of the Officers and Graduates of the U.S. Military Academy*. Prior to furnishing Cullum with a brief summary of his military service, Delafield remarked, "I do confess my unwillingness to write anything about self for public reading. I have got so far in life that quiet and rest, rather than work, toil and labor, are more coveted than the reverse and hence no longer am ambitious of holding myself up from previous labors and experience as suited particularly for anything—"

At one time or another we have probably all heard friends or neighbors comment during a Fourth of July observance that they were proud to be Americans. General Delafield was also proud, but he additionally had enough foresight and patriotism to insure that our country's heritage would not be soon forgotten. He was a true and loyal American!

As a final note on patriotism and rock carvings at the Academy, the reader should know that a few Mexican War events are also commemorated in stone near the northern vicinity of Flirtation Walk. This was done in 1847 during the superintendency of Henry Brewerton. Near the conclusion of the war, Brewerton published an order dated 14 April 1847 announcing to the Corps of Cadets the brilliant victories achieved by the United States Forces in Mexico. He cited two graduates, namely William R. McKee,

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BUNKER HILL inscription—originally located behind the railroad stationhouse and removed in the 1920's.



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SPIES Along the

1779 Chorographical Map of Hudson River Valley. In-
scribed to "His Excellency Major General William Tryon."
(Library of Congress)



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Hudson

by CHARLES R. GILDART

MONTHS before General William Howe took his redcoats and frightened Tories out of beleaguered Boston in March of 1776, William Tryon, royal governor of New York, was organizing Loyalists around the city, with the result that when General George Washington arrived there 13 April 1776 he was beset by the danger of a strong uprising in his army's rear. Six men were arrested the following June for plotting with the enemy, among them three from Washington's body-guard. A part of the plan was to assassinate or capture their general. Thomas Hickey, a sergeant in Washington's own retinue, was tried for "exciting and joining in a mutiny and sedition, and of treacherously corresponding with, inlisting among, and receiving pay from the enemies of the United American Colonies." Hickey was hanged in the presence of four brigades, while Howe's personal transport was dropping anchor in the harbor. It was a stroke of great good fortune for the American cause, for if an incident of counterfeiting had not led to the exposure of the intrigue on the eve of Howe's attack, Washington might have died instead of Hickey, and with the loss of the leader the new nation might never have been born.

Howe occupied Staten Island on 30 June 1776, and immediately busied himself with building on the foundation established by Tryon. Within a month the furtive backwoods Tories could muster at Albany a secret company of fifty militiamen and three officers. The British managed their intelligence operations in this theatre with great competence. One Tory boasted, "ther was not much dainger of Being Keychd for the Torys had Prepared private Cellars a long the way." The underground was literal.

Opposite West Point, near present-day Garrison, on the east side of Highway 9D, is a historical marker designating the site of the house, no longer standing, of Colonel Beverly Robinson, who became chief of Hudson Valley intelligence for British General Sir Henry Clinton in New York. Benedict Arnold used it for his quarters and it became the storm center of his treason's disclosure, with Washington arriving a short time after the traitor took his heels down a path through the woods to the river's edge where a manned barge awaited. The way is still identifiable to the bicentennial enthusiast.

Beverly Robinson was a Virginian by birth, son of an acting crown governor of the province, brother of its treasurer and

a former friend of George Washington. His military experience began when he raised a company of Virginians in 1746. During a sojourn in New York he met Susanna Philipse, the heiress of vast Hudson River estates as the daughter of Frederick Philipse of Philipse Manor. Mary, sister of Susanna, was traditionally the object of Washington's attentions, and possibly affections, when he passed through New York after the Braddock campaign. Robinson settled permanently in the colony of New York after this rich marriage, and lived amicably with his Whig neighbors until February of 1777, but he then refused to swear allegiance to the state, when told by John Jay that the time had come when he must make a choice. Jay said the Americans would be "exceeding happy" if the squire would pledge his talents to the patriot cause. However, Robinson elected to join the Loyalist side to become a very active refugee in the city. The Robinson house served the patriot cause as a military headquarters and a hospital, while its owner proceeded to raise his second military unit, the Loyal American Regiment, manned largely by his neighbors and tenants.

Meanwhile, on the American side, John Jay and Nathaniel Sackett established a counterintelligence system with some ten or more soldiers at work, four full time: Martin Cornwall, Enoch Crosby, Nicholas Brower and John Haines. The story of Enoch Crosby, the most famous of the group, reads like wild and unrestrained fiction, but is well documented by his pension statement and by H.L. Barnum's book, published in 1829, *The Spy Unmasked*. It was the basis of James Fennimore Cooper's tale, *The Spy*, and has been ably treated at length by John Bakeless in his book, *Turncoats, Traitors and Heroes*.

Crosby was the first man to answer the call to arms in Danbury, Connecticut, when that town organized a company af-

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Left: Colonel Beverly Robinson, Loyalist Chief of Intelligence for General Sir Henry Clinton. (Library of Congress, from *Harper's*, Vol. III, 1853) Right: Major General Israel Putnam (Portrait from the collection of the Library of Congress)

USMA

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To honor the Bicentennial of the American Revolution, the United States Military Academy with the support of the Association of Graduates has developed a special bronze medallion commemorating the role of West Point in the Revolution and highlighting the Military Academy at West Point. On the obverse of the medallion Fort Clinton, Fort Putnam, supporting fortifications and the Great Chain are shown. On the reverse, the cadet color guard, the new barracks, the Cadet Chapel and Fort Putnam are emphasized along with the motto of Duty, Honor, Country.

This historic depiction of old and new West Point was designed by Mr. Edward J. Krasnoborski, the Cartographer in the Department of History, who has produced the extensive maps in *The West Point*

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by PETE WEVURSKI

WHERE to start? So many significant items claim a share of this quarter's headlines, it's difficult to choose one over the others. Among the major topics are the appointment of LTC Len S. Marrella as the Academy's new Director of Intercollegiate Athletics; Army's passing combination of Hall-to-Brundidge that topped the list of NCAA football leaders for most of the early going; Curt Alitz' incredible winning streak in cross country; coach Eric Tipton's unbeaten lightweight football team posting his 100th win en route to the league championship that eluded them last season for the first time in six years; coach Joe Palone's "greatest soccer victory" over Brown; and the appointment of Rich Edell as the Cadets' new lacrosse coach.

Let's discuss the personnel changes before diving into the usual sport-by-sport fall review.

MARRELLA NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR—LTC Marrella, currently a student at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C., has been named to succeed COL William J. (Jack) Schuder as Director of Intercollegiate Athletics. The 42-year-old Marrella, a 1957 graduate, will report for duty next summer upon completion of his present course of study. COL (Ret.) William T.

Call Jr., the Academy's Deputy Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, will continue to serve as the Acting Athletic Director as he has since COL Schuder retired 31 July after 34 years of active service in the US Army.

As a cadet, Marrella was an undefeated intercollegiate boxer and played baseball all four years, lettering in his last three years. He was team captain his First Class year. He was also Vice Chairman of the Cadet Honor Committee.

A native of Reading, Pennsylvania, Marrella is a qualified Army paratrooper and ranger. He is currently on the promotion list to full colonel and should be promoted early next year.

Marrella received his master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Oklahoma in 1965 and completed his Doctorate in Business Administration at George Washington University. A 1975 graduate of the Defense Systems Management College, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, he has had extensive experience in management and procurement activities.

EDELL NEW LACROSSE COACH—Edell, soccer and lacrosse coach at the University of Baltimore the past four years, begins his first season as Army's stickman skipper in the spring. He currently is serving as an instructor in the Office of Physical Education, a position

he will maintain during his term at West Point.

During his four year stay at Baltimore, Edell coached Super Bee squads to a composite 110-33-4 record in soccer and lacrosse.

His lacrosse teams fashioned a 45-23 record, and were ranked nationally among college division schools in 1973, 1974, and 1975. On three occasions, too, they earned berths in the NCAA championships, reaching the quarter-finals in both the '73 and '74 seasons.

Edell, 32, graduated from Towson State College in 1967. He later went on to receive a Master of Education degree from Western Maryland College in 1970, and a Master of Science degree from the University of Baltimore in 1976.

During his undergraduate days at Towson State, Edell played varsity lacrosse for three years, serving as team captain for both the 1966 and 1967 seasons. He was an all-America midfielder during both of those seasons, and the team's most valuable player three times in succession.

Edell succeeds Al Pisano at the Army helm. Pisano served as Cadet coach from 1970-76, during which time he guided lacrosse teams to a 46-31 record.

Slum and Gravy reports Edell has really been putting the Cadet lacrosse team through their paces during off season drill

Greg King



Army-Rutgers Soccer



this fall. Players say he knows only two words "run" and "faster."

FOOTBALL (3-4).

Coach Homer Smith's third season began unobtrusively enough with a routine 16-6 victory over Lafayette, but the Cadets' pass-and-catch pair of Hall and Brundidge soon exploded the lid off things when they instigated a 26-24 comeback victory over Holy Cross with an incredible fourth-period aerial display. Hall, Brundidge and company nearly did it again in a heart-wrenching 34-32 defeat against North Carolina, but they achieved their goal the following week with a 21-20 upset triumph over Stanford.

Opponents caught on by then and what followed were three lopsided losses. Slumbering Penn State awoke in time to take a 38-16 decision, winless Tulane reached virgin territory with a 23-10 verdict over the Cadets in the Superdome, and Eastern power Boston College spoiled Army's Homecoming Game with a 27-10 victory.

An assessment after six games by Coach Smith: "Spirit is good. No problem. The big games are ahead of us. Concentration has been, at times, less than good. We will get the concentration, however, and anything else that we need, because it is like Rick Forzano told me on the telephone, "They are great young people." (Rick was fired recently by the Detroit Lions, after doing the best recruiting job, at Navy, that has been done by a Service Academy maybe ever.) Maturity is good, with some players. A coach does not want to see an eager face of a young man who thinks he can win but who cannot relate winning to the blows which must be hit to win. A coach loves the face of a D'Amico (Chuck) who has to take on double team blocks by those guys who average 258. Or a Schott (Chuck) who has looked many times at sweep blockers coming from out of the stands to lead

a ball carrier, or a Beverley (Ray) who dislocates and relocates his thumb joint thirty times in a game. Maturity is good with some, and it is improving with others all the time. In age, with a plebe as a 1 and a senior as a 4, our defense averages 2.1 and our offense 2.5.

"We are very, very young. In speed we are better than most people realize. There are not many defensive tackles faster than Duane Fuller, and at no backfield or end position can we be considered slow. Some sprinter's speed at the running back positions would change the speed appearance of our team strikingly. Tulane, at least on their home court, and Stanford were faster. In the North Carolina and Penn State games we had no problem catching anyone. Age is the biggest factor as we compare ourselves with an opponent. Tulane's offensive front, for example, averages 3.3 in school age, and that might not count red shirt experience. At some positions in practice field age we are embryonic."

Army 16, Lafayette 6

Coach Smith admitted he gambled when he eschewed a full-scale scrimmage prior to the season opener. He said he hoped that the game against Lafayette would suffice as a shakedown experience. Smith won in spite of the risk . . . and in spite of some rather risky moments.

Tony Pyne's five yard touchdown run in the second quarter helped the cadets salvage a 6-6 intermission tie but it was Mike Castelli's 42 yard field goal and a 30-yard Hall to Brundidge TD pass at the third-quarter gun that prevented coach Smith from exploring the advantages of hara-kiri.

Army 26, Holy Cross 24

"Coming out of the stadium I thought about the difference between a pat on the back and a kick in the rear being about 18 inches," Smith said after he joined 24,176 Michie Stadium fans watching in disbelief as Hall's aerial circus enabled the Cadets to score three touchdowns in the final seven minutes.

Hall capped the rally by firing a 26-yard TD strike to George Dunaway with just 47 seconds left to play. Earlier in the period, Brundidge outwrestled a Holy Cross defender for a 13 yard scoring pass from Hall, and halfback Greg King bulled eight yards for a touchdown that cut the deficit to 24-20 with 4:16 remaining. Then came the winning TD moments later.

North Carolina 34, Army 32

Hall tossed four touchdown passes, shattered four single game Academy passing records and equalled another, but they were not enough as 16th ranked North Carolina edged the Cadets at Michie Stadium.

Leamon tossed scoring passes of seven and ten yards to Jim Merriken, seven yards to Brundidge and 11 yards to Tom Kuchar as he came away with Army records for most passes attempted (55), completions (28), passing yardage (385), total offense (378) and total plays (64).

In addition to Hall's individual records,

the Army team also established USMA standards for first downs passing (20) and total first downs (33). Other team records were passes attempted, completed and yards passing.

Army 21, Stanford 20

Falling behind, 20-0, Hall directed Army to three touchdowns in the second half—including a pair during the final 8:30—to rally the cadets to their third victory in four outings. It was perhaps West Point's greatest grid upset since its 24-14 triumph over Texas A&M one week after being humiliated by Nebraska in the 1972 opener, 77-7.

Greg McGlasker's 39-yard reception set up Jon Dwyer's four-yard touchdown run late in the third quarter that signalled the beginning of the Black Knight's stirring rally. Dunaway grabbed a 52-yarder from Hall late in the fourth period to set up Leamon's 11-yard TD pitch to Kuchar and the heroic Army defense got the ball back moments later to set up the winning 66-yard drive that Hall capped with a one-yard quarterback sneak. Brundidge then made a miraculous reception of Hall's conversion pass for the deciding two points.

Clennie remained the nation's No. 1 receiver for the fourth straight week and Hall enjoyed his second week atop the passing list. Brundidge also received his third straight ECAC weekly all-star selection and Hall was named for the second time.

Penn State 38, Army 16

Stung by a three-game losing streak—their first since 1964—the Nittany Lions vented their frustrations on the cadets by rolling to a comfortable 31-0 first-half lead and coasting from there.

Army was able to muster only a three yard TD pass from Hall to Pyne in the third quarter, a one yard quarterback sneak by Hall in the fourth period and conversion passes from Hall to Kuchar and Brundidge as the Penn State defense stole the show.

Tulane 23, Army 10

The Green Wave stole the Cadets' script when quarterback Rich Hontas and kicker Ed Murray rallied Tulane from a 10-0 deficit. Murray booted second-quarter field goals of 21 and 32 yards after Castelli's 22-yarder and a 31-yard Hall-to-Brundidge pass gave Army all its points in the opening period.

The Green Tide kept rolling in the final 15 minutes when Hontas fired a 12-yard TD pass, Art Green returned an intercepted Hall aerial 96 yards for another tally and Murray added a 34-yard field goal.

The one bright note occurred when Hall broke Joe Caldwell's 1969 single season passing yardage mark of 1,343 yards. Leamon finished the game with a season total of 1,497.

Boston College 27, Army 10

Hall added another 136 yards and broke Caldwell's season completion record of 105 with the third of his 16 completions against BC but those fruits

Cross Country—Curt Alitz





Leamon Hall and protection.

would've tasted much sweeter if the Cadets had won.

Army jumped ahead, 3-0, early in the second quarter on a 37-yard field goal by Castelli to cap a drive that began 14 plays earlier on the Army one-yard-line. But the Eagles took a 14-3 halftime lead with a four-yard TD run and a 24-yard touchdown pass on a fake field goal attempt as time expired.

Boston College added a pair of three-pointers in the third period before King scored on a six-yard scamper for the Cadets to make the score 20-10. The visitors then controlled the ball in the fourth quarter—29 plays to five—and added another insurance touchdown.

LIGHTWEIGHT FOOTBALL (4-0)

Coach Tipton's 150-pounders are zeroing in on their sixth Eastern Intercollegiate Lightweight Football League title in seven years and 13th in the past 20 campaigns after defeating Princeton (33-14), Navy (25-21), Cornell (14-0), and Rutgers (33-7).

Army 33, Princeton 14

A year ago Princeton spoiled Army's bid for a sixth straight title with a 21-13 triumph in the final game of the season. The Black Knights remembering that defeat all year came out with all barrels blazing when they met the Tigers in the 1976 opener.

Quarterback Warren Chellman fired a 19-yard TD pass to Terry Collins three minutes into the contest and added a 14-yarder to Duncan Cameron before placekicker Fred Seeger booted a 23-yard field goal to give the Cadets a 16-0 halftime lead. Cameron, who rushed for 116

yards in a little more than three quarters, increased the Army bulge to 23-0 midway through the third period when he bolted 51 yards for his second TD. Seeger's 29-yard field goal gave the Cadets a 26-0 fourth-quarter lead and Dexter Adams followed Princeton's brief scoring antics with a 46-yard touchdown run to end the point parade.

Army 25, Navy 21

The Cadet lightweights couldn't have found a better opportunity to present coach Tipton with his 100th career victory than with their seventh straight triumph over the Midshipmen.

Cameron led the victors with 81 yards in 20 carries and a pair of touchdowns on runs of two and 22 yards. John Basilica added a one-yard TD plunge and Seegar booted a 31-yard field goal and all three PATs. The Army defense contributed an anonymous two points with a safety to open the day's scoring.

Tipton, who guided the cadets to all 12 of their 150-pound crowns since taking the reins in 1957, finished the game with a lifetime record of 100-14-1.

Army 14, Cornell 0

Quarterback Tod Miller flipped an eight-yard scoring pass to Bill Woodcock and Cameron, who finished with 193 yards on 24 carries, added a five-yard TD run as the Cadets defeated the defending co-champions.

Ironically, Army dominated play despite the low score—rolling up 417 yards in total offense to 140 by Cornell—as only fumbles prevented Army from putting more points on the board.

Army 33, Rutgers 7

Buddy Key's touchdown runs of 70 and

three yards kept the Cadets' juggernaut rolling. Quarterback Paul Campbell fired a 41-yard touchdown pass to Toney Ash and Basilica added a two-yard TD bolt. Defensive back Don Patchell blocked a Rutgers' punt and DE Tom Bostick fell on the loose ball in the end zone for the other TD. Key's 70-yard scoring scamper came on Army's first play from scrimmage and helped him to a 103-yard performance. Harold Tuke shared defensive honors when he returned a Scarlet Knights' pass 50 yards.

CROSS COUNTRY (7-3)

All-America runner Curt Alitz extended his winning streak to 13 as first-year coach John Randolph's harriers turned around last season's 5-7 record.

The cadets opened with a 22-33 loss to Fairleigh Dickinson, but swept a triangular win with a 19-44 triumph over Albany State and a 27-32 victory over Syracuse. The brief streak was interrupted by another 22-33 defeat—this time to Manhattan—but was answered with an 18-41 success over Lehigh and a 15-50 romp past NYU in a quadrangular. Rutgers took the other leg, however, with a 23-35 decision. The cadets then posted identical 15-50 victories over Montclair State and N.Y. Maritime in another triangular.

In addition to Alitz' 13 straight triumphs, the junior ace also smashed the Lehigh University course record by touring the five-mile layout in 23:59.6—nearly 45 seconds faster than the old mark of 24:44—in the quadrangular with Lehigh, NYU and Rutgers.

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USMA WINTER VARSITY SPORTS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time-PM	Date	Opponent	Time-PM	Date	Opponent	Time-PM	
BASKETBALL									
Nov 20	St. Mary's	7:30							
26	Merrimack	7:30							
Dec 1	Lehigh (A)	8:00							
4	Upsala (A)	8:00							
8	Northeastern	7:30							
11	St. Peter's (A)	8:00							
13	US Merchant Marine Academy (A)	7:30							
17-18	Birmingham Classic (A) (New Mexico State, Samford, South Ala.)								
20	DePaul (A)	8:00							
29-30	Vermont Classic (A) (Yale, Florida State, Vermont)								
Jan 5	Buffalo	7:30							
8	Lafayette	2:00							
10	Scranton (A)	8:15							
22	Manhattan	8:00							
27	Fordham (A)	8:00							
29	Air Force	2:00							
31	Rochester	7:30							
Feb 3	Penn State (A)	7:30							
5	Seton Hall	4:00							
9	St. John's	7:30							
12	Virginia Polytechnic Inst (A)	7:30							
16	Iona	7:30							
19	Holy Cross (A)	7:30							
21	Colgate (A)	7:00							
26	Navy (A)	2:00							
Coach: Mr. Mike Krzyzewski Asst Coach: Mr. Pete Gaudet Officer Representative: COL T.E. Rogers Captain: Cadet Gary Winton									
HOCKEY									
Nov 20	Norwich	7:30							
26	Framingham State	7:00							
Dec 1	Plattsburgh State	7:00							
4	New England	7:30							
8	Bridgewater State	7:00							
10	Massachusetts (A)	8:00							
11	Holy Cross (A)	7:30							
14	Wesleyan	7:00							
17	Bryant	7:00							
Jan 8	St. Nick's	7:30							
13	Elmira	7:00							
22	Oswego State	7:30							
26	North Adams State	7:00							
28	Air Force (A)	7:30							
29	Air Force (A)	7:30							
Feb 1	New Haven	7:00							
4	CMR (A)	8:00							
5	CMR (A)	2:00							
8	Princeton	7:00							
11	Salem State (A)	7:30							
12	St. Anselm's (A)	7:30							
16	Connecticut	7:00							
19	Boston College	7:30							
21	Lowell (A)	7:30							
23	Babson	7:00							
26	Merrimack	7:30							
Mar 12	*Royal Military College	7:30							
Coach: Mr. Jack Riley Officer Representative: MAJ A.M. Russo Captain: Cadet Tom Garver *Special ticket required									
WRESTLING									
Dec 4	Lafayette Tournament (A)	12 Noon							
7	Yale	4:00							
11	Quadrangular—Princeton (A) Rider Ashland	10:00 AM							
16	Rutgers	4:00							
Jan 6	North Carolina	4:00							
8	Triangular—Brockport State Lafayette	2:00							
22	Springfield	2:00							
26	Double Dual—Columbia (A) Hofstra Temple	3:00							
Feb 29	Penn State (A)	4:00							
5	Lehigh	4:00							
9	N.Y. State Maritime College	4:00							
12	Wilkes College (A)	8:00							
13	Maryland (A)	2:00							
19	Triangular— Massachusetts Maritime Acad Southern Conn State	2:00							
26	Navy	4:00							
Mar 4-5	EIWA (A)								
18-19	NCAA (A)								
Coach: Mr. Leroy Alliz Officer Representative: MAJ R.C. Lee Captain: Cadet Bob Vottero									
SWIMMING									
Dec 4	Cornell	2:00							
8	Columbia (A)	4:00							
11	Harvard	2:00							
16	Rutgers (A)	4:00							
Jan 8	Princeton (A)	2:00							
22	Yale (A)	2:00							
29	Villanova	2:00							
Feb 5	Dartmouth (A)	2:00							
11	Syracuse	4:00							
12	Pennsylvania	2:00							
18	Colgate	4:00							
19	Brown	2:00							
26	*Navy	3:15							
Mar 3-5	Easterns Trials Finals	12:00 Noon 7:30							
Coach: Mr. Jack Ryan Officer Representative: MAJ G. Fish Co-Captains: Cadet Ted Kanamine Cadet Ray Bosse *Special ticket required									
GYMNASTICS									
Dec 1	Long Island	4:00							
4	Massachusetts (A)	2:00							
11	Triangular— West Chester State (A) East Stroudsburg State	2:00							
18	Farmingdale State Tournament (A)								
Jan 6	Boston State	4:00							
22	Southern Connecticut St. (A)	6:30							
25	Lowell	4:00							
29	Temple	2:00							
Feb 2	Suffolk County College	4:00							
5	Springfield	2:00							
9	Farmingdale State	4:00							
12	Syracuse (A)	1:30							
18	Cornell (A)	7:30							
26	*Navy	2:00							
Mar 11-13	EIGL	7:00							
Mar 31-2 Apr	NCAA (A)								
Coach: Mr. Ned Crossley Officer Representative: CPT D.R. Hale Captain: Cadet Matt Holm *Special ticket required									
VOLLEYBALL									
Feb 12	Quadrangular— Penn State Delaware East Stroudsburg State	1:00							
18	Rhode Island (A)								
26	Quadrangular— Rutgers Queensboro Comm Coll Nyack	1:00							
Mar 5	Triangular— NJ Inst of Tech (A) Queens College								
11	Eastern College Volleyball League Open (A)								
Apr 9	Quadrangular— NJ Inst of Tech Queens College Rutgers (Livingston)	1:00							
16	Triangular— Queensboro Comm Coll (A) Rutgers (Newark)								
22-23	Eastern College Volleyball League Playoffs 22 Apr 23 Apr	7:00 10:00 AM							
Coach: Mr. Bob Bertucci Officer Representative: MAJ A.A. Clark Captain: Cadet Vaughn Vasconcello									
SQUASH									
Dec 10	MIT (A)	7:00							
11	Harvard (A)	2:00							
13	Fordham	4:00							
Jan 25	Princeton (A)	7:00							
29	Cornell (A)	2:00							
Feb 2	Pennsylvania	4:00							
5	Dartmouth	2:00							
8	Williams	4:00							
9	Yale (A)	4:00							
19	Stonybrook	2:00							
26	Navy (A)								
Mar 4-6	National Intercollegiate (A)								
Coach & Officer Representative: LTC J.H. Bradley Assistant Coach: SP5 P.D. Assainante Captain: Cadet Brian Smith									
INDOOR TRACK									
Dec 4	Triangular— Rutgers NY Inst of Technology	1:30							
11	Triangular—Connecticut New Hampshire	1:30							
Jan 22	Triangular—Pennsylvania Manhattan	1:30							
29	Triangular—Georgetown Cornell	1:30							
Feb 6	Princeton Relays (A)								
12	Harvard	1:30							
19	*Navy	1:30							
26	Heptagonals (A)								
Mar 5-6	IC4A (A)								
Coach: Mr. John Randolph Officer Representative: CPT G.C. Camp Captain: Cadet Scott Lieshman *Special ticket required									
FENCING									
Dec 1	Wm Paterson	4:00							
4	Yale	2:00							
8	Triangular—Baruch Penn State	4:00							
11	Rutgers (A)	2:00							
15	St. John's	4:00							
Jan 29	Air Force (A)								
Feb 2	Columbia (A)	7:30							
5	NYU	2:00							
9	Pennsylvania	4:00							
12	Princeton (A)	2:00							
19	Cornell	2:00							
26	Navy (A)								
Mar 12	EIFA (A)								
Coach & Officer Representative: CPT R.D. Fehrer Assistant Coaches: LTC F.W. Larson CPT T.A. Bresnick Captain: Cadet Bob Carter									
SKIING									
Jan 28-29	RPI Invitational (A)								
Feb 5-6	USMA Invitational								
11-12	Alfred Invitational (A)								
18-19	Cornell/Cortland Meet & EISA Div II (W) Championship (A)								
25-26	Paul Smith's Carnival also EISA Div I Championship & NCAA Qualifier (A)								
Mar 4-5	Colgate/Syracuse Invitational (A)								
8-13	NCAA Championship Meet (A)								
Coach: Mr. Howard Brousseau Officer Representative: LTC J.K. Strozier Captain: Cadet Mike Hodges									
RIFLE									
Dec 4	Triangular— U.S. Coast Guard Acad MIT	1:30							
11	St. Peter's (A)	10:00 AM							
Jan 8	Norwich (A)								
22	Triangular—Dartmouth 77th ARCOM	1:30							
29	Air Force (A)								
Feb 5	West Point Invitational	8:00 AM							
12	St. John's (A)	1:00							
19	Penn State	1:30							
26	Navy	1:30							
Mar 5	Sectional	9:00 AM							
12	Royal Military College	1:30							
Coach: MSG Ken Hamill Officer Representative: CPT R.W. Waltz Captain: Cadet Eric Stanhagen									
PISTOL									
Dec 4	Triangular— U.S. Coast Guard Acad Pennsylvania	1:00							
Jan 29	Air Force (A)								
Feb 5	Nassau County Police	1:00							
12	Triangular—MIT (A) Air Force	9:00 AM							
19	Triangular— Worcester Polytechnic Inst. NY Inst of Technology	1:00							
26	Navy (A)								
Mar 5-6	Sectional								
12	Royal Military College	1:30							
Coach: SFC John Smith Officer Representative: CPT J.A. Windeler Captain: Cadet John Luther									

Bulletin Board

Our Association membership of 24,789 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

General Weyand's Farewell to the Corps

General Fred C. Weyand, retiring Chief of Staff of the Army, made his farewell to West Point and the Corps of Cadets in an address to the First Class. The Corps had earlier honored him with a Review, and presented him with a Cadet Sabre, a rare acclamation from the Cadets.

Weyand, who made his way to the top starting with an ROTC commission from the University of California at Berkeley, began his address in an unconventional manner that caught the cadets off guard for a split second. "I would like to do something tonight," he said, "that I've never had the opportunity to do before, something I've always wanted to do. Gimme an 'A.'" The Corps caught on, and gave him the "A," as well as the "R-M-Y" in zesty, roof-raising style, finishing the cheer with "Gimme an ARMY," to which the cadets responded with great vigor, "ARMY."

Weyand then began his address, speaking of his memories of his term as Chief of Staff, and as a soldier. He revered, in particular, the Class of 1916, "the class that graduated West Point in the year of my birth," he explained.

He attended the Class' 50th Reunion in 1976, and was made an honorary member of the Class of 1916. "That meant a great deal to me," he said.

He spoke of his days at the Pentagon. He called the work tiring, yet fulfilling. He remembered his swearing-in as Chief of Staff. "There was a message in the

Bible they used," he said, "a message about forming a vision... a vision for the Army. I thought about it for a long time, and could never come up with one. So one day I asked a group of cadets what view they had of the Army they were soon to be part of.

"They wanted an Army that was professional," he said, "and an Army that is disciplined, capable and ready... an Army that has integrity and the support of the people. We have moved toward that vision," Weyand said, "but we still have a way to go."

He charged each cadet to be involved personally, and to be the professional core of the Army, and to instill discipline by their own example. "Discipline isn't something you can teach," he said. He talked about readiness, stating that the threat of war is ever-present. "The adversary is strong today," he said, "it is a growing threat. It is not going to go away."

The General spoke of integrity to the class, the class that has been victim of perhaps the Academy's largest-scale cheating incident. "Armies don't have integrity as institutions," he said, "they have integrity through all their people. There has been talk and rumors that a cloud, a stigma will follow this Class of 1977 over the years. This is not true." The class shifted in their seats, waiting for him to continue. "This class," he went on, "has been tested... has been through adversity... and you have been strengthened. As an ROTC graduate, I often wondered about the honor code. Is it too harsh, is it too practical, is it necessary? The answer is you—the answer is yes."

The General, speaking without lectern or notes, stated then that the people expect more of the Army than of any other group of people. "They expect more from you than police, clergy, more than anyone else. By now you all know Maslow's theory of human needs, the need for food, shelter, clothing, sex and security. I guess we can provide the security.

"This vision of the Army these young cadets had, I couldn't improve upon," he said, "and the Army expects that vision of you. To be professional, to be ready, disciplined, and to have integrity... an Army that can be honest with itself and with the people... this is the vision the Army expects of you."

The General's speech was short, and at

times salty, and well received by the Corps. General Weyand retired from the Army after over 30 years of service.

Borman Commission

Secretary of the Army Martin R. Hoffmann and Mr. Frank Borman, USMA '50, Chairman of the Special Commission on the United States Military Academy, on 2 September announced the membership of that Commission and its eight-point charter.

Mr. Borman, whose appointment as Chairman of the Commission was announced 23 August by Secretary Hoffmann, said the Commission will undertake an in-depth assessment of the current cheating incident and its underlying causes to make an assessment of the effectiveness of the Honor Code and System in the context of the Military Academy as a whole. Mr. Borman is President and Chief Executive Officer of Eastern Airlines.

Secretary Hoffmann has said that he is confident that the Commission will assess the problems at West Point "objectively, impartially, broadly and in depth" and that the Army is indeed fortunate that Frank Borman "is willing to make the necessary sacrifices so that he may devote his time and abilities to this very important task."

Members of the Special Commission will be:

General Harold K. Johnson, USMA '33, former Army Chief of Staff and now Presi-

Borman Committee at first session receiving basic charge of responsibilities from Secretary of the Army Hoffmann (L-R): Hoffmann, Wilcox, Tate, Borman, Pye, and Johnson.

Cadet John Cicerelle Jr., Deputy Brigade Commander, presents Cadet Sabre to General Weyand.



dent, Financial General Bankshares, Inc., Washington, D.C.

Dean A. Kenneth Pye, Chancellor, Duke University and Dean of the Duke University Law School, Durham, North Carolina.

Dr. Willis M. Tate, President Emeritus and former Chancellor, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

Bishop John T. Walker, Episcopal Diocese of Washington.

Mr. Howard S. Wilcox, President, Howard S. Wilcox, Inc., Indianapolis, Indiana, and Chairman, Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy.

Secretary Hoffmann has charged the Commission with examining "the Honor Code and System in its concept and operation, the structure and operation of the Military Academy together with other pertinent internal and external factors, with a view toward formulating recommendations for improvement."

Questions specifically to be addressed by the Commission include:

1. What were the causative and contributing factors underlying the recent Electrical Engineering 304 cheating incident?

2. Does the Honor Code and System impose a realistic and reasonable set of standards?

3. Is the Honor Code accepted by cadets as a way of life or do cadets adhere to it merely because of the consequences of a violation?

4. Are high standards of moral and ethical conduct emphasized in all aspects of cadet life?

5. Are the pressures on cadets generated by the academic, athletic and military training at the Academy realistic and do they contribute effectively to the mission of the Academy?

6. Is an ethical base adequately provided for cadets to develop a strong sense of integrity, exclusive of the Honor Code and System?

7. Does the institution in its structure, its policies and doctrine and in its operation appropriately support the Cadet Honor Code and System?

8. Is there sufficient emphasis and effectiveness in formal instruction on Honor matters at the Academy?

Secretary Hoffmann has requested the Special Commission report its findings and recommendations by early December.

Giving To West Point

The September issue of ASSEMBLY carried an article titled "The Fort Putnam Oracle Speaks on Giving to West Point." In it a Rip Van Winkle like character spoke about such ideas as a Challenge Gift and why our alumni should be willing to make a modest monetary gift this year to their Alma Mater.

The report contained in this scoreboard would indicate that the ancient Oracle was wise beyond his years, and that says a lot. Early reports on the Annual Drive indicate that this is, without a doubt, the biggest year in the history of West Point's Annual Drive.



The scoreboard below shows a comparison of this year's results and last year's through 11 November. This early success is, to a large extent, a credit to the generous anonymous donor who initially challenged us with \$50,000 and as the response built up added \$12,500. Equally as important, a large part of the credit goes to our loyal alumni and friends who have sent gifts which warrant a challenge matching gift.

COMPARISON OF ANNUAL DRIVE RESULTS

	'75	'76
Number of Contributors	1,165	2,104
Value of Contributions (less Challenge)	\$38,865	\$92,085
Amounts of Challenge Gift Consumed	None Offered	\$62,500*
Total Contributions to Date	\$38,865	\$154,585

*The entire challenge amount was consumed in early November 1976. No more challenge money is available. Nevertheless, your continued support is still requested. The drive continues until February '77.

In addition to the initial success in this year's Annual Drive, there are other encouraging reports to announce.

In May 1976, all alumni and certain friends of West Point were given an opportunity to purchase an attractive USMA Commemorative Plate which was offered through the Franklin Mint. The response to this offer was the largest, in terms of percentage of response, of any University Plate offering in the four year history of the program. A total of 1516 plates were purchased which represented a response of 5.62%. Because the AOG received a royalty of \$30 on each plate sold, a total amount of \$45,480 is being turned over to the West Point Fund for the support of high priority programs or projects for which government funds are not provided.

In October 1976, the AOG received a grant of \$14,940 from the National Endowment for the Arts in Washington, D.C. This grant was given to help support the art exhibition featuring the works of Robert W. Weir which was organized and sponsored by The Cadet Fine Arts Forum.

Finally, we wish to report that, during the period since 1 January 1976, the AOG

and the West Point Fund have received three generous bequests totalling \$176,958. These gifts were left through the estates of Edna E. Wright (sister of Colonel Lee O. Wright, Class of 1912), Major General Charles L. Mullins, Jr. (Class of April 1917) and Colonel Albert B. Dockery (Class of 1902). The latter gift was left to the West Point Alumni Foundation which granted it to the West Point Fund. These bequests once again indicate the great loyalty of our alumni and friends to West Point.

A run down of class memorial gifts will be covered in a later issue of ASSEMBLY.

FUTURE GIVING TO WEST POINT

While we work on current giving and tabulate the results of this year's Annual Drive as reported on above, we are continuing our efforts to develop our program of Planned Giving as announced in the September ASSEMBLY. It is expected that we shall be able to offer, early next year, a comprehensive program which will provide our alumni and friends a variety of opportunities to participate in this excellent manner of supporting the Academy.

Homecoming Meeting of Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees of the Association held its regular Homecoming Meeting in two sessions—on the afternoon of 22 October and the morning of 23 October 1976.

The agenda for the 22 October session included a detailed briefing by the Deputy Commandant, Sharp '51, on the honor incidents resulting from the Electrical Engineering 304 graded home study project and a report by the Association's Admissions Committee. Because of the interest by the Board members in the honor briefing the Admissions Committee report was not presented. A written report will be provided Board members.

Reassembling on the morning of 23 October, the Board welcomed the Superintendent for his traditional report on issues of current interest to West Point and the Board. Foremost among those issues were the admission of women in the Class of 1980, the current honor situation and the appointment of the New Director of Intercollegiate Athletics. The Board then received reports from the Executive Committee, the West Point Fund Committee and the Bicentennial Project Committee.

Other important items of business for the Board were the election of the Executive Committee for 1976-1977, the approval of the 1977 Nominating Committee and the approval of the 1977 Thayer Award Committee.

Composition of the Executive Committee is as follows:

Charles E. Saltzman	'25	Chairman
Charles H. Bonesteel	'31	
James B. Lampert	'36	
John R. Jannarone	'38	
Lee D. Olvey	'55	

The Board approved the following membership on the Nominating Committee:

Oren E. Hurlbut	'33	Chairman
Chester V. Clifton	'36	
Horace M. Brown Jr.	'41	
Frederick A. Smith Jr.	'44	
E. Douglas Kenna	'45	
William R. Raiford	'52	
Lee B. Gray	'53	
James B. Anderson Jr.	'65	

The Board approved the following membership for the 1977 Thayer Award Committee:

Leonard D. Henry	'31	Chairman
James M. Gavin	'29	
John R. Jannarone	'38	
Michael F. Davison	'39	
Andrew J. Goodpaster	'39	
Kenneth F. Hanst	'42	
Harold G. Moore Jr.	'45	
Sidney B. Berry	'48	
William R. Raiford	'52	

After adjournment, members of the Board and their wives attended the Alumni Exercises and were guests of the Superintendent for lunch and the Army-Boston College football game.

First Captain

Marching in the footsteps of a famous general such as Douglas MacArthur is a thought not unusual for a young Army officer.

But not too many get as early a start as Kenneth F. Miller Jr., a cadet from Dresher, Pennsylvania. Cadet Miller was named as First Captain and Brigade Commander of the Corps of Cadets at the United States Military Academy for the coming academic year.

Leadership positions at West Point are nothing new for Ken. So far in his cadet career he has served as squad leader, platoon leader at Camp Buckner, and cadet commander for the first half of Cadet

Cadet Ken Miller Jr., First Captain, USCC.



Basic Training, the summer training for plebes.

Cadet Miller has never let up in other aspects of his West Point life either. He currently stands in the top five per cent of his class in General Order of Merit, and has been active in a number of clubs to include the Officers Christian Fellowship and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. On the sports side, he is the captain of the Army 150-pound football team and has competed on the intramural wrestling, swimming and handball teams.

What comes after the challenge of this leadership opportunity? As Ken puts it, "I will keep pounding the books and try for a Rhodes Scholarship."

USMA PR Advisory Committee

Mr. Kerry King, Senior Vice President of Texaco, Inc., and Chairman of the USMA Civilian Public Relations Advisory Committee (CPRAC), was recently named "Public Relations Professional of the Year" by PUBLIC RELATIONS NEWS, a weekly publication for public relations and management executives in the United States and over 80 foreign countries.

The CPRAC, a volunteer group of leading public relations executives, was first organized in 1956 to provide public relations advice to the Superintendent. Mr. King has been a member of the committee since 1958 and became chairman in the spring of 1976. Current members of the committee are: Dean Elie Abel, Dean of the Gradaute School of Journalism, Columbia University; Mr. Edward M. Block, Vice President, American Telephone & Telegraph Company; Mr. Kalman B. Druck, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Harshe-Rotman & Druck, Inc.; Mr. William A. Durbin, Chairman of the Board, Hill & Knowlton Inc.; Mr. C. Ramon Greenwood, Assistant to the Secretary & Director of Public Affairs, U.S. Department of Transportation; Dr. Dorothy Gregg, Corporate Vice President for Communications, Celanese Corporation; Mr. Craig Lewis, President & Chief Executive Officer, Earl Newson and Company; Mr. James G. Shea, Vice President for Public Relations, Southern Pacific Transportation Company; Mr. William Shepard, Vice President for Public Relations & Advertising, Aluminum Company of America; and Mr. Barry Zorthian, Vice President, TIME, Inc.

Mr. Druck also won the "Public Relations Professional of the Year" Award in 1966. Former CPRAC members Richard W. Darrow and Paul M. Lund (both now deceased) won the award in 1972 and 1975 respectively.

Dr. Gurland Adapts to USMA

Dr. Robert Gurland of New York University's Philosophy Department arrived at West Point shortly after Labor Day to become the Visiting Professor in the Department of English. Dr. Gurland is part of the Visiting Professorship Program,

started to promote the communication and free flow of ideas between the worlds of civilian and military educators. He is one of two visiting professors at USMA, and is the first ever to be assigned to the Department of English.

Prior to his arrival, Dr. Gurland accounted for over 90 percent of the philosophy students at New York University (NYU). Even now, since his arrival at the Military Academy, phone calls from NYU to Professor Gurland are frequent.

Currently Dr. Gurland is "sitting in" as a guest teacher in some of the cadet classes. In the spring he will introduce his own course, "Practical Reasoning," to the cadets. Dr. Gurland presented his course on CBS's Sunrise Semester, and had a national enrollment of approximately 5,000.

"I've gotten used to being different here," Dr. Gurland says. "No matter where I go, I'm always dressed differently because I'm not in a uniform." The classrooms full of grey uniforms and short haircuts are also a new experience for him, he says.

Dr. Gurland observes that the cadets have a far more hectic and demanding day than have average college students. He also mentions that "you don't see cadets seeking out their instructors as typical college students do—mainly, I guess, because of a lack of time."

In spite of his work at the Military Academy, phone calls from NYU and trips home on weekends to visit his wife and two children, Dr. Gurland can still be seen walking to the gym or heading for the third floor of the band building to play his trumpet. (His trumpet-playing abilities got him jobs in the 50's with top names such as Louis Prima, Lionel Hampton and Gene Krupa.)

When asked whether or not he would have liked to have been a cadet, Dr. Gurland says: "It never really crossed my mind, but I'm a survivor and I think I would have adapted as most the cadets do."

Cadet Fine Arts Forum 1976-1977 Season

Dec. 11 *The Nutcracker Suite.*

Again this Christmas Season, this spectacular and delightful holiday treat will be presented by the Eglevsky Dance Company with the familiar Tchaikovsky score played by the Hudson Valley Philharmonic.

Jan. 22 *Miriam Fried and Garrick Ohlsson.*

Violin and Piano Duo by arrangement with Harold Shaw. Violinist Miriam Fried won the Queen Elizabeth of Belgium competition in 1971 and since that time has been guest soloist with leading symphonies in the U.S. and Europe. Garrick Ohlsson, winner of the Chopin Piano Competition in Warsaw in 1970 quickly established himself as one of the most

important of the brilliant new generation of pianists. Together these youthful and already renowned artists will present a program of well-known classics for violin and piano.

Feb. 12 *Odetta with the Cincinnati Ballet.*

The renowned American folk singer offers unique insights into the sounds of the American Black experience, magnificently supported by the dancing of the Cincinnati Ballet Company and the musical accompaniment of the Hudson Valley Philharmonic.

Mar. 5 *La Boheme.*

Puccini's memorable musical drama of the lives of love-stricken students in Bohemian Paris, presented by the Canadian Opera Company, staged with new concepts in film projections and lighting techniques.

Mar. 19 *Shenandoah.*

Coming direct from its Tony Award-winning Broadway engagement, this musical centers around a Virginia dynasty during the Civil War. Full of rousing, melodious songs and exciting dances, it is eloquent reaffirmation of the American spirit.

Apr. 30 *Sherlock Holmes.*

Arthur Conan Doyle's famous detective, one of Broadway's biggest hits on national tour for the first time. The production combines thrills, humor, brilliant staging, and encouraging characters to make a stimulating evening in the theatre.

May 14 *The Mikado.*

One of Gilbert and Sullivan's finest, this light opera is set in imperial Japan. It is filled with exhilarating music, wit, and comedy performed by the Manhattan Savoyards, who wowed the West Point audience with *The Pirates of Penzance* in the 1975-76 season.

The Cadet Fine Arts Forum will mail order forms to persons living off post. If you wish an order form, send name and address to the Fine Arts Forum, c/o Department of English, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York 10996.

West Point Parents Club of Illinois

The September meeting of the West Point Parents Club of Illinois concluded with a rush for the tickets to the Army-DePaul Basketball Game. A "Go Army! Beat DePaul" Committee arranged special seating with the DePaul University Athletic Director Ray Meyers. With more than 100 ticket requests received in response to the initial announcement, the committee is forcing the DePaul Athletic Director to expand the Army section for the 20 December game at DePaul's Alumni Hall in Chicago.

A post-game reception for cadets on holiday leave, USMA staff and faculty,

members of the West Point Society, and West Point Parents is also planned.

Featured speaker at the September meeting was ILT William Hubbard Jr. '73. His presentation "After West Point . . . ?" provided parents a perspective of the early years of a graduate's military career. LT Hubbard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hubbard Sr. of Crystal Lake, IL, and a brother of Cadet James Hubbard '77.

Mal Duffek, president of the West Point Society of Chicago, discussed his organization's plans and program for the current year. He emphasized the local alumni's desire for continued and increasing cooperation with the West Point Parents.

This meeting at the Holiday Inn, Morris, IL, also elected Mr. J.H. Murmane, Glenview, IL, to complete the current term of vice president. Thomas J. O'Shaughnessy, newly-elected president of the West Point Parents Club of Illinois, suffered a massive heart attack and died Monday, August 23rd.

Mr. O'Shaughnessy accepted the nomination and election to his initial term as club president for the 1976-77 year at the June meeting. On 8 August, Mr. and Mrs. O'Shaughnessy hosted present and past club officers at their home in Country Club Hills, Illinois. This organization and planning meeting for the current year presented an aggressive program for implementation of the Club's objectives.

The club presidency has been assumed by Vice President, George Morrison, of Ottawa, Illinois.

West Point Parents Club of Michigan

Because Mrs. William Ross Sr. wanted questions answered as to what parents should do and shouldn't do to help their cadet sons, West Point Parents Club of Michigan was founded in the summer of 1958.

Michigan boasts of being the first of such clubs and possibly the largest, with

a regular mailing list of one hundred and twenty-five families actively involved.

Our year began with the autumn Pot Luck Dinner, held in a rented church hall on a November Sunday afternoon, and included films of the Academy.

Another Pot Luck Dinner is held in March, with the same format, but in addition, a discussion of Plebe-Parent Weekend and June Week activities is included.

In June a picnic is held, inviting cadets who are available and cadet-candidates as well. This gathering has the purpose of informing the candidate of just what to anticipate.

For further information contact Mrs. Barbara M. Miller, Chairman, 68860 Romeo Plank Rd., Romeo, MI 48065.

Death of Colonel Rex Heinlein

"Colonel Rex I. Heinlein Jr., US Army retired, died in Palo Alto, California, 21 August 1976. His Army career, and his association with West Point was I think and is unique. He graduated from the Naval Academy in the top one percent of his class in 1927, but because of bad eyes was denied a Navy commission. The Army jumped at the chance of offering an Army commission, and this was completed by a commission as Second Lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers in 1927.

"He was stricken by disease in 1931 and was retired with 100% disability in 1933. But when the clouds of World War II gathered he clamored to return to active duty, and was sent to West Point as an instructor in electricity in February 1942. He remained at West Point until 1953, and was the last retired officer to be returned to the retired list. At that time he was the associate professor of electrical engineering. He was re-retired, again with 100% disability, in 1953.

"There are a couple of thousand Army officers whom Colonel Heinlein influenced when they were cadets."

—Fleming '28

Gathering of the West Point Parents Club of Michigan at Selfridge AFB in June 1976.



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Trends in Fourth Class Attrition

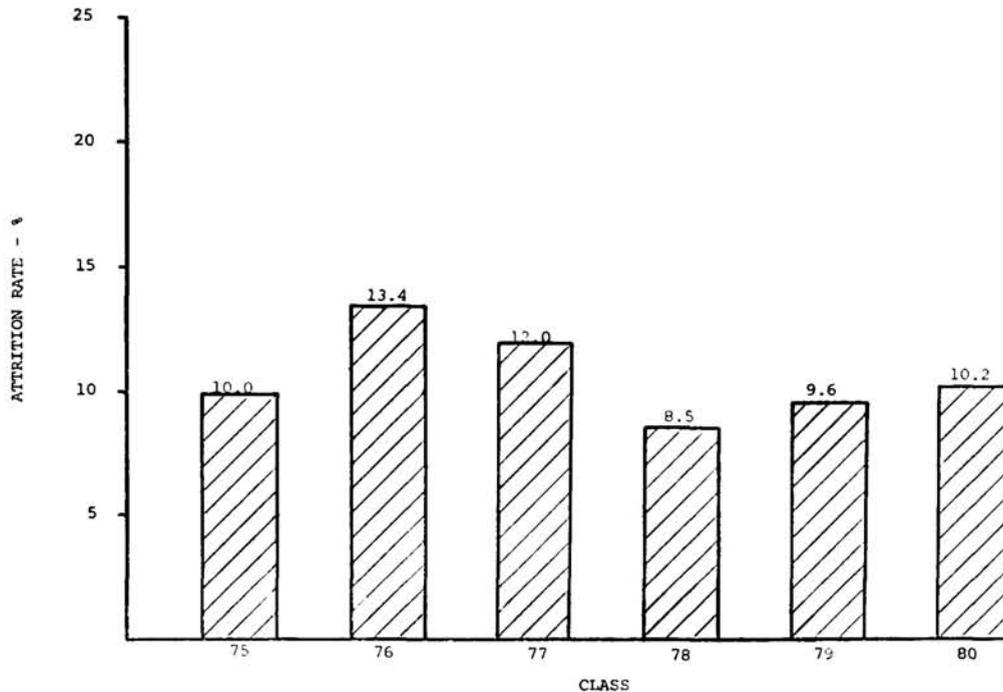
The attrition rate of the Class of 1980 as of 31 August, the last day of CBT, was 10.2 percent. Of the entering class

of 1,366 men and 119 women, 134 men (9.8 percent) and 17 women (14.3 percent) were losses. Chart below is a graphic comparison of the CBT attrition of the Classes of 1975–1980. The average rate

for those six classes was 10.6 percent. The rate for the Class of 1980, though higher than those of the two preceding classes, is slightly below this six-year average.

CADET BASIC TRAINING ATTRITION
CLASSES 1975–1980

Note: Loss rates as of last day of CBT are percent of New Cadets who entered.



Granger Adams Punch Bowl Presented to the West Point Army Mess

The WPAM was recently presented the Granger Adams Punch Bowl by Mrs. Browne, widow of Brigadier General Beverly F. Browne, USMA Class of 1901, and daughter of Brigadier General Granger Adams, USMA Class of 1876. This strikingly-handsome, three-gallon sterling bowl was made by Tiffany and Company in 1916. It is adorned in repoussé with the insignia of the 5th Artillery Regiment and the names of the regiment's officers. The officers of the regiment presented the bowl to General Adams upon his retirement from active duty in 1916. As a colonel he had commanded the 5th Artillery from 1911 until 1916. Among the 41 names listed on the bowl are those of 20 other graduates of the Military Academy. Seven of those men became general officers and later served with distinction during the I and II World Wars. The widow of one of the officers listed, Captain (later Lieutenant General) Albert J. Bowley, USMA Class of 1897, made possible much of the restoration of Fort Putnam. Another name on the bowl is that of Lieutenant (later Brigadier General) Edmund L. Gruber, USMA Class of 1904. Devotees of military lore will recognize him as the composer of the Field Artillery Caisson song, now used as the official United States Army March, "The Army Goes Rolling Along." The bowl is on display at the WPAM.



Members of the Class of 1929—Renshaw, McAneny, Gavin, Thompson, Lasher, Sands and Lindsey—at the opening of the Weir Exhibition in the art gallery in Eisenhower Hall on 22 October. The gallery, completed through the generosity of the Class, will be formally dedicated at their 50th Reunion in 1979.

Plebe Classes at Service Academies Include Sons and Daughters of USMA Graduates

(Fathers' names are in parentheses)

USMA:

- 1938—John T. English Jr. (J.T. English).
 1940—John L. Beaudry (C.L. Beaudry).
 1943—John E. Saul (F.W. Saul Jr.).
 1944—Robert M. Algermissen (R.L. Algermissen), Daniel M. Deeter (C.L. Deeter).
 1946—Rebecca A. Blyth (R.A. Blyth), Michael L. Brown (L.A. Brown), John C. Stratis (S.J. Stratis), James B. Williams (R.M. Williams).
 1948—Timothy L. Doyle (L.T. Doyle), James E. Macklin (J.E. Macklin Jr.), David W. Wilhide (G.C. Wilhide Jr.).
 1949—Raymond M. Conner (J.J. Conner), Andrew P. Costa (J.J. Costa), Bruce P. Dow (P.C. Dow), Clare Kirby (G.W. Kirby Jr.), William B. Norman (W.C. Norman), Jeffrey M. Weart (D.S. Weart).
 1950—Owen M. Cheney (R.A. Cheney), William F. Lee (J.M. Lee), Debra M. Lewis (B.L. Lewis), John A. Wickham III (J.A. Wickham Jr.).
 1951—Francis A. Waldman (F.J. Waldman Jr.).
 1952—Alfred T. Jelinek (H.C. Jelinek), Michael P. Larkin (R.X. Larkin), Robert M. Meikle (C.E. Meikle), Gerard P. Mullane (D.F. Mullane), Philip R. Obach (R.M. Obach).
 1953—William D. Horton III (W.D. Horton Jr.), Bruce M. Martin (J.F. Martin).
 1954—Wayne M. Chancellor (G.W. Chancellor), Dempsie A. Davis III (D.A. Davis Jr.), Eleanor R. Griffin (R.W. Griffin), Joseph P. Joyce (R.M. Joyce), John E. Ley (R.E. Ley), Robert P. Morris Jr. (R.P. Morris), Hugh G. Robinson Jr. (H.G. Robinson), Teodorico V. Sanchez (T.P. Sanchez), Michael K. Stephenson (J.K. Stephenson).
 1955—Michael F. Chura (F.R. Chura), David A. Dryer (J.E. Dryer), Bruce I. Graham (T.P. Graham), Daniel J. Hergenroeder (L.A. Hergenroeder), Karen McCarthy (R.D. McCarthy), Madison C. Schepps (M.C. Schepps), Gilbert B. Weden (G.J. Weden), William K. Wray (R.O. Wray).
 1956—Gerald G. Barrett (R.A. Barrett), James R. Curl (R.L. Curl), Michael J. Lee (D.C. Lee), Robert K. Nicholson Jr. (R.K. Nicholson), Russell H. Wange (L.A. Wange), George J. Woods III (G.J. Woods Jr.).
 1957—Robert E. Bodenhamer Jr. (R.E. Bodenhamer), Mark W. House (J.W. House), Jacob P. Kovel

(M.I. Kovel), Edmund A. Wilhelm Jr. (E.A. Wilhelm), Kelly L. Zachgo (D.D. Zachgo).

1958—Kevin W. Kelly (T.J. Kelly).

USNA:

- 1933—Michael J. Turner (R.A. Turner).
 1949—Christopher M. Mooney (J.L. Mooney).
 1950—Alan D. Lewis (B.L. Lewis).
 1952—Kathleen G. Henderson (L.J. Henderson).
 1955—David P. McCrane (J.M. McCrane Jr.).

USFA:

- 1939—Nicholas W. Donohue (E.P. Donohue), Mary G. Kirby (L.M. Kirby).
 1943—John D. Harrington (R.E. Harrington).
 1947—Timothy P. Brennan (H.O. Brennan*), Matthew B. Enos (J.W. Enos).
 1949—Dan A. Brooksher Jr. (D.A. Brooksher), John C. Scholtz III (J.C. Scholtz Jr.).
 1952—Peter W. Kelsey (T.L. Kelsey).
 1953—Karen A. O'Hair (E.A. O'Hair).
 1954—Robert E. Chapman II (R.E. Chapman), Holly Emrick (H.W. Emrick), Karl C. Erickson (P.G. Erickson), William H. Harper (W.B. Harper), Allison A. Hilsman (W.J. Hilsman), Dorothy M. Mahaffy (C.E. Mahaffy), Mary J. Van Valkenberg (G.E. Van Valkenberg).
 1955—Peggy B. Davis (D.A. Davis), Alexander M. Rupp (A.K. Rupp*).
 1956—Robert D. Krutz Jr. (R.D. Krutz).
 1957—Steven H. Wheeler (C.H. Wheeler).
 *Deceased

Cadets Vote to Change Honor System

An overwhelming 85 percent of the Corps of Cadets voted 9 November 1976 in favor of proposed revisions of the Cadet Honor System. Passage of the referendum was approved in 35 of the 36 cadet companies. A two-thirds majority of the entire Corps was required. The Honor Code, however, remained unchanged by this action.

The changes, proposed earlier this fall by the Cadet Honor Committee, essentially place administration of the system in cadet hands while eliminating the need for boards of commissioned Army officers as a second level of adjudication.

Structure of the Cadet Honor Board will consist of 12 cadets, 4 of whom must be honor representatives (two first classmen and two second classmen) and 8 cadets from the Corps at large. Of these 8, at least 2 cadets will be chosen from each of three classes. The classes will be designated by the accused. Previously, all 12 honor board members were selected from a standing 88-man honor committee of first and second classmen.

Cadets accused of violating the Honor Code will first be investigated by a 5-cadet subcommittee composed of 2 honor repre-

sentatives and 3 other cadets from the class of the accused. Should the case be forwarded to a full honor board, the accused is afforded either a military defense counsel or, if requested, a civilian counsel at his own expense. Two Army officers serving respectively as a Recorder and Legal Advisor to the board will also be present at each hearing. A vote of 10-2 by honor board members is required for a guilty verdict.

It should be understood that a change to the Honor System is not a change to the Honor Code. "What this action does is put final adjudication back in cadet hands," said Cadet Mike Ivy '77, Chairman of the Cadet Honor Committee. "We still follow the same honor code."

The action will take effect as soon as it can be disseminated and absorbed by the Corps. Cadets awaiting adjudication under the previous system have the chance of being dealt with under the new system, if it is effectively implemented in time, according to Cadet Ivy.

The Peacemongers

The following little-known poem was part of a speech delivered by General MacArthur on his eightieth birthday in 1960 before a group of officers who served with him in the Pacific. It was made available to the Association of Graduates in 1964 by Heiberg, USMA '61 who was a member of the Cadet Glee Club present on that occasion. Heiberg stated "I was moved by the eloquent phrasing of the thoughts of the man who had been called by his critics a warmonger, and this presentation apparently came from the depths of his soul with no evidence of written preparation."

THE PEACEMONGERS

They will tell of the peace eternal
 And predict all will be well;
 They will scorn the path of war's
 red wrath

And grant it the road to hell.
 They will set aside their warrior pride,
 And their love for their fighting sons;
 But at the end they will turn again
 To planes, and ships, and guns.

They will tell of the peace eternal
 As all dreamers do;
 They'll tear their hair in their despair
 When the red blight strikes them
 through.

They will wring their hands in stricken
 lands,
 And call their chosen ones
 To save their homes midst bleaching
 bones
 Of planes, and ships, and guns.

They will tell of the peace eternal—
 But can such peace succeed?
 And what of the foe that plans a blow,
 And what of the nation's need?
 The letters blaze on history's page,
 And ever the writing runs:
 God in hand with native land.
 And planes, and ships, and guns.

The MacArthur Story

West Point played host to the filming of a major motion picture. Universal Pictures was there from November 14 to 20 to film the final segments of "MacArthur" starring Gregory Peck. Frank McCarthy, producer of the movie "Patton," is the producer of this biographical sketch about Douglas MacArthur '03.

Planning for the movie has extended over the past three years. Filming has been underway since last spring, both at Universal Studios, and on location at Fort MacArthur, Camp Pendleton, the San Diego Naval Air Station, the Mojave Air Force Base, and Catalina Island off the California coast.

The present script calls for the movie

to open with a scene of a cadet parade and MacArthur's 1962 Thayer Award acceptance speech in the Cadet Mess. The film will then flash back to MacArthur at Corregidor in World War II; his escape by PT boat to Australia; and his conduct of the war in the South Pacific. The filming will continue to move chronologically through the Korean War, MacArthur's relief, and his brief flirtation with politics. The final scene will be back in the Cadet Mess for the finish of the Thayer Award speech and parade sequences.

MacArthur, in his now famous speech, expressed his feelings about a great moral code—a code of conduct and chivalry of those who guard this beloved land. "Duty, Honor, Country," he said. "Those three

hallowed words reverently dictate what you ought to be, what you can be, what you will be." In these words, MacArthur stressed more strongly, perhaps, than anyone the ideals that cadets must live by.

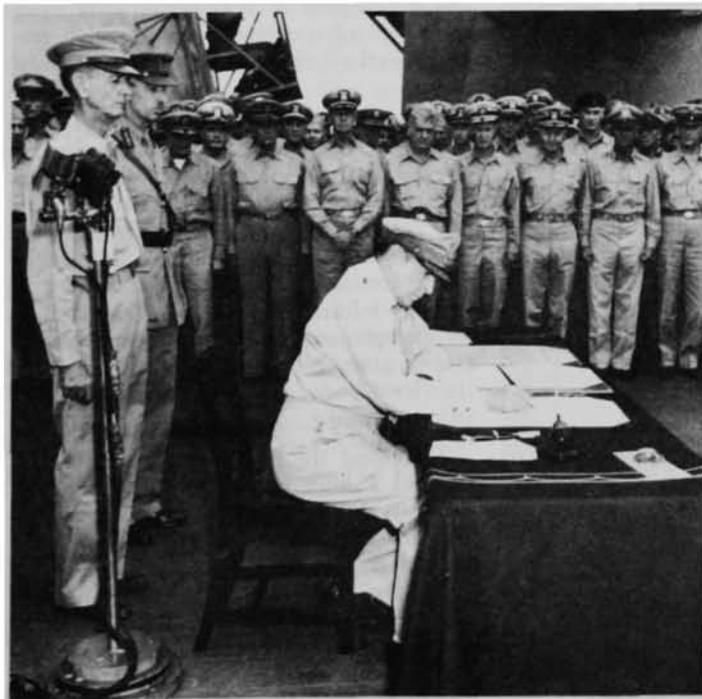
"MacArthur" is the story of a man in conflict played out against the bloody tapestry of war. His conflict was fought in his own mind. But he found strength and conviction in the ideals he learned as a cadet. "They teach you to be proud and unbending in honest failure, but humble and gentle in success; not to substitute words for actions, not to seek the path of comfort, but to face the stress and spur of difficulty and challenge; to learn to stand up in the storm, but to have compassion on those who fall..."



GEN MacArthur, Tokyo, 1945.



Gregory Peck as MacArthur about 1945.

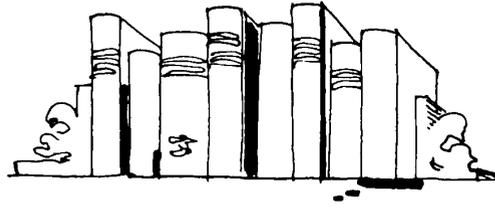


GEN MacArthur at formal surrender ceremonies on USS "Missouri" 1945.



Gregory Peck as MacArthur same scene.

Book



Reviews

THE WAY OF THE FOX: American Strategy in the War for America, 1775-1783

By COL Dave Richard Palmer, USMA '56. Greenwood Press, Westport, Connecticut, 1975. 229 pages. \$12.95.

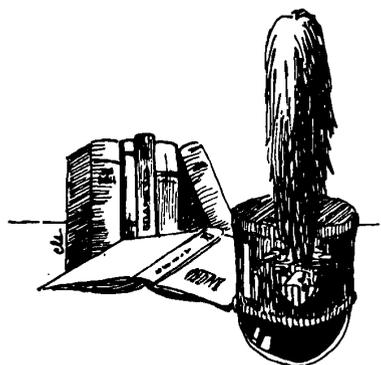
Reviewed by MAJ John W. Taylor, Middlebury College '64, M.A., Temple University 1972. Currently assigned as an instructor at USMA.

In *The Way of the Fox*, Colonel Palmer has addressed a subject which has rarely been examined. The author states, "The overall purpose of this book is to investigate and lay bare the war's strategic framework. Along the way, it might be shown that other dimensions [sic] existed as well and that the players had much to do with the way their drama ended." In fact, there has been no significant book-length treatment of American strategy during the American Revolution since Thomas G. Frothingham wrote *Washington Commander in Chief* in 1930. If for no other reason, then, than that Colonel Palmer readdresses that subject during our bicentennial era, *The Way of the Fox* is a noteworthy publication.

Although the book does not provide fresh historical evidence, the author does provide a different interpretation to our existing knowledge of the facts. After acknowledging the contribution of Clausewitz in developing the concept of strategy, and his own indebtedness to the 20th century historian and philosopher, Sir B.H. Liddell Hart, for distinguishing between grand strategy and strategy, the author informs the reader that warfare has three levels: grand strategy, strategy, and tactics. The goals of American grand strategy are defined as (1) gaining and maintaining independence, and (2) territorial aggrandizement, which to the colonists meant all of Canada, Florida, and all the land east of the Mississippi River. Having defined strategy in its various forms and the objectives of American grand strategy in Part One, the author, in Part Two of his book, attempts to tell his reader who (George Washington or the Continental Congress) was responsible for formulating and executing American strategy during what Colonel Palmer outlines as the four strategic phases of the war. His conclusion is that Washington clearly became the dominant factor in determining strategy. Furthermore, Washington developed a basically offensive strategy and not a Fabian strategy as previous historians would have us believe. The reason for that, Palmer argues, is simple. A defensive or Fabian strategy could not accomplish the second goal

of American grand strategy. In order for the new United States to control the northern, southern and western lands it so greatly coveted, it had to physically occupy them, and that required an offensive military strategy.

In developing his thesis the author has touched upon several issues which have not been adequately investigated in previous historical research. He has raised two especially critical questions. Unfortunately, his answers do not fit the evidence he presents in his own book. The first question is who developed American strategy? Throughout the book a bi-polar struggle between the Continental Congress and Washington is portrayed. Colonel Palmer correctly points out that the Continental Congress was the dominant force in operational planning in 1775 and 1776 but then gradually ceded most, although never all, of its authority to Washington. However, the author also informs the reader that in commissioning Washington the Congress instructed him to seek the advice of a council of war. On numerous occasions the reader is then told that the council of war voted not to adopt their commander's plans, but never does the author grapple seriously with the critical issues, *viz.*, precisely how much influence did the council exert on Washington in long range planning, or in day to day planning and execution. In fact, the author's own discussion clearly indicates that the struggle for strategic planning was not bi-polar as he would have the reader believe, but that in reality there were three factors in the equation; the third, of course, being the council of war. Furthermore, based on the limited evidence presented concerning the relationship of Washington to his council of war, the author's assertion concerning the prowess of Washington as a strategist can be considered as no more than an assumption.



The second critical question raised by Colonel Palmer's work is more fundamental than the first: what kind of strategy did the Americans employ, or as Colonel Palmer would have us ponder, what kind of strategy did Washington employ? Military historians generally agree that strategy can be categorized in one of two ways: annihilation or attrition, and some historians add a third category, exhaustion. Curiously, none of the three terms appears in Colonel Palmer's book.

What the author does tell his reader time and time again, though, is that Washington wanted to attack. Consider the following analyses of Washingtonian strategy. Following the British evacuation of Boston in 1776, the reader is told, "Washington's strategy had been simply in the extreme: take the offensive whenever and wherever possible." When informed that the Frenchman Rochambeau was en route to America in 1778 with an army of seven to ten thousand men, "The general [Washington] asked his council not whether there should be an offensive; he directed the members only to select an objective for attack, specifically mentioning New York City, Halifax, Canada, and St. Augustine." General Washington's adherence to the offensive spirit is commendable, but the offensive is a principle of war and is not a form of strategy. The term strategy connotes a plan. The author, however, never informs his reader what the strategic plan was for any single campaign season or phase of the war, much less if Congress or Washington ever even conceived of a strategic plan which encompassed all of the colonies at any given time.

It is equally difficult to understand, in light of the volume of excellent recent scholarship concerning the role of the militia in the American Revolution, why the author has totally ignored the vital role played by the American militia in the outcome of the war. The reader is neither informed how the Continentals were organized or in what departments and theaters they were employed, nor how the militia fit into Washington's campaign planning.

In raising the issues mentioned above, Colonel Palmer has indeed disclosed the necessity for further research and discussion on critical topics which have been neglected too long. Although his book should be enlightening to general readers interested in the American Revolution, his use of questionable historical techniques, questionably derived conclusions, and inadequate footnoting, cause the work under review here to be of little value for serious scholars.



news from the SOCIETIES

West Point Society of New York

President Bill Ward '50 ended his second and last term which saw one of the biggest jumps in membership since 1968. With an increase of 106 new members, 30% over last year, we lost only 9% (one of the lowest drop rates ever) for a net gain of 21%. Unanimously elected to the Board of Governors were Lawrence Jan '43, Harman '45, Gruenther '46, Treadwell '46, Paske '65, Stichweh '65, and Sullivan '67, to serve until 1979.

Ward acknowledged contributions made by two highly active committees, the High School Contact Committee, with Donald J. Alameda '54, chairman, and the career advisory service performed by Hal Walker and his committee. Since 1957 Hal Walker has been in touch with 556 graduates and has successfully placed 242, a record of 44%. His contact with industries and professions now numbers 34, up from 32 last year. Walker has relocated his offices to: Career Advisory Committee, Harold S. Walker Jan '43, chairman, New York Gas Group, 500 Fifth Ave, New York, NY 10036, (212) 354-4790.

If you are far away, for the cost of postage, \$3 will get you a bundle of material. If you're close, a phone call is a must. Hal Walker's advice and counsel has proved of inestimable value to graduates contemplating location into the New York, New Jersey, Connecticut area proximate to Manhattan. In matter of fact, his package is good for graduates no matter where they intend to settle.

Don Alameda's High School Contact Committee has conducted two seminars since its formation last year. The last seminar was held at Picatinny Arsenal in June and attended by over 500 high school students and their parents. Don coordinates the efforts of all High School Liaison Officers operating in the vicinity of the West Point Society of New York under a program endorsed by the Registrar, Colonel Manley E. Rogers '50.

The following officers were elected to head the Society for the coming year: Pres: Robert E. Woods '45; 1st Vice Pres: Thomas B. Luzon '49; 2d Vice Pres: C. Roland Stichweh '65; Secretary: Anthony H. Clay '65; Treasurer: William C. Bishop '46.

Information on membership may be obtained from John Shelter '54 at (201) 746-7839.

West Point Society of Southern Arizona

Proposals to have a cocktail party the evening of Army-Navy football game day and to invite females the 1977 Founders Day dinner were both approved after

much discussion on the coed Founders Day dinner.

A report on activities of the Admissions Liaison Officer for Southern Arizona was made. Four candidates from the area had been accepted for admission as cadets in July.

Edson Schull '33 proposed sending a letter to the Superintendent, USMA stating that the West Point Society of Southern Arizona supports him and his command in doing whatever needs to be done to maintain the standards of honor of West Point. This proposal received a favorable vote and the letter was sent 31 May.

New members of the Board of Governors elected to replace outgoing members for the term May 1976 to May 1977 are as follows: Pres—Harry W. Elkins '37; Vice Pres—Lawrence G. Forbes '40; Secy & Treas—Perin Mawhinney '54.

West Point Society of the Florida

West Coast

Resolution adopted on September 4, 1976 concerning the Honor Code and System at the United States Military Academy:

"The West Point Society of the Florida West Coast supports the United States Military Academy in preserving the Honor Code as it now exists without modification. This includes the principle or portion of the Code which states, 'Nor tolerate those who do.' This portion of the Code should never be weakened, for reporting violations by others is the very essence of the Code without which no honor system can be effective.

"Further, this Society recommends that

those cadets specifically found guilty of violation of the Honor Code should under no circumstances be readmitted to the Academy.

"Additionally, it is suggested that consideration be given to eliminating matters presently handled by the Honor System that are basically leadership and administrative, and thereby keep the Honor System simple."

West Point Society of Charleston

The following Resolution was forwarded to the Superintendent, USMA, in July:

"RESOLVED: That the West Point Society of Charleston, South Carolina, wishes to express its confidence and strong support for the Superintendent of the United States Military Academy, Lieutenant General Sidney B. Berry, for his conscientious and vigorous efforts to uphold the high standards of the honor system at West Point. The Society appreciates the difficult and heartbreaking decisions that must be rendered to rid the Corps of Cadets of those individuals who are not willing to abide by the honor code. It desires to commend General Berry for his resolute pursuit of truth with decisiveness and moral courage.

"The West Point Society of Charleston joins with the many thousands of graduates who daily hope and pray that the Military Academy and its Corps of Cadets will soon pass through this travail and emerge with an even stronger sense of dedication and service to our nation."

West Point Society of Chicago

The West Point Society of Chicago has initiated its 1976-1977 program on several fronts:

1. *Recruiting*—the Society supervises all the recruiting efforts in Chicago, through one of its officers, Denny Coll (Class of '65). The program was kicked off with an address by the DCC, USA Recruiting Command, to a group of 90 high school principals and counselors, under the auspices of the Chicago Board of Education.

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General and Mrs. Fidel Ramos (center) pose with USMA Classes of '51, '56, '61, '66 and '71. West Point Society of Manila.

Gray Receives Thayer Award

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subscribe to it and some of your fellow cadets, known to you, do not? In such instances does the institution have a code, or not? Must it not be whole, or indivisible?

"I think that as long as I can remember no one has failed to assert the moral invalidity of lying, cheating, or stealing. It is only in recent years that I have heard asserted the moral validity of actively condoning these acts; pretending that the code is meaningful only for an individual cadet; and that his honor and dignity are more highly served by being consciously indifferent to the known transgressions of his fellow cadets. In simpler terms, such a position has it that he has the right, reserved only to himself, to decide that it is demeaning, unfriendly, and unkind to his fellow cadet to report a violation, not withstanding the shattering effect on the code as a whole.

"Grant you, it is difficult; it is painful; and frequently it involves the destruction of a treasured personal relationship.

"It comes down to a matter of values: shall we have the honor code as a whole—or shall we practice its pieces, resulting in what I would expect to be collective, patchwork character on the whole, and at the best. And allow me to remind you that most of you did not come to West Point for training in the easy way to meet difficult and trying situations.

"Earlier, I said that I would touch upon other reasons why you must be leaders of high moral standards and discipline. One is so obvious as to obviate more than passing mention. You will have command in your careers over countless other officers and men. Another, however, is less obvious. You must lead in setting the standards and tone of life for officers who were not fortunate to have the West Point experience.

"Because you complete the rigorous trials of the Military Academy doesn't make your career an automatically successful one. You must have competence and confidence, but you must also have a measure of humility. Let me remind you that West Pointers are the smaller portion of the Officer Corps of the Army. There are not enough of you to go around. And I might point out that of the three and four star generals on active duty (including the great Omar N. Bradley), there are forty-four, and twenty-two of them are non-West Pointers.

"Thus you have a dual mission—one to live up, on your own part, to the honorable traditions you have inherited, to cherish and protect them, and to meet emerging and new problems with the integrity and devotion and love of the American way of life which have been insisted upon here; and the other, to serve as examples, preceptors and interpreters of the military skills and moral values you have absorbed in your fortunate circumstances, for those vast numbers of officers

and enlisted personnel who, as able and honest and energetic as they are, have not had your advantages.

"Finally, let me pay my own tribute to the Army. What more can I say than that I love it, revere it, respect it, and salute the men who make it their career. I believe the Officer Corps to be made up of people of more than the average degree of compulsion to serve; of more than the average degree of ability; of more than the average degree of integrity; of more than the average degree of honor.

"I have spoken too long, but I cannot close without saying three things to you that will stand you in good stead wherever you go, and whatever you do—and especially the higher you rise in your profession. These are not unrelated to what we have been talking about tonight. You must always be willing to say 'I don't know,' if you don't; and you must always be willing to say, 'I made a mistake' if you did. And if you always do the best you can, no one could ask for anything more."

Last year's Thayer Award recipient was ex-New York governor W. Averell Harriman. Other recipients since 1958 have been Dr. Ernest O. Lawrence, John Foster Dulles, Henry Cabot Lodge, General Dwight D. Eisenhower, General Douglas MacArthur, John T. McCloy, Robert A. Lovett, Dr. James B. Conant, Congressman Carl Vinson, Francis Cardinal Spellman, Bob Hope, Dean Rusk, Ellsworth Bunker, Neil Armstrong, the Reverend Billy Graham, General Omar N. Bradley and Ambassador Robert Murphy.



Women Cadets at USMA

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did not keep up in the runs, suffered stress fractures etc., and were sent to reconditioning class, undermined the self-confidence of the women cadets to some degree. Male new cadets as well as women also suffer this same loss of self-esteem. Endurance up to and beyond an individual's own expectations is the rule for West Point cadets. No slacking is allowed. No wonder then that Cadet Basic Training was formerly known as "Beast Barracks." Cadet folk-lore implies that if you can survive "Beast," you can survive anything. A part of survival in this environment is completing runs, finishing obstacle courses, winning military sweepstakes and, in general, showing yourself to be tough and fit.

Beginning with the first week of Cadet Basic Training, the new cadet is subjected to a most demanding and stressful training environment. The major objective of Cadet Basic Training is to indoctrinate the plebe into West Point's cultural ethos and select-out those men (and women) who show an inability to adapt to West Point precepts. The whole ambience of Cadet Basic Training is so over-

whelming for some young men, that resignations the first day are not uncommon. This year, unlike in years past, no student resigned the first day. Perhaps because this was the first class including women, no male candidate could face the thought of resigning if no woman did so. But resignations increased over the summer. Table 5 shows the percent attrition rate for the summer training period for the Class of 1980 as compared to previous classes. Of the 119 women who entered West Point, 19 had resigned as of 24 August 1976. Of the 1,366 men who entered 134 had resigned. The dropout rate for women is 16% and for men 10%. The attrition rate for men is comparable to previous years, while the dropout rate for women is the highest of the service academies.

Counseling office records and a preliminary examination of an exit interview questionnaire indicate that women cadets resign for basically the same reasons as men. These reasons run the gamut of disliking military discipline to homesickness or desire to pursue education elsewhere. Table 6 tabulates some of the reasons for resignation of women. One woman did report that she felt that she suffered from a loss of femininity and thus she was leaving West Point. However, one of the most significant reasons for women leaving the Academy seems to be that many of these women have had previous college experience and are unable or don't desire to adjust to West Point's Spartan discipline in comparison to their own freedom at a civilian university.

An inability to adjust, or to want to adjust to West Point's Spartan atmosphere may also be indicative of a lack of commitment at the outset. In that regard, a day or two after arriving at West Point, all new cadets were asked in a standard questionnaire to estimate on a scale ranging from "No Chance" to a "Very Good Chance" their "Chances of Transferring to Another College." Six-percent of the females (7) and four-percent of the males (42) responded to that question by saying "Very Good Chance." This might tend to indicate a low commitment on the part of these individuals to eventually graduate. Subjective data from exit interviews also tends to reinforce this notion that at least some percentage of new cadets come to the Academy each year solely to fulfill the expectations of parents, relatives, and friends.

Now that Cadet Basic Training is over, a new phase begins in the lives of women cadets—the Academic year. . . . Some women cadets have validated (been excused) from taking some of the basic core courses and in three out of seven of the advanced core courses a higher percentage of women are enrolled in those courses. There is every reason to believe that women will perform as well as and perhaps better than most of the male cadets. If this is the case, the women cadets will earn their chevrons in the academic field rather than on the running track.

The study of women at West Point is an event without precedent in the history of the western world. A military academy has adapted somewhat to meet the needs of its women cadets and to adapt a male climate to accommodate their needs. Yet even the next four years with Camp Buckner's obstacle courses, Jump School, or Jungle or Northern Survival training are only part of the saga of women at West Point. The success or failure of women cadets will only begin when the first women cadets pin on their second lieutenant's bars at graduation and only be fully known some fifteen or twenty years from now.



Earle Gilmore Wheeler

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he briefly met pretty Frances Rogers Howell—known to hundreds and hundreds of friends around the world since those days as Betty. Two months later, Bus and Betty had their first date at a cadet hop at West Point. On graduation day, 10 June 1932, they waited as long as it took to drive from West Point to Old Greenwich and were married there.

Bus chose the Infantry on graduation and went to the 29th Infantry at Fort Benning with which he served until he attended the Regular Officers' Course at The Infantry School. After graduating in 1937, he was assigned to the 15th Infantry in Tientsin, China, for two years. Thirty-eight years later, a letter addressed to "the wife of the late General Wheeler" would say, "as an ex-dogface who had the privilege of serving under your wonderful husband back in China in 1937 and 1938, I want to offer my sincerest sympathy. We the enlisted men of the 15th, had the highest regard and respect for Lieutenant Wheeler. On inspections and guardmounts we put out that little extra when the lieutenant was in command. Frankly, I thought he was too considerate of the enlisted men to make it to the top. . . . Something rubbed off, or I wouldn't have remembered his friendliness and knack of putting me at my ease in the middle of the night when I was on guard duty."

Bus and Betty returned to West Point where Bus was a math instructor, but as World War II approached, he was selected in June 1941 to be the aide-de-camp to the Commanding General of the 36th Division. After Pearl Harbor, he served in quick succession as a battalion commander, G3 of the 99th Division at Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi, and then the Chief of Staff to help activate the 63d Infantry Division.

The 63d started from scratch and in the minimum time it was in action against the enemy in France and Germany—in Colmar, the Saar River crossing, and the formidable array of pillboxes and dragons' teeth of the Siegfried Line. It crossed the Rhine, then the Danube, to within sight of the Bavarian Alps before

it was relieved in the line just before V-E Day. In a personal handwritten note to Bus in June 1945, the division commander wrote, "More than any other person have you had a major part to play in the design and fitting together of all the components of this great team that we have fashioned and in its direction in combat. To none is due greater credit than to you for its overall high level of achievement and brilliant performance."

Thirty-one years later, Brigadier General M.O. Edwards, Retired, who was first G3 of the 63d, then a regimental commander for the rest of the action wrote, "I think it is fair to say that because of the great reliance that General Hibbs [the 63d Division Commanding General] had on Bus's judgment and ability, Bus practically 'ran' the division." He also added that when one of the Regimental Combat Team commands became "open" just before the critical attack on the Siegfried Line, Bus was the best candidate and wanted it very much but the division commanding general needed him more as chief of staff for the entire division.

Returning to the United States after the war, Bus did a brief tour as senior Infantry instructor at The Artillery School, Fort Sill. He went back to Europe in May 1946 to take part in the postwar reorganization in the United States Base Command and the Constabulary for the next three years until he returned to attend the National War College, from which he graduated in June 1950. He then served on the Joint Intelligence Group of the Joint Chiefs of Staff until he went to Trieste, Italy, in November 1951 to command the 351st Infantry and the Allied interests in that critical, disputed area.

In Trieste, he got his first star and was reassigned to the new North African Theatre of Operations command in Naples: Allied Forces Southern Europe. In its critical buildup period, he was first Readiness Officer, then G3 until September 1955, at which time he returned to the Pentagon. As director of plans on the Army General Staff he received his second star, then rose to the post of Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for military operations. Memory calls to mind the calm, poised young major general in 1956 representing the Department of Defense, conducting a serious drill at the alternative government headquarters deep in the mountain at Fort Ritchie, Maryland. All major government agencies were represented by the chiefs or their deputies. As rank is reckoned, Bus was probably junior to them all, but he ran the show. They listened and were impressed.

Next was an assignment with troops, whom Bus loved and understood. He was commanding general of the 2d Armored Division, a combat-ready command at Fort Hood, Texas, then the III Corps, its parent command at the same station, from 1958 to March 1960.

Bus was then named Director of the Joint Staff where he received his third star and kept the staff running smoothly for two years. During this period, in 1960,

President Eisenhower directed the Pentagon to brief the two presidential candidates, Democrat John F. Kennedy and Republican Richard Nixon, on foreign policy. The Secretary of Defense assigned Bus to this task and from the first meeting, Senator Kennedy was impressed by his knowledge and articulate expression. The impression remained after Mr. Kennedy was elected president.

In 1962, Bus and Betty returned to Paris where Bus, now wearing four stars, was head of the United States European Command (EUCOM). They caught hold there as they had everywhere else. Shortly after they arrived, Bus addressed the prestigious American Club of Paris—whose membership included all the top diplomatic, business, and military members of the American community—at one of their regular weekly luncheons. Waiting to be introduced, Bus remarked wryly to the man next to him that given his choice, he would not have chosen to speak the week immediately following the brilliant address of André Malraux, the French Minister of Cultural Affairs, a noted author and French national hero who was an escaped Prisoner of War in World War II, then "Chef de services de dynamitage" of the Resistance, as well as an honorary member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. When Bus finished his illuminating, perceptive presentation of the American military presence in Europe, he received a standing ovation from the same 700 people who had heard M. Malraux the week before.

All the North Atlantic Treaty Organization countries liked Bus and Betty, and the newspapers in the European capitals stated quite plainly that General Wheeler would be very welcome as the next Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers in Europe (SHAPE), the top post first occupied by General Dwight D. Eisenhower eleven years before. Bus would have loved it; Betty would have loved it; to run out their remaining years of active service in that glittering capital as the senior military person in Europe.

Duty called, however, and in no uncertain terms. As the time approached to appoint a new Army Chief of Staff, President Kennedy directed his military aide, Major General Ted Clifton, to ask the chiefs of the other three military services for their suggestions for a choice among the outstanding generals to be considered, along with the Army's recommendations which obviously included Bus. All three recommended Bus and he was appointed Chief of Staff of the United States Army on 1 October 1962.

Just then, the ugly situation in Oxford, Mississippi, broke out and got completely out of state control. The former Chief of Staff had already departed, and Bus arrived at the Pentagon War Room at two o'clock Sunday morning, wearing civilian clothes, before he had even been sworn in. The Secretary of the Army was there, spending most of his time talking on the telephone to the President or to Robert F. Kennedy, the Attorney General. The

senior Army general present was trying to run the show, but without great success. Another key officer observed later that Bus watched the operation for a while, then got a general officer in CON-ARC on the phone. He recalled that "Bus's end of the conversation went like this: 'Yes - no - yes' then a long pause and 'I don't care if they're Piper Cubs, put a couple of heroes in them and get 'em on the way!' He hung up and everything started to move. It was like a breath of fresh air."

After two years as the Army Chief of Staff, Bus was elevated to Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff where he served for an unprecedented six years. Not only did he hold this position for longer than anyone else in history, but he also held it with distinction at a time of national agony, most of the period of the unpopular Vietnam War. When he was first appointed, the big build-up of troops was getting under way, and he stayed on until the windingdown process of American withdrawal had been developed.

Through it all, the personal warmth, charisma, and sense of humor that he had shown throughout his career never changed. It was during this time that columnist Drew Pearson wrote that the general's "smile and manner are the moss on a character of granite." In his book *The Vantage Point*, President Lyndon Johnson made 43 separate references to Bus and recalled sending General Wheeler, "this level-headed and experienced soldier," to Saigon early in 1968 for consultations. However, the incessant pressure and long hours of those eight years under three presidents, which demanded round-the-clock attention to diplomatic, political, and military considerations, in all of which Bus was eminently qualified, took their physical toll. An annual physical examination revealed that he had worked through a fairly severe heart attack without missing any time. After that, Bus kept up the same pace, but never again left Washington without being accompanied by his physician.

On the morning of 2 July 1970, 42 years to the day and hour from the time New Cadet Wheeler double-timed through the sallyport of North Barracks, Bus and Betty were at their retirement ceremony held in a huge hangar on Andrews Air Force Base in Washington to accommodate all the people who wanted to bid them farewell from active military service.

Bus had served under three United States Presidents as Chief of Staff and Chairman. He was wearing the first Department of Defense Distinguished Service Medal issued, as well as the Army Distinguished Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal and the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, each the highest peacetime military award of the respective services. He also wore the Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster, which is awarded only for combat service, and nine other American decorations. There were also twelve major foreign decorations, most of them

the highest awarded to foreigners, from countries in Europe, South America, and the Far East: The French Commander of the Legion of Honor; German Great Cross for Distinguished Service; Thailand's Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant; and from neutral Sweden, Knighthood with Grand Cross of the Royal Order of the Sword, among others. On his record also were honorary doctorate degrees from four American universities.

Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird gave the principal address at the retirement ceremony, and Bus's last official act was reviewing the honor guard. Declining a jeep to circle the cavernous hangar, Bus strode at an unusually fast cadence from the reviewing stand to the right flank of the line, past the select troops of the four military services stretched the entire length of the hangar, then back to the reviewing stand—a fine figure of a soldier and a leader. Afterward at the reception at the officers Club, someone asked Bus why he had walked at such a brisk clip. "Didn't want them to think I'm getting old," said Bus.

For the next five and a half years, Bus and Betty enjoyed a well-earned retirement in their lovely rural home near Martinsburg, West Virginia. They were pleasantly occupied and followed their own pace. Bus was on the Board of Directors of Monsanto and enjoyed the occasional contacts with the business world as he did his membership on the President's Commission on White House Fellowships and periodic consultation sessions at the Pentagon. There were pleasant trips to visit Betty's father in Florida and visits with other friends. The Wheelers were well liked in Martinsburg and found the mental stimulation they needed with their friends there.

Then, with no prior warning, Bus felt ill and checked in to the King's Daughter's Hospital in Martinsburg. While he was being rushed by ambulance to Walter Reed, his condition worsened; he was taken to Frederick Memorial Hospital where his tired heart finally gave out.

The services in the Memorial Chapel at Fort Myer were brief and impressive. Chaplain Duncan C. Stewart, an ex-infantryman, was the officiating clergyman, and the Army Band Chorus sang two appropriate anthems. The front section reserved for West Point classmates and wives was full. Members of the Joint Chiefs and the individual military services were there, as well as Army greats of the past, Generals Gruenther and Lemnitzer, each a former Supreme Commander, Allied Powers Europe; General J. Lawton Collins ("Lightning Joe," outstanding World War II combat commander and former Army Chief of Staff); and General W.C. Westmoreland. During the ceremony, a life-long colleague since cadet days murmured to his wife, "I hope you will take this as well as Betty when my time comes."

During the next few weeks, Betty received literally hundreds of letters attesting to Bus's greatness as a person, a

leader, and a patriot. Personal notes signed by the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, other cabinet members, members of Congress, and foreign ambassadors added their expressions of loss to those of present and past top military leaders and all other friends. They came from all over the United States and many foreign countries. The former Secretary of the Army when Bus was Chief of Staff wrote, "The leadership he gave to the Army and to the military forces in one of the most difficult times in our history is shared by only a handful of men in our two hundred years." The chief of the United Nations Command in Korea cabled, "... one of the most distinguished soldier statesmen of this century. Bus has long been one of my heroes by reason of his intellect, probity, courage, compassion and kindness." Another four-star general wrote, "For me he was my Beau Ideal—a man I instinctively trusted and greatly admired—someone we all tried to emulate." A retired four-star Air Force general who was a principal in many Joint Chiefs of Staff meetings wrote, "Having known all the Chairmen since the beginning of the office of the Secretary of Defense, I rate Bus at the top in being objective, non-parochial, eminently fair and most of all a really great American." A hand-written note to Betty from the former Commandant of the Marine Corps and his wife put it quite simply: "I often told him that, in my opinion, he was the best and the greatest of them all... the epitome of West Point's 'Duty, Honor, Country'... And we admire you, Betty, for the great help you were to your husband and... the support [with] which you helped to make possible his success as a soldier."

There were dozens of letters from those who had not attained such exalted positions in life. The NCO Wives' Club and the members of Bus's former enlisted staff, almost all of them retired themselves, each made a spontaneous contribution to the Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmens Club to help young military personnel of all services as Bus would have wished. Individual members of his former personal staff were explicit: his last driver, "General Wheeler was the most wonderful man I ever worked for"; the steward who took care of their official quarters at Fort Myer, "The General was the finest officer I served under in all my years in the Army"; the little aging black lady who took care of Betty's clothes and the fine linens, "I wish you lived near so I could do something for you. Please call me if I can help you any time"; and from New Hampshire, Bus's ex-orderly all the time he was in the 63d Division thirty years before, "In all the years since my service days he had never forgotten to write a little note to me at this time of the year." There were others in a similar vein from all along the line wherever Bus and Betty had served.

In addition to Betty, Bus is survived by their son, Gilmore Stone Wheeler, PhD (Bim to all who know him), who

has his own very successful corporation, Business Industrial Management, in Silver Spring, Maryland; grandsons, William Gilmore and John Robinson Wheeler; and his mother, Mrs. Clifton P. Wheeler of Long Boat Key, Florida.

The feelings of all of us were expressed beautifully in the eulogy by the Honorable Stephen Ailes, who was Undersecretary, then Secretary of the Army from 1961 to 1965 when Bus was Chief of Staff and Chairman. It follows verbatim and, except for a brief introduction and some liaison phrases that are covered above, in its entirety.

"General Wheeler's military credentials are impeccable. He was highly respected as a professional soldier by his associates in uniform, regardless of the service in which they served. He was greatly admired by his civilian colleagues, without exception. . . .

"The record of his career is duly entered in the nation's annals; the analysis we leave to history, totally confident of the verdict.

"Each Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, including the present one, has had an arduous assignment and has served the nation well during a difficult period. But almost everyone here would agree that the unprecedented six-year term served by General Wheeler placed extraordinary demands on the chairman, demands which he was uniquely qualified to meet.

"The wisdom and judgment which he brought to the task, based on a lifelong study of world affairs, a lifelong habit of critical appraisal of all policies as they developed, and a determination to bring about sound practical results were important in this regard.

"So also was the total support of the Army, earned by his performance over the years.

"He had a rare ability to bring about consensus, an ability based upon patience, fairness, good humor, his own intellectual contribution to the solution of problems, and the respect in which he was held by his colleagues on the Joint Chiefs.

"He made a unique, personal contribution to the relationship between the military establishment and civilian leadership of the nation. His thorough comprehension of military needs and capabilities was important in this role, but his sensitivity to the forces at work in the larger society, and his ability to see the whole problem were more important still.

"And finally, at a time when civilian-military stresses were growing, no better man could have served in the role of chairman. Congressional leaders, the press, and the public at large had confidence in General Wheeler as a person. This was so, in no little part, because, in Secretary Laird's appropriate phrase (at the retirement review in 1970) he viewed all issues 'through a wide-angle lens.'

"Sadly, these years took their toll, and the price of being the indispensable man was high. The officer who was honored at that review that July day in 1970 had worked himself to exhaustion and had,

knowingly, sacrificed his health to do his job, as later events clearly proved.

"In the years when I worked closely with him, I marveled at his ability to function so effectively with so little fanfare, and to read books and see people, and reflect about the broader issues at the same time. I knew that he was well organized and that he was in the habit of making a highly concentrated personal effort; but he was a most effective leader, clearly in charge, without making a great to-do about getting things done.

"In later years, I asked him how this could be. Quite typically, he said something about the importance of having able people and of relying on them.

"Of course, this is only the beginning. As Cy Vance [Cyrus R. Vance, Secretary of the Army, then Deputy Secretary of Defense 1962-67] puts it: 'In Bus, there was a rare combination, a coupling of strength, firmness, and decisiveness on the one hand, with gentleness, kindness, and compassion on the other. I never heard of him being harsh or cruel or unkind with a subordinate. . . .'

"Similarly, his civilian colleagues were well aware of his consideration for and loyalty to them. The close and effective relationships that resulted, so essential to the proper functioning of our system, were never more needed than in that period of time.

"Those of us who were so privileged will always treasure the recollection of evenings in that comfortable home, sitting in front of the fire, or better yet, sitting out on the porch looking out across the fields at the big sycamores along the creek, talking about old times, laughing about amusing things that happened long ago, settling the affairs of the world.

"This nation owes General Wheeler a debt of gratitude beyond measure. All of us who worked with him are the better for it and will never forget him. He was a superb human being."

Following those final words, the group moved to the cold, windy grave site for the brief ceremony there. Afterward, the Commanding General of the Military District of Washington handed Betty the flag which had draped the casket. Betty turned and gave it to her twelve year old grandson, William G. Wheeler, to carry on the memory of one of our country's great men.

Betty still resides in the comfortable house on the 150-acre farm on Berkeley Station Road near Martinsburg, that they bought in 1966 as a refuge during brief respites from the frenetic life in Washington. She has been asked to rededicate the cadet skeet range (a gift from 1932 at our 30th Reunion) when it is named the Earle G. Wheeler Skeet Range, at the 45th Reunion this June.



Rock-Bound Patriotism

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Class of 1829, and Henry Clay, Class of 1831, who had been killed in action at

Buena Vista. Colonel Clay was the son of the great orator and statesman. Brewerton concluded the order by stating that "while we mourn the loss of these our companions in arms, they serve as bright examples for our imitation, and I can perform no more fitting duty on this occasion, then to point to the gallant acts of these your predecessors at the Institution, and to ask you to emulate them in deeds of valor should fortune ever lead you to the battlefield."

A short time after the publication of Brewerton's order, Mr. Samuel D. Flagg was hired as the stonemason to inscribe the names of the prominent Mexican War events on stone. These include *Palo Alto*, *Resaca De La Palma*, and *Vera Cruz*. Flagg's total compensation for the services rendered was \$166.22, in all probability the going rate of pay for stonemasons of the period.

With the increasing interest being generated by loyal Americans for the anniversary of our nation, Generals Delafield and Brewerton should be remembered for their patriotic deeds. Both graduates expressed their deepest love and admiration for their country in a truly fitting manner. They were excellent examples of United States Military Academy products and both found a proper method of expressing their feelings. With such a tribute to the heritage of the United States it is apparent that both men also lived up to the familiarly known motto of their Alma Mater: "DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY."



Spies Along the Hudson

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ter the Battle of Concord. He took part in the Canadian campaign, and because of the exposures he had suffered was forced to return to civilian life as an invalid. But he reenlisted in August of 1776, and while passing through Westchester County, New York, was mistaken for a Tory, and learned of a newly organized partisan company about to report to the British command in New York. At White Plains his patriot seniors seized him most convincingly as a "prisoner"; just as convincingly Crosby soon made his "escape," followed by much seemingly authentic firing of muskets by his "guards," and joined the Tory company preparing to make its march to the south. But Crosby had given full word of the company's plans to Jay, who quickly had the unit swept up, the new "recruit" along with it.

By this time Crosby was absent without leave as far as his real company commander was concerned, but Jay promised to fix that, found some reason for releasing him, and gave him a week to shift about from place to place. After this maneuver, Crosby became a tramp cobbler, complete with tools and a peddler's pack. He

was not long in discovering a new company of partisan recruits, becoming acquainted with the Tory company commander, who urged Crosby to enlist. The patriot spy demurred, wishing, he said, to serve with friends, whereupon the duped Tory showed him the unit's secret muster roll which the officer kept under a flat stone. Crosby was led to a hollowed out haystack in which recruits could be hidden while awaiting passage through the underground to New York. The spy accepted his new-found "friend's" offer of shelter for the night.

But Crosby was off to White Plains in the dark to inform Jay, and back in bed at his host's house before daybreak. Awakening, he told the Tory he had decided to enlist, but declined to sign the roll until he had arrived within the British lines. Crosby was scooped up that night along with the rest of the company, as persuasively as before, by a party of American mounted rangers, who dragged him out of a closet in the house, clapped him in irons, and herded him off to Fort Montgomery by way of White Plains and Peekskill.

At Fort Montgomery, Crosby had the misfortune to run into a former schoolmaster, a friend of the family. Hurt and dismayed, the pedagogue wrote the Crosbys at home his shock "on beholding his favorite pupil, the son of his dearest friend, manacled like a felon, and dragged to prison, with a gang of unprincipled wretches." For the unlucky spy it was a blow; but there was nothing to be done about it; there was no way his saddened family could learn the truth about the extent of his loyalty, nor the unique nature and great value of his service to his country.

Although he secretly met with intelligence officers to discuss plans for future operations, this time he was thrown on his own resources in the matter of an escape. He did this by breaking out of a window but that night he came close to death when an alert sentry, not in on the game, discovered him and followed him with as rapid firing as the musketry of the age would permit.

The Battle of White Plains was fought on 28 October 1776. While this was taking place the pseudo loyalist was on his way to Marlboro, north of Newburgh, his shoemaker kit on his back. Again he easily passed himself off as promising recruit material to a British officer, and, with seeming great devotion to George III, was ready to turn up at the designated assembly point, and to make his report to the Committee of Safety, signing it with one of the names he had been given:

"I hasten this express to request you to order Captain Townsend's company of Rangers, to repair immediately to the barn, situated on the west side of Butter-Hill, and there to secrete themselves until we arrive, which will be tomorrow evening, probably about eleven o'clock,

where, with thirty Tories, they may find,
Your obedient servant,
John Smith"

The rangers successfully stormed the haymow in which the Tories had holed up. Crosby's secret had not been imparted to the ranger, Townsend, who recognized him as the culprit who had escaped from earlier imprisonment. Crosby was more securely roped up than ever and thrown into the tightest place available, ironically in a room of his chief's house, that of John Jay. But Jay had a resourceful maid who put Townsend and his sentinel to sleep with drugged brandy, and freed Crosby by unlocking the door with a key stolen from Townsend's pocket. The power of women was not neglected in the Committee's arrangements for active intelligence in the Hudson Valley. The girl fled to Hopewell where she found sanctuary in the office of the doctor who had supplied the drug.

The spy was still handcuffed but he managed to free himself and was immediately on his way south to hunt up more Tories. At the house of a man known to him to be an enemy partisan, he was seized by a pair of patriots who recognized him as the slippery "Tory" of strange jail-breaking exploits. Such was their frustration over Crosby's elusiveness, that the spy became fearful of being killed before he could be turned over to his seniors. Colonel William Duer and John Jay. He may have saved his life by producing a paper stowed away in his vest lining which identified him as a soldier on duty.

Released, Crosby ran afoul of counter-intelligence by arousing suspicions of a Loyalist. Colonel Duer sent him to a refuge in the house of a German in Dutchess County, thence to Hopewell, where in the office of the doctor who was evidently the medical officer of the intelligence network, he was given an ingenue seat by the same maid who had set him free at the Jay house. Crosby was vastly amused by the conversation of the others awaiting the doctor's attention: the subject was the astounding exploits of a mysterious "British" spy still evading capture after many arrests and jailbreaks—himself!

John Jay rode into the yard and Crosby rushed to hold his stirrup, receiving the whispered command to return to the German's house before he should be discovered. There he remained until December of 1776, and after an interlude of spying in Connecticut, he returned to the Hudson area to carry out orders for using "his utmost art to discover the Places of Resort, and Route of certain disaffected Persons in that Quarter, who have formed a Design of Joining the Enemy." Equipped with both British and American passes, a good horse, a change of clothing, and thirty dollars, he set off on his mission, to discover the Tory rendezvous between Wappinger Creek and Fishkill, a few miles south of Poughkeepsie.

While posing as a loyalist sympathizer, Crosby sought out and struck up an acquaintance with a Tory physician, one

Doctor Proesser, from whom he obtained complete information of the Loyalist plans. The doctor sent Crosby, now masquerading under the name of Levi Foster, to a Tory associate, Enoch Hoag, from whom he learned the names of the men who were a part of the underground dispatching recruits to New York City, and the houses along the route providing shelter and sanctuary. Crosby furtively notified Colonel Andrew Morehouse who lived a few miles distant. Soon the Americans were upon Hoag's house, the designated point of assembly of the "disaffected persons," with shouts of "Stand! Stand!" The patriots came from different directions, gathering up all who sought safety in flight. Crosby, seeing the others being roped together in pairs, pleaded lameness, but Morehouse played a convincing role in what was becoming a comedy for some and a tragedy for others, with Crosby as the star actor. But as soon as the column reached the Morehouse farm, the spy was released, presumably surreptitiously, while the rest were marched off and turned over to the committee.

This succession of incidents, in which Tories were always captured and held while Crosby managed repeated getaways, had become too obvious to escape the notice of both sides. The down-river area had become too hot to hold him. Jay sent him to Albany, where his duties were open, arranging disposition of Loyalist property. Crosby's parents learned the truth, and his official undercover service was ended. But not the dangers that attended it. A Tory, seeking revenge, fired a shot through a window in the house where he was living—the ball creased the erstwhile spy's neck. After this attack Crosby was assaulted by a gang firing wildly while forcing their way into his room. Their shots having missed, the Tories proceeded to try to beat him to death, leaving him unconscious and probably thought to be dead. It took weeks for Crosby to recover, but recover he did, to serve as a Continental to the end of the fighting.

The massive infiltration of British espionage around Peekskill did not stop in spite of the hanging of two of their agents in the summer of 1777, Edmund Palmer, a Tory lieutenant and Daniel Curwen. Intrepid enemy spies streamed up the Hudson Valley, communicating with General Burgoyne in 1777 as the attack from Canada worked its way toward destiny at Saratoga. Others came south, among them Captain Scott of the British 24th, with a message for Clinton that Burgoyne would continue the campaign until September 16, if communications could continue with the New York command. To cooperate, Clinton attacked Fort Montgomery successfully in October, being provided beforehand by the thorough intelligence work of Colonel Robinson, with complete information on what to expect as to the size of the garrison, the amount of armament and the nature of the terrain.

Soon after he took Fort Montgomery, General Sir Henry Clinton received a mes-

sage efficiently and bravely delivered by Captain Campbell, who had made his way through Gates' lines at Saratoga. The letter, dated August 28, informed Clinton of Burgoyne's desperate situation. Clinton replied, "I sincerely hope this little success of ours may facilitate your operations." This message was placed in a small silver ball and entrusted to Daniel Taylor, an officer of courage and enterprise who had already made the passage from Burgoyne to Clinton in July.

However, the patriots had been warned of Taylor by a defecting enemy soldier, one Henry Williams of Peekskill. A patrol from the Connecticut regiment of which Nathan Hale had been a member, captured Taylor at New Windsor, south of Newburgh. Taylor mistook the soldiers for British friends, since they were wearing scarlet uniforms "liberated" from a British transport. He demanded to be taken to "General Clinton," meaning Sir Henry, but to his great surprise he found himself standing before General George Clinton of the American Army. He hastily swallowed the ball; an emetic was forced down his throat; he vomited it, grabbed it up and swallowed it again. Another dose produced the ball. Based on the evidence it contained he was tried by court martial 14 October 1777, and was executed on the 16th.

Three days later Burgoyne surrendered. A swift mounted messenger brought the advancing Americans in the Highlands the stirring news of the decisive victory. The units were paraded in a hollow square, the adjutant read the rider's message and the letter extracted from the silver ball.

As the war continued the American Army became more and more proficient in intelligence and counterintelligence. Joshua and John Mersereau of Staten Island kept a continual stream of information going to Washington in 1776; Sergeant Major Champe allowed himself to be listed as a deserter in order to enter New York in an attempt to kidnap Benedict Arnold, being frustrated at the last minute by his prey deciding to change his quarters; the American officers, David Gray, Caleb Bruen and Elijah Hunter, passing themselves off to Sir Henry Clinton as deserters, while actually being planted informers; John and Baker Hendricks, and John Meeker, Washington's agents who faced hanging after being arrested by an American posse, so well had they played their roles as British spies, and others who made Clinton believe the most outrageous exaggerations of troop strength on the patriot side.

Of course, the most famous intrigue of all in the Hudson Valley was Arnold's attempt to sell the key post of West Point to the enemy, but the story has been so often told that there is no need to repeat it here, except to suggest that the treason might not have been discovered if spying in Westchester County and northward had not been rife from 1776 on. André was supported by a seemingly valid pass from Arnold, but it was a time for suspicion.

It was probably a good thing for the Republic then burgeoning that British intelligence had been active enough to keep the patriots on the alert.

As 1777 turned into 1778, the American G-2s of the day were preparing their operations with care and competence, and the pathetic sacrifice of Nathan Hale, whose brave young life was thrown away by amateurs at military intelligence, was not repeated.

Under present conditions in our country, the services and the exploits of the spies along the Hudson furnish a vivid lesson. In an uneasy peace, as in war, unremitting intelligence activity is essential, and secrecy must characterize it if it is to be successful.



Down the Field

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SOCCER (5-2)

Coach Palone now has won 205 soccer games at West Point, but the Cadets' 3-2 upset of Brown was the sweetest. "We've never had a bigger win in the 20 years I have coached here," Palone said afterward.

The victory over Brown, fourth-ranked nationally and defending Ivy League champion, was engineered by yearling Gary Yerks, who scored Army's first goal, by classmate Dave Vinson, who scored two others.

In earlier games, Army jumped out with two triumphs, 4-1 over Rutgers and 3-0 over Yale before suffering back-to-back defeats against Columbia, 3-2, and Penn State, 3-1. But the Cadets rebounded with a 2-0 triumph over Seton Hall and a 3-2 victory over Syracuse.

Vinson, with six goals and two assists, is the leading Cadet scorer after the first seven games.

ARMY ADDENDUM—Second Classman Warren Chellman was named to the 1976 College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) University Division Academic All-America baseball team at the shortstop position. . . Army's varsity golf team successfully defended its Eastern College Athletic Conference District I Qualifying championship by equalling a course record of 292 for a four-man team at Rutgers, Oct. 8. The Cadets of coach Paul Kirkegaard moved next to the ECAC Fall Golf Tournament at Hidden Springs Country Club in Horsham, Pennsylvania, and finished fourth with a 636, 14 strokes off the pace set by champion West Virginia. . . And for a sad note: Dick Lyon, former defensive coordinator under head football coach Tom Cahill, died suddenly from an apparent heart attack on Sept 23 at age 51. Lyon, coordinator of athletics and physical education at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute since 1972, had joined the Army football staff in 1967 and served as Cahill's chief defensive assistant for six years. . . Coach Homer Smith

comments on artificial turf: "Did you know that the turf can be made just about as soft as a customer desires? The best of the new fields are as soft as good grass turf. Every player and coach believes that an artificial turf field would allow us to present a better team. Every coach believes that we need it in the selling competition with Navy and Air Force. They have beautiful new practice areas. About sixty percent of the players and of the coaches favor putting it in Michie Stadium; forty percent believe that we should have the beautiful stadium as it is and put a 'rug' over a practice field. I favor putting it in Michie to gain for us a basketball type of home court advantage and to allow us to practice much of the time on the field where we play. When the weather is bad and we are forced into the field house we can practice the offense for one hour and the defense for one hour. We must practice them separately, there is no room for any part of the kicking game, and the passing game cannot be practiced with normal spacing. Before 1970 football had the field house; now football has one half of it. Believe me, artificial turf would give our program an acceleration that no other one thing could give it at this time."

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Future Army football schedules feature the return of several old rivals and the addition of two newcomers. Yankee Conference members Massachusetts and Connecticut appear on the '77 and '79 schedules respectively. The Cadets will renew acquaintances with Colorado and VMI in '77, Washington State, Florida, Virginia and Tennessee in '78 and Rutgers and Baylor in '79.

Late scores: Soccer: Army 2, Air Force 1

Football: Army 24, Air Force 7

Army 29, Colgate 13



News from the Societies

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The West Point recruiting organization, assisted by the Parents Club and Recruiting Command, has been busy contacting all area schools and candidates for the Class of 1981.

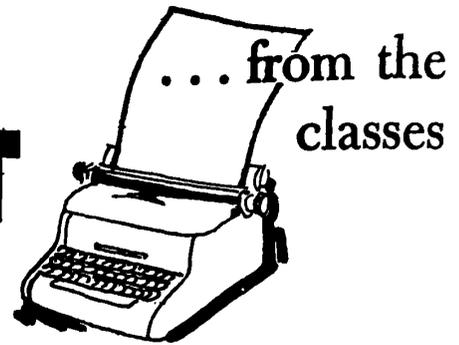
2. *Community Assistance Program*—another Society Officer, Jack Cooley (Class of '65) is finalizing the Society's program to assist the local American Indian community in Chicago. It is hoped that the Society and its members will be able to assist the youngsters in this community, by providing support and services to the Youth Program.

3. *Support of Athletic Teams*—plans are underway for the Army/Navy football game television party and for the Army/DePaul basketball game in Chicago on 20 Dec 1976. Details on victory party after the DePaul game can be obtained at the game site.

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REPORT



'09

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Of course these notes are being written at the very end of summer and from the correspondence received from our classmates, it apparently was a very quiet one. The distaff side was more loquacious than the other side. Nevertheless, there was some travel news, state of health, of course, and with almost no exception some ideas re what is now known, world-wide, as "The Great WP Cheating Scandal." Almost all of us, men and women, who have written in, have voiced their ideas on the subject and it is believed they will be of interest to others, though names will not be given as perhaps the writers would not care to have them given. A writes: "I wish the politicians would let WP solve the 'Cheating Scandal.'" B: "Like a good many things we once cherished, the WP Code of Honor has fallen a victim to numbers. Cutting the enrollment in half would go a long way toward solving the problem of cheating. Otherwise the Academy will continue to be plagued by it." C: "Why tempt the Cadets beyond their strength? The Honor System is the finest thing we have left in the U.S. With honesty and integrity passing away along with the older generations, what kind of a world will there be? What has become of that !!!! instructor who caused this debacle?" D: "We are simply frantic that the Honor Code will (might) be destroyed." E says, after a sound berating of our Congress: "...when cheating and worse is almost universal in our public schools, what can you expect? What is the matter with the American voters when they choose such Congressmen?" In connection with the above comments the reader is referred to scribe Brad G. Chynoweth's notes for the Class of '12 to be found on p. 46 of the Sept 76 ASSEMBLY.

Jake Devers was recently honored at a big York Bicentennial Parade in his native town of York, PA. He and Adm Grim, USN were chosen honorary parade marshalls. No wonder; Jake was born and raised in York, PA. Without doubt the community is very proud to have such a distinguished soldier as a native of that delightful American city. Congratulations from all of us, Jake!

It has recently been learned that our late classmate, Clare Partridge, entered WP without the benefit of any prior college experience. Nevertheless, he came out 17 in our Class which was top man for that category—those without benefit of pre WP college. His father was a Dartmouth alumnus and Claire's son Robert graduated in the same class as that of your scribe's son, 1936. Robert's son, (Clare's grandson) is a Rhodes Scholar. So it is evident that our modest

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and unassuming Clare, had a lot to be proud of, as '09 is of him. Pax vobiscum.

A report came that our oldest member, Joe Plassmeyer, is getting on well and likes his residence at St. Joseph's Home, Jefferson City, MO.

Bob Sears lives an interminable distance from where your scribe lives in Atlanta. He doesn't drive; your scribe still does but eschews such a long distance, except very rarely. However, we phone every now and then and keep in touch. Bob, though the second oldest man in our Class, is a marvel of good health and great disposition. He is 92 and, though as noted, 2d senior in '09 today, is without doubt the junior in heart to most all of us.

Bill Simpson wrote from AK again while visiting his daughter and her family during Sept. Her husband and family settled in Fairbanks right after his recent ret. from the Army. Bill says both his daughter and her husband already have well-paying jobs there. They have 3 children: daughter 15, son 13, daughter 11. Bill says the oil pipeline is doing very well but there are rumors of slow-downs and strikes by our never-satisfied American Union labor forces.

DISTAFF

"Tony" Goetz sent an alluring postal from Baden Baden, Germany, Brenner's Parkhotel where she again went for the 2d consecutive summer to conserve her youth and vitality along with a delightful personality. Tony said Baden Baden and the Black Forest are where Bill's family hailed from.

Dorothy North recently wrote that she had a perfectly lovely summer at her "Red Farm" in ME, made lively by many interesting guests and her daughter and family. She really loves that country and your scribe can see why as he was stationed in Portland for 3 yrs. (His first assignment after graduation.) But Dorothy's summer, unfortunately, didn't end well: On her way home and while visiting friends in Danvers, MA she was hunting for a light-switch in the dark one night and fell head first into a mantlepiece. In the emergency she had to go to a hospital and stay a week. No bones broken, fortunately, but she was badly "shook-up" and bruised.

She's back home in Norfolk, VA now though, and she says, glad to be waited on. Last summer, if you recall, Dorothy was hit by a runaway horse up in ME. That New England is a dangerous part of the U.S., it seems.

Irene Ord is also back from a summer in England and Scotland. Her son Gary flew back with her to DC and Ned, another son, joined them for a fine family reunion. Your scribe regrets that his daughter, Betty Cox, and the Ords could not have met as Betty was also in England about that time. Irene enclosed several clippings in a recent letter re "The WP Scandal" indicating that the women of the Class are fully as concerned about it as are the men.

A note from Bertha Oldfield states that she still resides where Barney and she lived, 1881 SW, 152 St, Seattle, WA 98016. Her son Barney lives near D.C., and John in San Jose, CA, which undoubtedly makes it very lonely for Bertha.

Effie writes that George Van Deusen, poor guy, remains about the same.

Your scribe wishes all of you and yours a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and REWARDING NEW YEAR.

'10

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Jack & Ella Heard spent a most delightful summer this year at their northern home in Silver Lake, NH. Jack's overall health was improved by the cool New England air. With continuing good fall weather they now plan to stay up there until the middle of Oct. They will then fly directly back to San Ant omitting the usual DC stop as their daughter Betty Deane had spent part of the summer with them at Silver Lake.

Gwladys & Carey Brown motored to NYC last Aug as planned for their 2-weeks cruise to Bermuda, around the Gaspé Peninsula and up the St. Lawrence River to Quebec, Canada. Arriving at the dock at the appointed hour, they received the information that the departure of the cruise ship had been delayed one day for necessary repairs to the air-conditioning system. Accommodations had been reserved for all passengers at nearby hotels. But at luncheon on the next day the passengers received the bad news that the air-conditioning equipment needed major overhaul and the cruise had to be cancelled. Gwladys and Carey drove up to the hotel at WP. After a day or 2 there they made a very pleasant tour of the nearby Berkshire Mts on their way home to DC.

I was very much pleased to receive a fine letter from Guy Chipman to all members of '10 telling us how much Mary and he had enjoyed his 90th birthday festivities

with their many friends in San Ant. Chip's bridge and poker pals surprised him with a happy birthday party and a beautiful sterling plaque with all of their nicknames engraved on it. He also received a wonderful album from the Pres of the AOG showing pictures of WP and of Chip, with a brief summary of his military career. Your living classmates, Fritz Strong, Jack Heard, Carey Brown, Hal Pillans and Bo Lewis join in sending you their congratulations.

The widows of our Class of 1910 are:

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Mrs. Charles A. Chapman (Hortense)
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Mrs. Parker C. Kalloch Jr. (Eunice)
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Mrs. John Frederick Landis (Edith)
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Mrs. Francis H. Miles Jr. (Marie)
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Mrs. William A. Pendleton (Elsie)
113 St. Dunston Road, Baltimore, MD
21212

Mrs. Martin H. Ray (Jeanie)
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East Moniches, Long Is, NY 11940 (Summer)

Mrs. John Aner Robinson (Marguerite)
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San Francisco, CA 94132

Mrs. John Richard Walker (Marie)
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Mrs. Fred Clute Wallace (George)
Stony Point, Albermarle County, VA

Mrs. Meade Wildrick (Beatrice)
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Wildrick's Corners, Blirstown, NJ 07825
(Summer)

If my readers will be so kind to let me know, by mail, as soon as possible of any errors or omissions I will be most appreciative and will thank you individually.

When you read these notes, it will be time to send out Xmas cards. Let all '10ers join in making this a Banner Year for '10 in sending out your Xmas cards.

We all remember that Alice Torrey was the first child born to the Class of '10. I had the great pleasure the other evening of seeing Alice at a party at the Sulgrave Club in DC. She looked very lovely as always.

'11

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There are frequent contacts in the San Francisco Bay Area with Dorothy Bagby, Marta Cowles, Cherry & Ben Lockwood, Helen Shekerjian and Gerry Stanton. All are well at the late Sept writing, but there is a dearth of information from other Class widows and from Classmates not mentioned in this column.

Elizabeth & Ollie McCleary continue living comfortably in their charming and healthful Carmel, CA. Mac has not seen a doctor in 15 years and, after 58 years of driving,

decided to quit before he had an accident or received a citation. A few hours in the garden, a bit of time with his stock broker and the remainder of the day just resting!

Ellen McNeal writes that she continues to improve and is most thankful to be home again. Her friend, Margaret Bryan, is a great help. Ellen agrees with me—no politics.

In mid Aug, a family luncheon at the San Francisco St. Francis Yacht Club caught your scribe's Gerta completely by surprise. Talking to a friend the night before, she had said, "Just 5 of us for lunch, no grandchildren this time." But, with her at the table to celebrate her 80th birthday were 2 daughters, 7 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 8 assorted in-laws—a total of 28.

Gerry Stanton, back in the summer from a trip abroad, reports that because of the great growth of container cargoes, freighter travel reservations are no longer easily or promptly made. She plans to remain for a time in her comfortable apartment in Oakland across the Bay.

It is regretted that our column ends here.

'14

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Since my last letter, there have been losses in the Class. Our much admired pres, Dad Ingles, after an illness of 8 months, died on 14 Aug and was buried at Arlington. He had a distinguished career, both in the Army and after his ret. After graduating from the Academy in '14, he did graduate work in EE at the U. of MN. He was a graduate of the Army Signal Sch, Army GS Sch, and AWC. In 41 he was appointed BG and for a year was CS of the Caribbean Def Cmd. As MG in 42 he assumed command of the Panama Mobile Fcs. The following year he was sent to England as dpty cmdr of the European Theater under LTG Frank Andrews. Later in 43 he returned to DC as Chief of the Signal Corps. He held this position until his ret. in 47 after 37 years of Army service.

After ret., he was Pres of RCA Global Comm which handled the RCA world-wide network. GEN Ingles kept in touch, as much as possible, with the members of '14 and cheerfully accepted every Class duty. He is survived by his wife Grace, a daughter Mary, a son John, 6 grandchildren and one great-grandson. The sympathy of the Class is extended to all members of his family.

Another loss to the Class is MG John B. Anderson, who died on 1 Sept in DC after a brief illness. He served in both world wars and the Mexican campaign. He was a CPT of FA with our forces in Europe during WWI. Between the world wars he attended the AWC and served on the WDGS. He took part in the conference on the POW code sponsored by the Intl Red Cross in Geneva. During WW2 he commanded the Army XVI Corps which fought in Holland and Germany. As one of the corps of the 9th Army Group commanded by GEN Wm. H. Simpson, he led the XVI Corps across the Rhine River and helped to seal off the Ruhr district when Allied forces breached the Siegfried Line, moved across the Elbe River and finally met the Russian army, ending the war in northern Germany.

He is survived by his wife Sue, a daughter and 3 grandsons. He was buried at Arling-

ton. Our sympathy goes out to Sue and her family over the loss of her husband.

And now I must report another sad happening in the Class. Henry Holcombe's wife Dorothy died suddenly but peacefully on 2 Jun at the Holcombe home on the Potomac in Mt Vernon. She had suffered with severe arthritis for many years and could not take a step without the use of 2 canes. She was a very courageous woman. I recall that at our 50th Reunion she was there and cheerful in spite of her infirmities. An interesting note is that her father, COL Edwards Cranston Brooks, graduated in the Class of 1886 USMA. Dorothy was buried at Arlington.

Dorothy Hannum, the widow of our classmate Reiff, died on 20 Aug. She had been a resident of DC since 39 and was active in Red Cross work. She had a heart condition and arthritis, but faithfully attended Class funerals. She had gone to the funeral services of Dabney Elliot and Dad Ingles, and appeared to be in fairly good health, but she died of a heart attack. Burial was at Arlington.

You can imagine how much I have been saddened by having to report these Class losses. Now for a lighter bit of Class news in a letter from Tom Monroe, master of his "stump farm" in Eureka, CA. He always has a cheerful philosophy of life. He has been busy with his chain saw, hammer and wedges in the stump farm, getting in the winter wood supply, which is almost completed in the shed. A doe and her half grown fawn are in the orchard, and a covey of quail in the feed tray. This is just part of the stump farm which is now run by Act of God—no longer by the hand of man.

Camilla Doe, daughter of Betty & Jens Doe, recently wrote, and I quote: "Just back from my marvelous trip to New Guinea—so much more fascinating than I had even expected. The sing-song at Garoka was fantastic, with over 30,000 natives in brilliant costumes dancing and chanting. Other highlights of the trip were the 5 days on a houseboat on the Sepic River; also, flying over the Owen Stanley Mts. The high note of my visit was finding several officers who knew Daddy, and any number who knew of his famous 41st Div. Also found some war books printed in Australia and New Britain—many complimentary mentions of Daddy."

As you know, our ranks have been sorely depleted, and we have no Pres or VP. Henry Holcombe and I, after consulting others, have decided that he will continue as Treas, and I as Secy. The future Class letters may not be regular, but will report any important happenings.

Earl joins me in warmest greetings.

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SAD TIDINGS: From Mrs. Frank B. Metzendorf, sister of Helen Howard, we have the sad news that Helen passed away on 28 Jul after a long illness. Services were held in Wilmette, IL, at the Tobias Funeral Home with interment in Woodland Cemetery. The Class extends its sympathy to Mrs. Metzendorf.

RED FACE: Last issue we reported that the Guys entertained the Dolls in May at the AN Club, this in lieu of the regular Class Luncheon. We made 2 minor errors. The

luncheon was at Distaff Hall and it was Dutch. The get-together was held, however, so our batting average was .333 for this one.

SOCIALLY SPEAKING: Marguerite Gilkeson reports a delightful luncheon in early Jul at the Washington Club, Jessica Gesler being the hostess. Other '15 guests were Helen Atkins, Helen Conklin, Peg Davison, Vernon & Dorothy Evans, Louise Kahle, Eileen Leonard, and Margaret Mueller.

The July A-N luncheon hit a new low with only Blister Evans and Det Ellis signing chits. At Distaff Hall, Dolls Atkins, Benedict, Boye, Bragdon, Davison, Gesler, Gilkeson, Kahle, Leonard, Mueller and Wallington helped roll up a score of 11-2. At the Aug A-N affair the Guys did better. Ellis, Evans and Gillette checked in but Jack Harris was tilting with Hurricane Belle while en route home from Nags Head and had to run an absence. At the Hall, distaffers Atkins, Benedict, Boye, Davison, Gesler and Gillette made the score 6-3. The Sept luncheon mustered Ellis, Evans and Gillette with Harris being en route elsewhere. At Distaff, Atkins, Benedict, Boye, Bragdon, Gesler, Gillette, Leonard and Mueller made it 8-3. (Lest it be thought that the men are dogging it, let us remember the comparative team depths. The men have only 4 "available for duty.")

Labor Day saw Det Ellis entertaining at the A-NCC. 1915ers enjoying his hospitality were Peggy Davison, Ingrid Graves and Louise Kahle.

WEDDING BELLS: On 7 Aug at All Saints Episcopal Church, Chevy Chase, occurred the wedding of Dorothy Benedict's granddaughter, Gene Mallette Benedict, to Mr. Jay Robert Miller. The following reception was held at the Chevy Chase Club. (Gene's father is MG Calvert Potter Benedict, presently CG 1st Div and Ft Riley.)

GADDINGS: In late Jul Helen Atkins spent a fortnight visiting her son and family in St. Louis. . . . Early Aug saw Louise Kahle enplaning for a visit with friends near Lake Ontario. . . . Also in Aug Dorothy & Vernon Evans visited their son in Smoke Rise, NJ, and then spent some time visiting on Cape Cod. . . . Mid Aug saw Squire & Hazel Taylor in the DC area visiting their 2 daughters and their families. (Earlier, in Jun, Squire indulged in a bit of surgery but made a record recovery). . . . Mid-Sept Det Ellis departed for his semiannual visit to all the SC Ellises. Next issue we'll have his report of '15ers in that area and way stations. . . . A card from Jack (Marco Polo) Harris, delayed more than somewhat in transit from a NC stopover, tells us that he will visit Harris and Lester kinfolk in SC and will return to DC in early Oct. Then, when clean laundry can be collected, he will take off for CA.

A-1 AIR SHOW: In Aug Open House was held at Davison Army Air Field (named for our Don), Ft Belvoir, VA. Featured were interesting events by Army's Silver Eagles and the Golden Knights parachute team as well as displays of active Army and antique airplanes. The estimated 10,000 in attendance included top mil and civ brass and Guest of Honor, Peggy Davison, suitably escorted by Mil Dist of DC personnel. A gala occasion, indeed!

PCS: Jessica Gesler's address at Distaff Hall: Apt 343, phone EM3-3657. (Distaff now has ten '15ers!)

That's it folks. So long until next year.

'16

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A note from Savilla Bliss, Brigg Bliss's widow, wrote that she was so sorry to miss seeing classmates and wives and widows at the Reunion. She had eye surgery last winter and was not completely mobile. She is improving, however, and is able to drive again. She enjoys being near daughter Betty, but the 3 grandchildren are all married and 2 have moved from Annapolis. Savilla, who joined us in the '50s (when Brig took a Gamble), has been a loyal Sixteener for many years and undertook much of Brig's secretarial work, including the preparation of our Class Notes, when Brig was no longer able to do it, for which we shall be forever grateful. I understand that Savilla is planning to move into the Kennedy Warren Apts in DC in Nov.

A newsy letter from Marjorie Moses, now living very comfortably at New London Inn at New London, NH, says she is well. Son John Wills Moses (USMA Jun '43) visits her from Spartanburg, SC, where he is in business after ret. in '68. Son Garret and his wife live nearby. She told of grandson Johnny, now a sr at Duke U., taking a semester off to walk the Appalachian Trail from GA to ME, 5 months. The lad seems to have inherited a lot of energy from his grandfather, our Ray.

My inquiry of Mrs. Patsy Keyser, Jack Fraser's daughter in IA, brings us the information that he has been in a nursing home near her for the past 10 years. She looks after his affairs and sees that he has good care.

Bob Whitson wrote Class news from San Ant this time, substituting for Maurice Miller. Maurice had eye surgery for a cataract on his right eye in early Sept. Edna reported that it was completely successful. Whit reported, also, that Boots & Bill Spence, accompanied by a granddaughter and chauffeured by a daughter-in-law, motored to Mexico Beach, FL in Aug where they were met by other members of the family for a brief vacation. En route home they visited Bill's boyhood hometown of Albany, GA, but bypassed Plains and were not converted.

Doug Page reported that his grandson, Douglas McInnis, was recently married and that his granddaughter was studying Spanish and French in Madrid.

Whit's nephew, Robert Wheeler (USMA '52), ret. and living in St. Louis, and family, visited the Whitsons recently. COL Wheeler is working on a doctorate in psychology.

Juliette Mumma wrote that she drove west from FL with her daughter and son-in-law, visited one of her young families at Ft Bliss, and spent the summer at Phoenix with her son and daughter-in-law. She had a delightful summer.

Dick Levy says that their 4th great-grandchild, a boy, was born on 29 Aug. This lad is number 77 among '16's greats, unless some of you have not told me about yours! Marquenita and Dick are in reasonably good health. They were married on our graduation day—over 60 yrs ago. Young Dick, you will recall, won our Class Cup.

Sandy Weyand (USMA '51), our Babe's son, received his 2d star on 1 Sept. He is stationed at Ft Sheridan, IL, and since Babe could not travel there to see the ceremony, Sandy

and his commanding GEN went to Babe's home on Long Is so Babe could be present. We send Sandy our congratulations.

Blanche & Roland Shugg decided to defer their Alaskan trip until '77. Roland says his Engr grandson, CPT George Cushman, has been assigned to Engr troops in Germany.

Vicente Garcia wrote in late Jun that she attended Founders Day dinner at the Army-Navy Club in Manila last Mar. She said there are about 120 grads there and that she has for several years been the oldest widow member.

Marian Robb returned home in early Sept after an absence of nearly 6 months. Her daughter Ellie was on the European trip with her and will be until Marian becomes settled at Sun City. Marian and Ellie enjoyed the whole trip, the only regret being that Holland could not be with them.

Your scribe and Laura were hosts for the Bay Area Sixteeners for viewing the Army-Navy football game on TV.

ASSEMBLY Editors added several reunion photos to our Class Notes in the Sept ASSEMBLY (P.48). That was fine and appreciated by me. However, I cannot identify the 3d picture from the top in the left hand column. Can anyone help out, or is that one there in error? (Ed Note: Sorry my error—it belongs to Class of 1926.)

As I told you in the Sept Class Notes, Bill Hoge went to Pullman, WA with son Bill Jr. (USMA '41) where he spent the summer. Word comes that at this time of writing he has returned to his apartment in KS near son George (USMA '45) where he is being cared for by his long-time housekeeper. We know he is being well cared for.

Charles Haskins says his asthma bothered him through Aug and required a week in the hospital. We are glad it is better now.

Editor of ASSEMBLY says he is concerned about subscriptions for 76-77. Have you re-subscribed?

I can think of no better item with which to close these notes than the announcement that appeared in the Washington Post in early Sept. "MC Robert LeGrow Walsh and Mrs. Walter Franklin Chappell announce their marriage here in the City of Washington on Sept. 3." I am sure we Sixteeners all join in extending our best wishes to them and in welcoming Sidney as our newest Sixteener. Their new address will be 5100 Macomb St, NW, Washington, DC 20016.

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In Aug Willis & Elizabeth Slaughter visited Carmel, CA, and "found it as attractive as ever. Doug Wahl was looking hale and hearty. Talked to Pete Kilburn on the phone and he said he was planning on attending our 60th. If he can, I can." Willis gave his new address as Box 241, Cumberland House, Kendall at Longwood, Kennett Square, PA 19348, and he added, "The above is the final address change. I will not want any mail at the next stop."

Jane Mullins has a new address too: 567-D Ave, Ceville, Laguna Hills, CA 92653.

Mac McMahan writes, "Dorothy Mitchell, widow of Lawrence, passed away 22 Jul at Winter Park. Her funeral was at the local cemetery where Lawrence is buried. Her

daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Luther, whose husband died 2 weeks ago at their home in Santo Domingo, was here for the funeral, as was daughter, Barbara Kirchner, wife of Richard Kirchner, who lives at 742 Granville Dr., Winter Park, FL 32789."

In Jul Mac and Alice were on a pleasant trip north. Alice writes, "We flew to New Brunswick, Canada, and spent some time at St. Andrews-by-the-Sea. Then Boston for 4 days of city life, which coincided with the visit of the tall ships and Queen Elizabeth. It made the city quite festive. After that we flew to visit Mac's brother in NY, then home."

Jule Heavey is back in her apartment after being in Walter Reed several weeks with a broken ankle, and on the phone sounded very chipper. Jule wrote to her grandson, John Heavey, who is a teacher at Storm King School in Cornwall, NY, and asked him to drive down to WP and visit his grandfather's grave. He did so, and not having any flowers, he left a card at our Bill's grave, and on it, "Beat Navy." Jule says Bill would have liked that.

Alene Olmstead was in Walter Reed at the same time as Jule Heavey, with a chipped bone in her hip. She is in a nursing home, but says she is on her feet most of the time and will be back in her Berkeley Apt home in a few days (early Oct).

We regret the loss of Norm Schwarzkopf's widow, Ruth, who died 15 Sept at Walter Reed, where she had been a patient 7 or 8 weeks. Her son, LTC H. Norman Jr. '56, flew down from his station in AK. He says his mother was a registered nurse and wherever she was gave freely of her talents in taking care of people. Burial was at WP. Besides Norman Jr., Ruth left 2 daughters, Ruth Ann Barenbaum and Sally Schwarzkopf. Those of us who were at our 50th Reunion remember that Norm Jr., who was assigned as our escort, was most helpful and generous with his time in making our stay pleasant.

Fred & Vivian Irving took their daughter, Betty Maish, and her daughter to visit Betty's alma mater, Vassar, which Betty wanted to show to her daughter. From there they went on to visit their friend, COL Lane in ME.

Dot Eley is now with her daughter, Mary Jo Harrell, in Albuquerque, NM.

Late note: On 9 Oct McMahon telephoned from Winter Park, FL, that Charlie Gerhardt had died that morning. During his long illness his wife Nina had done everything possible for him, and Mac suggests that she would appreciate hearing from her friends. Besides Nina, Chuck is survived by a son, Charles J. Gerhardt, and by a daughter, Mrs. Don Kennedy (Nina). Charles and his family live in Cincinnati, and Nina and her husband live in Winter Park. In WW II Charles H. Gerhardt commanded the 29th Inf Div in the Normandy landings and through the campaign in Northern Europe. The funeral service was held in the All Saints Episcopal Church in Winter Park on 11 Oct and interment was in Palm Cemetery in Winter Park.

attended the memorial service the following Mon: among them, Doug Wahl, Tom Finley, Virginia Harloe, Bill & Toodles Chapman. Bush was cremated and later Vada took his ashes to WP for interment there. We were fortunate in having Rudy Whitelegg nearby: he helped Vada and represented the Class. Vada and the family have our deep sympathy.

What may be more bad news is that the Class letter sent to Sammie Maling was returned, "Addressee Unknown."

There is some good news. Doc Faust is still going back and forth between Beaulieu, France, and Christmas Cove, ME. He wrote from the latter in excellent spirits. Parry Lewis, whose whole right side is paralyzed, used his left hand to write Your Scribe a 4-page letter that was both legible and interesting. (Used in toto in the Class letter). Kit & Helen Carson, spurning the infirmities of age, are enjoying life and planning to attend the 60th.

Frank & Mary Meade have moved to 445 Hollingsworth Rd, Woodstock, VA 22664 to be nearer Mary Josephine and her family. Edith Shaffer has gone to 960 Northwood Entr., #2 St. Regis Arms, Endwell, NY 13760 where her daughters will be much closer to her.

Red Warner warns us oldsters. Several years ago, Dorothy answered questions for a phone solicitor urging them to open a charge account. Later, Red got a letter rejecting his "application." The reason given by phone was Red's being over 65. However, the letter said to apply again later and he might qualify at that time. When Red gets into his second childhood, he will reapply.

Optimistic notes re the ailing. Marjorie Hasbrouck is doing nicely with her new hip job. Ellanor Sharp has her problems in hand and expects to be at full throttle by Thanksgiving. Dorothe Matlack awaits only a contact lens to restore her to full duty. Tiny Bellinger found a specialist who knocked years off the way he feels. Biff Jones, who was plagued by a bad knee, has cured it by kneeling less in church.

Bill & Louise Pacas' kids gave them a bash on his 80th birthday (their wedding anniversary same day) May 1st. Ten days later Bill developed shingles and was still suffering as of mid-Sept. Let us all unite in prayer for Bill.

In top form are: Pinkey & Nan Rolfe, Phil & Tommie Day, Charlie & Anne Hart. Girard Troland carries on a pleasant vendetta with Your Scribe through the medium of the Class letter. Leo & Miriam Conner either have nothing to complain of or just don't complain. Loessa Coffey and Lois Stamps acknowledge no serious defect and both sound grand on the phone. May Heavey is always able to make a Class party.

ASSEMBLY can't afford space for Your Scribe to offer loving detail about those mentioned above nor to list those who haven't written in.

Though he was only with us for a few months, he has been a loyal classmate. Note his record in the REGISTER. Also newsworthy from La Mesa: Heavy RAIN in Sept.

The Blanchards' summer: visit by grandson John (has started at U. of York) and daughter Punk, from England; and a party on Charlie's 80th, with our class birthday card on display. Off to the TX hill country for Thanksg'g and to Mexico for Xmas. They plan to have Punk and her family from England at our 60th. (Our 60th is still a rather dim light at the end of a still rather long tunnel.)

Squire Foster had some remarks about how little orientation on the Honor Code we had as plebes. Perhaps it was in the Plebe Bible. Perhaps it was the frequency of sounding off, "All Right, Sir!" that imbued us with the code (like Pavlov's dogs?). Perhaps we knew that we were being well watched and thus any temptation was lessened. Perhaps we had learned more discipline in our secondary schools. Perhaps violators should have been "drummed out" before the Corps rather than just "silently stealing away."

Alice Kramer enjoyed the summer seeing classmates, widows and other service friends in the DC area; a visit to that grandson in OH; to Seattle to celebrate the SWA of Frances Lewis' daughter, a former neighbor (Frances was there also); to Walla Walla to see Bee Rundell; and then home—into politics.

From Anna May Lorence: "I'm having many pleasurable moments sitting, thinking and rocking in my lovely rocking chair. We've added gold cushions."

The McKees had a very happy, unique reunion in Santa Barbara with the families who had lived on their street while Dick was on ROTC duty there 30 yrs ago. One family came from OH. All the nicest people and they keep in touch. That's the friendly WEST.

Eleanor Offley was the guest of honor last Jun at the reunion of the Filipino Regts in Salinas. Bob had organized the First Regt and had commanded it in WW II. Eleanor made a speech, crowned a queen and was named their "Nanay" (beloved mother). Pres Marcos has invited the vets back to the PI and she may go with them. In the meantime, a visit to HI where she has many old friends.

The Boineaus' son Ralph is now a fledgling lawyer in Columbia. Dot & Pat Casey had another fine, active summer in VT. Back to FL in late Oct by auto train. Lucius Clay was presented, last Sept, with its first Pres's Award by the Amer Soc of Civil Engrs. Congratulations. Ann Kreber has taken a 40-day trip to the Orient, including, on the way back, a week in Honolulu to rest up. Hattie Mesick—latest "first-time" grandmother, son Hilary's first son. Bee Rundell made her first tour group trip in Sept, a 13-day bus trip to the Grand Canyon and other places. Mildred Pichel had successful foot surgery. Hopes it will improve her golf. Off to Maui for a month. Marian Ross had a very beautiful trip in New Engl with her daughter and SIL, COL Karrick. Steve and I were delighted to see Betty Weeks when she visited WP in Oct.

I regret to report the deaths of 2 classmates. Eddie Crouch died on 9 Aug. Phil Gallagher died on 18 Jul. Also, Mabel Marshall died on 12 Jun. The sympathy of the Class is extended to the survivors.

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JUN
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Virginia Harloe visited the Bissells on a Mon night: Jack was in fine fettle. The next Wed, 14 Jul, Bush rose at 4 a.m., fell and probably died instantly. More than a hundred

Scip Axelson reports that Joe Zak is older than he is and hence is our oldest classmate. He has been bedridden for many years.

On 13 Jul 76 Albert Walker Johnson died in Richmond, VA, after a long illness which had kept him confined to his home in nearby Midlothian. He was interred in Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond. Mary will stay on in the home on Old Gun Rd. And on 4 Aug 76 Trooper Sheridan (Arthur J.) died while residing in a nursing home in Sarasota, FL. Trooper's next-of-kin is his sister, Mrs. Marie Kramer, who lives in Brooklyn where Trooper was buried. We have lost 2 good men which leaves us with 91 living grads out of 227. And a close friend of our Class, particularly well known to the DC group, T.L. Taylor, Ruth Evans' brother, died on 22 Aug 76 while visiting Ruth and Bryan in DC. They took him to his home in San Ant for interment. It was a terrible blow to the Gullatts to lose their daughter Maybeth, Mrs. Robt Campbell, on 5 Jul 76. They were visiting her at the time at her home in Mobile, AL. On 23 Sept Marie Pulsifer passed on. She had had a series of strokes over many months, in and out of the hospital. The last one was more intense than earlier ones which required hospitalization for several weeks. Art, who has been in the Veterans' Hospital for some time, was able to bring Marie to Arlington for burial. Their daughter, Mrs. Pat Western, and their son Bob and his wife, and grandson, George Western and his wife, were all at the graveside service on 29 Sept.

From the letters Arch Colwell writes we thought he was fully recovered, but a dizzy spell in late Sept has caused him to go easy and turn over his Class activities to Boyd Fitzpatrick. And Bob Coolidge has not been as well as normal—weight and energy loss and all medical tests negative—so what's the trouble? He says the fellow who wrote "grow old along with me, the best is yet to be" is a damned liar. Gerry Trichell and Betty have had visits from all 4 sons and their families recently. Dad Miller (M.M.) spent Labor Day with the Colwells. Arch says of him, "He is the youngest looking 82-year-old I know, and he is still practicing all the pediatrics that he wants. He is lively and full of vigor and I predict that he will outlive the rest of our Class, and will probably be the oldest graduate of the Academy." Fitzpatrick says that Kathryn Elleman is an avid observer of all news of WP and retains an active interest in its affairs and the Class as so many of our widows do. She made a classic statement in one of her fine letters. "There is black and white, but the only gray the Mil Acad should accept is the long gray line of those who believed and lived by the code."

Bryan Conrad doesn't look as though he had ever had a sick day, which is an indication he is recovering well from the rocky period he has gone through the past 2 years. He made the Aug DC Class luncheon along with Holbrook, Hixon, Canan, Gullatt, Norman, Graham, Whelchel and Hastings. That was a good turnout considering that Valentines were still in ME, Barnes still in OR, Yoder out of action due to post operative cataracts, and Bryan Evans' involvement with Walter Reed temporarily. The Barnes returned to DC on 29 Sept and feel they have come to the end of their yearly drive to OR. They tried to convince our Class Plebe and his

Mary to come back for the DC 1 Nov Class dinner from Seattle, but to no avail. Their youngest son, Brian, graduated from the AFA in 75 and from the AF Flying Sch at Columbus AFB in MS in Sept. In spite of the fact that John Binder was the oldest living grad at a recent Ft Knox assembly and that he is still recovering from his cataract surgery, he types good letters to us. He also put in a short hospital tour for a stomach ulcer but is back home on Linda Lee's good cooking. Dorothy Fellers flew out to San Diego from DC in late Jul for a visit with daughter Nancy and the Grandees and returned in early Aug.

Jim Christiansen, if he isn't playing his 9 holes of golf, walks 2 miles twice a day at a quick cadence, so he's well as is Carolyn. Wanamaker is doing a lot of planning on our 60th Reunion which is only a year and a half away and which promises to be a great affair especially with Wannie in charge. While Fred & Marie Stevens spent a pleasant summer at their ME place, it was a busy one as a house idle for 8 or 9 months a year requires more than a year's maintenance. Virginia Hatch is confronted with the problem facing many of us, the house and garden are too much to care for yet the accumulation of years by several generations prevents moving to smaller quarters. A summer hurricane caused B.G. Stevens and Polly to run from their ME island retreat to the mainland but it proved unnecessary. They are now safely home in FL. Barbara Jenkins was making daily trips to the hospital for therapy following a tour therein. They are now over and she is back to her spunky self. And Tiny Schow, who had no weight to lose and yet lost so much, is back to a normal life. Hal & Barbara Cocks continue to have many interests but along with the other regional VP's always takes enough time for Class affairs. Corp & Mary Chorpensing joined the Cocks for the Oilers-Bengals football game on 24 Oct. Dunkelberg was a lucky one. In Jul he had a badly infected eye which required his hospitalization at Brooke for about 10 days. Upon discharge Dunk was told it might take months for restoration of vision. In 3 wks it was normal. Nice notes from Jim Styron, Chris Knudsen, Jake Freeman and John Fonvielle with only good health to report.

Most news of Pinkie Walsh comes from Elmer Barnes' summer visits to Pinkie and through Bill Blair. While considerably improved, he is staying on in the Marysville Nursing Home in Beaverton, OR, along with wife Mary who must remain there. Pinkie wrote that his visit with Dorothy & Elmer Barnes was most enjoyable. Peg Smith (E.W.) is delighted to be out West but she still moves around. She is watching and guiding her grandchildren toward WP. Eleanor & Frank Huston on their summer trip to AK found it beautiful country but don't feel they will repeat the trip. Lee Gray had a fine visit with his granddaughter in Ireland last May and saw his great-granddaughter who had been born shortly before his arrival. He had perfect weather there but when he went over to Scotland and on to London he encountered much heat, drought and dust, enough to make him sick. Chief Brimmer left Cheyenne for a couple of days early in the fall to visit the Bill Blairs in Sterling. In spite of one cataract removed and another due out, the Chief still passes his driver's tests. Vange Buchanan has had a series of strokes and spent some time in Luke AFB

Hosp. Arthritis compounds her troubles. After Bixby's death Ruby became involved in a court battle over a contract to retrieve the cost of a mobile home. It has taken 3½ yrs to settle, which has been most distressing to her. To be near her daughter in Bellevue, WA, Ruby has moved to nearby Redmond, a beautiful, clean NW comm. Marion Stokes had several days in DC in Aug and with a friend visited Ireland for 10 days. Last summer Mike Quinn went back to Kansas City for a reunion of his wife's family. 635 attended out of a possible 1200. Some party! Mrs. Dzau is still in Macau awaiting the slow settlement of Linson's estate. Fred Butler keeps us informed on the Dzaus. Fred said Al Miller can now drive short distances in daylight hours. Dick & Coral Ericson while driving across an intersection in Oakland were struck by a car running a red light. Coral had a bad cut over her left eye and some bumps, and Dick was badly shaken up.

In late Aug and Sept Chuck & Isabel Gildart visited daughter, Ruth Lewis, in Ridgefield, CT. Ruth & Draper Lewis returned not long ago from several years in Hong Kong where he was with the Chase Manhattan Bank. While Chuck was away Charlie Morrison handled the Class news for him in the Southern CA Region. Charlie & Ruth Morrison and George & Lucy McReynolds have season tickets together for the L.A. Light Opera. The McReynolds enjoy the life of their fine ret. home in Santa Barbara. The Morrisons also see Bill Mendenhall frequently at the Laguna Beach Playhouse which they all attend. Al Riani sent in a note that Isobel Locke accompanied daughter Gerry and her husband to HI in late Sept, visiting Oahu and Kauai. Murry Carter keeps a busy pace in spite of her high blood pressure. In Jul she took her 98-year-old mother by plane from Riverside to Phoenix, left her with her sister and flew on to New England for a month. She even played golf for the first time in many years. Jim Carroll says his granddaughter, Claire Kirby, likes being a cadet very much and seems to be coping very well in the physical side. Her sister, 3 years younger, is also considering the Point at the proper time. Jim is back to his lawn bowling after 8 months lay off due to arthritis.

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The Editor's note in the Sept ASSEMBLY reported the death of Bunny Burnell in Jun. Bunny did a particularly fine job as Class Scribe, including a great deal of research which did not appear directly in the notes; and he certainly will be badly missed by all of us. Now that the new Class roster has been distributed, perhaps many of us who have neglected to keep our copies up-to-date will resolve afresh to do better. The name of Wini Hoffman, whose death was reported in the Mar ASSEMBLY, should be deleted from the new roster.

Dick & Emma Ovenshine have visited WP briefly regarding the marker for the Class Memorial. Dick said that he would furnish details later. Eddie Strohbahn reports that the WP Society of Central FL meets on the first Tues of each month from 1130 to 1330 hours at the Langford Hotel in Winter Park, and that they look forward to having visitors. Those perennial travelers, Viv & Ham Hamilton, are at it again. Driving north from San



1919: Five members of the Class in summer camp—1918.

Fran on U.S. 101, they stopped here and there to visit wineries in the Napa Valley region and sample the product. Continuing north, they invaded salmon country in OR, and their last report so far was from Florence, OR, on the Pacific, at the mouth of the Siuslaw R.; they were still northward bound. Elsie & Linc Dillaway continue to enjoy life at Pebble Beach, reports Jack Vance who says also that Mary & Jim Phillips cut short their motor trip to KY and returned to Carmel by air; Mary was not well. Vere de Vere & Barry Hutchins are enjoying a visit with their dau from Mexico City. Ruth & Babe Ruth are viewing castles in Spain. More details on this trip in the next issue, I hope. Betty & Jack Vance motored to ID to visit relatives. Jack says "...After crossing the dessert on the return trip, we relaxed for several days in Reno, with the customary result." I translate this to mean that they lost a bit of cash playing games in this big little city. They had a recent visit with one of our Class' strong supporters, COL Harrison C. Browne, age 89, whose father was a member of 1879, USMA. Brownie was an instr at Benning, 1919-20, first knew us there, later served elsewhere with members of our Class; commanded the 9th Inf, where Roly McNamee was his adjutant; and was a POW with Jack Vance for more than 3 years. He asked that his warm greetings be extended to the members of our Class.

For about 6 years Bert Hardin has been preserving and arranging flowers, using different methods of preservation. With the expertise that she has acquired in years of practice, Bert handles the entire process with great skill, and with really beautiful results, as reported in the *Star-Democrat's* WEEK-END MAGAZINE of Easton, MD.

With his usual thoroughness in gathering the news, Roly McNamee reports that in Sept Fred & Lynne Marlow are going to ID to inspect some large land holdings. On 30 Oct they fly to Tokyo, Hong Kong and Singapore, then take a 12-day voyage by ship through Malaysia; then fly to Thailand, again to Hong Kong, then home. Lynne is well and looking forward to the trip. Carlene Holly fainted, fell and struck her head, and was hospitalized. Tests indicated no brain tumor or stroke, and the medicos attributed her trouble to overmedication. She has recently had shingles, is home now, but in a weakened condition. Helen Kanaga will make a trip to Kansas City in Oct. Mary Dickin-

son, widow of Rusty Nelson, leaves for a 5-week tour of Australia and New Zealand on 1 Oct. She is very active and travels extensively. John & Eunice Denny are planning a trip to AK or HI in the fall. Elaine McFarland took a trip to Greece, which she found very exciting, and which she greatly enjoyed. Flip Sutherland writes that she swims daily in the Pacific, but that her travel means trips between Carmel Valley and Santa Paula, CA. She is quite active and takes part in politics, church, bridge and social life. Dave Hale continues in good health, playing golf, tennis, climbing the highest hill in L.A. and picnicking on a mountain at the 9000-foot level; and this in his 82d year. Bob Scullin is scheduled for a cataract operation in Dec and admits that his loss of sight cramps his style. Margaret Jackson still lives in San Diego, says Roly McNamee who heard from her recently. She and Charlie helped Conchita Sorley, her children and a dog depart from San Diego for the East Coast in 62, and Conchita still remembers. Stone had left some weeks before.

Harris Scherer writes that he and Gretchen have come up from FL for their customary fall visit to DC, to see relatives and friends. Their married dau and family live in Bethesda, MD. The Scherers' son's widow lives in Wmsburg, VA; and her 2 daus live in Richmond. One of the latter is married and has 2 children, who, of course, are the great-grandchildren of Harris and Gretchen. Harris reports that "...Except for the usual infirmities..." he and Gretchen seem to be bearing up well.

Dave McLean reports that Wayne Zimmerman is recuperating from a cataract operation of a new type: a lens transplant. No contact lens or eye glasses are needed and Wayne is delighted with the results. For the past 3 months Katharine Kean has been quite ill with complications resulting from a severe flu of some kind, but she is much better now. Nancy & Irish O'Connor are just "fair to middlin" and her health precluded their going to NJ to see dau Connie and family, who, therefore, visited the O'Connors; except that Connie's husband had to stay home for urgent business reasons. Marie & Ken Pierce returned from their annual trip to MI. Marie fell and broke a bone in her hand, but it is now out of the cast. Alex Raaen has just returned from a short trip to GA and NC. Helen Barden reports that Stu is still in intensive care, suffering

from a mild heart attack on 8 Sept. He looks much better now and she hopes that he will be out of the hospital soon. She plans to take him to FL this winter to restore him to normal. She herself is recovering from an emergency appendectomy.

In keeping with Bunny's suggestion of a little variation from ills and travel in this column by introducing items and photos from our past: the summer camp snap from Hei Heiberg. From Chic Noble, a most interesting account of the capture of Pilsen by CCB (reinforced) of the 16th AD (Chic was commander of CCB); the German surrender, the Russians, the townspeople, being decorated by the Czechs, commanding a POW camp of 1000 German and Austrian GEN's and ADM's; and many other matters. Roy Green sent in an account of his experiences as a brand new 2LT in the 9th Engrs (mtd) marching, with other mounted outfits, from Camp Courchesne, 4 miles west of El Paso, TX, Ft Sam Houston, in May and Jun 1920, with many Mexican and Indian enlisted men, in desert-like country, losing the trail, and many other adventures. A few years later Roy resigned and organized an insurance company which has attained great size and success.

When I asked Bob Springer to send in some "sensational, spicy stuff" for the notes, he replied to the effect that Class members in San Ant were not quite up to it, though he erased that picture later by his itemization. Peewee Collier was interviewed by a writer from OK who is writing a book on the 2d AD. Lib "...continues to excite the envy of all weightwatchers; she weighs in at about 100 lbs by jumping on the scales..." Bobby Gard seems fully recovered from last year's aorta transplant. Archie Cooney's grand-dau is again national water ski jumper champion, with a leap of 105 feet, in a contest open to both men and women. George Elms, our much-in-demand horseshow judge, while pinning a blue ribbon on a "charming girl winner," received "an affectionate kiss," but alas!—and alack!—'twas from the horse. Bob reports also that he and Rhoda, on a trip to Vail, CO, saw the melodrama "Curse You, Villain," at the Village Dinner Theater. Pres Ford and party were there, and at one point the female villain, "a gorgeous blonde," stepped down from the small stage, sat in the lap of the Pres, not Bob, and sang a song. Bob, of course, was burned up at the discrimination.

George Elms reports that he and Adna Hamilton are the only '19 cadetti who live in El Paso, but the WP spirit there is strong, with monthly meetings and well-attended Founders Day dinners. Bunker Bean reports the arrival of a new great-granddau, born 8 Sept at Fitzsimons Gen Hosp. He and Fay plan a trip to the West in Oct.

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DECEASED

Nathaniel Alanson Burnell 2d, on 27 Jun 76, at Edgewater, MD, at age of 79 (see above). Interment was at Arlington. Bernice, wife of Ben Byrne, died in late Aug, in Honolulu. The Class extends deepest sympathy to the families of the deceased.

VITAL STATS

Ret USA-80, AUS-6, Civil Life-22, Status Unk-2, Deceased-174.



1920: Very sharp LTs Wisheart, Vogel, Casey, Ellis, Dillon, Robertson and Applewhite snapped by very sharp LT Engelhart in glow of 60" searchlight at Ft Monroe, VA, in 1921.

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With great sadness I report Dick Partridge, John Culleton and Homer Kiefer have died. Our deepest sympathies go to their loved ones.

Dick Partridge died of a heart attack 23 Jul 76 in New London, CT. He was stricken after taking his wife Margaret to an oculist. He was parking his car when she saw him collapse. Rushing back, she also suffered a heart attack and was rushed into intensive care. Services for Dick were held in the CG Acad Chapel. He was buried in WP. Among those attending with daug Peggy (Mrs. Colin McDougall of Norwich, England) and Clare (Mrs. Jack J. Fieldhouse of Washington) were the Hasbroucks and EC Johnstons. Eight grandchildren also survive. Dick's distinguished service included: Asst MA Berlin, MA Budapest and MA Belgrade; in WWII he was with Allied Forces Hq in England and N. Africa 42-43, 15th Army Gp in Tunisia and Sicily 43, CO 358th Inf 90 Div in Normandy landings 44 (PH) and CS VII Cps (DSM-2LM-2BSM); and in KW—Dpty CS Seventh Army and Dpty Dir Int JS 50-52; Army G2 52-53; and Ch JUSMAG Thailand 56 (DSM). Margaret is now "gaining strength daily" in her new home in DC's Army Distaff Hall, where she says, "I know quite a number of people..." (Marie Byers, Janet Claterbos, Mildred Hayden, Marcia Lystad.); and dau Clare is nearby.

John Culleton suffered fibrosis of the lung for a long time and died 17 Aug 76 at Letterman GH. Services were held in the Catholic Chapel in the Presidio of San Fran, followed by burial at the Presidio National Cemetery. Among those attending with John's widow Helena, daug Mary Ann and Helen, and son John Jr. were the Planks and Alex Sand. Eleven grandchildren also survive. A WWI Vet, John served with distinction in WWII in T-E 43-45 as Asst ArtyO-VI Cps(PH) and in G3 Sect Hq Sixth Army Gp. Plank writes that Helena now has a living-in companion and one dau lives not far away.

Homer Kiefer died 22 Sept 76 in Clearwater, FL, following a stroke 17 Aug. He was buried in Arlington. Present there with his widow Rosamond were dau Lillian and husband, MG Thomas H. Tackeberry of Ft Bragg, NC, son COL Homer Jr. ('52) and his wife

of Ft Jackson, SC, brother, Dr. Walter Kiefer of Ocean Springs, MI, 3 grandsons (2 CPTS Tackeberry) and 1 grandau (6 other grandchildren and 1 great-grandson also survive), and classmates Denson, Farrell, Hinds, the Hollis, John Mitchell, the Rehms, Samouce and Stratton. A WWI Vet, Homer distinguished himself in WWII as XO 24 Div Arty anl ArtyO Sixth Army T-S 43-45 (DSM-SS-LM-BSM-AM); and in KW as Asst CG 9 Div (2LM-DFC-BSM-2AM).

Annual elections for 5 of the 10 members of the Class Governing Cmte have resulted in the elections for 2 yrs of Farrell, Hinds, Holle, Samouce and Stratton. Giving them "a run for the money" were Denson, Garvin, Routheau, Singer and Leland Smith.

Welcomed at the Sept monthly luncheon of DC area classmates at the A-N Club were Pinky Loupret, recently moved from Norfolk to Alexandria, VA, and Jack Goff who was passing through on his way back to Tacoma after visiting relatives and friends in NJ.

Jack brought us up to date on news from the Pacific NW where he's our Rep: Hearty congratulations to the Barneys who celebrated their Golden Wedding anniv in Jul! Though Jim is in a wheelchair (4 PH's and lives to tell it!), he manages to have it wheeled onto a charter boat to continue enjoying deep-sea fishing for silver salmon, mahi-mahi, halibut and... Up and at 'em as ever, Jim! George Bare suffered a cardiac arrest 4 Jul, which was overcome by prompt and vigorous action resulting in broken ribs. He's now making



1920: Alma enjoying Jack Goff showing off his 1st great-grandchild (and USMA '96 candidate), Andrew Goff Kalishman.

good progress. "J.F." Wahl, nationally-known optometrist, enjoyed the benefit of new techniques of sewing contact lens in place after his cataract operation last Jan. Now doing nicely. Ray Welch's health has improved and he's golfing again. Gerrie Leehey regularly does volunteer work at Seattle's Orthopedic Hosp. She visits son Don Jr. ('51) and his 6 sons in CA; and travels much. Francel Walker (FW) enjoys life with her 3 sons who continue their father's fuel oil business. Their many children and much church work keep her happily busy. Isabelle Swartz and dau, COL Jo, have moved to new home in Tacoma where they have a wide view of the Narrows and the Olympic snow-covered mts. Isabelle is almost out of circulation with arthritis but manages to visit oldest sister Veda who moved from CA to a nursing home on the Peninsula. Jack Goff continues golfing several times a week at Oakbrook CC and the McChord AFB Golf Club, while Alma enjoys bridge and bingo there. On Bill Crist's birthday they entertained with dinner at the McChord AFB Officers Club for him and his son Bill Jr. '50, whom he was visiting, and for Herb Reuter (of CA) who was attending to his annual lumbering operations at Port Townsend.

The Haswells and Lunns miss the Morses, who were always on hand for Class doings; they've moved from Sareveport, LA to Monterey, CA. Chesty and Eulamay are enjoying good health and are in much church and community work. Chesty is Chmn of the School Dist Bd's Citizen's Textbook Cmte and says that he'll be acquiring a 2d education if his eyes hold out.

The Lunns look forward to seeing more of London now that son Wilburn Jr.'s company has transferred him there for 3 yrs. Pop had a nice phone chat with Charlie West who's in good health and happy that his friends and relatives stop over at his home in Gainesville, FL, on their way to or from Disney World.

The Planks enjoyed another week's visit in Aug from dau Jacqui (Mrs. E. G. McClelland) and granddau Jana who kept them "on the go." Eddie brings word that Ross Cullum is having more eye trouble and Jim spent over a month in the hosp with cardiac trouble; and that Rhu Taylor is feeling poorly.

Long "missing" Snowden Ager has been found at 150 Herron Dr, Satellite Beach, FL 32937 where he's lived for 20 yrs. Bob Kreuter did it. Snowden has been a heart patient for a long time but Winifred is in good health. They had to give up their ME summer home in 74. They have 1 son, Snowden, ret. from the Navy, who has a son and 2 daus. Welcome back, Snowden!

Bob also reports that Hugh Winslow continues improving from his heart attack but has given up driving his car. Libby continues in a rest home.

Bill Bessell has been in the hosp since early May. Recovered from surgery on broken hip, he's suffering arteriosclerosis.

Mit Shattuck has an ordeal with a cornea transplant coming up in Oct.

In Aug the Singers enjoyed a visit with son Tommy and his family in Baltimore. Dick reports that the Jimmy Walkers are both in a nursing home now. Jo broke her hip and needs much care. Their grandau, Jeannine Morris, is a great help to them.

Dick also got in touch with the Joneses who are now in Bryan, TX. Gainer had ret. from a Houston bank and now enjoys farming his own land.

Hearty congratulations to the Farrells on



1920: "Fearsome Four," Goff, Crist, Reuter, and Welch after luncheon at Ft Lewis Officers Club.

their 45th wedding anniv 8 Jul They've been far and wide over the world but only now managed to return to Bermuda where they had honeymooned.

And hearty congratulations to the Tullys! Terry and Jo had a "gathering of the Clan" on the occasion of the christening 18 Jul of Terry's 1st great-grandchild, Tully Anne Forrester (granddau Regan's—who is dau Pat's).

And hearty congratulations to John McNulty! Leland Smith reports: "John A. McNulty received the high honor of investiture into the Knights of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and Rome. This Order dates back in the church past the 11th Century. The solemn investiture ceremony took place in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City 18 Sept with His Eminence Terence Cardinal Cook bestowing the honors for his Holiness Pope Paul. John's wife Kathryn and his sister Kathleen from St. Petersburg, FL, were among John's family and friends in the celebration of this special occasion." Soon after, 24 Sept, John and Kathryn left for Caracas to help a good friend celebrate his centennial birthday. And on 12 Oct they fly to Honolulu where Kathryn is being elected a trustee of The American Orchid Society for 3 yrs. John says they're both in fine health and enjoying these trips.

Leland Smith talked to Bill Crist 14 Sept. He had just returned from spending the summer with son Bill Jr. in Seattle, and had made a side trip to HI. Mid-Aug Leland and Myra had a 4-day visit from Charlie West, during which the McNultys entertained them with a delicious dinner.

The McQuarries visited the Traverses 4 days in late Aug. On their return home to Crystal River, FL, Mac suffered a slight heart attack, but is now back home from the hosp and feeling fine.



1920: Chesty and Eulamay Haswell snapped by their house guest, Brazil's Consul-General.

Carl Engelhart corrected my notes about him in the Sept 76 ASSEMBLY thus: "I am not a survivor of the Death March. I was captured a month later on Corregidor." Carl also says: "... I'm hitting the typewriter... trying to write some memoirs on the siege of Corregidor and my 3 yrs 4 mos and 6 days as Jap POW... [before WWII] I had 3½ yrs in Japan as language student, so (as POW) I spent nearly all my time fighting the Japs to protect the POW's." More power to you, Carl! You've been "thru the wringer" and lived to tell it! Your memoirs will tell it like it was for the whole world to know.

I want to let all pre-53 grads in on something Bill Bartlett steered me onto. Not all may know that in 53 a splendid 73-page booklet, "The Cadet Chapel USMA" was published. It is available from the Chaplain, Cadet Chapel USMA, West Point, NY 10996 for a donation of \$1 to the Chapel Fund. The author, George S. Pappas '44, with the help and advice of our Larry Schick, has thoroughly researched the subject. He leads us thru its conception and construction and accurately pictures for us its detailed exterior and interior architecture, stained glass windows, the organ ("largest church organ in the Western Hemisphere"—when built), religion at West Point... And it is beautifully enhanced with 29 of Larry's superb drawings and sketches.

'21-'22

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Yep, in Jun 77 it will have been 55 years since graduation.

Right this minute promise yourself that you will be at WP to answer "HERE" at the roll call.

There are many ways to get there—plane, train, car, boat, covered wagon, carriage, ox cart, bus, stage coach, pony express and even walk. We don't care how, but just make it. Be sure to bring your wife along.

Tentative Schedule of Events.

Wed, Jun 1: Register in Thayer Hotel (we have priority on rooms); Class Buffet at Thayer.

Thurs, Jun 2d: Alumni Exercises; Alumni Review; Alumni Lunch (Ladies at WP Army Mess); Cocktail Party; Alumni Dinner Dance and Supe's Reception.

Fri, Jun 3d: Cadet review; Class Picnic.

Sat, Jun 4: Departure—rooms at Thayer must be vacated to make room for grads' parents.

General Info: Registration—at Hotel Thayer. Make your own reservation directly with the hotel (mention 55 class year); Payments—You will pay for events as you desire: a. Hotel Thayer for rooms; b. AOG for Assoc lunch, Ladies lunch, Alumni dinner and Supe's reception; c. AAA for any games you may wish to attend; d. Class Treas, Bill Lawton, for buffet, liquor, picnic, arm bands, etc.

Present Committee: Art Klein, Chairman; Harry Haas, Secretary; Bill Lawton, Treasurer; Jordan Bassett, Functions.

Ben Chidlaw wrote me that he had some difficulty getting to WP from NY and return at our 50th. He suggested that we do what the Class of '16 did last Jun. They chartered a bus in DC that took them to the Academy and hauled them back. The bus stopped at a bus station at the west end of the George Washington bridge and picked up those who flew in to NY. I note in the Sept issue of this magazine that the Class of Apr '17 is

planning on doing the same thing. The plan would be particularly helpful for those who fly from distant places and want to avoid the inconvenience of travel from a NY airport to WP. We might use the bus as a means of travel around the post during our stay there. I'd suggest that George Olmsted appoint some one in DC to carry the ball and perhaps coordinate with the Class of Apr '17.

The DC Orioles meet for lunch at the Army-Navy Club on the second Mon in each month. If you happen to be in DC on one of these dates be sure to attend the luncheon. You will be most welcome. Mark McClure gives me a report on the goings-on at these luncheons. Jul 13: Max Taylor, George Olmsted, Orval Cook and Mark were present. Orval brought one of his sons which added to the affair. Myron Leedy, who is a regular at these luncheons, was in Walter Reed Hosp for some eye treatment. (As of this date, Sept 27, he is O.K.); Aug 9: The same 4 were in attendance. George spoke about a conversation he had with his banking rep in Beirut and told the group about the situation in Lebanon. Max stated that he was pleased with the choice of GEN Rogers as Army CS. GEN Rogers had been Max's aide at one time. Sept 13 meeting was better attended, but what makes this one a memorable one is that George Olmsted was stuck for the drinks. I probably spoke too soon about George going to Las Vegas.

More about the DC Orioles. The McClures spent a couple of weeks in the White Mts of NH last summer, but the weather man was not at all cooperative. Max Taylor was on a panel with Rep Les Aspin (D-WI) at the annual meeting of the Assn of the U.S. Army. The Conways were planning a trip to Ireland, but would probably steer clear of the fighting areas. Max Taylor's book "Precarious Security" has been reviewed by the N.Y. Times (Jul 31st) the MOWW Officer Review and the Army Magazine. I have read the book and can highly recommend it. It is most interesting and timely.

Harry & Maxine Stout spent some time in MA last Aug and hoped to see Clark-of-the-Army at Weston, CT on their way home. So far I haven't heard from either Harry or Eddie.

I was finally able to get Dewitt McLallen on the phone. He was not very talkative, but he did say that he was well, that his wife's name is Fern and that he will not attend the 55th Reunion. He said he has lost interest. This doesn't seem reasonable.

A long letter from Al Price related the rough time Avis has had for the past year and a half. I reported that she had a stroke in Mar 75 and since then has been in and out of the hospital several times. Finally last Jul she was operated on to remove an obstruction in an artery that leads to the brain. Since then her condition has improved considerably and we hope that by now she is back to her old self again.

I regret to report that Virginia (Blair) Betak died last Jul 2d. She is survived by her husband John, and son, Richard Blair. Interment was at Arlington. On behalf of the Class I extend to John and Richard our sincere condolences.

"PD" Lynch in his semi-annual progress report stated that he is well and busy with all kinds of projects and visiting friends and relations. He has not made up his mind about attending the 55th. It is a little too far in the future to make a definite plan. "PD" missed

the 50th so he better not miss this one. I hate to be a "Gertie-Gloom" but it is getting later than we think.

Ben Chidlaw wrote that he doesn't see many classmates other than Jim & Lou Spry and Babe & Patti Wilson. Babe usually stops by on his way to western CO on his annual trout fishing trip. The flu incapacitated Lillian for 6 weeks last Feb and Mar, which left Ben to do all the house chores in addition to battling the weeds on his 2½ acre mountain estate. But is a pleasure to report that Lil has fully recovered while Ben is trying to straighten out his back.

Bill & Marge Lawton spent the summer in ME with a few side trips to places like Bristol, MA and Newport, RI.

Granger Anderson made up a list of members of our Class arranged in order of age. It shows that 5 Orioles will reach the 4-score mark in '77. They are Milo Cary, Andy Anderson, Myron Leedy, Bill Kyle and Bob Taylor. The youngest member is Morris Marcus.

The doctors have been having trouble diagnosing Lucile Anderson's stomach pains. A strict diet seems to have given her some relief. We hope this finds her fully recovered and her old vivacious self again.

Dot Spalding spent a month last summer visiting her daughter, Mary Joy, in CT.

Rummy Rumaggi has been warned to slow up. He had a heart attack that put him in the intensive care unit of the hospital for a few days. He writes he is much better and is looking forward to attending the 55th. Other than that things are running smoothly with the Rumaggis. Louise continues her interest in the Genealogical Societies and next will be pres of the daughters of Founders and Patriots of America for the state of TX. In the latter part of Jul Johnny Johnson was in Dallas visiting his sister, but found time to contact the Rumaggis and entertain them at dinner. As reported in these notes, Louise and Johnny have a common ancestor in John Battle.

More about the Johnsons. Johnny and Edna spent some time on the West Coast last summer visiting their 3 sons in San Mateo. Johnny did manage to get in some golf with Wes Yale at Wes' Monterey Country Club. In mid-Aug the Johnsons were at St. Clair, MI, for a golf tournament, and typically Johnsonian they visited the Andersons in Southfield. Edna spent a couple of weeks at a health spa in L.A. last Sept. During her absence Johnny was toying with the idea of visiting London, Ireland and the Madiera Is. Perhaps he will tell us about it.

Beverly (Kane) & Len Ellsworth had a ball visiting the family in Germany and, incidentally, traveling in Luxembourg, Italy and England. Then upon their return they visited son Frank at Carlisle, PA. As Bev put it, "Poor old Grandma, nearly walked my legs off. But it was fun."

Change of address: Hartley Caldwell (Ex '22) has moved to 5303 Willow Dr, Comarillo, CA 93010, phone: 805-482-9400. Bob Murphy's new address in Miami is 7946 NE 3d Ave, Miami, FL 33138, phone: 305-754-2230. This is for the months of Sept thru Apr. His Fall River address remains the same. Granger Anderson's new winter address (Dec thru Apr) is: Hillsboro Cove Apts, Apt No. 125, 1427 Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441. Tel: (305) 427-9422.

As a parting shot—plan to attend the 55th.

Al Price's wife Avis died 25 Sept. This

information came to me after I had sent these notes to WP. On behalf of the Class I extend to Al and his family our sincere sympathy.

'23

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Our 19 Sept luncheon brought out Adams, Bromley, Carnes, Guevara, Kehm, O'Reilly, Salsman, Shafer, J. Smith, Timberman and Towle of our locals. The out-of-towners included Coleman who brought along his daughter Claudine from NH who is an artist specializing in horses; and Karl Lueder from Jalisco, Mexico, and his son John, Ex '49, who is ret. in VA. The visitors lent great interest to our meeting. Lueder had recently seen Breidster and reported that Fritz seemed in good shape and is looking forward to a 55th reunion.

We noted with regret the death of Tom Lewis on 14 Jun in the VA Hosp in Kerryville, TX, and of Jeff Binns on 20 Aug as noted in Palmer's report.

In the business part of the meeting we agreed to arrange for a 55th Reunion and to allocate a reasonable sum from the Class Fund for expenses. Since we felt the AOG was in a better position to evaluate all the considerations involved in making a Thayer Award, we decided not to offer a nomination. In a moment of weakness, we agreed to nominate Kehm for membership on the Bd of Trustees of AOG.

We agreed that the 26 Aug letter Breidster wrote to the Supe about the honor code is excellent and will arrange to have it circulated to the Class.

We then considered the letter written by MG T.M. Watlington '27 concerning the case of Frank Dodd. Based on information in that letter and comments of classmates who knew something about the case, it was decided that the group should send a letter of appreciation to GEN Watlington for his work and to send a request to the SA in whose office the report of the panel of the Army Bd for Correction of Mil Records on the case has now been for some time, urging that the Secy take action on it favorable to Dodd.

We discussed the Supe's letter concerning the action taken by the SA in the honor cases. Considering those comments and those of classmates present and those sent in, there was agreement that an honor system essentially as we knew it needs to be retained and supported. There was considerable feeling that the Academic Depts should not permit the use of exams in bks under honor code requirements. We are aware that the Secy and the Supt must consider the strong political and public relations pressures that are upon them.

Adams noted that despite this period of high prices and extensive welfare costs, our Class Fund in the last 2 quarters will have an increase which should bring the net total to an estimated \$2,664.00 by 30 Sept.

THE REPS REPORT

PALMER, G.H.: On Sun, 11 Jul, Agnes & Art Garrecht entertained the San Fran Bay Area group to a fine luncheon preceded by generous liquid refreshments and much exchanging of personal news on all sides. The Pitzers were the only ones of the Bay Area crowd to miss the affair, but their places were taken by Ruth & Bill Bartlett of '20. While the Garrechts may not have planned it as

such, it also turned out to be a birthday party for Pinky Palmer, his 79th. Everyone was in fine fettle and we were all glad to see Eleanor Buckley at a general party for the first time since her recent stroke. Because of Eleanor's recent troubles, her's and Mike's golden wedding anniversary had been celebrated with less activity than had earlier been planned, with just a few close family. Gjelsteen reported son Andrew as being on the Beast Detail, and Genevieve and Einar are awaiting Andrew's first comments on the arrival of feminine beasts at WP. Trooper Price, back from his long cross-country travel, tried valiantly once again to get the group to pose for a photo.

Jess and Jeff Binns had planned a party at the Presidio of San Fran on 25 Jul honoring Jess's brother, but just a few days before that date Jeff was stricken with a heart attack which caused postponement of the party. Jeff was hospitalized until his death on 20 Aug. Burial services were conducted on 24 Aug at the Chapel of Our Lady at the Presidio of San Fran, interment at the Presidio National Cemetery. Honorary pallbearers included Gjelsteen, O.C. Stewart and G.H. Palmer. Also present at the services were most of the San Fran Bay Area group of '23 and their ladies. Harmony escorted the widow and has been helping her with the many details of paper work involved in Jeff's passing. I expect that in due time Harmony will prepare an obituary of Jeff for AOG.

DYER: Dot & Don Tredennick continue an active busy life from their Reading, PA home. Tred continues to work hard on lining up prospects for admission to WP from his area. For the Class of '80, 5 new cadets were admitted from his area—4 young men and 1 young lady. Tred points out he worked out on the 4 males but that the female was recruited directly by the Acad AdmO. Tred attended the Annual Picnic of the WP Soc of Phila in late spring for new cadets and prospects with 3 of the newly selected male cadets, the other had his high school graduation that night, and 2 of their dads, plus one prospect and a USMA Yearling home on leave also attended. Tred is also active in the Valley Forge chapter of TROA and is an important cog in organizing the chapter's quarterly dinners. He, Dot and Mary and Roy Dwyer recently attended the summer dinner. Dot and Tred visited Wolfboro, NH and WP in the early summer. He also managed an annual physical exam at Carlisle Bks Health Clinic and came thru OK. Dot and Tred plan to attend all Army home football games this fall plus the Navy game in Philly and will be on the lookout for classmates.

Frank Wilder has made a slow but satisfactory recovery from his prostate operation with only a few complications. He still has to return a couple of times a month for observation and treatment. M.E. has held up fine taking care of Frank, and enjoys good health. They both took a trip of 2 weeks to a quiet old inn, dating back to 1740 near Lumberville, PA, where the peace, quiet and fine cuisine did them a lot of good and a little gaining of weight. They also visited Washington's Crossing, New Hope and crossed the Delaware on a small footbridge. Frank is gradually resuming his campaign of letter writing and other action against Communism, ultra-liberalism, misleading TV and for a strong National Defense. He does a lot of good in this campaigning.

Helen & Jimmie Carroll continue to enjoy life in Carlisle, PA. They visited Syracuse,

NY and Cape Cod this summer and enjoyed fine weather but were appalled by the heavy traffic and the driving habits of many of their co-travellers. Helen is enjoying much better health, thanks to the Carlisle Bks Army Health Clinic. Jimmie keeps to his own quiet, unexcited way.

Howard Serig is also living a quiet life in N. Jersey. He still grieves at the loss of his Christine one year ago. He offers his married classmates this pertinent advice: "Old friends, enjoy your golden years together while you can for sooner or later one of you will be alone."

Dwyer, after pleading with his doctor, was given the green light to drive on a tour in Jul. He had not driven longer than 15-20 min at one time since Dec, so Mary and he took off for Enfield, CT, to attend the 28th Annual Reunion of the 102d Inf Div Assn (the Ozarks). It was a happy week including a visit to the Basketball Hall of Fame and the old Springfield Armory Museum plus being with over 400 former Ozarks. It did a lot for their morale. Then late in Aug, they drove Mary's 84 year old sister, a Visitation Order Nun, from Baltimore to Wheeling, WV via Malvern, PA. The sister had spent 61 years in the same convent and school in Baltimore. On the way they also visited with Roy's only sister, a nun in the Mother Seton Charity Order at Seton Hill Coll in Greensburg, PA, and relatives in Pittsburgh. Labor Day they drove to Bethel, CT for another gathering of Ozarks at the home of the Assn's Secy-Treas where they joined more than 125 Ozarks for a weekend. Roy recommends strongly to all to get-together with those they served with in WWII. It will mean a lot to them and to you. Roy plans to attend the Holy Cross, NC, Stanford, Colgate and Navy games this fall with some Ozark friends, Mary, his son Roy Jr. and lots of grandchildren. The Dwyer's grandson, Stephen Roy Dwyer, Class of '80 and has finished *Beast Bks* as enthusiastic and dedicated as ever. One of his classmates is Dave Dunne's grandson, who with Steve was admitted to WP from the Army via USMA Prep School. Mary still continues with her pep and enthusiasm and will be back at Nurse's School 3 mornings a week. Those kids keep her young and happy. She never sees a doctor. Roy is OK but must curtail physical activity. His cataracts are still building and he should get something definite on a visit to an eye doctor in Oct. One Dwyer granddaughter has returned to Georgetown U. in DC for her 4th year pre-med. She hopes to enter med sch next year. Grandson Mark Honebrink has entered Rutgers. Five other grandchildren are in high school and doing well. Married granddaughter, who graduated from William and Mary 2 yrs ago is buying a home in Bala Cynwood outside of Philly.

HEANEY: Weikert reports that Roy M. Foster is pres of the Central FL WP Soc. It meets in the Fireside Room at the Langford Hotel the first Tues each month. There are no meetings during Jun, Jul and Aug. They would be glad to have any graduate visiting in the area to meet with them. It is stag. P.D. was the only other classmate at the luncheon in Sept.

Al Johnson leaves the latter part of Sept for his annual month of goose and duck shooting in Northern Manitoba. Evelyn and he have booked passage on the Q.E. 2 for a 16-day Caribbean Cruise, leaving NY on 3 Dec.

Heaney's son, George 3d, is a stockbroker in Jacksonville. Daughter, Joan Hohenstein,

lives in Atlanta. Her eldest daughter, a graduate of GA Tech, teaches bio-chemistry at a jr coll. Daughter, Jocelyn Quinn, recently moved to Avon Park, FL, where her husband is a counselor at a retreat for wealthy alcoholics. Their eldest, Patrick, is a helicopter mechanic on USS Forrestal. He is "boning" for Annapolis.

Marian Dewey is feeling fine now after a period of hospitalization.

ROSENBERG: "22 Sept we will have a Class picnic at a park nearby. All classmates and widows in the area are coming except the Deke Stones who both unfortunately have previous engagements. Present will be Kay & Dave Dunne, Dottie & Warren Robinson, Caroline & Moe Cavender, Dave Stone, May Short, Betty Lord, Connie & Morris Marcus ('22), Esther & Dave Fowler, Marion & Herb Enderton, Louise and myself and possibly Isabel & Clark Gildart ('18)."

CARRAWAY: "On the day the call for ASSEMBLY news came Ken Webber phoned that he and Hazel were in town. Mela and I enjoyed seeing them, especially as we had been stationed in Tientsin, China, while Ken was there back in 1934-36 when we were in the 15th Inf.

"Last summer we had a visit with Deacon & Louise Stones' son David with his wife Carleen and very young daughter, Elizabeth. Dave had been stationed at Ft Carson some years ago but now lives at Sherman, TX, so came to Colo Spgs to enjoy the change in climate.

"Finally, the only other thing of interest is the fact that Frenchy Grombach sent me a copy of the book he had written about the Olympics, 'The 1976 Olympic Guide.' I can't recall whether or not you have mentioned in previous reports his authorship of this book, but if not, it certainly deserves a brief mention as it is truly filled with information of all kinds about the Olympics, past and last summer." (NB it is mentioned in this and earlier ASSEMBLYS.)

GETTYS: "Bill Torpy, my former beast bks buddy, and his charming wife now living in Clearwater paid us a visit last month. Aside from the joys of plebe life, we had one other circumstance in common—association with the 7th Regt, NYNG. It fell to my lot to command the wartime version of the 7th.

"Lela and I did take a short vacation in Jul and Aug which included a visit to our daughter in Carlisle Bks, PA, where her husband (COL John F. Coon) is on the faculty of the AWC. We also visited Lela's relatives in Mt. Holly, NJ where we observed our 52d wedding anniv and visited Ft Dix where it all started in our yearling summer at then Camp Dix.

"Just to join the club I finally got wired for sound. I don't like the pesky hearing aids any more than I like seat belts, but bowed to expediency. I joined the prostate club several years ago so now I feel almost qualified to join the senior citizens, although I still have some of my teeth and most of my hair."

GROMBACH: The Army football coach gave a promising talk at a NY WP Soc meeting where Frenchy was our only rep. His host was Luke Finlay and he did meet Roosma '26.

I asked Frenchy for his observations on the recent Olympics. He sent in extensive reactions to the organization and administration that need to remain confidential.

He considers that Canada's barring the ROC team and his Olympic Guide in 76 were unjustified. Over 40,000 copies of the hard-

back edition have been sold. He is contributing 50% of his royalties on all editions to our Olympic fund. Copies are still available from the U.S. Olympic Cmte. He says the games were well conducted without any important troubles. He notes that counting winners in terms of the populations of competing nations, the U.S. nudged out USSR in 64, 68 and 72 but both were well behind such nations as East Germany, Hungary, New Zealand and Finland.

NEWMAN: Opie's word near the end of Aug that Felicia Howell was in Walter Reed gave us a chance to visit her before she was able to go back home. Burnett's note to Opie informed us that Louise Workman had died a few weeks ago and that H. Davidson was bedridden. Bunny has a circulation problem in his legs and divides his time between his home in College Park, GA, and his daughter's home near Carrabella, FL.

HAYSELDEN: "Neal lives on the other side of the island (Oahu) from me. He rarely comes over and I seldom get over to his side except to play golf when it is raining at the Country Club. He plays in his garden and I play golf and make lamp shades and things out of leaded stained glass and record tapes on my Fun Machine."

ENSLow: "The Wittkops after selling their beautiful home (in The Blue Ridge Mts of VA!) have been house-hunting in Seattle and are charmed with the climate, and think they'll settle there permanently. Their letter to us starts off as follows: 'COOLISH WITH SUN BREAKS. As usual they say it has been an abnormal summer but we have been more ideally comfortable than in any summer since Europe.' They stayed in one of 'a cool group of rustic apartment buildings located in a large grove of oak trees with an occasional majestic Douglas fir.' They hope to locate on the west side of Seattle with an ocean view."

GLEANINGS

Many contributions for the column come to us as the result of requests for news. I mention that so you will know that they are not personal horn-tooting, but are responses to the effort to keep you informed about our classmates, their families and friends.

Breidster reported a family fishing trip in which all the muskies they boated were under the 30" minimum.

Price's letter covers a waterfront of ideas from how poorly '23 reacts at group photos, troubles in getting data on deceased classmates (Bates and Garcia), ideas on how to facilitate getting data on classmates from the St. Louis Record Center for Class purposes, to the driving problems of old age (78) and winds up with his determination to make our 55th by air. He is making a last plea for information on Bates and Garcia before he closes those files.

Wendell Johnson reported participation in a USMA graduates meeting in ME on helping out in USMA admissions. He also attended the installation of new pres, Brill Jun '43 of their local Historical Soc. There a first-grader commented: "Gee, you look old, you must be a hundred!" Johnny would admit to only 75!

Dud Roth's widow Ann visited here in Sept. A number of us got to see her at Mildred Mahoney's party. She is still an active golfer and plans to be at Marco Is again this winter.

Lou Storck's widow—now Mrs. E.H. Walker—informs us that each of the last few years she has been back to WP where her son,

George Storck '54, is with the AAA. I found out that he is on the coaching staff. You will recall that Lou was lost in France in 44 and Lou Jr '51 was lost in Korea in 52.

The Sweanys are spending Sept and most of Oct in Cape Cod, ME, VT and upper NY visiting relatives and friends, including Sydney Smith.

Jim Fry writes: "We went to Atlanta, GA, for a 3-day reunion of members of the 88th Inf Div. It was a great success. Saw several individuals whom I hadn't seen since World War II. On 12 Sept we will go with another group of the same div for 2 weeks in Italy. Counting wives, about 170 are scheduled to make the trip. We are planning to break away from the group in Rome for a couple of days and visit Capri, where Helen hasn't been. We will rejoin the group in Florence. The trip ends at Lake Garda where we had our Hqs while repatriating 320,000 POW's. I was touched to learn of Tom Lewis' death. We were both in the 88th for the final campaign. Tom was CG Div Arty and I was Asst Div Cmdr. Tom was a brave and capable cmdr. At the Po River crossing he was shot by a sniper. His life was saved by his helmet for the bullet cut thru the helmet and cut a gash in his forehead right between his eyes."

Some years ago Serff gave up the real estate business which he entered on ret. He now enjoys hunting and fishing in the area near Benning and in FL. His sole occupation is that of a dir of the National Bank of Ft Benning. He was one of its original founders.

He had 2 operations for stomach problems some 2 years ago and is recovering slowly but steadily.

He has a daughter, wife of Lindquist '52 stationed at Ft Ord, and a son (graduate of GA Tech with an M.A. from Emory U) who is with General Mills in Boston.

The Serffs have been making an annual trip to CA, Boston and WI. On the last one they had visits with the Pitzers and Buckleys in CA in addition to relatives there and in Boston and WI.

B-Food notes that Benning is now a beautiful, up-to-date establishment. He says they have plenty of room and invite you to visit them.

After the Sept Class luncheon Pat & Helen O'Reilly left for Seattle and Tacoma to visit their daughter Maura, her husband, Chad Casson, and their 6 children. Chad was formerly in the AF in Japan and at McClellan AFB as MAJ, USAF. He is now a pilot with Japan Air Lines.

THE 55TH

It is not too early to be thinking about our 55th Reunion. It could be something of a "Last Hurrah" for us. The thinking here is in terms of a simple affair with bus transportation from DC and during our stay at WP. Let us have your ideas so that our planning can get underway.

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Charlie & Jean Palmer sojourned at Sea Is, GA, for a week in Apr which included the Easter weekend. The weather was fine but not too cool for swimming. Then from 14 Jul to 9 Aug they stayed at the Lake Placid Club in NY State where the air is clean and not humid and where opportunities abound for plenty of outdoor activities.

Charlie Van Way has been elected a commissioner in one of the Advisory Neighborhood Comm of the Govt of DC. He represents a section of about 2000 registered voters. The responsibility of the commissioners, assigned to them by the new DC "Home Rule" Charter, is to disseminate information received from the DC Council on proposed matters of public policy. They are expected to obtain the constituents' reactions and to report to the DC Council their comments and recommendations, thus providing an input from the citizens. Van says he will receive no pay for this job.

The West Coast Thundering Herd has elected Tom Malin pres for the coming year.

The health situation among classmates in FL seems to be not too good. It is reported that Rod Rodieck is pretty well laid up with Parkinson's disease, George Pence has had a serious operation on his insides and doesn't get around, and Stubby Stubblebine has arthritis.

Don Storck, Peyton McLamb, Art Trudeau and Pat Pasolli showed up at WP in Jun for the alumni activities. The Supe gave a rundown of the situation involving alleged Honor Code violations currently receiving publicity in the nation's press. He said the institution is at a disadvantage and is inhibited in its replying to the various innuendoes and exaggerated statements appearing in the news media and on television. Care must be exercised that the rights of those under suspicion are not violated. A factual statement will be made in due time when all the facts are known and the investigations are completed.

Otto Nelson was married on 30 Jul to Milrae Eileen Jensen. They will reside in Alexandria, VA.

The Vern Stevens' visited HI in Mar but the trip was marred when Rose fell on an unexpected step in a tile floor and landed on her head. Luckily no major concussion resulted but Rose was laid up off and on for the balance of the trip. Later Steve was in the hospital for 10 days in Jul for the removal of a malignant intestinal tumor. The operation was successful although Steve must report for periodic checkups. On their way home from HI they stopped for a week in Rosemead, CA, visiting the Wallaces. Dorothy is interested in gardening. Chalmers collects coins and philosophises.

Art & Rosalie Trudeau visited the West Coast in Aug, spending a few days in the Monterey-Carmel area of CA. Harry & Betty Van Wyk gave them a party which was attended by Tom & Gwen Malin, Cam & Elizabeth DuVal, Walter & Betty French, Ray & Mae Coombs, and George & Kay Vaughn.

Dan & Virginia Hundley spent 2 weeks in Aug at the Broadmoor in Colo Spgs. This was when the great flood occurred in the Thomson Valley and when it rained heavily all over the state.

The Class will be proud to know that Herb Vogel has been elected to the grade of Honorary Member in the American Society of Civil Engrs. This singular honor is awarded to "a person who shall have attained acknowledged eminence in some branch of engr or in the arts and sciences related thereto." Prior to this year's election of Honorary Members, only 268 other engr have been similarly honored. These include 9 graduates of USMA among whom are such luminaries as GENs Brehon B. Somervell and Lucius D. Clay. Honorary Membership

is the highest honor that the American Society of Civil Engrs bestows.

Doug & Kitty Smith spent a few weeks in Europe last summer, arriving in Paris on 1 Jul which was the hottest officially recorded day in that city since 1851. There is only one air conditioned hotel in Paris, the Hilton, where the Smiths did not have reservations. So they spent most of their time in a small town near Bordeaux as paying guests in the home of a lovely French lady. Doug, an experienced connoisseur of the world's best wines, visited the various vineyards of the region, tasting each of the local products and judging their relative degrees of excellence. They returned home in late Aug.

Dud and Gladys Dudley had a brief visit from Rupe Graves who stopped at their house on his way to enroll his son in the U. of the South. Rupe had just received word that his house in FL had burned. The Dudleys report that they are well and happy although Dud was cheated out of the dove season because of a pulled ligament in his shoulder which was taking a long time to heal.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Miriam Tacy who died of cancer on 31 May at her home in Isle of Palms, SC. Joseph Atticus Morris passed away on 21 July in Chapel Hill, NC. A contribution was made by the Class to the American Cancer Society. Houston Val Evans died in Washington, DC on 22 Jul. The Class sent flowers. Both Joe and Val were buried in Arlington. Word has also been received that Elizabeth Arnold died on 22 Aug at the Great Lakes Naval Hospital in IL.

The ashes of Darwin D. Martin who died in Miami on 13 Mar and whose remains had been donated to the U. of Miami Med Sch, were interred at WP on 8 Sept. Graveside services were attended by Denis & Betsy Mulligan, Sullivan, McLamb and Pat Pasolli, as well as the family. The Class sent flowers.

Leo Douglas Vichules passed away in L.A. on 28 Jul. Vich had been hospitalized at the Sepulveda Veterans Hospital in CA for the last several years. He was buried at WP. The Class made a donation to the WP Fund in his memory.

The Class has now passed its halfway point. 202 of us are still alive. 203 have passed on.

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We are very sorry to report the loss of 3 classmates: Giddens, 24 Jul; Cannon, 3 Sept; Willems, 4 Sept. Both Bill Nutter and Gosco Gose contacted us re the passing of Mitchell Giddens (K Co. cadet) and we authorized them to take care of the Class flowers (actually gift to the Heart Assn). Funeral services only at El Paso and interment in the Ft Logan, CO, cemetery. We have received a nice letter from Mrs. Giddens.

Marcel Crombez was very prompt in air mailing us a San Fran newspaper cut out of Joe Cannon's passing and services scheduled for interment at Presidio on 9 Sept. Later a letter from Red Long who writes that he and Claude Burbach were at the services but failed to see other classmates who were there.

Russ Finn notified us by phone re the passing of John Willems and offered to order the Class flowers there (San Diego).

We feel that we should give a vote of thanks to Marcel Crombez who has kept in constant touch with us the past year. He should be happy about at least one thing currently—we noticed his favorite horse won a big race the past weekend although we had a news photo of his loss by a nose a few weeks ago.

Marie Dunn lost a sister at Walter Reed sometime ago but we were unable to attend the funeral services here as we had a very important meeting with our cataract surgeon on that day. Son Russ was down from his home in AK.

We have received a few changes of address over the past summer: The Bolducs have taken up residence in the St. Elizabeth Center—2825 32d Ave., Apt. 204, Denver, CO 20211; Charles Mason has moved to 2124B Westrivers Rd, Riverland Terrace, Charleston, SC 29412.

In a personal letter of 9 Aug, Bill Nutter said how much he misses his golf partner, Mike Giddens. Actually Bill says he has his old back problems plus a few others but is looking forward to getting back on the golf course in the foreseeable future. They have quite a number of classmates in the area and see Gose, Neprud, Betty Westphalinger and Elinor Evans often. Bill and Peg were planning to go to Colo Spgs, CO, to enroll Delores for entrance in CO Coll where she will major in math and minor in German. She will be happy there since she can skate at Broadmoor and ski in the CO mountains.

From Alice Tully we learn of a ceremony at Ft Belvoir on 14 Oct where one of the gates will be named in honor of Dave.

Our regular monthly luncheon was cancelled in Oct due to the 5 Oct WP luncheon at Ft Myer (Dist Area luncheon) where GEN Berry was scheduled to be the speaker (outlanders please remember that our monthly class luncheon is held at the Army-Navy Country Club the first Thurs of every month).

We received Red Long's marriage announcement as of 24 Jun. His current address is 19 Clairview Ct, San Fran, CA 94131.

We had 2 very interesting letters from Frank Steer who has led, and still does, an active career in the Honolulu and S. Pacific area. Liwskis are enjoying their home which fronts on Chesapeake Bay. It is near the site where Henrietta's ancestors had a manor house and considerable acreage in the early days.

We had some good news from the Johnsons. Both report that they are in the best condition they have enjoyed for some time. Johnny says it is a great blessing to be able to read, write and drive a car again after a year of cataract blindness and operations. He also reports about John Dansby who is in fine health and busy with his family who live in nearby TX cities. When I last talked to Sue Heacock she was about to take off to be a "delegate" at Kansas City Convention. McCormicks who live in the eastern area of San Ant visited the Johnsons when they came by to visit the Wilford Hall AF Med Cen, which was opened during Jack's command at Lackland.

In Aug a letter from Crombez tells of a severe compound fracture suffered by Mary in Feb of the right shoulder and arm, which could not be placed in a cast. It has been very painful. Orthopedic doctor at Letter-

man stated that the prognosis is one year for recovery.

A recent card from Florence Cleland tells of spending 2 weeks in Madrid.

We are grateful to Boudreau for sending us the clipping re Joe Cannon. Jim personally has been occupied with 2 operations the past year.

We are happy to have heard from so many of you the past summer although some of our news was not on the bright side. May we all look forward to better health and a happy fall and holiday season!

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Yours truly, ye scribe and Connie, have just returned from a 1000 mile motor trip to old haunts in SE FL, meandering here and there as the spirit willed, and a lot of fun it was, getting away on our own from the Naples scene for a wk or so. A complete break for us both! We started at Key West (always picturesque and interesting—found a new sea-food restaurant worth a visit—"Logans" on the ocean); then Coconut Grove and its playhouse for a musical; Key Biscayne and the famous Vizcaya palace and art museum; shopping in old Miami; on to Miami Beach, Collins Ave, Hollywood, Ft Lauderdale and its famous beach, "Where The Girls Are"; Pompano, Boca, Delray, Palm Beach and lunch at "La Petite Marmite" on famous Worth Ave; Jupiter, Hobe sound, etc., etc., ending at the Space Center at Patrick AFB and Cocoa Beach, where the original astronauts always stayed and where we had visited a number of times. The highlight of the return trip down thru the center of the state was a day at "Sea World," which is relatively new and absolutely fascinating! The performance of the huge, 7000-lb. killer whale is absolutely "out of this world." While at Cocoa Beach we tried to visit Peg McKinney but missed her by 36 hrs; she was on a trip to El Paso and a cruise to AK with friends—one of whom turned out to be none other than Dick McMaster himself—small world! I expect to get his report on this delightful cruise shortly. By the way, the list of addresses we got with the Reunion reports shows Peg living in Cocoa Beach, CA, which most everyone knows was a typographical error; she lives at 20 Bougainvillea Dr, Cocoa Bch, FL 32931, in a lovely home on a bayou off the Banana River nearby. She repeats that the welcome mat is always out—if one can find her at home! Another brief correction should



1926: Charlotte Matthias and Red Corderman.

be noted here—in the Barney brochure, my eldest grandchild, Karen Ankenbrandt, will be 16 in Oct, not 18 as listed.

In the last issue, I forgot to mention that Red & Virginia Corderman went to a 2d reunion right after our 50th—this time to the periodic Corderman family gathering in the old hometown of Hagerstown, MD, with over 140 in attendance, including Red's brother and sister and spouses. What a prolific family that is!! Got a note from Don Booth which forwarded a few Reunion photos and said in part "The greatest deficiency at the Reunion was the lack of time to get to talk to so many friends for more than a minute or two. Let's go back and do it all over again." I certainly subscribe to those sentiments, and apologize for not visiting with more of you than we did! In retrospect, there were some Connie and I didn't get to visit with at all! Two of Don's snaps are herewith, taken at the Class picnic on Fri.

Spud Murphy in his always fine report from the West Coast points out that this is not only the "50th" for the Class, but also, the golden wedding anniv of quite a few. The first to celebrate were Bob & Big Nourse at a large family gathering in Ridgewood, NJ, at which surprise attendees were dau Sissy, with husband, Bob Martin, and son Bobby, in from Seattle. Next were Hazel & Paul Carroll, with a lovely party in their home in the Monterey area. Next in early Sept came Gen & Spud Murphy whose celebration was somewhat subdued because of health and other family problems. Spud did report that Hal & Betsy Forde have pulled up stakes in Los Altos and moved to a new condo they bought in Rancho Bernado, just north of San Diego, where they are now neighbors of the Kirchhoffs. Dau Ann and husband, COL Jolley, helped them make the move. Don't have their new address as yet—hope it will be available for the next issue. In the meantime, you can use the identical address of the Kirchhoffs except for the apt number. Spud closed with the news that Paul Hamilton had another and quite serious heart attack in early winter, including a complete heart stoppage. Fortunately, the doctors were able to get it started again and he is now up and around once more. Good Show, Paul—keep it up!

The DC gang had a unique Class luncheon on 23 Sept at the ANCC. They had as guests all the officers they could locate in the DC area who had been tacs or instructors of ours during our cadet days. Present were GEN Jake Devers '09, BG Calvin DeWitt '16, GEN "Lightning Joe" Collins Apr '17, MG Fred Irving Apr '17, COL Biff Jones Aug '17, MG Bill Reeder Aug '17 and COL Brian Evans



1926: (L-R): "Big" Nourse, Ank Ankenbrandt, Teddy Watson.

Nov '18. The only one unable to attend was LTG Willis Crittenger '13 due to doctors orders. This wrap-up was provided by Fred Munson and Rod Smith: "It was a lively and sparkling affair, with much reminiscing over those 22-26 and subsequent experiences. ADM Sims originated the idea, Freddie Munson did the inviting and follow-thru, Pick Collins did his usual great job of arranging lunch and drinks, and table decorations were courtesy of Leon Johnson. Jake Devers expressed the appreciation and warm feelings of the guests in his typical articulate and vigorous manner." The 14 classmates present were Baird, Barbour, Barney, Brecht, Collins, deShazo, Ehrgott, LW Johnson, Munson, Nelson, Sims, CR Smith, Stanton and White. Those table decorations deserve a few more words: It turns out that Leon Johnson has a hobby of growing rare and beautiful dahlias and has been winning many prizes at flower shows in recent years—last week for instance he exhibited 5 blooms at a Fairfax flower show and won 4 first prizes!! He brought a huge display to the luncheon, enough for each table and then gave each guest a vase full to take home. What a nice gesture and what a fine hobby, Leon!!

More kudoes for "Sparky" Baird. Will they never end! It seems he has been selected as an "outstanding American for this Bicentennial year" by a special board of distinguished Americans and his name and record included in a book by the Biographical Publication Co. of Atlanta, which includes other outstanding Americans. This selection adds to the pride we of '26 feel for this unassuming and exceptional classmate and friend of all of us.

Tommy & Babe deShazo have just returned from a motor trip to the West Coast (Connie and I are planning such a trip in the late spring) and in the course of their travels saw Mac & Kay McFarland in Coeur d'Alene, ID; Bob & Big Nourse in Greenbrae, Spud & Gen Murphy, Bud Black and Beth McNaughton in the Monterey area. They also talked on the phone with Hal Brusher and Brook Brady. They found out from Beth that she has designed and built a memorial to Ken McNaughton onto the St. John's Episcopal Church in Monterey which is very beautiful. Hope to have more on this in the next issue. The deShazos were departing the DC area soon (at this writing) to spend the winter in their "Pied A Terre" in Winter Pk, FL. Rod & Kathy Smith have been to Europe again—this time to Munich, where he is still a consultant on program planning for Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Glad you 2 did not go back to Beirut this time—looks like that's a good place to stay away from these days.

Well, ladies and gents, looks like my basket is empty and my space is running out, so will say goodbye 'til next time. Yours truly—Ankie.

NECROLOGY

Word just received of the sudden death on 24 Sept of classmate, Frank Sayles Bowen



Jr, MG, USA (Ret), apparently in Columbia or nearby Ft Jackson, SC. Had a very distinguished combat career in SW Pacific under GENs MacArthur and Eichelberger. Upon ret., engaged in numerous civic and state activities—See p. 7 of Barney brochure. Burial at WP. Other details unknown at this time.

'27

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As you scan this column this Dec day, let us hope that it reminds you that we are only 6 months away from that Great Gathering on the Plain! Yes, we are almost at the 50th! Every thought should be devoted to your presence there at the Point for those too few May days of Reunion. Let's keep working on it! Let's all be there! Now to this small column—

Returning from his annual trip to the West Coast in Jul, Ray Bell sent in a welcome summary of contacts and events. He had talked to Ty Cobb in Birmingham, who "sounded as though he was in good health." Ray heard that the Deichelmanns plan to attend the 50th. His San Antone visit was very good, especially as Ray and Watlington were reunited for "the first time in many years." With the Aloe's party Ray got to see "the distaff side of the Williamses, Leppings, and Terry Meloy and Lonny Gilbreth Brooks." In the San Fran area contact was made with Gar & Verone Davidson and with Tom McManus, and he had a "pleasant visit" with the Pachynskis in Mill Valley and learned that "Gil Allen has moved down South" for more warmth and less dampness. Then Ray harked back to his Mar trip to FL and recalled "a very pleasant evening with the Fred Days in Tampa. Both were in fine fettle." Thus Ray Bell summarizes briefly the several fine contacts he has renewed over the past months.

Chris Nelson from San Antone went through the DC area, staying briefly at Ft Myer's BOQ near mid Sept, en route to NY State for a protracted family get-together around Oswego, including a planned attendance at the Homecoming Game. The scribe and spouse managed to get with him for a snappy reunion of sorts, bringing both '27 areas up-to-date, and firming more things for the 50th. Remember that Chris continues active with the obits we need.

Charles Hutchison sent in 2 copies of his



1927: McKinney poised for the 50th.

printed material from Honolulu papers. One was an Aug letter, "Critical of Bishop Estate," giving the background to a suit his local community assn is bringing against the Estate because of its rental greed as evidenced in its "squeezing the life blood out of fine ret. citizens." The second copy, "Analysis of Leasehold Lot Evaluation," developed the same general subject. Both were good, forceful letters. His other enclosure was of a news letter by George Martin on "Code of Honor," including sound comments on the "general malaise of American society" which today unfortunately produces juveniles too often lacking in high moral standards, standards which should prepare them for natural and strict adherence to the USMA Code of Honor. George's letter rings true to all of us, as we ponder the involved honor situation at the Academy.

From George Martin himself came a summary of summer activities. The newest addition to the family "sports" seems to be backgammon: "one game after lunch each day." Jo seems to play a "cruel game, splendidly, with her casts against all the rules of probability." George thus feels that his "poor male ego has been smashed to smithereens." So backgammon, plus the weekend dancing previously reported, must keep both Martins in shape for the 50th,



1927: Another composite of the distaff luncheon when the Quinns graced the DC area.



1927: The palatial snap of Evelyn Heiberg, Blair and Dot Garland in Muenchen.

which they certainly plan to attend if all continues well. Of course George's writing, clear and purposive, as the Code letter mentioned above goes to show, keeps him somewhat in shape.

Blair Garland reported in late Sept that he and Dot, with their tried-and-true traveling companions the Vald Heibergs of '26, had just finished a pleasant month of touring well-known European spots. Blair commented, in part, "It was great fun, but expensive... a glass of beer usually was \$1.50 and a martini out of sight." One very unusual discovery stood out: "After a long, hot drive in Switzerland, we stopped in a cafe for a beer. Much to our dismay, after drinking half of it, we discovered that it was—believe it or not—non-alcoholic! This was too much! But do I enjoy this Europe touring!"

The Garlands were also '27 reps at the 1st WP football game, and saw no other classmates thereat. Then for the 2d game, with NC, they had Stu & Mary Wood for a great weekend. While en route to join the Garlands in NJ, the Woods got with the Lowes and Burgesses in the DC area.

Apropos of "Europe touring," the scribe and spouse Lucille and son Tom sped away from VA in mid Aug on a flight to Germany for 2 grand and glorious weeks with daughter Jane and husband, COL Richard A. Miller '53, Army LnO with NORTHAG/BAOR at JHQ of Monchengladbach, and their 5 daughters. Interesting drives took them over into Holland and Belgium as well as around Germany, including gorgeous Bacharach castle on the Rhine and old Kaiser Bill's imposing final estate at Doorn, Holland.

The MOWW Convention at Phila in Aug drew Dutch Holland from San Diego. Donnie did not attend the meeting, however, in a very natural reaction to that "Phila syn-



1927: The Lillards near Kinderdijk's 17 windmills.

drome" occasioned by the fatal results to many attending that other veterans' convention earlier. Woody & Jean Burgess, Kay Brown, and the Lillards got together with Dutch on the one night he was in the DC area. He looked fine, fit, and frolicsome, anticipating the 50th!

That good picture of Harry McKinney taken at a Reunion of some years back can now show him, however, looking forward earnestly to coming with Helen to the 50th. Harry, in his humorously serious accompanying comment, called the scribe's attention to the cigarette then in his left hand, and wished to remind the viewers that he has since had the lung operation which resulted from that smoking, a successful event, but one which slows him down: "I can't walk a block without panting." Mac felt his comments "won't cause anyone to quit," however. Maybe!

Just a few days before deadline, Willis & Jean Matthews returned to their home in Chevy Chase after "8 fine nights in London," a trip which both found most interesting and refreshing. At deadline Dot & Ralph Zwicker were getting set for a motor trip from their VA home up the coast to ME and return, "just to see things."

That snapshot of the gathering for the late visit of Mucker & Alice Quinn to the DC area seemed such a festive one that it is included as another stimulus to achieving the biggest and best party possible for the approaching wonderful 50th!

Well, this just about does it. The summer has been a dry one for Class news as well as for rainfall. Perhaps everyone is thinking out the plans for Fun at the Fiftieth, and thus not thinking about all the events that would be so welcome to the scribe for the next ASSEMBLY. Please don't forget to dash off something just after you read this in early Dec. I need poop and pictures to embellish!; to get everyone set up and presented before the approaching Reunion! The more we read and see of each other between now and May, the more we shall be prepared to enjoy a full, effective, and meaningful coming together again. And that's what we want!

'28

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I have a note from Myrtle Billingsley, Betty Carol, and John Jr, saying, "We want to thank each and every member of the Class of '28 for their gift to the WP Fund in Bill's memory. As you all know, WP was very dear to his heart."

Skip Seaman had a very bad heart attack on 28 Jul. He was rushed to the nearest hospital (Fairfax Hospital, VA), where he remained under intensive care until he could be moved to Walter Reed. Walter Reed let him go home on 13 Sept with a very "take it easy" way of life prescribed. Skip and Marge have met this like the good soldiers they are. All good wishes from the Class, Skip, for your continued recovery.

Bob Taylor died at S. Laguna, CA on 11 Sept. The most heartfelt sympathies of the Class go to Bob's wife Aida, and his son, Robert K Jr. His ashes will be interred at WP early in Oct (at a date to be selected). Dave Traub will arrange for Class representation at the interment rites.

Tom & Anne Wells came to the Main-

land from HI in Jul and stayed through the Republican Conv in Kan City, where Tom was an alternate delegate. In Jun, Buck & Kitty Wiley motored to Las Vegas to spend 2 weeks with a daughter and family (husband is an AF LTC stationed at Nellis AFB). On the way back they stopped for visits at San Ant (talked to George & Sue Mundy on the phone) and New Orleans. Ruth and I took a 2-week trip (late Aug and early Sept), mostly to Tacoma, WA, where the N. Cascades scenery was spectacular because of some unusually fine weather. While in Tacoma we had a fine get-together with Jim & Frances Lockett.

A note from Carl Sturies reported that he hoped to attend his 55th Spirit Lake, IA, high school class reunion in Aug. He sent a clipping from the San Diego Union about Paul Peery. Paul had continuing trouble with one eye after a cataract operation and we sure hope that it has cleared up. Paul is San Diego's official carillonneur and played his Memorial Day and 4th of Jul concerts in Balboa Park despite impaired sight.

Win Titus sent me a couple of notes along with some newspaper clippings re the WP cheating troubles. One from the L.A. Times was of a Letter to the Editor by Forrest Allen. A very able letter Forrest and it was good to hear from you in this regard.

Change of addresses: Ned & Kitty Sirmyer have moved back to the DC area to 7779 Tiverton Dr, Springfield, VA 22152 (Tel: 451-8097). Ann Fritzsche has moved to Army Distaff Hall, 6200 Oregon Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20015.

'29

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Jupe Lindsey's 15 Sept letter concerning the Class gift, "Project '50," evoked many responses (besides contributions) which ranged all the way from simple greetings to letters of a page or more, only a few of which are excerpted here: Chan Chandler from Honolulu says he is in good lawn-mowing health and plans to make the 50th Reunion. Bob Ward is back home in Largo, FL, from an 8-wks jaunt which included 2 wks in Bemidji, MN. Bill Francis from Pacific Grove, CA, reports the birth on 4 Jun 76 of a great-grandson, to our knowledge the 1st in the Class.

In a good letter from Ed Lasher he expressed his warm appreciation for the many cards, wires and letters and even personal calls he received after a report of his vast improvement in a recent issue of ASSEMBLY. His grandson, William Theodore Lasher, will join the "Long Gray Line" with the Class of '77 next Jun.

The annual stag luncheon of the DC Area group was held on 29 Sept at the Army Distaff Hall with the following in attendance: Bowyer, Calloway, Caraway, Jones, Lindsey, Lynde, McCulla (from Belleair Bluffs, FL), Reilly, Strauss, Sykes, W.J. Thompson, Vickery, and Wentworth. As usual our Fuhrer, Jupe Lindsey, seasoned the luncheon with a few (?) choice remarks.

Marshall Stubbs informs that on 18 Jun at Ft Lee, VA, Mackintosh Hall, named after our Hugh Mackintosh, was dedicated at a ceremony which was followed by a reception and luncheon in the Officers Club. The Hall is a 5 brick building complex containing



1929: Caroline and Tiny Jark during "Pirates' Night" on the Greek S.S. *Golden Odyssey*, July 1976.

96 efficiency and 1 bedroom BOQ's and a community center, located in a pleasantly landscaped and wooded area near the Officers Club. Bonnie looked to be almost her old self after the terrible siege she has had with a strange virus she picked up in Asia on her trip last summer.

Weary Wilson reports having reestablished contact with Ernest L. Cole, who along with John C. Hayden was Weary's roommate in Beast Bks. Ernest was found in Plebe Jan. He would like to participate in '29 activities, perhaps including the 50th Reunion. His address is: 1304 Galloway St., Columbia, TN 38401. Weary also reports that his 2 sons and 2 daughters have produced 15 grandchildren for him. Not bad for an old man!

In a letter to Jupe Lindsey in Jun, Larry Bork tells of his trip with Betty to Hawaii, Taiwan, Japan, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, Malaysia, Borneo and Manila, returning in mid-Oct; seeing numerous classmates on the West Coast and Logan Clarke in Honolulu.

Jack Seward's Allie continues to have a very bad time with her blood, complicated with virus pneumonia, and congestive heart failure, involving numerous intravenous administrations of blood and medications, and oxygen through the nose. We all wish her speedy improvement.

Kai Rasmussen made the newsprint by addressing the 1976 Nisei Veterans Reunion 26-28 Jul at the Shoreham-Americana Hotel in DC, along with other notables (a direct quote) such as Sen Daniel Inouye, GEN (USA Ret) Jacob Devers and the Hon John McCloy, Asst Secy of War in 42. Glad to see you're keeping in such good company, Kai.

From Bill Vestal in San Ant: "The Jarks report the Greek Is cruise great fun, but the getting there and getting back a rather long drag. The cruise took in Africa, Sicily, Yugoslavia, Malta, and 2 other small islands.

"Freddy & Martha Smith, with the Skippy Harbolds '28, visited Maui, Crater Park on Hawaii and Honolulu in Aug and Sept. Great trip, but returned more dead than alive.

"The Zeke Napiers visited his sister in Atlanta in Sept. Vivi and I had a super-luncheon with many others at the Oak Hills Motor Inn as guests of Josie & Roy Cuno. Billy Greear got a "bunch" of white-winged doves south of Renosa in late Aug and is much in demand as a judge at horse shows. (170,000 doves were bagged during the Sept 4-6 and 11-12 season in the Rio Grande valley!)

"Hunt Bassett griped that his golfing buddies Skippy (Harbold) and Freddy (Smith) took off for HI, but they're all back at it now. Don Keirn is not a happy guest on the dentist's couch these days, but says things could be a lot worse. Personally had a great 18-day trip via CA to Vancouver, and then Prince Rupert by tour bus. Returned to Vancouver by lux ferry-liner and zipped home by air with my bottle of tax-free Canadian Club. Vivi whipped by the SA heat and already planning an Aug 77 vacation to Vail and Lake Tahoe. Now that's planning! Don & Marian Poorman just enjoying home, garden, motor boat, golf, and beautiful country; viz, Marble Falls. Scoop Beynon (Corpus Christi), Howard Moore (San Marcos), and Bill Steiner (Llano) still at the end of a silent U.S. mail line. Counting Jack Horton at Austin, there are 14 classmates in S. TX."

Marilu Hammack reports no immediate plans to move from her house, although it may prove to be more than she wants in the future. Their #2 post-war son Jim is now out of the service and is finishing his degree at U. of TX at San Ant and is coach of Lancaster Competition Swim Team. #1 pre-war son Bob is now a LTC and ex-off of the Natl Range Office at WSMR, NM. After settling Lou's estate Marilu launched a program of remodeling and refurbishing her house to make it more suitable and convenient for her new status. It was a very trying program but she can now "see the light at the end of the tunnel."

Donald Van Meter and wife Margaret have seriously investigated moving to a life-care type ret. operated by Natl Ret. Teachers' Assn in Ojai, CA, within the next 18-24 mos. The facility houses approx 100 ret. of both sexes and accommodations are bungalows and/or apts. He was scheduled for cataract surgery on 23 Sept and opted for an inter-ocular implant (implanted lens) in his left eye.

In Memoriam: Herbie (Van) Vander Heide's lovely wife Dottie lost a long, courageous battle with our old enemy cancer on 25 Aug. Although she had it for more than 2 yrs and underwent surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy, her bravery and determination were such that many of her friends never even knew she had been ill. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Herb, her sister, Marie Dunn, and brother "Bud" Russ '35.

Lucian A. Rowell, Ex-'29, died on 5 Jul 76 near Boston, where he had gone for surgery on his leg, but his heart gave out before the operation. The funeral was held at his home, the lighthouse keeper's house at Nauset Light, Eastham, Cape Cod, MA, with initial interment at the Soldiers and Sailors Cemetery in Eastham, pending transfer to the new National Cemetery at Otis. He was on active duty during WWII and recalled during Korea, ret. as a COL in 67.

'30

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Dear Gang:

Not much in the way of news reached me during the "summer doldrums," but one dandy piece of reporting was awaiting when Dolly and I returned from a month in Spain and France. It was Ray Brisach's account of his trip with Chuck Heitman, mentioned in my previous notes. I quote from it at some

length because of its interest and style: "Fifty years ago, at the end of Beast Bks, Brisach and Heitman decided to room together, which they did for 4 yrs. During that time Chuck, the rugged outdoorsman from ID, told Ray, the untraveled city slicker from the Bronx, of the magnificence of that grand country from which he sprang and they agreed that one day he would find an opportunity to prove that his glowing accounts were not of Bunyanesque proportions. And so it came to pass that in Jun Ray flew to Colo Spgs and launched into what was to become the complete fulfillment of the promise.

"Starting with 4 days of merriment, including a party for numerous relatives and friends, among whom were Buck & Herron Folk, the real expedition got under way on 22 Jun. Mounting Chuck's trusty Ford Maverick, and accompanied by his son Tim, the party set off NW through the ruggedly beautiful mountains of CO, paralleling and occasionally criss-crossing the Continental Divide. Chuck had planned the itinerary to take maximum advantage of the genuine pleasures of sightseeing: Vail, CO, the frequent hangout of our CinC; the splendid Grand Tetons; picturesque Idaho Falls, just beginning to recover from the devastation of the Teton Dam collapse; Crater of the Moon Natl Monument; and a delightful stopover at Sun Valley. Beautiful weather graced almost the entire journey, the only exception being a planned side trip into Glacier Natl Park, canceled because of rain.

"Main target was the estate of Chuck's brother at Glengary on the shore of Pend d'Oreille Lake, a scant 50 miles from the Canadian border. There the 3 travelers suffered the rigors of roughing it Heitman style in a lodge whose amenities were limited to indoor plumbing, modern kitchen, marvelously efficient fireplace, well-blanketed comfortable beds and all the comforts of a Park Ave apt. During 6 days there, one highlight was a day at the Heitman family's summer home at Twin Lakes, where Chuck was born. Ray played golf there on a course that had originally been part of the Heitman farmland.

"Travel was resumed on 2 Jul, when the 3 descended on Chuck's sister at her splendid home on Mercer Is, just outside Seattle, for 3 days of frolicking with more of the Heitman clan. Then the trio struck out south and east, ending up in Colo Spgs on 9 Jul after some 3,900 overland miles without a single breakdown. Enjoyment was 99-and-44/100% pure and without exception the realization exceeded the expectation. And for a bit of icing on the cake Ray got a free ride on an AF plane back to DC."

Altogether, it sounds like a grand trip for two very compatible old friends.

My only other news is a new address for Johnnie & Lola Greco at: 15908 Wild Holly Lane, Green Valley Highlands, Poway, CA 92064, which puts them within hailing distance of Bill & Wilma Perry.



'31

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It is with regret that I report the death of Rags Ragland in Aug. Bill and Ginger had returned from a trip around the U.S. and had stopped at their ranch in Napa Valley. Bill was driving his tractor and an accident occurred. Deane Gough wrote me that the services were attended by Charlotte & Bill Train, Alice & Jock Malloy, Cal Coolidge, Jean & Ken McCrimmon, Bill Chandler, Betty & Ned Cotter, and Deane & Jo Gough. The sympathies of the Class have been extended to Ginger for her loss.

I did forget to send some directories to certain members, unfortunately, and I have heard from some of them. If anyone else needs one, please let me know. Hector Truly was one of those forgotten and I did have a note from him. He says he has no news, because Charlie Densford writes all that happens down there. He did say that he and Mildred have planned a trip up the Miss on the "Mississippi Queen." Charlie & Sallie Duff spent the summer in their cottage in Old Forge, NY. Before that Herb & Vesta Mansfield stopped by the Duffs and the Hamptons after the Reunion to fill them in on the party. Unfortunately, Bill Hampton is having trouble with his eyes because of a detached retina so couldn't reunion very much. Charlie says that Pat & Preet Carter are doing fine, Bob Hackett is having more surgery at the hospital. Bo & Mary Bowman are well and healthy as Charlie and Sallie see them after church on Sun. Doc & Elsie Strother do quite a bit of traveling, but it seems to keep them healthy. So our members at Colo Spgs seem to be doing quite well.

George & Tommie Speidel toured around northern Canada on the way back to Raleigh. They visited Prince Edward Is and found the country very beautiful. A note from Charlie Hagood with an idea for the Class gift that I will send on to Ockie Krueger. Forrest & Betty Caraway are doing what they can do with a hot summer and no rain. They did have a good time chatting with Bill & Charlotte Train who visited on the way to the Reunion. I won't say who it was, but someone has already lost his directory. A nice long letter from John & Eloise Hansborough brought greetings to all. They have been doing a lot of traveling in their travel trailer. They did tell me to tell classmates not to worry, "We will let them know we are coming in plenty of time so they may take any evasive action desired." Glenn & Mary Farris are still busy doing volunteer work in the community and with any other working hours occupied by 3 children around the house and attending school. Ad & Alice Dishman make use of their airline ret. sys with trips to HI, Oslo and etc. If I can figure out Ad's use of dangling participles, I think that one of his daughters, who lives in Bethesda, is now pres of the Army Daughters in DC and his other daughter in New Canaan goes to the Army Daughters meetings in WP and attends the Army football games at the same time. Jack & Petey Gordon report that most of our classmates in San Ant spend the summer in their air conditioned dens, so they don't see too many. Jack says his knee is improving, but slowly. Mickey & Maxine Moore keep occupied with trips, golf, and just plain fun in Pine Bluff.



1931: Howard and Marion Dudley.

Dan & Mary Callahan visited Van & Judy Bond and gave them the report on our activities in May. I like the paper that Bill Train uses and must write to find out where he obtains it. My son could use it in his model railroad shop in Alexandria. Howard & Kay Reed have bought a house in Sun City and are now at 11021 Kelso Dr, zip 85351. Speaking of moves, Frank & Mary Bogart have moved to Pensacola at 825 Bayshore Dr, Apt 900, zip 32507. Frank says Mary has finally succumbed to the lure of the salt water, the shark and the porpoises and her family. Don & Edythe Buchwald attended Don's 50th from his high school. Don said the greetings from his English teacher made him feel that he had forgotten his homework.

Charlie & Cora Densford have experienced some sorrowing difficulties in the past month or so. Son, Charlie Jr, was seriously injured in a helicopter crash in Jun near Ft Hood when he was on a rescue mission. Son, William (Butch) was seriously injured in a car crash in late Jul. The latest information that I have from Charlie, dated 15 Sept, is that Charlie is ready to shuck off his cast and will return to duty in Oct. Butch is improving slowly, but has a long way to go.

I received a copy of the Copperas Cove News from TX showing a picture of Bill Buck (Champ's and Chickie's grandson) about to attend the Boy Scout's National Explorers Olympics. Jim Baker says he will ret. this year from the Sch of Business at NY State U., but will continue as a visiting prof at Skidmore (college, that is). Jim is still the treas of the WP Soc of the Capital District. Shorty Rothrock has returned to San Ant after the Reunion and reports "the Reunion was out of this world." Leo Cather reports that he was listed as lost by the AOG in the ASSEMBLY, but sent in his dues and now he had been found. See how good it is to send in your dues. Ash Haynes has ret. from the El Paso public schools and is now looking for something else to ret. from. Jack and Gwen Barclay drove out to Las Cruces to visit their son, and spent an evening with Dean & Martha Herman, Dutch & Dee Spangler and Harry & Norma Cooper. Jack says no pictures, but there were good flowing spirits. Charlie Hoy states that he is

now marked "Quarters" for a badly sprained ankle, but still moves around the house with groans and grunts like a professional wrestler.

I have the following from Ockie Krueger about the Class gift. "The response to the letter of Sept first concerning pledges for the Class Gift have been very satisfactory. Keep in mind that as a matter of priority we need your suggestions. The process of a final selection is very time consuming. For your information paragraph 5 of the letter is repeated: 'Once the suggestions are received they will be reviewed by the gift cmte. Where applicable, a feasibility cmte of not less than 3 members of the Class, in each instance, will be established to examine the proposal in detail. It is hoped that by this method several proposals will be available to be forwarded to the Class for vote by 1 Jul 77.'"

Only one picture this time. A picture of the Dudley family, Howard & Marion, taken at his high school 50th reunion. Not much news to write about. Send some more letters.

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At the Class luncheon with wives on 12 Aug at Ft Myer, Archie Lyon, who has kept close contact with Ed Burke re our 45th Reunion, read a letter from Ed's son concerning Ed's unexpected and sudden death 24 Jul. Archie requested everyone stand for a minute of silent prayer. In reply to a letter from us, Marion expressed how much she appreciated all the notes from far and wide she had received. She wrote that she and Ed had enjoyed a great deal of "palling around together" and was so grateful he did not suffer. They were watching the Olympics on TV when Ed took a deep breath and that was it. He was in his own house, his favorite chair and she was there. Al Gerhardt and Nora and Al's sister were in the vicinity in Sept and visited Marion. All of the Burkes' 5 children are nearby and give Marion great consolation.

The luncheon was well attended: Essie & Charley Baer, Ruth & Danny Campbell, Dossi & Bill Davidson, Vi & Johnny Gavin, Nora & Al Gerhardt, Mary Ellen & Ward Gillette, Roscoe Huggins, Helen & Dick Hunt, Mary Cain, Bedie Keating, Marv Iseley, Helen & Archie Lyon, Ruth & John McCawley, Fran & Johnny Pugh, Bob Schukraft, Marjorie & Dan Sinclair, Janie & Red Smith, Bobbie & Danny Sundt, Aggie & Jim Woolnough and Descheneaux.



1932: Lon Smith ("Pinky") and Betty Wheeler.



1932: Williams, Huggins, Schorr, Hunt, Rees, Gavin and Schrader.

The San Fran Bay Area contingent gathered together in festive mood on the evening of 11 Jun to welcome your traveling correspondents, Archie & Helen Lyon. Ann Cochran with Todd & Kay Slade made all arrangements at the Adm Nimitz Club on Treasure Is—first class all the way. Participants came from as far as Carmel (McFeeley) and Santa Rosa (Carrell). Those in attendance were John & Reina Bowen, Charles Carrell (Amy couldn't make it), Lynn Childs, Ann Cochran, Lou & Mary Coutts, Bill & Hap Fraser, Bill & Vivian Kunzig, the guests of honor, and Todd & Kay Slade. It was reported this was the first major gathering of USMA '32 in the area since the Zitzmans were there last year. So, if this is what it takes to bring them together, may more traveling classmates go to the Bay area, and golfers take your golf clubs.

On 1 Jul, Steve & Thelma Mellnick hosted a beautiful cocktail and dinner party at their El Paso home on the heights overlooking the city and Ft Bliss. The Powers and the Bruckers were away on vacations but Bill & Olga Massello were there to share old tales with your wandering secy and his bride Helen.

Pat Ondrick sent Dossi a lovely note from San Ant early in Sept relating she had just returned from a fabulous 2½ month Bicentennial trip east. She considered the reunion at the Pughs' a highlight, seeing old friends and making new ones. Reported earlier, Pat has enrolled for college courses for credit again. She quoted Duke: "You have to keep occupied to keep out the mental termites." Pat plans to move to the DC area within a year—most likely it will be MD.

A brief note in the Sun STAR re tennis



1932: Host Johnny Pugh relaxing with Odete Spurgin.



1932: Zitzman, McConnell, Rees and Gerhardt.

activities announced COL Nick (Ernie) Powel of Arlington had been nominated to receive the Assn of Tennis Professionals' Official of the Year Award.

Ward & Mary Ellen Gillette will be in charge of the Class dinner party on 9 Oct at Ft Myer. They are happy that their older son, Arve, a physician interning at the Eastern VA Med Hosp in Norfolk, VA is within easy visiting distance.

The class luncheon in Sept was a good one but I missed it as I was visiting my son Bill at his home in Ashtabula, OH. Dossi kept the light burning in the window back in Fairfax.

Joslin Morris took off 10 Aug with grandson Jeffrey for a 2-weeks visit with old friends in CA. In Jun, Joslin's son Jay assumed a new and important position as Exec Dir of the Comm of Supergrade Pres Appointments. On 16 Oct Jay Morris and Beverly Ann Blair will be married in DC. Pop & La Trelle Duncan expect to fly up for the event and the Davidsons expect them to be domiciled with them.

The grapevine has the Gerhardts off on a trip to visit Harvey & Dort Fischer and Mary Cain is rumored to be traveling also. The Sundts after a trip to AZ and CA returned for a short spell at home before flying off to Germany to visit their son and family. Last news heard was they were all in Denmark to revisit friends and areas they once enjoyed when on asgmt there many years ago. Bobbie promised a full report. During the spell they were back home, the Sundts had a visitor from Denmark—the sister of their son's wife they are now visiting—Bess Kristan, a very attractive and linguistic personality, who had traveled from Copenhagen to Canada for the Olympics as a translator

for the Denmark group. Joslin Morris had a luncheon for Bess during her brief visit here as Joslin is well acquainted with Bess' mother, Mrs. Kristan, in Copenhagen.

An item Mary Cain gave awhile back is that Ray Stecker's grandson is now a plebe at the AF Academy. Ray's grandson's father is LTC Richard C. Brown, AF.

A number of the pictures Roscoe Huggins took at the Pughs' party in Jun are being sent with this column. All are so good it is too bad they cannot all appear but whatever can be will be.

Pete Allen has consented to make local arrangements and to work with the AOG for our 45th. See you all there, we hope!

The following is from Ken Zitzman in San Ant:

After some months of apathy, punctuated by staccato bursts of torpor, the auslanders in the wide open spaces west of the Mississippi have suddenly sprung to life. Quicker'n you can say "Vice Chmn, SW area," the letters and visitors showered down like mesquite pods in a norther.

A long letter from Benny Webster said Andy and Ruth Meulenberg spent some days in Colo Spgs during a 3-mos trip in their motor home through the Pacific NW, Canada, and down the West Coast before heading back to Atlanta. Fun one night with DB & Lib Johnson and again at the Websters with Cal & Ruth Smith joining in. Having seen Andy for the 1st time in years at the Pughs' reunion, must say that Ruth obviously takes good care of him. He hasn't lost a hair since graduation (none to start with) nor gained an ounce around the middle (never was any excess there either).

Later Stan & Esther Wray were in Colo Spgs for Stan's Bomber Gp reunion; booked solidly in the mad whirl but had time to swap lies, or as Benny generously put it, faulty memories of past heroics, with the Websters, Johnsons and Cal Smiths at a '32 concentration. Benny closed by saying they were making their annual return to the warm waters of Waikiki the end of Oct to spend the winter, and why don't we join them?

One reason is indecision, brought on by a letter from Flo Beach urging us to visit them about the same time for cross country skiing in the crisp snow around Dexter, MI, pop 1729. (I don't believe the girl can spell arthritis, much less experience it.) Besides running the farm singlehandedly, Dwight still participates actively in Army affairs—the last time at the Annual Army Leadership Seminar in DC accompanied by Flo. Later



1932: Frank Besson chumming up with Helen Hunt, Betty Wheeler and Carrie Bess Smith at the Pughs'.



1932: Fran Jamison, Joslin Morris, Huggins, Baer, and Helen Hunt.

back on the farm, son Sandy (né D.E. Jr.) USMA '59, and his family, helped celebrate Dwight's 68th birthday with a big buffet supper in the renovated old house where 4 generations of Beaches were born. Chih & Eva Wang, with 2 of their grandchildren, spent a day with the Beaches shortly after Chih left the hospital. During his U.S. lecture tour on oriental culture, Chih suffered a stroke while visiting son Eddie, an instructor at MI State. Dwight said Chih was fine once again and was to return to Taiwan the following week.

From "just down the road a piece" in El Paso, 570 miles as the interstate flows, Carol Power wrote that their trip to the opera at Round Top, 200 miles on the other side of us, was a huge success. They couldn't stop here en route because one of their 2 young ones with family of 4 arrived at El Paso just as they got back. Incidentally, when we stayed with George and Carol last year, Carol's voice was fine. She has had another treatment at Beaumont General recently, which, while not pleasant, keeps the vocal cords in good condition.

From Sarasota, FL, a prominent newspaper item tells of Mary Kumpe's campaign for the state legislature. She stumps the dist with plenty of pizzazz in a 36 touring car & Dixieland band, but then lays it right on the line with her in-depth experience on a number of public service bds and cmtes as she goes for the Republican nomination.

Out in Aptos, CA, Red McKeown, who would have been one of our best all around athletes if he had not had a small difference of opinion about math with P Echols at the end of plebe year, has just had his right hip joint replaced by stainless steel and nylon, which is now commonplace—com-



1932: Jeanette Epley, Descheneaux and Wray.

monplace if you've never had it yourself. Talked it over with Chuck Clark when he and Helen had the Tom McDonalds and us for dinner at the SA Country Club. Chuck plays golf every day, including the tournaments, and still teaches after having had the same hip job 3 yrs ago. He got a good letter off to Red forthwith, which must have boosted the morale and the recovery.

Finally, a light note to close on. Got the urge to spend a couple days in old Mexico and as we're 3 hrs from Laredo as the Fiat flies, that was it. The big peso devaluation had just occurred and as a topper, it was announced that tequila could be imported free of U.S. duties for the 1st time. Asked the McDonalds if there was anything they wanted within the legal limits and Maxine said yes—turtle oil; made in Mazatlan, not available in the U.S.

Well, sir, I've used various types of snake oil in my life, but turtle oil? Ours not to reason why; what Maxine wants, Maxine gets. Pat wanted wrought iron and little ornaments, I wanted some cool camisas. Things went well and when I got home, flushed with victory, Pat asked, "Did you get everything?"

"You bet," I said, "including the 2 liters of turtle oil and 3 oz. of tequila."

See you all at the 45th in Jun.

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"Our times are in His hand
Who saith, 'A Whole I planned;
Youth shows but half...'"

—Robert Browning

Shortly before these notes went to press, we learned of the sudden passing of Bus Evans on 16 Sept of liver cancer detected only a month before. After services at the Ft Lee chapel he was buried with full mil honors at Blandford Cemetery in Petersburg. Red White reports that, besides himself and Sue, '33-ers present included Soapy Watters, Milt & Val Summerfelt, Bill Ryan, Fritz Hartel, Gray Essman, Bill Quinn; Blanche (Bellican) Shertzer and her husband. "The great respect which Bus enjoyed in the community as well as the mil was evident throughout the services both on and off the post... [after which] Virginia and their 3 sons, Sandy (LTC), Ham (LTC), and Jack (MAJ), together with other members of both families, received us in their home. 'Ginny's composure was an inspiration to us all."

(In this context, one cannot be aware of the circumstances of one's colleagues without acquiring a deep respect for the qualities of character and courage by which so many are distinguished, especially in adversity. In our Class there are, as there are bound to be, some individuals and some couples in trouble. Not all are known, nor is it proper to name them, but in their lives they exemplify for us and others, "in sickness and in health," a degree of selfless loyalty and devotion of which we may all be proud...)

The honor problems at WP, of deep concern to us all, continue at this (Sept) writing to occupy the news. Not surprisingly they have generated a spate of emotional and intellectual expression, even among people who don't ordinarily do much writing. As most of you know, the SA has named a cmte chaired by astronaut Frank Borman ('50) to advise



1933: Class Golf Tournament (L-R): Coleman, Lincoln, Ely, Summerfelt, Ryan.

regarding the Honor Code and System; our Johnny (HK) Johnson is the only other USMA grad named to that cmte. I've sent to Johnny the copies of fine letters you've sent to me, and our Pres Abe is also working to pull together ideas on this subject.

Our distinguished Dodd Starbird, who continues at a high level of responsibility in government as Asst Admin for Natl Security, responds to a request on what he's up to: "I'm fortunate to be in a very active outfit. ERDA (Energy R&D Admin) has 2 important national responsibilities: Natl Security functions carried over from AEC; and developing new options to meet our increasing energy crisis.

"Natl Security functions (30% of ERDA's budget) include nucl wps R&D, test and production (exclusively ERDA by law); naval nucl propulsion RD&T; review of prospective treaties and exports for security implications; and protections of ERDA's nuclear materials. 70% of ERDA's budget is for R&D and demonstration of new energy options. Currently 70% of the nation's energy comes from oil & gas. Domestic availability is dwindling; imports have shot up 20% (70) to 40% today. ERDA visualizes that until 1985 we'll continue heavily dependent on oil & gas but we must: increase coal usage; increase energy conservation measures; use solar cooling and heating; use more uranium reactors to generate electricity. In the mid-range (1985-95), given enuf R&D, solar conversion to electricity should be feasible, geothermal resources should be exploitable, and widespread conversion of coal to oil & gas should start. After 1995, again assuming sufficient R&D, we may have systems which use inexhaustible source materials—nucl fusion, mixed oxide fission reactors, and many new solar uses.

"To do all this," Dodd concludes with a pitch for funds: "will require a continued and sustained national energy R&D effort, carried out according to ERDA plans but in cooperation with most private sectors."

Turning to more mundane affairs, the Class of '33 Golf Classic, reports Charlie Carver, was held at A&N Country Club Fairfax Course in Jul: "Weather perfect, golf imperfect but greatly enjoyed. Participants included Polk, Solomon, Lincoln, Coleman, Ely, Summerfelt, Henley, Ryan, Wallace, Kaiser, Carver; Brindley provided the lone gallery support. Winners: Ely, low gross; Lincoln, 2d low gross; Ryan, low net under the Callaway scoring system, and Summerfelt, 2d low net. Solly scored the longest drive, from No. 10 tee; Ely being ineligible to compete under the one-win limit. Coleman drove the green and scored nearest to the pin on No. 3."

As we of the Lucky Star Class lurch along,



1933: At the Downings' (L-R): Johnson, Barbara Carver, Laura Coleman, and Lincoln.

emerging to our unbelieving astonishment into Geritol/Medicare status, a number are re-ret:

—Freddie Coleman from Hughes Aircraft, "after 15 challenging and enjoyable years with this great company and fine people. In future, dear friends and gentle hearts, I'll have an office at home where I'll be available as an atty/consultant."

—Bill Ely from Sverdrup & Parcel and Assoc. Bill's plans for the future include, besides his golf course in PA, a golf tournament with Sim Whipple at Hilton Head, and travel, and golf. . .

—Bob Franklin after being for some 9 yrs City Auditor of Newark, OH, a post to which he was appointed in '67 and elected 3 times; he was the highest elected Democrat city official. He and Ruth will travel.

—Adrian Hoebeke from Civ Def (we believe) in Dallas, where he is reportedly (Ivan Parr) "trying to keep busy." Relax, Adrian, it'll happen all by itself. . .

—Dick (RD) Meyer from Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. in Akron, where he and Lovey have been since his ret. in '67 (it is noted that his second ret. and the end of the strike coincided). They plan to visit a daughter in New Guinea this winter.

To help you find the entries on yourselves and friends in this sometimes lengthy compendium, personal items are placed in (roughly) alphabetical order. Does this help? "Zierath!"—silence—Fred, we're calling CQ. . .

Red & Sue White summered at their cottage on the Mississippi at Chataqua, IL, with visits by children and grandchildren up to 12 at a time. Soapy Watters, based mainly with his wife Bernie in NJ (she's a specialist in Cobalt 60 cancer therapy), blows in and out of DC amid visits to dtrs in Boston, Scottsdale, and other points. Neil & Doris Wallace made a swing thru New Engl, spending a week with Bob Glass at his cottage on Long Lake, Naples, ME; 3 days with Parkers at their newly acquired home on L. Winnepeaukee; and lunch with Kings at Bailey Is, Casco Bay.

Van Vansant underwent surgery (not expected to be serious) this summer. Their son, Corwin P. Jr., a PhD, is doing well as VP and Gen Mgr of American Health Fac, a div of Am Hosp Sup Corp. Courtesy of Ned Gee, a heartening family success story on Bob & Ann Turner: Son Mike is a Plebe at USNA; son Paul is at USNA Prep Sch, Newport, RI; daughter Marguerite is a Jr at UVA, majoring in Psychology; all doing well. Bob is still teaching (math) at Geo Mason U; Ann is busy w/Volunteer work and does Yoga exercises on the side (perhaps "on the side" should read: in the Lotus position?).

We have a very fine letter from Dolly Totten Selleck, Bob's and Bea's dtr, "... it gives us a warm feeling to know that my

Dad's classmates are interested in his grandson. My Dad was very proud of being a West Pointer, and proud of his classmates." (Note: Young Pete, USMA '77, is Cmdr of the USCC 1st Regt this year. So far as known he will be the first grandson to graduate from any of the Acad's.) Bob Thompson reports that his lovely Lucy Lee is making slow but certain progress in recovering from the setback she received in breaking her hip last Jun. Bob, it's rumored, has learned to cook. . . Of Molly Solomon too there's better news. Both Soapy Watters and the Whites report her improvement, and Molly writes, "... the prayers and remembrances of our many friends give me renewed strength and courage. I am feeling much better."

Gerry Roberson sent in a fine article on Bob Franklin (above) "... who, I'm sure, is too modest to send it in himself. Carolyn and I lead a very happy life, though we're off the beaten track and seldom see classmates. I'm back on my feet again, 1½ yrs after open heart surgery with 3 bypasses. We see our sons (in business in Santa Barbara) frequently. As a rabid fan I'm delighted to see soccer growing as a sport, esp in high schools. We live in Vandenberg Village, a satellite of Lompoc, in SB County. Our daughter, married to an American scientist of renown, lives with him and their 2 girls in Tubingen, SW Germany. I miss teaching but am acclimating well to 'full retirement.' Stan Lonning (also a modest one) had a lung operation, but is recovering nicely with the help of one of his sisters. He reports by phone. . . If up this way, classmates will be warmly welcomed." Thanks, Gerry!

Ivan Parr sends "a line and a picture from the Ft Worth-Dallas Metroplex," and continues, "Fairchild is busy preparing for a visit by his son Peter and grandchildren. . . Our son Kurt is in Ft Worth with J.C. Penney; son Ivan III and family are at Ft Gillem in Atlanta, whence he spends a lot of time visiting Reserve units in GA. Hope to see some classmates—door is open."

From Posie Neely a "... hasty note. Eddie Ashworth came by to see us. He's moved to Salmon, ID. He looks in good health, but Edna is in a nursing home following a severe stroke. Lee & Cam Longley spent a weekend with us—all well with them. And violin-maker John Honeycutt dropped in. John tells us he's finished 21 violins." Earl Machery breezed through DC area last week en route to inspect Our Clock (the clock) at WP. His son works for CE here.

Charlie Densford ('31) sends from Pipe Creek, TX, the hot oil on 2 of us: (1) "Here's a story on Cam Longley. A relative (mine) in NM, working on genealogical research in UT, wrote that she'd been getting the run-around. Cam, to whom I passed her reclama, went in person to see the people, leaving no stone unturned, and kicked it loose (the data, not the stone). How many people would go to that much trouble, even for an old friend? (2) Jose Jimenez-Velasquez is now (Aug) in New Engl Deaconess Hosp, 195 Pilgrim Rd, Boston, MA 02215. . . I don't know how serious his condition, or how long he's to be there, but am sure he'd like letters or visits." (Note: Alas, this item illustrates time-lag of these notes; word has been passed separately, of course.)

News of Abe & Mary Lincolns' youngest son, Clark, a senior indl designer with GM in their styling and safety studio (interior & exterior), was designated to work with Vauxhall Motors in England for 3 months this

summer. Other son (RA) James B. ('60) commands 1st Bn, 8th FA at Ft Bragg, atoning (we hope) for his CE background.

Mo Kaiser reports (as if he needed to) that there's life in the old boy yet: He won the 1,000-yd event of the mid Atlantic Region Rifle Tournament at Quantico on 30 Jul with a record score of 200/200 and 11 of the 20 shots in the inner "X" ring. Mo, you must be doing something right—Congrats!

Kay Kaesser (see Sept notes) remains prostrate (2d "r" intentional) at Holy Cross Hosp, Ft Lauderdale, FL; his illness dx'd as Guillian-Barré Syndrome, a rare virus disease with a long, slow recovery requiring therapy 5 da/wk; Charlotte commutes to his bedside Fri-thru-Sun, holds phone when people call him. Kay says the intensive rehab work (PT) "makes Beast Bks seem like a picnic." He can read (turning pp with his tongue) and is completing an ICAF course started before he was stricken. Charlotte hopes to have him home by Thanksgiving. "We'll be there for the 45th!" Guts and devotion. . .

No '33 notes would be complete w/o some Hurlbutese. Who but Hurly would: 1) Recoup from USMA Drawing Dept (Earth, Space & Graphics, sez Broshous?) his own original ink drawing of a 37mm gun (the dept having kept it several years until superseded as the best Horrible Example of cadet ineptitude); 2) Offer chances at \$1/ea to party guests at his home, "to raffle off a work of art" which when later unveiled by the winner proved to be said drawing—with \$33 going to the '33 Class Fund?—ah, Hoobut Hurlbut would; 3) Send a luscious postcard of a topless-but-well-upholstered Hawaiian maiden to our sedate Veep, Bill Ely, inscribed "Hey, Willee! . . . you leave old haole wahine to watch catedral while you come play in sand with me."

From hulaland FF further reports, "Golf 4-5 da/wk supplements bikiniwatchee Wai-kiki. Dunc Hallock and I upheld C Co. golf by humilering 'T Co. Tubbs and Doleman. Boswell came thru en route back from Korea and caused trouble. . ."

Frank Henley swang thru DC area, played golf en route to Nova Scotia. Leo Heintz, who has for some time done volunteer tax counselling (he was MD State and Montg'y County Coordinator of tax programs for AARP/RTA) is now becoming affiliated with a national tax counseling service. Fritz Hattel's FL news, besides Kaesser (above) tells us that after long and difficult travail, 2 yrs of blindness and 2 corneal transplants, Dot-



1933: Parr, Nancy Fairchild, Hoebeke, Mary Jane Parr, and Fairchild.

tie's eye shows definite improvement—"A miracle of sight! and an answer to the hundreds of prayers offered in her behalf." A San Ant clipping covers a riproaring Daughters of the Republic of TX party honoring members of the TX Hist Comm, a party interrupted by a protest march, not against our Billy Harris (who received an award), but for a grand jury probe into the Frank Hayes case. Billy imperturbably reports "I've been pretty busy with my historical work and our MIRCOM project has started to come alive, tho on a limited basis; Walt Jensen has left his old job (IDS) and now is part time with Commercial Property Consultants; Johnny Breit's son Bill ('60) was with us (at Class lunch) last month en route to Korea as a MAJ, FA, with the 4th Msl Cmd; George Gretser's son George is in Chicago with Harcourt-Brace (advertising); Chet Dahlen's daughter and husband spent a week here en route to Ankara, where he's principal of a DOD school; Bob & Ann Blanchard have just returned from Leavenworth where they visited their son Bob (MAJ, CE) and family and watched their granddaughter compete in a horse show; Fred Thorlin has finished another automotive course at Baylor and offers to repair classmates' cars—or at least, dx the trouble; Ed Cahill has recovered from serious bout with pneumonia and is gaining wt. Bill Due, who says he can go on until age 72, is still going to school on the GI Bill—he's taking some wild avante garde courses in English; Tex Hetherington is a very successful small builder of homes (builder of small homes?) in his firm, Hetherington & Daughters; Janey Grubbs has moved to Port Aransas and is part time asst mgr of a condominium, Executive Keys." Thanks, Billy—a fine round-up!

Pat Guiney writes "Ted & Eleanor Conway spent some time at WP, Ted being on some sort of ROTC project. We had them and others over and played some of my old records, including 'Dancing with Tears in my Eyes,' a theme of special significance to the middle companies of our cadet days. . . . Our son-in-law Ken Hopper ('72) is enrolled in the Army Med Sch program—he was at Dix this summer so Margie and son David (age 2) stayed with us. Our son Pat III enters Dartmouth this fall." In a later letter (Sept) Pat exudes, "I must now rush up to Michie Stadium for the Army-Lafayette football game. I can hardly wait to hear all those soprano voices singing, 'On, Brave Old Army Team!'"

—Jean & Lessie Engler update their children: "Our youngest, Michael, is in premed at American U.; daughter Fran's USAF husband is now w/DIA; older son Jean is now running Continental Teledyne plant." Jean still heads MOWW.

—Bill Ely writes, "Dick King came down from Myrtle Beach to play in the (Hilton Head) tournament. Dick says he never ventures north of Little River (just N. of Myrtle Bch). He and Sim Whipple also had a round with Eddie Bastion, known as the "iron man" because he won't use a wood. Helen Ely and her sister, Dottie Hartshorn ('32) have established at USMA an annual athletic award in memory of their father, COL Mountford ('09), who had lifelong interest in athletics; it will go each year to the outgoing CPT of the tennis team. (Helen and Dot were hoping to establish an award for the first female cadet excelling in a team sport, but that's somewhere in the future." (Scribemuse: Wonder if cadets still have to qualify in dancing? M. Vizet

flunked me thrice while I tried to push (waltz?) my pseudofemale Iggy Simpson (190 lbs) around Cullum Hall. . . . One can think of nobler combinations!)

—Ted & Eleanor Conway confirm Pat's report of their being at WP. Says Ted, "For the past 4 yrs I've been teaching at the U. of Tampa, the U. of South FL, & Hillsborough Comm Coll—all part time undertakings. My courses are U.S. Mil Hist and Pol Sci—mostly U.S. Foreign Policy and Intl Relations."

—Tom & Rosalyn Beck had a great trip to Anchorage, AK, to visit their daughter Brenda whose husband is a real estate broker up there. Brenda, an only child, made up for it: the Becks had 5 grandchildren as of our 40-yr book.

—Bill Baumer continues his vigorous recovery from surgical violation of his nether regions; he cut a stalwart figure at the recent wedding of his daughter Marjorie to Mr. Pat Mulloy, a lawyer with the Justice Dept here in DC.

—AND NOW, by gum, we've done the alphabet backward, more or less; next time: inside out. Let's put this one to bed.

—Our good Pres Abe hopes to get a letter and new roster/corrections out before this reaches you. In it he'll cover among other things, 1) The flag project (Class 45th Reunion gift) is dead, and why. 2) The USNS "Darby" is now simply the AP 127, period. 3) We have plans, thanks to Bing Downing, for a wifepleasing pin/pendant for the 45th. 4) Please keep us posted on your address changes and on Class news, good and bad.

—Please send in your items for Mar '77 ASSEMBLY to reach scribe by Xmas.

—AND, MERRY CHRISTMAS—GOD BLESS US, EVERY ONE!

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Word has been received from John Lawlor that Ike Walton (George R.) died in Chicago on 16 Sept and was buried there. John represented the Class at the funeral and arranged to have appropriate flowers provided. Ike had



1934: Front (L-R): Francie Stevens, Tete Brown, Faith Edson; rear: Brown, Stevens, and Edson at the Browns'.

been bed-ridden for the past 14 yrs as the result of a fall while on a fishing trip.

Arriving just a tad too late for publication in the Sept ASSEMBLY was an account of a fishing trip to Tete and Charlie Browns' Reedsville, VA, home. Unfortunately, the day, while lovely, was so windy that the waters were too rough for even commercial fishermen. The party settled for a pleasure cruise in sheltered waters and local sight-seeing.

On or about 10 Sept 76, John & Terry Cary left the DC area for TX where they had purchased a home in San Ant. We want to thank John for his good work as Class Treas and wish them both the best of everything in their new surroundings. Prior to their departure, a few of the DC group met with them for lunch at the Bethesda Naval Hosp Officers Mess. Those present, in addition to the Carys, were Gene & Hope Corrigan, Bob & Nancy Fuller, George & Salye Gerhart, Emory Lewis, Farley and B.J. Richardson, Johnny & Francie Stevens, and Danny Still.

Hector McKinnon writes that he and Betty finally got moved to Hilton Head Is, SC, on 15 May after nearly 2 month's delay occasioned by administrative red tape.

The El Paso '34's gathered at Mim & Alex Stuarts' on 1 Aug 76 for a lovely dinner to greet Louise & Jim Snee. The Snees are on a grand motor tour from FL, on their way west and north. They will be taking the Inland Passage cruise to AK.

In an Aug letter from Dud Wilmeth he described a trip he made during the summer with a group of students from the U. of TX (where Dud works) to Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. Unfortunately he was unable to enter Russia because, to quote Dud: "I have been excluded from the Soviet Union for some years because I followed Lenin's preaching, 'Speak ye the truth, and the truth shall make ye persona-non-grata.'" However, he did visit Prague, Budapest, and Bucharest with the group and when they headed for the "Curtain," he took a steamer up the flooded Danube to Belgrade. From Belgrade, he crossed to the Adriatic coast at Bar, thence up the coast, which he describes as "beautiful." From Yugoslavia, he went to Trieste and down the Italian side of the Adriatic to Venice, over to Verona, Pisa, and Florence, ending up in Switzerland at Lake Lugano. As always, Dud's letter was very interesting.

Other foreign travelers were Eddrea & Harry Hillyard who went to see their son in Schweinfurt, Germany, where he is stationed. They continued on to sightsee around Germany, visiting vineyards and wine fests, then to Copenhagen and, finally, to stay with the Edsons in Arlington. From here, they planned to go to WP to see their daughter, whose husband is stationed there, and their 4 children. From the Point they were headed for Lewisburg, PA, to visit their other daughter and her 2 children, and then back home.

In the Jun ASSEMBLY, we reported that the Staunton Browns and the Cy Betts planned a festive birthday party for Helen Buehler at the Buehlers' new home. Well, it came off and Stan reports that Bud and Helen were marvelous hosts. They introduced (a) the guests to their new way of life, which made them envious, (b) to the local grape, which made them giddy, and (c) to their neighbors who made them very much at home. On a more serious note, Stan had



1934: Stuart party (L-R) seated on floor: Elliott, Stuart, Eleanor Winn, Charlotte Hubbard, Phyllis Kingsley, Betty & Dick Moorman; (back row): Mim Stuart, Waugh, Louis & Jim Snee, Dottie Waugh, Kingley (USNA '34), Hubbard.

a coronary in Jul but now is well, but wearing a pacemaker.

We are glad to report that Johnny Stevens, who had undergone two hernia operations in Jun and Aug, is now back in good health again. His recovery has been remarkable.

Johnny & Francie Stevens' grandson, David Stevens Sozio, entered Wake Forest U. this fall.

The Jun notes mentioned that Sis and Bob MacDonnell were expecting their 9th grandchild in Aug. Molly MacDonnell Daniel made her appearance on 30 Aug and Bob states that #10 is expected in Dec.

Lou Walsh has taken on a sort of double-headed ret. activity that has him wondering where all the hours slip away to. He's taken several advanced electronics courses during which he has put together color TV's, AM and FM radios (quadrophonic, no less), tape decks, record players, and all kinds of meters and measuring devices. His house is truly "wired-for-sound—music, voice, intercoms, call signals, light controls and what have you." In addition, and this brings him much satisfaction, he "tapes for the blind" many hours a week... technical papers, legislative proposals, books and, especially, college courses on a wide variety of subjects are put on cassettes and reel-to-reel, to assist the visually handicapped as they build and live productive careers. As Lou says: "These wonderful people do so much under such handicaps that you're humbled and try to do a little to help."

Jack Schaefer is embarking on an interesting new project. He and his brother-in-law propose to make plastic drinking mugs, shaped like a football helmet and in the colors of your choice. Soon we may be able to obtain them in black, gold, and gray.

Burt Bruce writes that he has taken a position as a part-time math instr at the Alexandria campus of the N. VA Comm Coll. He has also enrolled to take courses there in Calculus and Creative Writing. Also, as our new treas, he reports that, to date, 137 members of the Class have paid their dues. That leaves not too many unpaid.

Status of the Obit Program: 42 required; 7 published (Donoghue, Darrah, Manlove, Vars, Bunker, Hills, Telford); publications

scheduled tentatively—Weitzel (Dec), Cummins and Ligon (Mar 77); Davall obit sent to next of kin for approval; one to be done by his wife (Wilson); volunteered for—33; not covered—Lutrell, Costain, Bondley, Wilkes, R.A. Smith.

In this connection, special credit should be given to Jerry Higgins for the job he has done on the obit for J.O. Baker. Johnny Stevens asked Jerry to take on the job although Jerry did not know J.O. well. Nearly 3 months later, he submitted an "interim" report, rather than an alibi, outlining his efforts to that time: he had written all 9 Ord officers in '34; he had written officers other than '34 who had served with J.O.; he had also contacted officials in McCall and Boise, ID, where J.O. had lived. From Boise, Jerry got the addresses in NY of J.O.'s widow and a daughter which, unfortunately, were not current and had no forwarding addresses. Inquiries to the DA, Natl Pers Records Cen, were fruitless; however, a letter to MAJ Hanst, pres of the Army Mutual Aid, did bring results in the end. Ken Hanst contacted a friend in the NY Regional Office of the V.A. and found there was a file on Baker. Through them Jerry has been able to get in touch with Mrs. Baker and is now working on J.O.'s obit. Jerry's comments reveal some of the "spin-off" which Johnny Stevens has hoped the Obit Program would afford to all volunteers: "While I am somewhat discouraged, I am not necessarily disheartened. It was good getting in touch with classmates and contemporaries I had not contacted for some time and I learned quite a bit about municipal personnel and their desire to be helpful far beyond official requirements."



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Please submit any notes for the Mar ASSEMBLY to your scribe to arrive not later than 20 Dec 76.

'35

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On 6 Jul Art Fickel had a herniated disc operation at N. Westchester Hosp Cen in Mt. Kisco, NY. Helen reports that he is progressing and improving. On 21 Sept Hugh Exton had a similar operation at Walter Reed and he is progressing so well that he expects to go home very soon. Les Wheeler had a benign tumor removed several weeks ago, recovered rapidly and looked his old self at our Class luncheon last week. He and Dottie are planning a trip to Japan in Oct to visit family stationed there.

John Gloriod has made a couple of moves—the first on last 14 Jun when he wedded Mary Kay Browning in the Ft Douglas Chapel, and the second into a condominium with her at 1637 East St. James Place, Salt Lake City, UT 84121. Between them they boast 6 children and will have 4 grandchildren (each contributing exactly half) when CPT Jack Gloriod, USMA '69, and his wife Becky have their 2d child in Nov. Jack is to be in Italy in Dec for a 3-yr tour so Becky will have to follow with the kids after the new one has proper shots and passport. John says the condominium will accommodate passers-by and that he and Mary Kay are looking forward to the mini-reunion in Guadalajara.

Carmon & Rosalie Rogers made an extended trip to CA during the summer, and George & Edna Hill are off on a trip to the Midwest visiting family and friends. Tom & Billie Gillis are currently on a nationwide loop from their home in Greenbrae, CA, and Tom was able to attend the Class luncheon. They were headed for FL when last heard from. Joe & Jean Weichmann and Iron Man & Dottie Russell traveled together for a vacation in the Bahamas during the summer. One of the Russells' sons, CPT Wm. Bradley Russell, USMA '72, wedded Miss Marilyn Burdick, daughter of MAJ & Mrs. Jerry H. Burdick, on 4 Sept in Hampton, VA.

The 3 "children" of Hank & Arline Thayer (2 married daughters in this area and their son from FL) threw a surprise 40th wedding anniv party for them on 3 Jul, and it really was a surprise. It was a great occasion. Art & Helen Fickel are having a 40th anniv on 19 Oct, and Bud & Jill Schlanser will have theirs on 21 Oct, with a party at their home here in Annandale, VA.

I received a fine newsy letter from Bud Russ on doings in the San Ant area reporting that while most of us are merely trying to enjoy ret. Dave Wallace, "who looks the same as he did 40 years ago" (quoting Bud) has taken Ella, "the same," and gone off to Saudi Arabia on a construction assignment with the CE. Bud also says their lovely daughter (Charlotte, I presume) left early Sept to teach school in Iran. Bud reports hearing from Tom Woodyard that he had a hip joint replaced and is "doing just fine" and should be as good as new soon. He joins Fred Hall and Harry Lewis in that dept! Tom has a nice runabout boat and goes fish-



1935: John and Mary Kay Gloriod.

ing in Tampa Bay. Bud Russ says that he, Bob Stillman, and Russ Hawkins took Dave Wallace on a farewell golf foursome and burned up the course with language but not with scores, and that when the dove season opens he will go hunting with Stillman and Ruhlen on their hunting lease.

Gene & Margaret Orth had a rough winter and spring. When their big handsome son-in-law developed a heart problem requiring open heart surgery, they hurriedly left their home here in Arlington to go out to the West Coast and then to Oahu to help out daughter Barbara with the grandchildren. The Orths spent some weeks in Honolulu and had a nice visit with Jack & Kathryn Sherden when they came over from Pacific Grove, CA, for a vacation at the Hale Koa Hotel. Barbara's husband is now recovered but is ret. with physical disability and they live in Clearwater, FL. He recently had an article published in *Army Times* Gene says.

As this goes to press Charlotte and I are hoping our older son David is well on his way home from northern Norway where he was participating in the NATO "Operation Teamwork." Normally a lawyer in nearby Prince George County, David is still a gungho MAJ, USMC Res., and has been on his 2-weeks annual active duty. He and his pretty wife Judy are expecting their 5th child next month so he'd better get home soon.

By the time you read this you will have received a Class circular letter concerning the memorial project which has been under discussion here in DC for almost a year. It is to be a joint project with the Class of '36 and probably one other class, and is to be a memorial to "The American Soldier" we were trained to lead in battle, and who has been called the ultimate weapon. The planning has crystallized and is now moving ahead. At the last luncheon of the DC contingent it received unanimous approval, and two thirds of those present immediately made pledges to Secy-Treas Carmon Rogers of financial support. Those pledges averaged over \$250.00 each. How's that for a sendoff.

'36

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This is surely the most satisfying season of the year. In this Sept the weather turns cooler while the sun seems to brighten. One gains more energy, and anticipation grows. Football scores are all "wins"; the stock market puts up its best gains (after losing everything in summer); corporations try hard

to show good 3d quarter "bottom lines"; the "debates" presage another occupant for the White House, whom you will know by the time you read this; but as of now each candidate's optimism convinces us of only good things for the future. Thus, our news is of good tidings, as are the prognostications of our fortune cookies.

Ned Broyles predicts a better 7th Whispering Pines turn-out than ever before. The following have said they would attend: Dorland, Broyles, Hess (new), Edwards, Gage, Turnage, Hosmer, Dickens, Katz, Joerg, Partridge (new), Grubbs, Evans, Layne, Pack, Spencer, Haneke (new), Stokes, Klock, and Jack Kling (new).

You have probably all received Jim Illig's and Howell Estes' letter regarding the Class project. I have heard several views on this subject, so hopefully more in the sense of news than of editorialism, I remark these observations: some are perturbed at the ambitiousness of a statue; some are disenchanted with the unrealistic size of the dollars being considered; some wish to offer individual ideas for a gift—even at this late date; some want the whole Class to voice its views and/or votes. To all of you, my dear classmates, I offer Cec Combs' and Wort Williams' comments: whatever the Cmte can come up with as to 1) a solely Class of '36 project, and 2) a total donation of adequate size—let them (the Cmte) act for the Class! Some other classmates have said, "I'll give as much as I can to meet Illig's fund raising."

There was an Aug wedding at the Chaffins: daughter Shelley was married to Carlton North. Many people at the 40th Reunion wrote Louis Chappelle on the occasion of his illness and inability (for perhaps the first time) to attend. He has replied to all of us stating his improving health.

Almost half of all correspondence received for this issue has come from Clark Hosmer; quite an unusual occurrence. Probably Lyn and Clark were so overcome by our 40th and the significance of our 200th anniv, that they had a mini-reunion at their home in FL on the 4th of Jul. Those enjoying themselves were Goldenberg, True, Siberts, and Inch Williams. Clark also wrote various letters and exchanged ideas with the Supe on the subject that has drawn more comments, has engaged more persons, and has expended more time than any other event in recent Academy history. One may wonder if the cheating matter has been concluded yet! Right after Reunion, Hosmers and others went to MA to see Whipples who also could not attend for physical reasons.

Got a number of good snaps from the Dorlands taken at 40th. Pete Kieffer had several months of hospitalization in the



1936: Klock, Whipple, Hendrickson, McElheny at Orleans, MA, 30 May 1976.

spring, searching for a source of a sickness. As I gather, nothing definite was found after 3 months. At any rate he and Lois will try to make HI next spring; I can't believe, they said they've never been there. Pete also said that little Pete is now a LTC and has a 12-year-old. Although he seems to have an office in Atlanta, I've never contacted Bob Joerg here. I wrote him in DC recently and got a reply from "across town." He was on his way to FL; still working with Natl Rifle Assn. Jim Landrum has been out-putting a tremendous effort for the benefit of the Class and in expectation of many of us getting to HI for our first Hawaiian (or Western U.S. Golf Tournament). For those of you who have not heard from him directly (yet I thought he wrote everyone), the plan is for 16 to 20 May 77. The costs have not been furnished definitely. I think it is correct to say that bargain trips, like ROA, do not coincide with our dates, therefore can't be used. Jim is planning on 25-35 classmates for a total of 50-70 persons. Positive response has been received from: Broyles, Chaffin, Chappelle, Curran, Daly, Dawalt, Dorland, Drain, Evans, Finkel, Finley, Gage, Greene, Hayes, Kieffer, Klock, Laurion, Layne, McElheny, Michaelis, Peck, Schrein, Steve Smith, Stewart, Trout, Turnage, Warfield, Weaver. THIS IS GREAT!

Fran McElheny wrote after visiting the Whipples at Orleans, MA. She and Dan chartered a sloop and sailed the Chesapeake. They visited Larry Sievers in her "lovely condominium." After 3 wks at Walter Reed (that's the end, he says) Bruce & Kay Palmer were at Ft Walton Beach in early Aug resting up. Ginny Spann wrote that she had taken a boat trip thru the Canal up to San Fran. Heard from June Twaddell after Reunion. She sent the best group of pictures I've seen, but I sent them all back—because I don't keep THE BOOK anymore. Hot Dogs!

'37

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Thought it would never actually arrive but our 40th Reunion is fast approaching. Judging by notes received by your scribe, some classmates aren't getting the word—a brief summary. The cmte headed by Bull Oden has issued its first bulletin, to be followed by one soon after Xmas and a final one later in the spring. The dates are Jun 3,4,5 with a banquet as the wind-up on the 5th. Billeting at The Ramada Inn, Newburgh, for the 3 nights, above. If you have not already done so, suggest you notify Gus Prentiss of your plans as follows: COL A.M. Prentiss, USAF Ret., 1801 K St, NW, Washington, DC 20006. Be sure to give your current address so you'll receive the future Reunion bulletins.

Bud Major was one of those asking information on the Reunion. He and Laura plan to attend. Bud also mentioned that he was elected pres of the Space Coast WP Society for the coming year. He reports only one other classmate in the area—Jack Van Vliet—whom he last saw at the last Founders Day dinner.

Does anyone have an address and other info on Ed Lee? Would appreciate same.

Howie & Peg Smalley, our most inveterate travellers, haven't lost their enthusiasm. They spent 10 days with Bill & Hope Amos on a fishing trip in the Cascade Mts (trout plentiful). Howie and Peg then—a week later—



1937: Fred Diercks with record-book impala, African safari, July 1976.

took a cruise to AK. For you travel-minded people, Howie says that a 45-min flight over the Juneau ice cap and glaciers was worth the whole trip. The Smalleys are planning to drive east for the 40th Reunion and visit son Dick and family while here. Meanwhile they plan a trip to the Orient: "fly to Hong Kong (14 days) thence to Singapore and a cruise thru Indonesia with a few days in Bali. Will then fly to Japan and spend 2 or 3 weeks there and return about mid-Mar on an APL freighter." Some of you other classmates (like Fred Diercks, below) have the wanderlust but Howie and Peg seem to take the cake!

Trapper & Betty Drum stopped by to see your scribe and Ginny in early Sept on the way home from a weekend visit farther down toward the Norfolk area. Both looked fine, and while Trapper says he's not so busy these days, it sounds as though he has enough to do to keep from getting bored!

"E.Y." Burton wrote asking for Reunion poop, which request has gone to the comm cen in the person of Gus Prentiss. E.Y. has fully ret. as of 73. He and Pudge live in San Ant (8715 Starcrest No. 1, San Antonio, TX 78217). E.Y. has weekly golf dates with Dave Davison and frequently sees the other ardent golfers—Swede Ohman, Chester Johnson, George Holcomb. He up-dated his PCS since ret. at Ft Sill in 67: remained in Lawton as a property mgr til spring 73 when he and Pudge settled in San Ant. Their son is a MAJ, Inf, at Ft Hood and daughter married to an FBI agent in Dallas.

Those of you who read the FA Journal have probably seen the first 3 of 10 chapters written by Steggy Stegmaier on the role of FA helping to win the West. They are the result of 10 yrs research. A prominent mil hist has advised Steggy that with some expansion in scope, the work is worthy of publication in book form. Joe Mitchell note—you both seem to be in the same ball park.

Don Shive provided the attendees at the Aug Class luncheon in DC which has become sort of a traditional husband-wife affair (although wives and widows are welcome at any of these monthly 3d Thurs lunches at the Army-Navy town club on Farragut Square). Present were the John Fraziers, Roy Luteses, Luis Mercados, Delk Odens, Gus Prentisses, Don Shives and John Stohls (honorary); also singles Choppy Brett, Mal Malizewski, Meyer Edwards (visiting from the West Coast), B.F. Taylor, Finn Unger and Bud Zehner. Don Shive also reported that Max Tincer has been on the sick-call roster which we hope is no longer true as of this time.

Fred Diercks has reported on his African hunting safari and here it is: "I spent 5-20 Jul in Zululand and Cape Province in S. Africa and was able to take a kudu, springbok, reedbuck, nyala and record book impala and desbuck. (Ed Note: apologies, Fred, if spelling is fouled up.) Although some of the time it was kind of rough going, I managed to survive and carry out an activity I have dreamed about for a long time." Congratulations, Fred, on 2 counts—the trip itself, and the bag!

'38

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Near the top of the Class' alphabetical roster are 3 Andersons all of whom insist on being called "Andy." The location of R.B. is known, G.P. is on Mike Krisman's missing persons list, and after some probing and pleading I now have up-to-date information on C.H. We Thomases have the rather mundane preference to be called simply "Dick" and "Jess." In a letter received in Jul, Andy (C.H.) gives a rather complete report of his and Midge's past 12 years in Germany. It comes from (address on letter*) and is complete and concise enough to be printed verbatim as follows: "Dear Jess, In response to your plea for information, will try to give you some which might be of interest to you. Having had no visiting classmates for years, it will all have to be personal. After 12 years in Europe one could say that we are fairly well dug in here. Although it wasn't really planned that way, circumstances dictated otherwise, so now we are half-owners of a bauerhaus in a small village just off the Bremen-Hanover autobahn. It really is not a bauerhaus any longer as it is modernized and all the animals have been gone for a long time. We have 2500 sq meters of land, enough to have a lot of privacy without having too much garden work to do. In a few more years it will be completely enclosed with evergreens—no leaves to rake. All the neighbors are extremely pleasant and helpful. Kirchlinteln is about 4 miles east of Verden am Aller, which is well-known for its semi-annual auction of Hannoverian horses. The British 1st Div has its HQ in Verden, together with a small riding club for the members of the garrison. My 2 horses are stabled there. Although I no longer do any serious training, it is nice to be able to play around a bit with them. Actually, one is on loan to a British family. Bremerhaven, with its hospital, commissary and PX is about an hour's drive to the north. We go there about once a month to replenish Midge's pills and buy items not generally available on the German market. It is very essential installation, particularly the hospital, where we get complete medical and dental care. The commissary and PX are not so important, as we can buy no rationed items (gas, liquor, coffee, etc.) and we have to pay 20% tax to the Germans on all purchases. As a result, many items are cheaper in the German stores. On the social side, we have made friends with both Germans and British. It is a rare weekend when something is not going on. Although there is a small American detachment in Verden, we see very little of them as they are inclined to keep to themselves. I believe, however, that the officers (3) have very little time off other than to sleep. Admittedly, living in Europe is more expensive than living in

the States (gas is about a dollar and a half a gal) but life can be very pleasant here. Having survived the dollar devaluation, I believe that financially things have settled down at last and we won't have to live through another such crisis. At the moment, I have no plans to move back to the States as there is too much invested here. Perhaps some day it may be necessary, but I shall probably do so reluctantly. Although we do live more or less off the beaten path of world travelers, the two Intl airports of Hannover and Bremen are only about 40 mins away. If anyone happens to stop by, there is always room in the old hay loft! Best regards to all. Sincerely, Andy." (*3091 Kichlinteln, Hauptstrabe 72, B.R. Deutschland.)

I regret to report the loss by Joe & Mary Missal of their youngest of 5 sons. A letter from Mary follows in part: "David was 20½ yrs old, mentally and physically retarded almost 100% since birth. Joe and I have taken full care of him all these yrs and glad we were physically able to do so, and his illness was the reason we've been unable to go to various functions, including reunions at USMA. This will mean a great change in our way of life and take a long, long time to readjust our lives due to David's death. Our other 4 sons are career servicemen and make us proud, and all 4 were here on emergency leave for David's funeral."

Our other European expatriates, Pat & Virginia Healy, based in Aix en Provence, are adhering to their ambitious summer travel plan, having visited England and Scotland and now completing a month in Ireland after which they plan to return to England, then on to Paris. After that I presume they will return to Aix to resume Pat's study of Avn Law in French.

Gregg Lynn writes from 7202 E. Genesee St, Fayetteville, NY 13066, transmitting the address of Bob Offer which is: 5559 Eisenhower Dr, Lawton, OK 73501. Fayetteville is apparently a suburb of Syracuse, where Greg is exploiting his Army Comptrollership Program at the U. which position maintains his contacts with the Active Army and a new generation of budding Army Cmpters. In addition he is Assoc Dean of the Sch of Mgmt. Despite these imposing titles and duties, Greg and Maudie find time to travel to such diverse locales as WY, FL and Germany. Too bad they didn't have above word on Andy, C.H. While Greg is training a new generation of Army Cmpters, Pete & Jane Sights in Burns, TN, and Al & Claribel Burke in Stannardsville, VA, seem to be laying the groundwork for a new way of winos. Both are planting fair sized vineyards on their respective farms. We seem to have almost as many classmates tilling the soil and practicing animal husbandry as are disturbing the sod with golf clubs, although the groups aren't mutually exclusive. Some busy and versatile people follow both methods.

At our latest lunch at the GOM attendees were: Beverley, Bixby, B.R. Brown, Corbett, Denholm, Harrington, Kopcsak, Miller, Lemon, Izenour, Norris, Taylor and Thomas. Senator Norris has gone into serious farming, building up a herd of cattle to augment his horses, probably considering cattle to be more lucrative and less hazardous now that his leg has recovered to the extent that he can dispense with his cane. Frank Izenour, on the other hand, has decided to abandon horse breeding, sell his farm near Frederick and move to Alexandria. John Damon, previously erroneously reported as new enter-

tainer has decided that his real estate interest in Rehoboth will preclude taking the job. The entertainer position, at the time of our planned transition from the GOM to Ft Myer will be filled in a manner somewhat flattering to the incumbent. Frank Miller has agreed to take the job, assisted by a committee of 6. With this many people on the job, this should solve the entertainer problem for some yrs to come.

That peripatetic pair, Carl & Dottie Daprich spent most of the summer on another tour of the Pacific. Considering the snafus encountered, they swear this is the last time. Naturally they tarried a bit in HI, where Hal Kelley is building a Marine airfield at Kauai. Clancy Beck has negotiated a govt job involving improving the Port of Honolulu. Strangely, the first step is to tour and study all of the major ports of U.S. Carl says this tour should bring him to the Port Of Phila about 27 Nov, a rare bit of masochistic planning. Apparently Ben Sternberg and Chuck Jackson eschewed all of these exotic activities. Carl, as an old CBI hand jumped off from Bangkok to Utapao, a now near deserted air base, having cleared through Taipei. From Thailand they did the Rangoon to Mandalay bit and moved on from Burma to India with calls at Benares and Jaipur, elephant rides through the mountains in beastly weather. Next, back to Manila where an obliging typhoon paused long enough to permit a hovercraft trip to Corregidor, which Carl preferred to elephant. After fantastic airline snafus, lost baggage, lost house keys, etc., etc., they returned to Phila. Carl's account makes me almost glad I can't afford that kind of travel.

Another pair of intrepid travelers, George & Betty Bixby plan a trip into the Balkans. In the next edition we may assess the relative perils of penetrating the iron and bamboo curtains.

I thank my correspondents for making the scribing much less of a chore.

'39

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At the time this column is written only a clairvoyant could tell you about the big football games, the parties and gatherings in connection therewith. Deadlines for the printer cause this column to be put together long before the games take place.

The Sept column did try to discuss an upcoming, 10 Jul 76 party at Adelaide's & Dick Cleverly's and mixed up on anticipated guests. However as anticipated it was a big success. All told we had a total of 60 class-



1939: Goodpaster, with Dossie, admiring his scroll held by Hamilton. Harpers Ferry, 18 Sept.

mates and their families. There was golf, swimming, a never-run-dry bar, giant steaks with all the fixins and great good fellowship. Out-of-towners were the Krismans, Kurths, Bud Newcomers, and Carl Buechner. How Adelaide and Dick put up with all of us is hard to see but how we all do enjoy their hospitality.

We are all happy to know that Dutch Kerwin is staying on as VCS. Clyde Sutton said that in a brief visit with GEN Rogers in Atlanta, the new CS expressed pleasure that Dutch had agreed to stay on.

Four of our classmates died last summer: John Wald, Charlie Duke, Chuck Walton and Dan Tatum. Four stout-hearted men that will be sorely missed. Our deepest sympathy goes to all their families.

Julian Ewell is working hard to insure that we have a suitable Class Memorial at WP. A memorial takes money and some of us are letting Julian down by forgetting to send in a donation. This fall you should have received a letter from the AOG concerning the annual fund drive, as well as a letter from your CI '39 co. rep urging participation. We are hoping that this year we receive \$39 from well over half of the Class. Let's give while we can. But don't forget, you can remember



1939: Betty Ann and Stan Dziuban before starting trip in US and Canada.

the fund in your will if you don't want to be a live participant. Please don't put off writing that check. It's too easy to let this kind of appeal slip your mind and the next thing you know another year has slipped by.

Had a call from Neil Palmer in Cocoa Beach, FL. He gave me the sad news that Chuck Walton had died and passed on some information about addresses of some of our lost classmates.

Unique this year, or any year for that matter, was another major party put on by Trudie & J.D. Richardson at their home and farm just outside of Harpers Ferry. Trudie's and Rich's home is a large, soundly built, attractive brick house which was occupied for most of the Civil War by Union Forces. Without a doubt their home has one of the grandest views down the Potomac—of and through the gap—of anyplace. This is agreed upon by those of us who remember well the view up the Hudson from in front of the Supt's house before the new activities building spoiled it. While the view from Rich's front lawn and house is magnificent, the view from a knoll and open field just behind and maybe a hundred feet higher in elevation is absolutely spectacular. We all made the



1939: Preston, Bud Newcomer, Kerwin, Goodpaster, Kurtz entertained by something. Harpers Ferry, 17 Sept.

trip up the hill by hayride behind a big tractor.

But to get back to the party. The group began assembling Sat, 10 Sept, for golf. By 1800 60 of us were at Trudie's & Rich's. Included were out-of-towners Dottie & Speedy Hull, Alys & Mike Krisman from WP, Bud Newcomer from NJ (Jackie was in France visiting their married daughter), and Saint St. Clair from SC. The bar was complete and busy. Steak dinner served at tables under the walnut trees on the front lawn couldn't have been better. I don't know who availed themselves of the arrangements to visit the race track in Charles Town, maybe no one, as there was so much talking and catching up to be done before it was time to go to bed. Billeting was arranged for all of us. Some at Trudie's, some at Bunch Duke's place, others in local hotels and motels. Festivities resumed at 0830 the next morning with Bloody Marys or anything else you might desire, and a champagne breakfast. Ed Hamilton cooked big 18" substantial French pancakes which he quartered and served with sour cream, strawberries and/or blueberries—plus enough food to ruin many diets.

After breakfast Chief of Mil Hist, Jim Collins, gave a most interesting and enlightening slide show and explanation of the Battle of Antietam and its significance in the war. After a tour of the battlefield we returned to the Richardsons' in time for another spread featuring lobster salad. That's one weekend that will go down in history—none of us who were there will ever forget it. Who but magicians like Trudie and Rich and Grace & Ed Hamilton (our local Class social director) could have arranged such a complete weekend? And can you believe this—this is Ed's arithmetic—all for a pro rata charge of less than \$22 each for the entire weekend—billets, food, drink, etc!

This party was also a farewell to Dossie & Andy Goodpaster. In Oct Andy took up



1939: Smith, Speedy Hull, Krisman, Hoi-sington, Grace Hamilton. Harpers Ferry, 17 Sept.



1939: McClellan—golf pro and J.D. Richardson—host supreme. Harpers Ferry, 18 Sept.

his new duties as Prof of Govt & Int Studies at The Citadel. Also at the party, Harry McClellan ran the golf with his usual extremely complicated handicapping system that ended up with Nina Smith as overall champ, plus 6 other winners in various categories. Incidentally Bill Smith joined us truly ret. types in Oct and looks forward to more time on the golf course and—if Nina has her way—more antiquing and junking.

Sorry there is practically no news from outside the DC area. Somebody out there has to let this column know what's going on. Hope we know who one of those somebodies is. Read this letter from Stan Dziuban:

"Betty Ann and I are looking forward to seeing not only a good bit of the U.S. but also classmates, relatives and friends we may not have seen for years. A few months ago we decided to make ret. permanent and to start the year-long trek around the country we had talked about. There remains lots for us to see. For example, all my state-side service, including USMA and the RA before that, was within a 250 mile radius of hometown, Yonkers, NY—excepting only a few months on LA maneuvers in 42. The enclosed snap shows our column in march order. The Toyota will make local travel a bit easier than using the "Monster" (house on wheels). Once the weather cools we head south and follow the temperate weather SW, north to WI and the Canadian Rockies. Our Marie will be with us about half the time. Look forward to visiting many '39ers and plan to make contact a few weeks before hitting each area. (Stan, deadlines for ASSEMBLY are the end of Dec, Mar, Jun and Sept.)

'40

Selection of a permanent scribe for this column is still in a holding pattern pending outcome of Bottle Kasper's cmte to name a slate of operators as described in the last issue of ASSEMBLY. The cmte has been waiting for volunteers or nominations to come forth prior to coming up with their slate for your approval. The source for collecting inputs or activities of our Class has, of course, ended since the demise of Hank Brewerton. Therefore, the news available at this time is pretty sparse.

Bottle Kasper hosted his 2d annual picnic at his 200-year-old farm near Rixyville, VA. This was attended by a good turnout of about 35 DC area types. The Lavells didn't

fly up from Tulsa this year as they did last year.

It was a great outing, but some of the featured events such as a diving performance by Stu McKenney failed to materialize.

The next event coming up here in DC will be a luncheon gathering held in conjunction with the annual AUSA meeting at the Sheraton Park. We usually have about 25 classies attend this event.

The first annual non-reunion reunion at Myrtle Beach failed to develop into a very large affair. In fact, only 2 people managed to get there—Bobbe and myself. But it still has future potential if organized. Freddy White is going down in Oct. We're sneaking up on it.

Stu McKenney reports that Bidwell Moore still doesn't use his woods on the fairways and the latter has become Stu's favorite opponent. On the other hand, the accuracy of Stu's handicap is questioned by a number of local golfers.

There is a report, unconfirmed by details, that Mercer "Pat" Davis passed away in San Diego sometime in Jul of this year. Also, Pete Clapsaddle passed away in Richmond, VA and was buried in Arlington 27 Sept.

Mary Yeuell has been working as a customer liaison rep in the DC office of Martin Marietta. Dick Kent just bought a 25-foot sailboat and may be seen taking soundings in various inlets of the Chesapeake.

Legionnaires fever may have caused the pres of ADPA, Harry Miley, to cancel their big meeting in Phila.

There's a large contingent in CO now. Richards and Orman teaching at Pueblo State. Milton and Gideon commanding great views from scenic command centers. Gasparini, Raleigh, Coats, Bill Clark, Johnson, Skip Fowler and Page Smith in the Springs. Porte, Frontczak, Berry, and Chandler in the Denver area. Bingham trying to get in shape for the slopes of Aspen. Len & Vy Haseman report they will be moving from the DC area to Grand Junction in the near future.

Dick Abbey heads up the Citizen's Assn of Lynn Haven, VA. Rick Ferrill was his campaign mgr.—K.R. Dyke

'41

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The guy who wrote "Springtime in the Rockies" was obviously never out here in the fall. When you take the drive to Cripple Creek this time of year and pop out of the old narrow-gauge tunnel you find a fair-land of rich gold and deep green at your feet with the snow-capped Sangre de Cristos in the background—Wow! You can close your eyes and hear Julie Andrews singing *High on a Hill!*

Just exactly missing my last deadline was a most important input from the Gauvreau family. According to Mary, "Jim was graduated in May from U. of CO (Boulder) not Phi Beta Kappa like his sister Nancy, but with a B.S. in Bus Admin and a commission as a 2LT USAF. Despite some serious surgery in the past year, he was reevaluated physically and is now pilot qualified. "The AF is a new route for our family: my father—Army—WP '16; my brother—Army—WP '48; and Dave. Dave had a \$1000 bet with Jim he wouldn't graduate from high school, and then \$1000 bet that he wouldn't graduate

from college. So Dave paid up in May and is \$2000 poorer."

Walt Woolwine sent me a drill roster from the DC Chapter which showed the following stalwarts at the 20 Jul luncheon: Anderson, Cannella, S.Y. Coker, Deane, Knowles, Hays, Locke, Kisiel, Stern, Woolwine and Gould. The footnote saying Lucy Milliken was "better"; Wendy Knowles a new real estate salesman; and Herb Stern a golfer deluxe.

We had a bumper crop of classmates visiting this area this summer. Barney Woodruff was out with his lovely daughter Louise to put some fresh trout in the freezer and to elevate himself to the 7 level as a square dance caller. He said Bettye was busy with her new plant shop and decided to stay home.

Dick & Peggy Scott dropped in from FL to try our golf courses and visit daughter Bobbi who lives in Denver. On 31 Jul we had a small bash to honor the former Cmdt of Cadets and his lovely bride. We even imported Ray Schnittke from his mountain hideaway in Aspen. John & Dottie Henschke came down from Denver. And the locals turned out in full force: Dave & Mary Gauvreau; Mal & Alma Troup; George & Betty McIntyre; Tom & Jean Corbin; and Benn & Harrie Spiller plus Benn's sister Peggy who was visiting from CA. Next day the Gauvreaus had the gang out to brunch at the Broadmoor.

The high point of the summer in the Rockies was the minireunion at the Brier Patch for the 80th operation of Cheyenne Frontier Days. With the meticulous planning that would have done credit to a SAC ORI, Bill and Jerry ran a house party that you wouldn't believe. The whole CO contingent was there except for the McIntyres (George was in the AFA hospital for some surgery on the plumbing system) and the Hayduks could not manage from far away Grand Junction. We watched the parade from the VIP deck of a bank; we relished the bronc and bull riding; we were awed by what has got to be the last of the "big boy" contests—steer wrestling; and we were dazzled by the chuck wagon races. We took a steak break that evening and had thick t-bones from the Brier grill.

Our next guest was Ed Rowney who came out to give a talk to the local chapter of TROA. Too bad he can't give this illuminating presentation of the SALT talks on national TV. It was great. And Ed must have the tenacity of a hurricane hunter to stay in and pitch in a situation which requires living half the time in Geneva and coping with the intransigence of the Soviets. Hats off to Ed Rowney, a hell of a guy doing a vital and very tough job, superbly.

And to top off the summer of fun we had Bob & Jo Kramer pop through on their way



1941: 2LT Fletcher holds class gifts flanked by parents and Mike Greene.



1941: Frontier Days visitors: Schnittke, Linton, Brier, Henschke, Andrus, Troup and Gauvreau.

back from HI. John & Dottie Henschke had a party at their lovely home in Littleton and the whole gang was there. Bob & Jo looked absolutely great and won the contest for the most pictures of grandchildren.

The Chmn of the JCS was our latest visitor as he hosted the North Atlantic Mil Cmtc Chiefs of Staff visit to the AFA. Old George looked great, and when I noted that his party was on Rosh Hashana, he smirked!

Having finally broken the "Ivy Covered Walls Barrier," and been invited to teach a mgmt course at USC (U. of S. CO), I have joined Ben Spiller as a part time teacher and part time realtor. When I finish my course work for the PhD in Jun, I'll be available for a bigger load. Ben is right when he advocates getting out of the grungy business world and into the wonderfully refreshing world of working with young people who need you to help them in expanding their horizons!

New address: Perk & Jane Perkin: 116 Carriage Way Dr, Apt A-115, Burr Ridge, IL 60521 having stepped up to consultant, Natl Assn Blue Shield.

One of the most moving bits of mail I've ever received from the Class mail draggers arrived in late Aug from Jack Murray. He has written a book and had it published. It is entitled, *Dorothy*. Said Jack, "This is something I wrote mainly for my grandchildren who will someday be able to read about their vibrant, beautiful grandmother who left us all too soon. As it also contains memories of Dorothy's love for WP, I believe it should find a place with the Class archives. If you read it, I thing you'll find that it is a simple love story."

Needless to say the book, tastefully illustrated with photographs going back to their high school days, is something very special about a very beautiful person. And since the Class archives consist of a dusty footlocker, I'll find the right place for it and let you all know.

The other enclosure was a press release announcing that John F.T. Murray is the new Dean of the School of Law at St. Louis U. And Jack reported in his letter, "I also have to report that I was remarried recently—to Roz Sanderson, originally from CA, but a long time resident of Athens. Youngest daughter Sally married John Thornton and presently living on the Chickamauga Battlefield, Ft Ogelthorpe. Richard enlisted in the 101st Airborne and seems to be content for the time being." Welcome to the Black Gang, Roz! Their new address: 4400 Lindell Blvd, Apt 16 H, St Louis, MO 63108.

A Wray White sent a clipping from the *Cincinnati Post* headlined, "The New Amazons—women hanging on grimly in military academies." Wray's caption: "Status report

on the dumbest idea of the century." My comment: Take a close look at the cover of the Sept ASSEMBLY and you'll see the first dame to ever make the cover of our hallowed magazine, and bigger than Hell—she's gazing out of ranks!

Today's mail included the 21 Sept luncheon report from Walt W: In addition to those present in par 3 above, MJL Greene, Reed, Wixon, Crow, O'Connor, Fletcher, Chapman, Huffman, Tanous, Kisiel, Bodson and Buttery. And Betty Woolwine and Eileen Greene co-hosted a luncheon to honor Marie Clifford, Judy Tyler Hayes, and Ruth Adams from points north. Attendees included Marka Huffman, Laura Richards, Patti Locke, Evelyn Canella, Betty Woodruff, Vera Wixon, Terry Chapman, Johnnie Fletcher, Lucy Cooper and Maurine Reed. "Next luncheon we expect Jack Norton and Geo Stalnaker. Gurnee and Gerace were here for a visit in early Aug."

Got a very nice note from John Tonetti thanking the Class for the picture and the mug. His punch line, "I will treasure the picture and the mug you presented to me and will make sure that the mug is well used."

Got a letter from Butch Rising enclosing a letter he wrote to the Supe and the Supe's answer. The thing that is disturbing about this exchange is that Butch cited a cadet who, having been authorized to go on DP was later interrogated by his Tac as to whether he had had a drink (which he had not) while on the DP. The astonishing thing is that the Supe's answer to the point of a Tac's totally inappropriate question was anything but specific.

Ben Spiller wrote an excellent article on this problem urging the return to the system of our day of keeping honor out of the business of enforcing Regs. It was published in the local paper and received many favorable comments. I sent it on to Mike Krisman but he replied that he had received so many similar inputs they would more than fill an ASSEMBLY and to attempt to select a few would be tactically impossible. At the same time Mike did report, "Our grads must speak out whenever possible and write their congressmen. One of the criticisms which has come out of the congressional hearings (this from a congressman) is that no graduate had made his views known to his elected representative so he assumed the cheaters and their lawyers were the only ones with a case."

Buck Miller, noting that only about ¼ of the classmates from the SW are making the big reunions, suggests we reemphasize (a)



1941: LT Jim Gauvreau, USAF, and proud papa, Dave Gauvreau.

the importance of minireunions and (b) the ultimate logic of not waiting until every 5th year. Interestingly enough this same idea was advanced in the '40 column of the Sept ASSEMBLY. It makes a lot of sense and the hour glass is busy!

Two weddings: Jane Clifford to Dr. Richard Azizkhan on 8 May at Carlisle Bks, and CPT John Norton Jr. to Cindy Lou Hemming on 12 Aug in Nuernberg.

Whit Whittaker sent the full New York Times account on 30 Jan 42 of Sandy Nininger's Medal of Honor with the suggestion that it be added in an appropriate place to Nininger Hall. He reported a Jun wedding of his youngest (of 6) son Pat. Wire Coakley reports Jim & Mary Scott Kaiser holding down the north end of Virginia Beach, Danny & Joe Danforth doing likewise in the south and the Coakleys and Mathers anchoring the center. "Ruth Smith has made an amazing comeback from recent complex surgery and anticipating another procedure soon—Joe Knowlton expects to be up to speed in a couple of months." Tom Maxwell reinforces Miller's notion, "5 years is a long time between Reunions; I've heard a few spontaneous comments that it would be nice to get together more often, even if not at the Academy."

Win Curley sent a pix of the Fletcher presentation which I forwarded to Johnnie with instructions to forward to Krisman for this issue. Win wanted me to know that during a recent visit to old Ft Worden on Puget Sound he had been so kind as to pause for a moment beside my mother's grave.

By the time you read this the Bicentennial Year will be nearing its end. There are those who believe we will spend the rest of our days in a world of rigorous turmoil. So let's do what we can to insure that those who would lead our nation's men in uniform understand that their sacred honor must be as crisp and shining as CO's golden aspen in the fall.

'42

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The worst news in hand is that Slim John Ryan had a severe heart attack on the street in late Aug, was the victim of the "don't get involved" syndrome and had a very tough and go spell at Walter Reed. Happily, he was kicked out after a month of TLC and is at home getting quantities of the same. Thanks to Doug Murray, John Reid and Ann, he had made 3 class luncheons in a row, the last only a couple of days before the heart attack. Does this tell you that even '42 can only take '42 in measured doses? Incidentally, if any of you have a spare '40 or '41 HOWITZER, John would love to have it to replace his lost copies. J. Reid has already done the honors with one of the Horridge '42 specials.

Doug Murray—who has had his own spate of sessions with the doctors and is hoping that they can cure the symptoms without discovering a problem—has been great in keeping me posted on John's situation. He even called the 3d "wife" Wally Frank, who got on the horn to Jack in his bed of pain to remind him of how much better company he was keeping now, compared to 35 years ago! Wally and Ruth were back in Jersey recently, I believe because of her father's

death, and then visited their son (a Pentagon, AFR&D type) and family here. At least the chap that called said he was Wally and sounded like Wally—but he was so frightfully well-behaved and couth!

A note from George Hughes, too late for the last column, mentioning pleasant visits on the occasion of Jeff's wedding with Kathy Flanagan, Rienzi and Horridges along with the others included in the picture which did make the last column, thanks to a sympathetic editor!

Unlike Dan Schorr, I reveal all of my sources unless there is an inducement to do otherwise. Thus I give credit to W.D. Crittenberger Jr. for word that old Infantryman Bud Ryder was invited to represent EUCOM at a Naval NATO Rsch Symposium. D'ya spose they'd heard that all 2-star Infantrymen walk on water? To put Bud back in his place, the accompanying dinner invitation included a reminder that he was expected to wear a coat and tie!

While out in Kansas City in Aug to attend to his USBA chores, Jack Deane went to see the Royals. During a rain delay he was enjoying refreshments and conversation in the Stadium Club when he heard the name Helmstetter. The immediate response was typical Jack—he got an introduction to the cute wife of young Carl who was languishing in his seat elsewhere for lack of a coat and tie! Jack tracked him down, had a nice visit and urges anyone going K.C. way to get in touch. Carl is hungry to talk to friends of his Dad.

George Allin has had his semi-annual scourging—this time by a cmte seeking to upgrade the school lunch menu, leaving him to solve the problem of the extra 10¢ per meal. George expects to run out of money before the school year ends so he's pressing on and enjoying all the cartoons poking fun at those campaigning against all food additives, preservatives, etc. For those who despair over '42's lack of couth, the National Symphony Newsletter advises that on the Advisory Cmte for their 3 Dec Ball—"a premier social event in Washington"—is Mrs. Howard L. Burris. So there!

Jim Josendale sent word that he and Debbie had sneaked into DC to talk to some State Dept types before flying down to Rio. (Wouldn't that be a great title for a movie!?!?!?) They GOP'd in K.C. and were stagnating for a whole month before a sojourn to Ireland, Monaco, Switzerland and Germany. Thanks to Jim and Kathy Flanagan we have been reminded of a most important Class obligation which is now being taken care of by the local leaders.

Chickie Hardaway wrote to ask that we get her back on the Xmas Newsletter mailing list and inquired as to who was in the Usmay neighborhood as she planned a Sept trip thataway. Chickie's last chick, Anne, joined the USAF in May. #1 daughter is in Tucson. Both sons are in the Commonwealth of VA. She is employed at the P.O. in Orleans, MA, so anything addressed to Box 1059, Zip 02653 should reach her!

Jeff Davis reported on Dottie's annual pilgrimage to Okolowa, MS (you know, Okolowa) with a stopover chez Mildred & Gene Weeks. Gene is personally hammering together a new homestead on an 18th fairway, joining Harv Shelton in the used golf ball business, I spose. The Davises came within an ounce of getting them up for our Aug picnic. Maybe next time.

My bicentennial clean-up uncovered cor-

respondence relating to Sam Koster's work in preparing Phil Horan's obit for ASSEMBLY. Noting Mary Alice's address (Mrs. Hall Evans in San Marino, CA) and being mindful of my recent plea to you for help in locating our widows, I took a chance on the old address and wrote Mary Alice to ask if she'd like to receive the Newsletter. I had a lovely letter of thanks for '42's concern, declining our offer because of her very brief and limited contacts with the Class.

Doug Murray had the pleasure of bumping into Bob & Betty Rawls at the airport on their way home from NYC and operation Tall Sail—both with press credentials yet! Murrays later had dinner with them in Lauderdale while touring FL.

A letter from Esquire Plott advised that he and his roomie were to appear in DC for the AF Assn Convention on the 18th—no month specified. Unhappily, jury duty and a court case did them in. Bill allows as how his digestion—and the atmosphere around the 1st National Bank of San Angelo—would be greatly improved if the Dow would quit messing around with 1,000 and headed for 1,100. Get in line, Bill!

A pox on the nay-sayers responding to the Reunion questionnaire (and to all of those who left it to Box 1142 to trim the form for George Allin's use—mostly senior officers bereft of their aides). If you really can't hack it, we'll miss you. If you're on the fence, y'all come. And if you're soured on the world, reconsider. You may find that we're all a heck of a lot more lovable after 35 years! Maybe I should publish the names of the contrary minded in the next issue and let the rest of you take pot shots at them!

Nostalgia for any OR '42 reps named Larry—a feature article about Ft Myer in the Pentagon News cited LT Frank P. Lahm for a flight on 9 Sept 1908 as the first ever, anywhere as a mil observer—and for a world record of 6 min 42 sec!

And on the subject of fliers, at that AF Assn Convention that the Plotts didn't make, they honored our most senior flier, Lu Clay, with their Exceptional Service Award. Heartiest congratulations—to the Assn as well as to you, Lu!

Skip Young responded with a Walnut Creek, CA, address for the temporarily misplaced Jim Pendergrast. To Skip and all others who take the time and trouble, bless you. While this old ego thrives on any complaints on this column, you and I both know—no input, no output!

Bless "the Happy Wanderer" Chuck Howe for helping us all to maintain the illusion of youth. That middle-aged tiger bicycled from Vacaville (cowtown?), CA, to FL, a lil ol' 2,800 mile excursion in 40 days! One acknowledged change from Cadet days when he chased his share of dogs (remember Poncho Days!), he found himself being the chasee! After visiting his mother in FL, a plane trip home, with stops to see kids, ended the saga.

Bobbie Offley has been AWOL for some time on a visit to CA to help her Mother recoup from a pair of hip operations. Initial reports are good. Helen Low is also temporarily absent on a 10-day tour of Erin with a church group. Andy tried to create a picture of the gay-old-dog by casually mentioning that he'd heard the news of such and such on the radio at 3:00 a.m. Unfortunately, he'd just said that he'd earlier fallen asleep watching the Mon night football game so the illusion was shot down.

Al & Nancy Hunter tracked down the Wisers in their OH habitat and had a most pleasant visit. Carl Ulsaker notes a recent period during which he received not one complaint about the Postal Service. That period coincided with their vacation on a lake at the headwaters of the Mississippi, the cabin (year 'round type) courtesy of an uncle. Strange occurrence!

Our padre, Jim Studer, was kind enough to send a copy of a letter he'd written Tom Rienzi explaining why he'll miss the 35th. As chaplain to students on 3 campuses he expects to be occupied with matters of student matrimony at their graduation time as well as in building the foundation for their AOG. I can't refute the logic, but I must confess a serious let-down at the prospects of this gang of sheep at a reunion without their shepherd! Thinking back to prior go-rounds when 2 of our members participated in the Alumni Mass, couldn't we trade 2 altar boys named Mattina and Rienzi for one Studer??? (Of course Jim had a couple of nice remarks for your scribe, or he would never have gotten all of this favorable publicity!)

An invitation from George & Helen Rehkopf confirms the fact that daughter Lynn and Steve Dorghazi did it at the Basilica of Saint Louis in St. Louis on 4 Aug. I trust that lack of subsequent correspondence is due to nothing other than the inability to afford a 13¢ stamp!

Thanks to the super turnout for the Aug picnic chez our delightful and understanding hosts, Norma & Jim Cockrell, I don't dare list all of the 78 in attendance lest the editor seek revenge in devious way in future issues. I will say that many, many more of you who may not have realized it were there in conversation. To single out a few of those present, for special reasons: A smiling Ed Aileo with Bobbie, who appears to have accepted us as an inevitable price to pay! Bonassos, now a part of our permanent scene; Clagetts. I'd lunched with one of the tribe the day before and knew it was brother Hugh and not Dave because the one I was with picked up the tab! Corcorans, about to head back to Puerto Rico, ostensibly to work out but probably to avoid our enchanting winter weather; Cutlers, with the plans for our class gift which all had the opportunity to see and enjoy. Even with the merger of Army Emergency Relief and Army Relief Soc, Genevieve is not left idle as she is now on the Bd of AER. Also learned why Ec is a Prof and I'm not. His method of telling girl cadets from boy cadets—the girls were wearing long socks! (I suggested a more pleasant, old-fashioned bit of visual evidence.); Flor Cruzes. Pete looking and claiming to feel very well after his recent surgery; Horridges almost made it. Too much family reunion the reported cause; Hoziers ditto. Shirley had apparently had a conflict with an automobile which left her in such condition as to make the long drive unfeasible; Johnsons aussi. At the last minute Peg decided that she wouldn't fly that far with Roy!; Kosters had all the kids and grandkids at home; Krafts paid the active duty penalty and had a ceremony with a higher priority; Michels after all the talk and my 13¢ stamp to alert them, just plain pooped out; Mizells. Charlie was the head honcho and did a super job; Murrays had a nephew in tow and properly decided that he was too young to be exposed to '42; Reids with Margaret obviously

bouncing back in fine style from her recent medical problems; Robinsons who provided the boat rides on Lake Barcroft for all who had never really seen how all of the other half live; Scotts with Mayor Dick putting adhesive red roses on all females who dared meet him, ah, er, face to face. A recent Newsletter from the Christian Children's Fund pictured Mayor Scott accepting a plaque honoring "the PA Dutch Community as America's most compassionate city" for the sponsorship of 202 needy children by Lancaster families.

And since the calendar tells me that today's date is the deadline for this effort, I'd best get it on its way with one last plea to all to think more than twice before saying no to the 35th. Should any of you want me to let you know about the answer of anyone in particular, I'll be glad to rat fink—upon receipt of a postage-paid, self-addressed envelope!

Very best wishes to all for the Holiday Season and a bright, bright New Year.

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'43

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The DC contingent of our Class is "almighty proud" to welcome Bob Smith to DC as the new Asst SECDEF (Health Affairs). Bob joins us from Toledo, OH, where he practices with the Katchka, Friedman, and Crider Med Corp—the anesthesiology group at Toledo Hosp. As was featured in the Toledo Blade, "Associates say that for a physician, Dr. Smith has an educational background that is unusual, if not unique. Not only is he a graduate of WP, but he also holds a graduate degree in engr from MIT. His medical degree is from the U. of NB Coll of Med... and he took both his internship and residency at Toledo Hosp. It was in 72 with associates at Toledo Hosp that Dr. Smith helped pioneer the development of an innovative med educ program that is now being used nationally. The program, which has become widely known as the "Fifth Pathway," is a mechanism by which American-born graduates of foreign med schs can make a speedier return to the U.S. to begin practice here... Dr. Smith is one of 256 members of the powerful governing body of the AMA, its House of Delegates. At various AMA conventions, his name has been discussed as a potential future pres of the 200,000-member org. During 70, Dr. Smith served as pres of the 10,000-member OH State Med Assn... Dr. Smith is Chmn of



Jan '43: On the roof of the A-N Country Club—Wirt (L) and Fred/Isabel Spann.



Jan '43: Jack Wood (right) proposes a toast to Jeane Mallory (center) and son Bart, visiting from CA. Others are Boots Minckler (left) and Cecily Wood (right).



Jan '43: Bob Smith, new asst SECDEF (Health Affairs), congratulated by Congressman Latta (left) and SECDEF Rumsfeld following swearing-in ceremony 2 September.

the OH Comprehensive Health Planning Advisory Council... He has 6 children. His wife Marilyn died in 1969." Our hats are off to you, Bob Smith; you're a mighty good man!

Still rummaging through the multitude of responses to the questionnaire which Bob Cook (our Class Secy) sent out to "all hands" some time ago, I extracted the following interesting (and presumably still timely) highlights with respect to the activities of classmates far and near:

- Tibby Anderson is still Dir of Army Instr for Winslow-Salem, NC, schools, and what with drill teams, rifle teams, and frequent visits with their daughter and 2 grandsons in Atlanta, life is mighty busy.

- Ted Ardery, as you know, has shifted positions from Constr Mgr of the Washington METRO to Constr Mgr of the Potomac Elec Power Co. (PEPCO).

- Bill Brady is still with McDonnell Douglas Astronautics Co. at Huntington Beach, CA, but also enjoys his "Crosby-Hope" sailing ventures with Dave Barger.

- While John Buckner presides as pres of the Buckner Constr Co. (specializing in highway bridges and drainage structures) in Jacksonville, TX, his wife Ann is involved in real estate.

- Bill Cook is OIC of the AF Jr ROTC Unit in Bassier H.S., Bassier City, LA; his wife Janice raises and shows champion dogs.

- As the Managing Dir of Aber Constr Co., Ltd. at 8 Orange St, Haymarket, London, John Cutler is engaged in devl and constr projects in Africa and the Middle East and invites any classmates who have farming expertise and a desire to work in Africa to come see him.

- Norm Cota is the mgr of the Dan Wall-

covering Div of the Republic-Dan Paint and Wallpaper Co. in Milwaukee, WI.

- T.Q. Donaldson describes himself as chief maintenance man on his attractive 95-acre farm in Cumberland Valley, PA, where he keeps horses, beef cattle, chickens, dogs and periodically contends with a flooding basement, leaking roof, crumbling walls, and frozen pipes, but there's lots of fresh air up there.

- How could Chuck/June Hardy be other than super golf enthusiasts with their home located on the scenic Spyglass Hill golf course in Pebble Beach, CA?

- Walt Hogrefe is a prof engr in Orange Park, FL.

- Warren Lane is in the home remodeling and light constr business in San Ant.

- Ed Murray, who received a master's degree from San Diego State U. in Public Admin, is an admin aide for the City of El Cajon, CA, while his wife Ginny paints and provides secretarial assistance.

- The "Robbie" Robinsons are still in Uruapan, Mexico, where they are both learning Spanish and teaching English to their Mexican friends.

- Hal Walker has headed the NY Gas Group in NYC since 73. This group is engaged not only in the distribution of natural gas, but also in the exploration and acquisition of new sources.

- The Bob Wallings, who live in Santa Rosa, CA, have been spending their summers in AK working in the gold operations of a friend where the greatest compensation is really the good fellowship, exercise, and food.

- From Leesville, LA, Gray Wheelock indicated that he's traveling, playing racquetball and golf, and coping with pine needles and sand while trying to find a place in TX with a lake in the rear, a golf course in front, and a racquetball court nearby. His wife, Lena, is



Jan '43: At A-N Country Club—Rebh, Frankosky and Norris.



Jan '43: Benson (L) and Minckler congratulate young John Elliott (son of Ace/Laurie) following performance in Salute to America at Wolf Trap Center, VA.



Jan '43: At A-N Country Club—Baden (L) and Billie/Gregg Henry.

"aging gracefully, despite having to put up with Wheelock."

Included among the responses to Bob Cook's questionnaires were some interesting ones from Ex-Jan 43ers, for example:

- Baxter Bell has ret. from the Nuclear Div of Union Carbide Corp and is residing at a lake in TN.
- Rex Crockett is a ret. MC COL living in Tulsa, OK, where he is active in oil exploration. He occasionally sees Marion (Hoppo) May who lives in Joplin, MO.
- Eugene Landrum is a Traffic Engr with the IL Dept of Trans, Div of Hwys.
- Bevie Machen is a ret. AF Res. Officer who has been a Ford dealer in Forrest City, AR, since 60.
- Peter Schwartz, a ret. Naval Cmdr, received a master's degree in accounting and is presently teaching at State U. in Memphis. His wife is also a LCDR in the Navy Res.
- George Thorpe, a ret. USAF COL, is also pres of National Data Corp in Atlanta, GA.

There was great news from Pappy/Jane Doyle in Clearwater Beach, FL. Pappy came through surgery on his heart and hernia in great shape. Now he has a brand new aorta and "hipsy doodle, he's off on his noodle," his rupture's gone. According to Pappy, Jane has threatened to put him in a rest home for the remainder of his recuperation period if he doesn't take it easier. But that's not likely, because he's enjoying the nightly back-rubs and scrumptious meals at home too much. More power to you, Pappy!

Just a few other notes from here and there include an announcement of the marriage of Charlie/Yutta Wirts' daughter, Adrienne, to Paul Burroughs in Fairview, PA, on 24 Jul, and one from Bob Baden to the effect that he has reserved all 65 rooms at Bear Mt. Inn, NY, for the summer celebration of our 40th anniv during June week of 83. Now that's really planning ahead! Bob/Ginny Harrington



Jan '43: Our two past presidents, St. John (R) and Harrington accompanied by Ginny Harrington.

had a grand time with all of their sons during parents' day at the AFA. The youngest son, Dave, just completed his first summer at the Academy and will be in the Class of '80. Their other sons, Rich and Charles, graduated from the Academy in '70 and '72, respectively. Al Saari is with Parsons worldwide engr and constr firm and is just completing work on an extensive PO constr program for the Govt—which George Rebh developed and managed when he was the Dpty CE. Coincidentally, young Richard Rebh, who graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the Woodrow Wilson Sch of Public and Intl Affairs, Princeton U., is working with me in GE's Cen for Advanced Studies (Washington Opns).

S'all for now, folks—just drop me a line now and then on what's going on wherever you are.

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Perhaps some of you, like myself, were listening to the news while making your way through traffic when you heard the announcement on 28 Jul: "Pres Ford has nominated GEN Bernard W. Rogers to be Army CS effective Oct 1st..." Confirmation by the Senate followed quickly, on 5 Aug. Now it was almost 1700 hours on the first of Oct—a damp, grey, early fall day in DC—and I was standing in the anteroom of reception room 3E912 in the Pentagon, with an embossed card in my pocket saying that "The SECDEF and the SA request the pleasure of your company at the Swearing-In Ceremony..." The new Chief had seen to it that the Class had its own reportorial coverage!

As the guests filed in, I recognized among those in civ clothes a number of prominent ret. personalities—notably, GEN Maxwell D. Taylor—who would be known to you all. Those in uniform included the senior officers serving in this area, collectively the largest number of 3 and 4 star wearers that I have ever seen at one formation—or ever hope to see again. Just as I was losing count, Bill & Nancy Malone came through the door, followed by Wally & Peggy Magathan. (Wally, of course, had only to come up from the 2d floor, where he now works as a Def Intel Officer in the inner circle of DIA wise persons.) We went into the reception room together and joined the informal semicircle facing the podium in front of the E-Ring windows. Hal Aaron, the Army ACSI, came over to join us, bringing with him—to our surprise—another old OACSI hand, Del Perkins, and Jean. During the next few minutes before the ceremony began, I learned from Del that since his ret. in '72 he has been a VP of the Pan American Bank, 1034 E. Levee, Brownsville, TX 78520, and had come to DC for a bankers' convention. The Perkins', as I recalled correctly, were the first grandparents in our Class. You would not think it, to look at Del and Jeannie, but their grandson, Marcos Holtzmann, is now 13 yrs old.

Shortly after 1700, the buzz of conversation tapered off suddenly, as DEFSEC Rumsfeld and SA Hoffmann entered with Bernie & Ann Rogers. Ann was beautiful and radiant, and Bernie looked extremely fit and ready for the arduous duties that lay ahead of him. At the podium, Secy Rumsfeld welcomed the



Jun '43: Morris becomes Chief of Engineers 1 July 1976.

Rogers, reviewed in summary Bernie's record and many accomplishments, and expressed confidence that as Chief he would continue under the total force principle to build the Army of the Future. The AG then administered the oath of office, which the new CS took in a strong, assured voice. The familiar, sonorous phrases rolled by—"support and defend the Constitution of the U.S. against all enemies, foreign and domestic—bear true faith and allegiance to the same—I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion—will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office—So Help Me God." Now these words were being said at the very summit, for the highest uniformed office, for a task of a magnitude that we could scarcely have imagined as we stood on the Plain together 33 yrs ago. But they were the same words said by us, and by every 2LT, and expressing the same obligation and dedication. We understand them, and we can be proud that this great task now conveyed by these words has been entrusted to a member of our Class.

After the swearing in, Secy Hoffmann addressed his remarks of welcome and felicitations to the Rogers, and noted that Bernie would be known as the "Bicentennial Chief of Staff." The next Chief then took the podium, extended thanks to the Secretaries, and stated that as he assumed his post he did so with an abiding sense of highest confidence in and respect for the American Soldier. He expressed personal gratitude for "the chance to make a further contribution to the nation," and paid tribute to Ann and to the important role of all DOD wives and families, mil and civ. In closing, he affirmed that the Army's challenge and objective would be to serve the nation by developing such a state of readiness as to deter aggression by any potential foe, and to defeat it, if it occurred.

Secy Rumsfeld then suggested that the



Jun '43: Surkamps', 14 August 1976 (Pinnell tending bar).



Jun '43: Tomlinson (L) and friend—Univ of No. FL 2 August 1976.

guests form a line and extend their individual congratulations to the Rogers, and we did so. By chance, I happened to be first in line of the Jun '43 contingent, and I noticed Bernie smile as he saw the group approaching. He was truly glad to see us; as I greeted Ann, she said "How are you, Willy? Do they still call you 'Willy'?" I said, "I hope 'they' always will," and then after a word of conversation, moved off into the crowd and picked up my glass of champagne. After the line had gone by, Bernie assembled the Class group and waved 2 of the photographers to the scene. "Make this good," he said, "This is the Class of Jun '43!" We were more than happy to participate.

Soon afterwards, we said our goodbyes and the gathering dispersed. As I walked down the E-Ring with the Malones, however, Nancy expressed an intense desire to see the Chief's office. Bill and I assured her that it had proper carpets on the floor, pictures on the walls, desks, chairs, etc. and not-to-worry; nevertheless, nothing would do but she had to see it. So, we took a quick look in the outer office, which seemed to satisfy her (more-or-less), and were leaving when the Rogers came down the hall with Hal Aaron and the Perkins'. Bernie then took the whole group into the Chief's personal office, with the massive desk used by GEN Pershing and every CS since then and—something Black Jack never had—a console with at least 30 pushbuttons that would take me a whole tour of duty to figure out. You will be interested to know that I overheard Bernie ask Bill Malone to be sure and let him know when the Class parties are scheduled; in the years ahead, all of us here will look forward to seeing him and Ann whenever possible. After a few moments, then, we took our leave once more, and headed for the parking lot. As I have tried to show, it was a memorable occasion—and I even managed not to forget my umbrella.

On 29 Sept, just 2 days before the CS's installation, Clarke Baldwin ret. from active duty at a splendid special retreat review jointly honoring him and MG Joseph E. Fix at Summerall Field, Ft Myer. The weather was clear and cool—just about ideal for the occasion. Do you remember the prologue to King Henry V?

"... But pardon, gentles all,
The flat, unraised spirit that hath dared
On this unworthy scaffold to bring forth
So great an object...
And let us, ciphers to this great account,
On your imaginary forces work."

Likewise, let me conjure your mind's eye to see the green expanse of the parade ground, the reviewing stand, the spectators' chairs on either side, and the line of multinational

flags behind them. Among the spectators were Q.C. Atkinson, the Covers, Barbara Grady, Les & Betty Hardy, Wally & Peggy Magathan, Bill & Nancy Malone, Don & Lee Spiece, Art & Barbara Surkamp—and 2 of Bill & Beenie Peaks' daughters: Kathy Dunbar and Patricia Klintberg, with their husbands.

With my usual finesse, I was almost late, but arrived just in time to scurry to my seat as the 3d Inf (The Old Guard) marched on line to the Official West Point March, played by the U.S. Army Band. On the left of the 3d Inf was a company in the buff and blue uniforms of the Continental Line, with their fife and drum platoon. (These units follow the carefully-researched drill of the Revolutionary period).

After the presentation of the command and firing of 2-star honors by a really thunderous salute battery, the band played the "Colonel Bogey March," followed by "Retreat" and "To the Colors" in the traditional way. Then, as Clarke and GEN Fix mounted their respective jeeps to troop the line, we on the flanks noticed for the first time that MG Baldwin was wearing Army greens while everyone else out there (except the company of the Continental Line) was in



Jun '43: Malone (L) named No. VA Realtor of the Year, 23 September 1976.

blues! Beside me I heard a hoarse, agonized whisper from Clarke's old plebe roommate, Q.C. Atkinson: "Oh, my God—he never could get the uniform right!" As it turned out, though, it was no accident. This was the uniform he had worn for his last duty, and this was the way he wanted it. Clarke, with the concurrence of GEN Fix, had selected the music, and they drove down the long line of troops to the tune of "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," "Dogface Soldier," "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon," "Gary Owen," "The Girl I Left Behind Me," and "Army Blue." How about that for tunes of glory?

After the trooping of the line, honors to the nation were accorded as the band played the "Star Spangled Banner!" MG Yerks, CG of MDW, then presented the DSM to Clarke; the award citation included—most fittingly—in the recognition of Clarke's outstanding accomplishments the phrase "distinguished soldier diplomat." The troops then passed in review—truly an inspiring spectacle. The last unit to march past was the Continental fife and drum platoon, lustily playing—"Yankee

Doodle." The great Army Band then struck up "Auld Lang Syne" and the "Caisson Song" (now called "The Army Goes Rolling Along"), and the ceremony was over. Afterwards, we had an opportunity to talk with Clarke and Bettie and 2 of their daughters who were present (and are almost as beautiful as their mother), and I asked what the Baldwins' plans were. This was, at that time, not yet established with certainty, and we were glad to learn that they will remain at 3037 Cedarwood Lane, Falls Church, VA 22042.

An unexpected bonus at Clarke's ceremony was the chance to visit with Barbara Grady, who was in DC visiting her parents. Grady himself is believed to have chartered the Santa Maria or some other means of transport for a trip to the New World in Nov. He and Barbara will spend the winter in AZ, and in the spring of 77 return to Spain—where their address is San Bernardo 107, Apt 410, Madrid 15. Barbara informed me that Grady now has at last gathered unto himself all his books and papers, and is ensconced in Madrid in near-ultimate comfort. His pen name, you may recall, is John Murphy (The El Greco Affair, etc.), so watch for him in your favorite bookstore.

Last time, we told the news of Jack Morris' appointment on 1 Jul 76 as U.S. Army Chief of Engrs, and I had a good photo of Jack himself in his new role. We did not have a picture of the actual swearing-in ceremony in time for the last issue of ASSEMBLY. The picture came to hand soon afterwards, however, and duly appears herewith. Congratulations once again, Jack. Still on the subject of installations and awards—they haven't all been military, you know. Bill Malone, who has twice been chosen as pres of the N. VA Bd of Realtors, was honored again by the Board on 23 Sept 76 as "Realtor of the Year." The speaker presenting the award acclaimed Bill as a "leader of vision and understanding, distinguished by his constant efforts to improve the profession."

Now comes again the hardest part of writing these column notes. "Taps" has sounded again—for 3 classmates. Through Dutch Umlauf, I learned that Mike Zubon died at Arlington Hosp on 17 Apr 76 as the result of a heart attack, and was buried with full mil honors at Arlington on 20 Apr. (Notice not having been given, none of the local Class was present.) Mike, who had been active in church and neighborhood affairs in Arlington, was employed as the fiscal officer of the Comm on Human Resources of the Natl Acad of Sciences in DC. I talked with several of his co-workers by phone, and learned



Jun '43: At the Surkamps' (L-R) front row: Ginny and Dutch Umlauf, Spiece; back row: Ellis, Wally and Peggy Magathan, Krobar, and Lee Spiece.



Jun '43: Chief of Staff and classmates, 1 October 1976 (L-R): Aaron, Del and Jean Perkins, Nancy Malone, Ann and Bernie Rogers, Malone, Peggy and Wally Magathan, and Cover.

that he was held by them in the very highest esteem. One colleague remarked: "Everyone always admired him—but it was only after he was gone that we gradually discovered all the things he did that kept this office running smoothly." Kathy Zubon left this area in Aug, and has relocated to 141 Capitol St Ext, Auburn, NY 13021.

Following an assignment with the Dist Engr Lake Survey in Detroit, Larry Kengle ret. in 64 and returned to his native CA, where he and Dotty settled at 2-2695 E. Cliff Dr, Santa Cruz, CA 95062. For some years Larry was associated there with a rsch and engr co. In Apr 76 he became ill with a high temperature and circulatory disorder. He was hospitalized for 3 wks, and appeared to be holding his own when he died suddenly on 2 May of blood poisoning. From what information I have heard, I understand he was buried at San Bruno Natl Cemetery in San Fran. Dotty and the 2 younger children are continuing to live at the Santa Cruz address.

After ret. in Jul 73, Art & Jane Lacouture made their home at 2629 Summit Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. They and their children enjoyed the area greatly, as shown by Art's letter that appeared in this column in the Dec 74 issue, and he was active in civic affairs. This past Jun, the Lacoutures and Art's mother, had attended the graduation of their son Dick from Stanford U., and on the night of 8 Jun were in Sedona, AZ, en route home. Art was suddenly stricken by chest pains and received medical attention, as I understand it, but died late that night of heart failure. His body was moved then to Colo Spgs, where a rosary service was held on 13 Jun and a funeral mass on the 14th. Tom Beckett, Bill Dudley, and Ralph Hallenbeck represented the Class. According to Dudley, the chapel was filled with Art's many friends, both civ and mil. He was then buried with full military honors at Ft Logan Cemetery in Denver on 15 Jun. Jane, who is well, plans to remain in Colo Spgs. To her and to Dotty Kengle and Kathy Zubon and their families, the Class extends sincerest sympathy.

Continuing from Bill Dudley's letter (emanating from 1226 Brittany Circle, Colo Spgs, CO 80907), he says he is "busy with a non-profit company that wasn't intended that way," and claims to have "talked some sense into Ralph Hallenbeck. He's not going to buy all of Mexico—just Manzanillo." Bill added that (in late Sept) "Dale Sweat just returned from his Lake Granby retreat with lots of fish of which we all plan to partake some of. How's that for a sentence? I don't think Betty and Dale would ever leave their place up there if the law didn't require that their daughter go to school. Tom Beckett and Roger Kullman are still here, but we ain't seen too much of them lately." Scribe's note: I clearly recall attempting to help Bill Dudley with the prepositions and pronouns back in 41, at a time when he was having a spot of difficulty with the Dept of English. Well, he graduated; but in the years since then has obviously regressed, and, as you see, is quite blithe and blatant about it all! I hasten to add, however, that I welcome with enthusiasm news in any form—scribble it on a palm leaf, flash it by heliograph, send it by pigeon, but send it.

In fact, the past quarter has brought more news from around the country than was the case in the preceding 3 mos. Sometime ago, I reported that Erne Boruski had changed



Jun '43: Swearing-In Ceremony for Bernie Rogers.

his name to Frank Forrester. In Jul, I had a note from him saying that he had been unable to reach Charlie Puckett at 1328 Wynwood Ave, Cherry Hill, NJ and assumed that Charlie had moved. Frank's litigation with the USAF regarding his personnel status has still not been resolved. He continues to operate an investment and tax counseling service, c/o American Dynamics Corp, Box 11, Cathedral Station, New York, NY 10025. Late on the night of 26 Jul, as I pondered, weak and weary, over many a quaint and curious volume of check stubs and accounts payable, the phone rang; and I was surprised to hear the instantly-recognizable but long-unheard voice of Jack Teague from 2410 Riverside Farms Rd, Austin, TX 78741. (One cannot think of Austin—at least, I can't—without recalling that grand old folk-song, "She Was Poor, But She Was Honest." Remember?) Well—as we have noted before, Jack works for the TX State Govt, and in these latter days has become a paragon of health and virtue, having given up drink, tobacco, and I don't know what else. He did acknowledge on the 'phone, however, that sometimes he wasn't entirely sure it was worth it. In any case, Jack's book, *What's The Right Job For You?* has been published in paperback by Discovery Press, P.O. Box 883, Austin, TX 78767. Jack has made a serious study of the problems of personal determination and career selection, and of the leading reference materials on guidance. He later sent me a copy of the book. In brief form, it states those principles of self-analysis which Jack has found effective, and has an annotated bibliographical survey of works on vocational guidance and testing that would be useful to anyone approaching these subjects.

Had another pleasant surprise on 28 Aug when Bob Hersberger called from 25 James Dr, Peru, IN 46970 (that's pronounced "Peeroo," by the way). The old country boy had a bad time of it with bone cancer of the jaw about 3 yrs ago. Happily now, although he still has some difficulty in eating, he has recovered, and certainly sounded like the old imperturbable, easy-going Hersberger. He told me that he has occasionally been in touch with Christy & Ann Munch at No. 6 Driver Lane, Littleton, CO 80120, and that he was planning a leisurely trip westward in the fall. Bob really loves the small town life in Peru. "I've got it all here, Willy," he said, "And I can't stand that traffic where you are." Amen to that!

Dutch Umlauf, who has so often helped this column with timely news, informs me—in response to the earlier query for addresses—that Zack Richardson is at 11572 Grove St, Seminole, FL 33542. Editors—please take note! Also, Dutch had heard that MG Rafael M. Iletto ret. in 75 from the Philippine Army and was then appointed as an ambassador. A phone call to the Philippine Embassy in DC confirmed this news. Iletto is, indeed, Philippine Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Iran. Congratulations, Rocky, and I hope you meet your classmates there. I believe there are 3 or 4 in Teheran or other cities of Iran.

Early in Aug, Cecile and I briefly visited my sister, Mrs. Harry Conklin, in Jacksonville, FL. It proved easy to locate that courtly Southern gentleman, Tommy Tomlinson, who is a prof of business mgmt at the U. of N. FL on the outskirts of Jax. When I reached him, however, he was heading for the campus, so we arranged to meet for lunch. As



Jun '43: Bettie and Clarke Baldwin at Clarke's retirement.

the accompanying picture attests, I found him. As you can see, he looks great—and keeps on getting taller every year. Tommy introduced me to just about everyone in his dept, we had a great talk, and then had a hot dog at the student snack bar along with a charming lady who was one of Tommy's students. Afterwards, we returned to his office, where he remarked, "Well—jhem—Will—you know I have a class in half an hour on strategy of business contracting, as shown in this text. You don't have to go just yet, so—I was thinking—why don't you just look over the material for a few moments and then come down with me and say a few words to the class—just 20 or 30 min. They don't get to see many people from DC, and they want to know how things operate up there." This story is true. I'm not making it up. So—I taught the class. Don't know exactly what I said, but—they loved me in Jacksonville!

That evening, Cecile and I, with the Conklins, went by Tommy's place for a drink in the cool of the early evening. Tommy, now a bachelor again, has a fine old house that he is re-doing in colonial style, and a yard full of magnolias, honeysuckle, oranges, lemons, and all manner of exotic southern fruits, flowers, and plants. Next door, on the St. John's River, is the estate of a friendly doctor. From his jetty, we sipped our drinks and enjoyed the sight of the impressive Jacksonville skyline several miles down the river. Adjacent to the doctor's grounds, I noticed from the jetty another, even larger estate, with a magnificent Tudor-style mansion just visible through the stately trees. "Who lives there?" I asked. Care to guess? The proprietress, it seems, is the charming widowed student-lady with whom we had eaten hot

dogs at lunch... Well, I don't have a sequel to this story, but if I hear one, I'll let you know.

Regularly, I report on the quarterly Class gatherings in the local area, and this time is no exception. Surkamps had invited us to the 4th annual late summer class cook-out at their farm in the VA countryside. It was scheduled for 7 Aug, but the heavens opened up and a "beeno" was disseminated in time—although I understand that the word didn't get to Dick & Caroline Shaefer, who went on out and had a nice visit with the Surkamps. The gathering was rescheduled for 14 Aug 76. Cecile couldn't go, so I rode out with the Spieces. When we were about half-way en route, down came the deluge and we nearly needed an ark instead of Don's old poo-jo. Despite the weather, quite a few made it and the skies finally cleared off. The amphibians included Bensons, me, Ellis', Gordys, Hemsleys, Ivans, McGregors, Magathans, Phillips', Pinnells, Pletts, Spieces, Art Surkamp (Barbara was out of town on a family affair), and Umlaufs. I've got a picture or 2, but let me tell you—I'm going to give up photography, let Alistair Duncan relax, and quit running these locals if that's what it takes to get you to send in some pix from more distant parts.

After the Sept 76 issue of ASSEMBLY was prepared, the extraordinary sequence of events in the Honor Code investigations at USMA reached a turning point on 23 Aug with the personal intervention in the case of SA Hoffmann. These circumstances were described in the Supt's letter to graduates of 26 Aug, which I'm sure you have read closely, and were reported at great length—if not always with great accuracy—by the public media. This column is not the place, I think, to make more proclamations or to attempt another analysis of the situation. All of you will have your own opinions, and among these opinions—if I may judge from the views I have heard expressed locally by classmates and other graduates—there is likely to be a decided uniformity. Turning again to a serious note at the end of his letter, Bill Dudley pointed out his own sense of disturbance by the whole situation, and said he had expressed his views by wire and letter to several authorities in DC. Also, I have from Johnny Moses (764 Otis Blvd, Spartanburg, SC 29302) both a copy of the strong, dignified letter he has sent to a Congressman who attacked the Honor Code as "archaic" in the New York Times of 27 Aug, and a feature article from the *Spartanburg Herald* of 4 Jun, well-entitled, "Spartan Speaks for Honor Code," in which Moses ably and vigorously explained the Code and its historic functioning. No doubt many of you have taken similar actions. USMA and its Code will survive.

By the time this issue appears, the election will be over and the end-of-year holidays rapidly approaching. Season's greetings to you all—and send me a bushel of Xmas cards.

So long for now.



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Despite the calendar, overnite it's autumn on the beach. Just one clear night after being full, a yellow moon splashes on the water. The ocean's belly rumbles and mutters its salt breath through the sea oats. Its notes on the shore are in sandscript. I'm sitting on the porch at Nags Head, savoring the breeze.

All the summer kids are gone, leaving the beach to the natives and the Geritol crowd. At sunset, our 4 miles of beach had 12 strollers, 4 swimmers and 3 dogs. Audrey and Todd left yesterday; school begins today. I remain for a couple of days solitude, sun, surf and to close the cottage.

Audrey and I had our birthdays here; all 3 kids turned up for the occasion. They and friends made Labor Day weekend a lively time. One day last week we visited John & Annette Sullivan at their beautiful summer home in Kitty Hawk. They took us on a tour of fine homes nearby; one prominent house was that of Kern Pitts. We admired. Unable to pull away, I missed the 8 Sept Class luncheon, which 28 mates did not: Carter, Cheadle, Connell, Cowherd, Cutrona, Czapar, Dancy, DeArment, Francis, Gregory, Gruenther, Harris, Hayman, Maish, McElvey, Tom McGuire, Morrison, Muller, Nelson, Norman, Patton, Peugh, Richards, Schardt, Scott, Steger, Sullivan and Vitullo.

John Sullivan shares several letters received in recent months: Al Wald is with Hughes Aircraft in L.A., along with young son. Their daughter has given them 3 grandchildren; one son is in SUNDANCE (rock group); another is professional photographer. Al and Enes were off to Kauai, Maui and the Kana-pali golf course for Sept. Al reports Ted Bartz looks great, especially for a guy who has had 2 bouts of major heart surgery. The Walds see the Dennens now and then; Dick is with Northrop Corp. Phil McAuliffe is having an interesting and busy time as CINC SOUTH with hqs in Canal Zone. Although his mil assistance and planning responsibilities cover Central and S. Amer, most of the action and concerns are near at hand. USSOUTHCOM played a major role after the Feb earthquake in Guatemala, where 20,000 died. The Panama-U.S. negotiations are tense and urgent; a bad outcome could give us a Central American terror campaign (scribe's view).

Ted Altier sent greetings from the North Country and wishes he could make a DC luncheon; will try. Fat Jack Combs checks in from Toronto. He saw Merritt and delamater on a recent trip to the Rockies. Buzz Gordon, in Whittier, CA doesn't see many classmates but enjoyed the latest roster. One son is in Scripps Inst of Oceanography; a daughter is at U.C. Santa Barbara. He and Marilyn are well and busy.

Steve Mulkey maintains he's the only '44 in Miami. He's temporarily in idle RPM from a heart attack in Jun, but not for long.

Fats Parks likes the 9 months of golf weather offered by Phoenix. He works for local govt. I don't know what his handicap is, but he is Enid's, I suppose.

Jim Giles sent Frank Walton's Houston, TX address. I hear we have been supplying rosters to a Frank Walton of Honolulu, who says he enjoys the mail, though not a '44.

He enclosed a list of 20 other Honolulu Waltons. Seems our Frank has "no fixed address"; probably running a floating crap game.

(Dr.) Max Marshall chairs the Journalism Dept at E. TN State U. at Johnson City. High among his achievements are a daughter in law sch and a son in med sch, both at U. of TN.

Pomona Coll of Claremont, CA, announces that Howie Metzler was named Dir, Dept of Estate Planning of the Coll on 1 Aug. Howie was at Pomona as PMS&T and ret. there to become asst dir of the dept he now heads.

For all you students of mil doctrine, Army Magazine announced in Jul the publication of a new book, "Counterfire" by MG David E. Ott and COL D.M. Rhea. More recently, the local papers announced that Dave is to be promoted to LTG and take command of VII Corps, USAREUR (on 1 Oct, as I remember). Congratulations, Dave; hoist one for me at the Kanstatterfest in good old Stuttgart.

Bill & Sandra Miller tore themselves away from Barbados to go to San Fran for Bill's cardiac tests. En route they visited the Losches and Bottomlys in Santa Cruz Mts, spent 2 days with the Gilsons in L.A. and saw the Roddens and Nealons in the San Fran area. Gils' snapshot showed Miller to appear very healthy.

A colored snapshot recorded the June Week presentation of a Class tray by Jack Pollin to David B. Deeter '76. Dean Fred Smith and Mac Williams joined the Deeters in beaming approval of the 2d Deeter son to graduate.

Wichita State U. (KS) announced that Duncan Palmer received a master's in Accounting at the Jun exercises. Congratulations, Dunc.

Saw John Sanders a few nights ago at a meeting at the school our sons attend.

I mentioned some time ago that Chuck Nye has claimed the "Other Cup" from Chuck Sampson due to the birth of a daughter, Rosemary Nye, on 6 Dec 74. Sampson graciously returned the "Other Cup" via Bill McGlothlin at end of Jul. It is now engraved up-to-date and reads:

"Chuck Sampson 7-27-72 Clay
Chuck Nye 12-6-74 Rosemary."

I'll be traveling to Atlanta and FL ere long and will deliver the cup to the Nyes on the way. Meanwhile, I want to accept soon the Sampson offer of "room, exquisite board and a one block walk to the country club."

Audrey and I received a long letter from the Gilsons announcing their departure on a driving vacation which will bring them to visit the Bernetts in Gunnison, CO, the Aldriches in Rochester, MI, the Dancys, Peughs and Smiths in DC, the Murrays in NJ, the Bahls in Virginia Bch and the Hales in Raleigh. Thereafter Gil's map shows New Orleans, Houston, El Paso and Scottsdale. Gil also reported a gourmet picnic in Jul with the Dennens at Hollywood Bowl with Van Cliburn for dessert under the stars. Dick was resting from winning the men's singles tourney of Northrop's R&D Gp. (I want a lesson, Dick!)

Jim Connell reports that Ted Muller has "volunteered" to be Chmn for planning the 35th Reunion of the Class of '44 at WP in 79. Don MacWilliams will be Ted's point of contact at USMA. With this early start, Ted should be able to do a great job (after

he recovers from Jim's persuasion; but Connell's bruises never show!).

By this time, George Pappas will probably have put the 30-plus year book to bed. I surely hope all have sent to George their photos and biographies for inclusion. Knowing the skill and effort George brings to such tasks is inspiring. Many thanks are due George and I send a couple herewith.

So, boys and girls, it has been a great and busy summer. A tennis mishap, knee operation and 2 months on crutches was just inconvenient enough to make one appreciate being sound of wind and limb. A mid-Sept tennis date and winter ski plans multiply the leg lifts and stretch the jogging miles. We're all well and busy, hope you're the same, and send Holiday Greetings. Bless your wickiups and wigwams, everyone!

'45

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It's a rainy Wed in Nashville (29 Sept) as I'm putting our column together. I say to myself, "O.K., Hap, remember that it will be the first week in Dec when the column is read. Now think of an eye-catching, humorous, even provocative first sentence in tune with the season!" Sorry, but I just can't think of one today.

The AOC added a list of people for whom they didn't have addresses to the column a couple of issues back. It had good effect and I've received several letters reassuring me that classmate "X" was alive, well, and giving me his current address. Just after I sent the column in for the Sept issue, I received a letter from Fran Carter. She said Colin ret. at 30 and for nearly a year enjoyed ret. without even thinking about employment. Now Colin is working on a resume and "faithfully sends out one each month." Fran is working, though, after a 20-yr break from working for pay, at MERADCOM, Ft Belvoir.

Sam Lessey served as an officer of the Republican Convention in Kansas City. During that trip Sam had a pleasant luncheon with host John Gage at the Kansas City Club. John is a lawyer in Kansas City as well as a farmer in Eudora, KS.

The DC-area class picnic was held on 22 Aug and again the place was George Daoust's beautiful home. Jim Holcomb sent me a list of those attending, while FitzP Fitzpatrick contributed the picture. (For once Ray Jones was without camera.) Classmates attending were: Bill & Betty Ochs,



1945: This year's Class Officers: Fitzpatrick, Haley, Elkey, Benson, Argo and Daoust (standing); Yerks (kneeling); Holcombe and Pavia (sitting).



1945: Dick Haley, outgoing pres, giving Daoust a picture as thanks for his job in organizing 30th Class Reunion. Occasion is DC area Class picnic 22 August.

John & Elizabeth Linden, Jimsey Hasket, Nancy & Pat Comber (Nancy is Jerry Briscoe's widow), Jim & Ann Holcomb, Bob & Bunny Hall, Mac & Rach McDaniel, Frank & Shirley Marvin, George Daoust, FitzP & Pat Fitzpatrick, Jim & Alice Herbert, Ray & Gillian Jones, Aus & Alice Yerks, Jean Gellini, Jim Elkey, Wilber Pugh, Hank & Barbara Hughes, Dick & Doris Williams, Dick & Peggy Haley, Barney & Leila Broughton, John & Nancy Ferguson, Scott & Harriet Adler, Hap & Jane Argo, Hodie Lohn, Lynn & Pat Cummings, Sam Lessey, Harry & Peggy Amos, Ernie & Fran Davis, Ken & Polly Russell, Harry & Nancy Shaw, Jim & Merry Hunt, Barbara Benson, Gene Ives, Patty & Marge Driscoll, Keith & Peggy Nusbaum, Gordy & Marty Allen, Pat & Dodie Powers, Rock & Wynne McBride. That's a fine group. Wish Mary Jane and I could have been there.

Keith Nusbaum left Wackenhut Corp and is now manager of admin for Coopers and Lybrand, a large accounting firm in the DC area.

Tom Curtis is spending most of his time running around the Middle East. Could be he's trying to show the locals how they might spend some of their megabucks.

John Kennedy moved from Richmond back to the DC area where he is now in personnel work with N. VA Community Coll. Still working in the Richmond area are Dave Fink, Dorsey Mahin, Louis Schelter, and Hank Hughes.

Tom Longino has volunteered to be the gatherer of news in the greater Atlanta area. (A whole basketful of thanks, Tom.) The latest "publishable" on classmates there follows: Dick Minor was recently promoted to VP of Atlanta Blueprint. He says he's working hard and that when he's finally turned loose for the weekend, Jody makes sure he's gainfully employed maintaining house and grounds of their home. Dick & Harriet Hartline are leaving in mid-Oct to visit their son ('73) in Vicenza, Italy. Dick was last year's pres of WP Soc of Atlanta. Art & Dot Ringle are now comfortably settled in their new home in the Roswell area. Art is admin at Emory U. One daughter is at U. of GA

while the other is in high school in Alpharetta. Al & Marian Childress have just returned from a junket out TX-way which included a spin down into Mexico. Al is now independently wealthy, however he has a hobby which is working for Shell Oil. Or perhaps the other way around, Shell is working for him. Son Stephen's wife presented them with a new grandson during the summer. Don & Virginia Gross, not to be outdone by the Childress', report 4 grandchildren. They are now living at Woodward Academy where Don is the Dir of Social Studies and Business, and Virginia is the "overseer" of a girls dormitory. Marion Trotti confessed to being in Southern Bell's construction budget mgmt hierarchy. Three sons have graduated from U. of SC, USMA ('73), and U. of GA respectively. Jim (J.W.) Morris' #2 son recently graduated from the AFA. He and Mary went out for the pinning on of the bars. Jim is now the Nucl Civ Def Planning Officer for GA with his headquarters in Atlanta. Tom and C.B. Maertens report the completion of a fabulous trip out west where they saw Jock & Roseanne McQuarrie in NM, George & Theo Bush in Scottsdale, AZ, and Gar & Pat Landrith in Phoenix. Tom has become a fixture in the Indl Mgmt Coll at Clemson U. Tom McCunniff allows that he and Nina are fine and happy in Macon, GA. They have 2 kids in college at present. Tom's latest challenge is Chmn of the Middle GA Area Planning & Devl Comm. In early summer, Jack Geer married Sandra McNeil of Farwell, MI. They are now living in Monroe, GA where Jack & Tom Longino have incorporated Forty-Fiver Farms: (How's that grab you for loyalty!), which, if the worms do their thing, will challenge the Carters of Plains, GA for the state's most successful vermicultural operation. Classmates in the area were all sad to see Larry & Janis Jones leave Ft McPherson. Larry was DCS for Log, FORSCOM, and left to become CG of 1st Spt Bde, Worms, Germany. Larry's departure was so hasty that there was no opportunity to have a farewell party, unfortunately. We all wish you well in your new command, Larry.

I just received a "sit-rep" from Ran & Nelle Preston. Ran is dir of transit sys devl for the Dade County (Miami-area) transit program. His job is to emplace the first stage of a transit system—23 miles from Perrine to N. Miami. The program is now in active design with construction to begin in 78 and service to start in 82. Oldest son, John (27), works for CA State Forestry Service, lives in Sacramento, and attends Sacramento State part time. Son Bill (25) is Navy pilot (LTJG) flying P-3's on antisub patrol from Moffatt NAS. He alternates 6 mos in Far East with 12 mos at home in Palo Alto with wife Susan. Daughter Sue (23), is just now getting into nurse's training and begins a 12-mo course in 6 different hospitals in S. FL. Son Tom (17), is a senior at Coral Gables HS, is very much interested in dramatics, and plans to enter college next year. Nelle is involved in the many activities with their new home and Ran's job. Ran said he hasn't seen any classmates in recent months but does keep in contact with letters.

Mary Jane and I plan to visit Pittsburgh for the Army game 6 Nov. Our daughter Jacquie and her husband Bill Bunt will join us from the Carlisle area. Jacquie is teaching 2d grade in a rural school in the mountains

20 miles NW of Carlisle, while her husband practices law in Perry County. Son Dave '75 is in Germany with 101st on REFORGER and scheduled to be back at Ft Campbell by middle of Oct. Dave hopes to go to Army Avn Sch in 77. Son Jeff is in his 2d year of Pre-Vet at TN Tech U.

Have a fine holiday season. Write me your news, or call on the phone and tell me what you're doing.

'46

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(120) 'Tis football season again and the '46 stalwarts are cheering their hearts out for the Big Rabble. Few of us will ever forget being 6-24 against Holy Cross with 10 minutes left in the game—then the final score 26-24. The strong in heart—Wheats, Treadwells, McBrydes, Mahonys, Zorns, Loves, Cucolos, Geibels, Ellis and Frances. Also seen, at least at one of opening games—Lamb, Whitlock, Ed Crowley and Jim Nelson.

Received too late to make comment in last issue, but not too late to mention now, is an article written by Jean Saunders in "The News of the Highlands" issue of 3 Jun. Under title "West Point Bulletin," I suspect



1946: At the Saunders' (L-R): Sue Hunt, Saunders and Louise Lowry.

Jean writes quite often, this particular article was about our Class Reunion. She really put together some stirring words highlighting the wonderful mood of the Class, the size of the gathering, the events that took place, etc. Her last paragraph I'll repeat: "The Class of '46 has completed 30 years of service. To the casual observer it may have looked like a 'Grecian Formula 16' convention, but to the members of the Class it was a milestone—a beautiful experience long to be cherished." By the way, Bud Devens mailed me the write-up from his berth at College of Engr, VPI, Blacksburg, VA. Jean did send in some color photos which I am enclosing with this issue.

I failed to mention that Wayne Nichols, seen at Reunion, is with the OH Dept of Natural Resources, Div of Water, in Columbus as Chief of that group. He is a BG Ret., CE.

Jim Loome mailed some interesting newspaper clippings, 2 from Washington Post of 12 and 13 Jun, one from Wall Street Journal of 25 Jun. In the Journal, a letter from Bill Seeber was printed expressing thanks to the editor for his stand on the Honor Code. One of the other 2 noted MG John Thurman as receiving the highest Roman Catholic Knighthood ever given to a U.S. serviceman in Korea when he was installed as an officer



1946: At the Saunders' (L-R): Hunt, Angele McClure and Saunders.

in the Knights of St. Sylvester by Stephen Cardinal Kim, Catholic primate of Korea. The 3d item mentioned Warren Hearnes' trials and tribulations with the MO Democratic State Cmte. He was excluded from his post as a national committeeman. I believe Warren is now the Democratic candidate for the Senate seat being vacated by Sen. Symington. Lastly, Jim sent a part of a page from "Assoc Management" indicating that Walter Frankland, Silver Users Assoc, was made pres-elect of the National Capital Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America.

A news release from PIO, Carlisle Bks, indicates that Stan Fair has ret. He had been a member of the AWC faculty for the past 4 yrs. He was awarded his 2d OLC to the LM. Stan is a Chem Corps officer. Among his various assignments was a tour as Cmdt of the U.S. Army Chem Cen & Sch, Ft McClellan, AL. During his ret. ceremonies, Stan's wife Phyllis was also cited for her contribution to the community of Carlisle Bks and she was presented a Certificate of Gratitude. Stan and Phyllis have purchased a farm at Newburg, RD 1, west of Carlisle and near the PA Tpk.

Just received word that Will Joffrion has been promoted to BG, US Army Res. Will, as previously reported, is Dpty Cmdr of the 122d Army Res Cmd, Little Rock, AR. Our congratulations to our newest GEN officer.

Frank & Queene Lester are settled in their new (and final) home, 3803 Colonel Ellis Ave, Alexandria, VA 22304. Frank is with Johnston, Lemon & Co., members of the NY Stock Exch and very much enjoying his new career. He also mentioned that his son Frank III lost the battle with the academic dept at WP this past Jun. He is now at Northern Michigan and in Sr ROTC looking forward to greeting his ex-classmates when they graduate while he is already wearing his 2LT's uniform!!



1946: At the Saunders' (L-R): Lowry, Wheat, Williams.



1946: Williams, Jean Saunders, Hunt, and Nancy Williams at dinner-dance, Officers Club.

Lester's youngest daughter Lindsey is a soph, excellent student and planning on 6-9 months at U. of Leningrad next year to get fluent in Russian. Their oldest daughter, Michelle Oppenheimer, has been promoted to GS-14, Dept of Commerce, and lives just 5 mins from Frank and Queene.

Based on the mailing for 30th Reunion, and addresses available from AOG, the following men should get their latest address to Bob Stewart, 4734 N. 33d St, Arlington, VA 22207 and/or AOG: Boudinot, Brady, Calogeras, Colaw, Conolly, Cronkhite, Culpepper, Dobbs, Doolittle, Dunlap, Feldman, Frank, Gaines, Gay, Glidewell, Grace, C. Gray, S. Gray, Grisham, Halloran, Halls, Hibbard, Hopkins, Ives, Jacobsen, Knapp, Lamp, Lembeck, Leve, Marberger, March, McBride, McChristian, McKay, Meerbott, Moore, Owen, Park, Philips, Porter, Richards, Riedel, Rioux, Roney, Rose, Shelton, Gillig, Skemp, Sharp, Tribolet, Volmer, Waters, R.M. White and Whitmore.

'47

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From Tom Rogers:

"Plans for the 30th Reunion are going smoothly and I will get out a flyer to each one of you in early Nov. The Class will be headquartered at Ladycliff during June Week and there will be plenty of activity to keep the old folks young. We must know approximately how many people intend to come so a good estimate can be made. Sound off.

"Meg & Howie Sargent have been coming to some of the football games and they will join the Hayes', Steiningers and Reckmeyers for Homecoming. Meg has been outstanding in her portrait commissions. She has just finished portraits of 2 of the presidents of the U. of ME at Orono. Ted & Vaie Biel are settled in their quarters at WP. Muriel Webb picked up a new car for Cindy at A&C and stopped by WP for a short visit with Posy Rogers. Tom & Jackie Hayes visited with Al Haig who hopes to be with us for the 30th. Ditto for John & Jane Mastin, ala Roswell, NM.



"Posy & Tom Rogers proudly watched their daughter, Marleah, graduate from her Basic Army School at Ft McClellan in early Oct. "See you at the 30th."

'48

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The DC contingent was shocked and very saddened by the death of Bill Burns on 18 Sept. Bill had been in Walter Reed for some gall bladder problems, but had come home the afternoon of the 17th. Around noon on the 18th, he was headed south on the George Washington Memorial Pkwy, and at a curve just above Mt Vernon he hit a tree in the median strip and was killed. On Monday, a memorial service was held at Ft Myer Chapel, and a requiem mass and burial took place at WP on Wed. Monsignor Moore and Father McCormick returned to USMA for the services, with Father Bob officiating. Casey requests that anyone wishing to do so may make a contribution in Bill's name to the Class Memorial Fund at WP. She and the children are living at 7709 Lookout Court, Alexandria, VA. Bill was to have ret. at the end of Sept, and start a new career in Boston with an engr firm. Jack Brennan preceded him to that firm in midsummer. Among the many classmates who helped during this very trying time were the Brennans, Barnetts, Macklins, and Griffiths who spent many hours over several days in keeping matters well controlled.

Punk Hartnell also suffered the loss of his wife Nancy after a long illness. His note to John Egbert thanking the Class for the flowers was really moving. Suffice to say, he saluted his classmates as "the finest group of individuals in the world." We all hope that Punk and his family can take strength from the prayers of all of us.

Dorothy & Larry Hoyt have a 2d child, Elizabeth Alden, who arrived 13 Aug. Lauren, their first, is now 2. The Hoyts should now have the honor of the 2 youngest children in the Class. Any disputes? Larry is still with NATO in Ismir, Turkey.

Bob Taylor, whom we temporarily misplaced, has been named VP of manuf for B-D Electrodyne, a div of Beckton-Dickenson, Rutherford, NJ. Congratulations, Bob.

Bob Petersen ran into Don McGraw in Cincinnati, where Don is also a VP of Manuf for, if my notes are accurate, R.A. Jones. John Egbert has moved to Pocatiny



1948: Front Row: Ginny Carter, Ann Schoenberg, Mimi Gould, Mary Delistraty; Back Row: Carter, Gould, Abrams, Delistraty and Schoenberg.

Ars, where he is program mgr for munitions production. Sandy has remained in DC for the time being. She is with the Office of the Secy, Commerce Dept. The Petersens have moved to 4617 May Hunt Court in Alexandria.

The Hookers have ret. from Monmouth and headed west to CO to punch cattle, or something. Their route is circuitous, including DC, WV, and other diversions. Jim had his bonsai forest in his Austin, which Annie hoped would make the trip. She didn't want the plants transferred to her Volvo. Look for them somewhere around Golden, CO, where the Kelseys have settled.

At least 3 weddings were celebrated this summer. The Plummer affair I have mentioned previously, and a note from Greta from the far NW indicates that they are most happy. Melanie Ward and David Robert Sears were married on 6 Aug in Albuquerque. Bob has decided that this is the way to have a wedding—the groom's parents, living down there, did almost all of the arranging. And Jim & Sally Macklin saw their Peggy married to Chris White on 4 Sept at Ft Belvoir. Sally was waiting for the pictures to see what went on. At every big moment, it seemed—e.g., cutting the cake, throwing the garter and the bouquet—she was elsewhere. Anyway, best wishes to all the lovely young ladies, and you 3 gentlemen are to be congratulated for having the luck to marry into this Class.

Irv & Ann Schoenberg hosted a party for John and Mary Delistraty '47, when they visited Atlanta. John is a nuclear phys in CA. The Goulds, Abrams, and Les & Ginny Carter rounded out the party. The Carters have moved on to MacDill AFB, by the way. Irv also mentioned that Ann threw him a surprise party for his 50th, and the guests all came dressed as kids. Irv has become a vital force in the civ community, as his was in the mil. He was chmn of CofC Week in Atlanta. He also attended the Founders Day dinner at Ft McPherson, at which Sid Berry spoke. Tom Adkins was also there.

Irv reports that Odell Williamson is at the Westminster Sch in Atlanta, although he hasn't seen Odell. And Jack Peppers is also now living in the GA capital. Irv saw Jack Osteen receive his 2d star from GEN Bernie Rogers.

My oldest niece, Hilary Gal, spent 16 weeks performing at Calloway Gardens in La-Grange, GA, where she had the opportunity to meet and spend some time with Nase Mansour and his family. When her mother came down on a visit, there was quite a reunion.

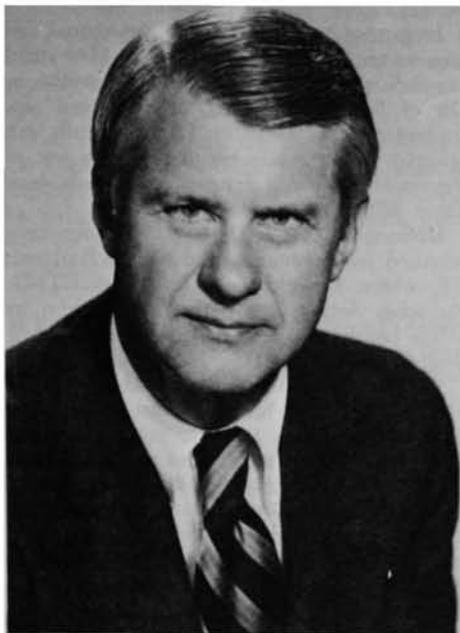
Referring back to the first story, I did have an opportunity to talk with Dick Weber, Kay & Jay Brill, Nase Mansour, Irv Schoenberg, and Dennis Patterson's daughter Erin in relaying the sad news. All reported to be fine. Jay Brill had just arrived home from Europe.

Best for the holidays and 77.

'49

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It is with a heavy heart that I report on Frank Barnes' death on the 25th of Sept. Frank underwent an operation for a brain tumor in late Jul; the operation was not successful, and he spent the few remaining weeks of his life in the Wright-Patterson AFB Hosp. Classmates who visited the hospital described him as cheerful to the end,



1949: Bill Gustafson, VP Com'l, U.S. Steel Int'l, Inc.

experiencing little pain but slipping in and out of a comatose state the last couple of weeks. Funeral services were held at WP- AFB on 28 Sept, and the following day at the Ft Myer Chapel with burial at Arlington. Patty and the children, Beth, 17; Susan, 15; and Hank, 13 can be reached at their home, 430 C St, WPAFB, OH 45433, until next Jun when a move to DC is anticipated. We'll miss you, Franko.

Bob Black just missed my last deadline with a note and a Founders Day picture from Carlisle. Represented were retirees Rigor Morton and Bob Lynch, Jack Madison who is still on the faculty at the AWC, and Bob Black who left shortly thereafter for Heidelberg, Germany. Bob will be Chief, Programming, DCS Resource Mgmt, HQ USAREUR, APO NY 04903. He and Anne spent a delightful 3 yrs at Carlisle and hated to see it end.

Some good news. George Sylvester was approved by Congress for his 3d star and has moved up to the top spot in ASD at WPAFB. Congratulations, George! George's and Elaine's only son Dave is a sr at the U. of Richmond where he is in his 2d season as a starting cornerback on the football team.

Don Keith has moved to Ft Sill as CG, Arty Sch and Cen. Don will be replaced as Dir of Wpn Sys, DCSRDA, by Jerry Lauer who is coming to DC from his job as PM on the UTTAS Program; Lou Baumann has moved from DCSRDA to DDR&E; Hal Lombard is back in the DC area at Ft Ritchie in MD; Bob Nulsen has accepted a position with the Nucl Regulatory Agcy and has moved into an office next to Ed Triner; George Pollin ret. now with Sys Planning Corp; John Magnotti has moved to BDM Corp as Asst VP, Admin; Jack Cronin ret. this summer in Germany and has returned to DC and a job with Planning Rsch Corp. Charley Adams, back from AK, is at Ft Devens along with Dean McCarron in the Readiness Reserve Region. Dick Henry reported to Hqs, USAF, in Sept from SAMSO, new job is Dir, Devl & Acq for DCSR&D. Paul Monahan, now with DOD, Office, Test

& Eval; Al Hale had the chore of closing down WSEG after 30 yrs of existence—Al has now moved over to ODCSPER; Phil McMullen ret. in Jul and has moved to CO; Dick Rumney also ret. is back in the L.A. area doing consulting work. Ted Hervey ret. at Ft Knox this summer and tried living in Charlottesville for awhile but decided the small town life needed improvement and has moved into the DC area. Jan VanCleaf ret. and has moved to Montgomery, AL; Clay Buckingham is the new Dir of Mgmt Info Sys at OCSA.

Ted Swett on a recent trip to England ran into Charley Byrne at Mildenhall AFB and had dinner with him and Gabrielle—Charley had been on our list of missing persons. Ted Campbell back from Europe after 5 or so years now Asst for QA at AFLC in Dayton. Bill Gustafson named a VP at US Steel in Sept. Bill and Jane will move to Pittsburgh from Chicago. His title is VP-Commercial for US Steel Intl and W. Hemisphere, and he will be responsible for sales and marketing of all steel and allied products in the world market. Way to go, Gus!

Nice letter from Norm Hopkins. Norm took a disability ret. in 75, and he and Jan moved to Monument, CO, not far from AFA. Their home selection was based somewhat on the availability of skiing and hunting—but Norm's disability has become progressively worse, and he is unable to partake of either sport at present—can still do a limited amount of fishing and hiking. Their home sounds outstanding, in the foothills near Monument, surrounded by a forest of pines and a great view of the mts. Norm mentions there is little Class activity in the area—in Colo Spgs are Don Braun, John Yepson, and Charley Roebuck. He missed Gene Mechling on a visit to Aspen and likewise Charlie Oliver who is now a tennis pro at a country club near Fitzsimons Hosp in Denver. Daughter Jocelyn graduated from CO U. last spring and is teaching while son Bruce is training to become an artist and also handles a 90 mile rural paper route. Norm also located Bob Miller for us; he's in insurance in Millersville, MD.

Note from Pete Petranck at Ft Monmouth with ECOM. He saw Ted DeMuro there last year visiting his sister who passed on Ted's present address to Pete. Ted ret. last year and is now at 7906 Roundrock, Dallas, TX.

As is apparent from the above news, we have had many ret. in the past few months and will have many more in the next 2 yrs. Since many of the Class have to continue to work to put children through school, there is a need for knowledge of the job market. Bob Springer has volunteered to act as a clearinghouse for those in the Class looking



1949: Madison, Lynch, Morton and Black—Founders Day dinner, AWC, 24 Mar 76.

for employment—of course, our dire corresponding need is knowledge of opportunities. If you can help, please contact Bob Springer at 1328 Round Oak Ct, McLean, VA 22101.

By the time you read this column, you should have received and, hopefully, responded to the last Class letter on the Memorial Fund. We have passed the \$95,000 mark in cash received and had only \$5,000 left to raise to satisfy our commitment to the AOG which falls due in Dec. Any funds received over and above the cost of the lodge will be used for furnishings.

'50

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Since a 30 Sept deadline is staring at me, I'll try to get this column up to WP on time for a change. With the wedding of the first (and youngest) of our 4 in just 2 wks, there couldn't be more than a hundred things to do between now and then. So the Editor of ASSEMBLY may benefit by my mailing copy on time; I hope the shock isn't too much for him.

Forgot to tell you in the last issue that Apr gave me a chance to visit Huntsville and spend a night with John & Eileen Jones there. They are living comfortably in ranch-style quarters, with a forest of dogwood and oak in their backyard. John tells me that he passed his latest physical with flying colors (remember his heart attack at reunion time 75?) and that he really likes his asgmt as CG of BMD Sys Cmd. The Jones' had classmates in for a wonderful dinner. I finally met Bob Hoisington's charming wife, Alma; Bob is with the REDCOM there. Also at the dinner, Bob & Martha Morrison—Bob headed the Army's High Energy Laser Prog at that time, before his move to DARCOM at Ft Monroe; Gus & Donna Hergert, who had just moved into their new home in Huntsville, now that he is ret. and part of Science Applications, Inc.; Gray & Anne Tate—Gray is the DCG of MICOM; Jack & Peg Parrish—Jack heads the Huntsville Engr Div; Ann Means was there without Chuck, who as Prog Mgr for SAM-D was off on TDY; Marty Small who was overseeing the Kuwaiti purchase of a Hawk msl bn. Incidentally, while speaking of John Jones, I understand that he holds the distinction of being the first recipient of the newly created Def Superior Service Award, which ranks just above the LM, for his outstanding work in Secy Clement's office. In fact, around his old office they call it the "Johnny Jones Medal."

Had a good letter from Malvene Lewis sending us a composite picture of Ben with daughter Debra, a plebe at WP, and son Alan, a plebe at Annapolis. Malvene writes that Debra is doing wonderfully and was the first cadet in WP history to have a male drag at a hop. Also she reports that cadets danced with cadets and the place didn't fall down. Her comments on how well the women are doing and how good they look can make us all proud of them, and of our first Class daughter. Malvene writes that Ben is busy at ARMCOM, on the go much of the time (away from home). Malvene herself has grown very fond of the big old set of qtrs at Rock Is, the largest in the Army inventory, with a beautiful view of the Mississippi River at the front door.



1950: Lewis with plebe Debra and plebe Alan.

In Jul we had an unexpected guest for a Sun barbecue, when Marty Kammerer came to DC from his home in Jidda, Saudi Arabia. He and Hannah have lived there for 6 years now while Marty works for TWA and Saudi airlines. Had a note from an SAI colleague on the West Coast that he had seen Bill Waddell out there. Bill is a Prof of Mgmt at CA St U. in L.A. and lives in Torrance. How about some news from you, Bill? In Jul, Patti & Jim Kelly (on Governors Is) were thoughtful enough to include our daughter Gwyn, who lives in Greenwich Village, in an outing to see the tall ships in NY harbor. Gwyn reported that Burke & Lish Lee were down from Boston for the occasion, and Dave & Carolyn Cameron drove down from WP to be part of the group. The day was gorgeous and the close-up view of the ships will be long remembered by everyone.

We had a great, but all-too-short visit with Herb & Faith Herbert when they came down one weekend in Aug. Robin and Herb talked fast and furiously about genealogy, and we all caught up on our various young people. Herb gave me the info on our Class sons who are in the Class of 1980 along with Debra Lewis, mentioned above. Owen M. Cheney (Robert A.), William F. Lee (James M.) and John A. Wickham III (John A. Jr.) are all plebes this year and we wish them all well.

Dave & Carolyn Cameron began their year at Carlisle Bks on 1 Jul. Dave is the USMA Fellow there and as such will be doing a bit of faculty and student duty. I'm sure they were reluctant to leave their lovely qtrs at WP, but I know this will be a rewarding year for them both.

Chuck Graham recently returned from TDY in Europe, where he saw Jim Trayers, who has taken cmd of the 1 AD Sup Cmd. Chuck also saw Hugh Holt in Heidelberg, where Hugh handles resource mgmt. Chuck enjoyed a long evening with Hugh and Ann, talking over friends and good times; one thing that stuck in Chuck's mind was that the 2 Holt boys have formed a band there in Germany, and are doing very well at getting engagements. Chuck didn't get to see Jim Curtis, but he tells me that Jim is running the mil postal sys for Europe these days; I'm sure he has the U.S. sys beaten. Another addition to the European contingent is the Spence family. Clyde and Marilyn and their young people left DC for the charm of Bamberg, where Clyde is an ADC with the 1st AD. I guess he and Jim Trayers can have a Class lunch occasionally. In any event, Marilyn has given up her new career in real estate for the time being, and Clyde can forego those 0700 Pentagon handball games with me, so that they both can enjoy German bratwurst and Lowenbrau beer.

Wedding announcements have come in telling of that special day for several of our young people: Chuck Means was best man for his son Michael on 31 Jul. Mike flew home from Korea for the big day when he married Leslee Foster in NJ. Gray & Anne Tates' daughter, Debra Eileen, married Bruce Joseph Gillingham here in Alexandria on 21 Aug. John Patrick "Pat" Vandersluis, Howard's and Barbara's son, married Susan Elaine Penn on 18 Sept, also in Alexandria. Jim Barnes tells me that Bobbie's son, John A. Dille III, was married to Sue Miller in Aug in Blacksburg, VA. John is there working with the VPI Agricultural Sta while Sue is a grad stu with VPI. Congratulations to all of these couples.

I had a note from Karl Weber in Apr, which was missed when I typed the last column. Karl is a Budget Anal for the NJ Legislature, and I'm particularly sorry this didn't get in for the Jun deadline, because he wanted to reach people who might be going to the Phila area during this Bicentennial year. Karl's office is on the 2d floor of the State House in Trenton, an hour's train ride from Philly, and a 2-hr express bus trip to NYC. I'm sure he'd be glad to see you no matter when you came.

Andy Byers has a new job with the city of NY, Dept of Social Svs—much more excitement, challenge and responsibility. Andy is the Dir of the Bureau of Child support. They locate and obtain support from fathers who have deserted their families (who are now on welfare). He has about 1,000 investigators and clerical staff—"Our universe of missing fathers is in the neighborhood of ¼ million!"

Mary Pharr & Joe Love, in Jacksonville, see Miggy Walthour Hicks, widow of Chaplain Walthour who was chaplain at WP when we were all cadets. Mary Pharr says she calls '50 "my boys," and has a warm spot in her heart for all of us. She was so happy to show the Loves the beautiful desk and candelabra given to them by the Corps as their parting gift. Robin and I had a great if too-short visit with Mary Pharr and Mary Bland in Aug when they were here just



1950: Al Jennings, Dpty Cmdr, RR VII. (US Army photo)

prior to Mary Bland's returning to U. VA for her second year of Law Sch.

In getting info together for the annual DC area roster, we found that Chuck Hammond has left the area. Chuck is ret., works as Dir of Sys in UNIVAC, Sperry Rand, according to his daughter Daphne; calls are referred to her while her parents are out of the country. Sounds fascinating, Chuck; how about filling us in on some details?

Understand that Doug & Mary Poage have returned from Panama, and are in Hartford, CT, where Doug is overseeing the CTNG. No other details, but perhaps he'll drop us a line before the next deadline (which, incidentally is 3 Jan 77).

Walking the halls of the Pentagon usually turns up familiar faces, so just before ASSEMBLY deadlines I like to get down there. This time Marty Small and Bob Morrison stopped for a quick minute on their way to some missile meeting. Marty is busy at Redstone Ars working with the Saudi Arabians on mil sales and tng, and as mentioned above, Bob and Martha are now up a little closer to those of us in the nation's capital.

Al & Mary Jennings are at Ft Sam Houston, where Al is the Dep Cdr of Army RR VII. There was an interesting press release in Aug at the time of Al's asgmt there, which described 4 ways his career has paralleled that of his late father, COL Thomas A. Jennings, WP '24: Both were graduated from USMA; both were commissioned FA officers; both attained the rank of COL; both received Ft Sam Houston asgmts. Al is quoted as saying, "I was born at Ft Sam Houston, but it took me 25 years after becoming an officer to return." Al's and Mary's daughter Katherine will enter TX A&M this fall.

Had a note from George Harry Scithers in Sept telling me he is ed of a new science fiction publication named, "Isaac Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine," Box 13116, Phila, PA 19101. The first will be out about the middle of Dec, and quarterly thereafter.

Bill Ward wrote in Sept telling of his new job as Exec VP of the American Cancer Soc. He'll be running the operation on 56th St. in NYC. Bill has been deeply involved with them as a vol for several years, and he's really looking forward to the challenge of the new position. He's taking a leave of absence as pres of Dun-Donnelly Publishing Corp. Keep us posted, Bill.

Dave Briggs was at the '50 lunch in Sept, here in DC, wearing eagles while on 2-wks of active duty in his mobilization asgmt with Army DCSOPS. Dave normally can be found in Dallas where he is a lawyer with Coke and Coke. He looks great, and was a surprise addition to the lunch group. Speaking of mobilization asgmts, Will Hill Tankersley tells me that Jack Pigman has his asgmt as a Reserve BG in M&RA of OSD. Congratulations on the promotion, Jack.

In Sept I saw Paul Gorman during one of his frequent trips to the Pentagon. His only news from Monroe was that he and Ruth have never known such stability. I guess he feels like one of the settlers there—and with the job you're doing on Army tng, Paul, you may never get out.

Jim Fooshe had cancer surgery several months ago, and has had several trips in and out of the hosp since that time. It's been a valley and mountaintop time for him and Macon and their 2 little people, but they're a great family and seem to take their stand from a "Hang in there!" poster given to Jim by a friend. Jack Wheatley came back

for a few days' visit from CA, and that meant a lot to the Fooshes. Their address is 3409 N. Abingdon St., Arlington, VA 22207. I know they'd like to hear from their friends, so drop him a note and let him know what's new with you!

You should receive this just before Xmas. Do send me any cards or letters you mail at holiday time. I can't answer them, but will be delighted to share your news with good old '50.

Happy 1977!

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Congratulations are in order for 2 new MG's and 2 BG's. Ernie Peixotto received his 2d star in a room that was SRO! And in Okinawa (?), Robbie Robinson received a 2d star. Dick Wells made BG this past summer. MG Frank Winner of the NE NG has finally received federal recognition with his nomination by the Pres for one-star rank. Frank is the AG of NE.

Belated thanks to the hard driving fund raisers who did so well for '51 in our Class gift fund raising drive: Ted Atkeson (A-1); John Ballard (B-1); Chuck Canham (C-1); Ed Matney (D-1); John Moroney (E-1); Ted Charney (F-2); Stan Umstead (G-1); Bill Richardson (H-1); Hal Shultz (I-1); Bob Hyatt (K-1); Tom Williams (L-1); Al Akers (M-1); Sam Dickens (A-2); John Samotis (B-2); Pat Pattillo (C-2); Joe Fant (D-2); Billy Ellis (E-2); Jim Barron (F-2); Lane Holman (G-2); Bill Quinn (H-2); Jack Price (I-2); Jerry Ingram (K-2); Howie Steele (L-2); Sandy Weyand (M-2).

Our new goal is \$250,000. As of this time, our cash on hand and pledges are approaching \$200,000. We are working toward reach-



1951: L-R: Jean Leffler, Maggie Bohlen, Dolores Bohlen and Luger.



1951: Libby and Ernie Peixotto, LTG Cooksey, DCSRDA, DA.

ing our goal in 1977. The intent is to have an endowment fund, making the interest available from time to time to WP for high priority needs not otherwise covered by appropriated monies.

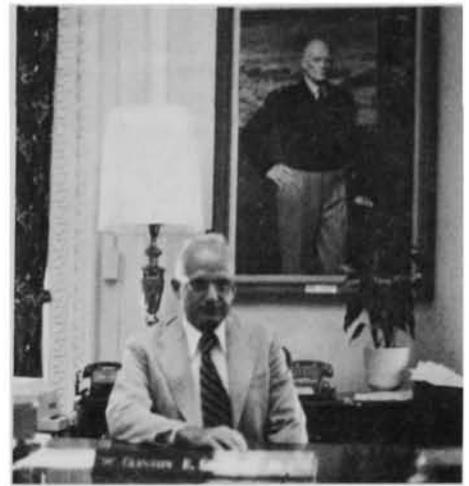
Another goal is to increase the percentage of participation of the Class. Information concerning our goals and how to send contributions to the Class fund will be sent either before or shortly after this issue of ASSEMBLY is mailed.

Walt Russell won the primary race for chairmanship of the DeKalb County Comm in GA. Three-term-State-Rep Walt was an underdog when the race began but won over 53% of the vote. By the time this is published the results will be known. Good luck, Walt! Ted & Sally Atkeson returned from Carlisle in Jun to the DC area where Ted is now assigned to the Intel Comm Staff. He reports that Bill Lackman is in the same organization. Bill has started the first leg on his doctorate while wife Ann keeps busy with real estate. Pete & Ellie Beczkiewicz saw their daughter, Mary Ellen, married to Mr. M. Collier Irvin in May. The family ushers were James M. Beczkiewicz, Peter M. Beczkiewicz, and Gregory T. Irvin. The couple will reside in Fairfax. Judge "Cappy" and Florence Bernstein spent a summer vacation camping in NH with their youngest—Jamie. He needed the vacation. All the Aides have been let go because of the NY fiscal crisis and Cappy is having a hectic time. But Florence is looking forward to taking him to WP during a football weekend to celebrate his 50th(!) birthday with the Satuloffs. Hopefully, the Albendas and Lichtenbergs will join them. "El" & Alice Birdseye are now at home in Falls Church where El is working with the Fairfax Water Authority. Two of their sons are in the Army: James—1LT at Ft Ord and Donald—2LT at Ft Sill.

Steve & Eleanor Galligan have one thing in common with Rocky & Ann Rockwell. Both have daughters married to Army CPT's stationed in Europe. However, Lynn (Galligan) is in Stuttgart and Martie (Rockwell) is in Nurenburg. Bill and Betty Grugin are still in Lima, Peru, but daughter, Kimberly Shawn Grugin, and 1LT William Glenn Webster Jr. were married 7 Aug at Ft Polk. The couple resides in Leesville, LA. Tom & Ginny Harrold report that the family spends its time and money supporting 2 horses in the VA countryside. Daughter Debi is attending the U. of Chicago and daughter Susan is at Auburn. Meanwhile, son John, a jr in high school is struggling in physics under the tutorage of Don Van Matre his instr. Walt & Joan Klein report that Walt is working at Washington Suburban Sanitary Comm with Tom Stumm as a carpool buddy and fellow sanitarian. Pat & Lois Lynch and family just returned from a great 4 yrs in Brussels, Belgium. Now Pat is with ODCSRDA. "Bob" McDonald is planning to stay in the VA area after his tour with OSD in the Pentagon.

Bob & Peggy Dean are the proud parents of 7 lb, 15 oz Robert Michael, born 4 Sept 76. Blonde hair, blue eyes and they are looking for skis for him already? Congratulations! Bob has his own co. The Empirical Rsch Co which does special OR/SA and Behavioral Sci studies.

Clint Granger finally turned in his "civ suit" as Dir, Planning Staff of the Natl Security Council and ret. from the Army in Sept. But his new job is no less hectic. He's asst to the pres for intl devl at Sci Applications, Inc. I'm sure you all recognize the



1951: Clint Granger—planner at the NSC.



1951: Peixotto and Ellis.



1951: L-R: Gardes, Sally Atkeson, Ginny Harrold, Beczkiewicz; Luger in front.



1951: Libby Peixotto and Giordano.



1951: L-R: Gwynn, Guyer, Weyand.



1851: L-R: Ellie Beczkiewicz, Martha Jo and Joe Rice, and Ginny Harrold.

picture behind his desk in the Old Exec Bldg as one you've seen many times in Grant Hall. After NC game, Carolyn & Buddy Hoff hosted a party for classmates at their qtrs. Attending were Alice & Bill Stockdale, Adele & Chris Rupp, Jean & Joe Rogers, Missy & Ab Webber, Pete Prehn, Pat & George Gardes, and Carolyn & Joe Fant. The Stockdales are going to host a post game party on 30 Oct after the AF game. Newly assigned at Ft Meade include Joan & Charlie Crow, fresh from an asgmt in Honduras; and Ann & Chan Goodnow back in CONUS after 7 yrs in Germany. Mary & Dan Foldberg have bought a beautiful home in Ponca City, OK, where they've decided to ret. when the time comes. Tom McMullen left Eglin AFB in Sept to become DCS/Requirements in TAC Hqs at Langley AFB. His new address: 145 Benedict Ave., Langley AFB, VA 23665. Dean & Nancy Mulder report that son Steven is at the U. of MD and daughter Susan at Temple U. Dean is currently working as Staff Engr for Greenbelt Homes Inc., a MD housing cooperative. Jack & Pat Price, who are at Andrews AFB, knew it was almost time to transfer in Oct but didn't know where. If it's to CA they would be with their grandson, Allan Richard. John & Peggy Samotis are leaving OJCS for asgmt with REDCOM at McDill AFB, Tampa, FL. Their new address until their house is built is 850 McClelland Dr, McDill AFB, FL. They invite everyone to "come see us!"

Dan & Marilyn Sharp have moved into qtrs at WP where he assumed duties as Dpty Cmdt in J-un. Marilyn has made a remarkable recovery since her major operation in May. According to all reports, Dan's hours are long but the importance of his efforts during this trying period for USMA are appreciated fully by all of us. Frank Waldman at TRADOC continues to make numerous

trips while wife Sheila became a graduate with honors and has gone into banking. Reb Barber is now DCSI at FORSCOM. Billy Joe Ellis moved over to Dpty IG for the AF and Sandy Vandenberg took his job as Dir of Opns for the AF. Jim Guyer, Phil Gwynn, and Sandy Weyand went fishing in Lake MI this past summer and their proud handiwork is shown in the pic of the happy fishermen. Joe & Betty Smith are back from Europe at long last and stationed at Ft Belvoir. On their way to Europe are Barnett & Betsy DeRamus. John Byers is with DATAmatics. John & Peg are happy with the transition from the mil.

At our 25th Reunion there appeared to be a general consensus that it was time to get the Class organized on a more permanent basis. With many classmates ret. from active duty and settling down, a regional organization seemed to be the best approach. It was visualized that the regional representative (rep) would be the point of contact for the Class for that region. The areas were deliberately devised so that no rep would be overburdened. The max in any region is 36 classmates, but the average is about 20. We came up with 22 regions. Letters have been dispatched to a classmate in each region asking him to assume the regional rep role. After we receive their acceptances we'll publish their names and regions. Their function would be to maintain up-to-date addresses of all classmates in their area, assume responsibility for managing any Class business in the region (such as arranging Class representation at a classmate's funeral), assist in future fund drives, help push the 30th Reunion, and send into the Class Exec Steering Cmte input from the field so that decisions on Class business will reflect the consensus of opinion of the Class.

The Class Exec Steering Cmte is as follows: Ernie Peixotto—Exec Pres; Joe Fant—Exec VP; Don Zurawski—Treas; Red Leffler—Exec Secy; Pete Kuhn—Fin Cmte; Gorman Smith—Gift Selection; Howie Steele—Coordinator of Regl Reps.



1951: L-R: Holly Vellella, BJ Crouch, Leffler, Smith, Delores Bohlen and Crouch.



1951: L-R: Carolyn and Joe Fant, Wally and Joan Kline.



1951: L-R: Lydia Lemnitzer, Mitzi Thomas, Doerflinger, Helene and Dick Ryan.

As mentioned in the last issue, an effort has begun with WP and AOG to gain USMA recognition of Buzz Aldrin's accomplishments plus greater recognition of those WP grads who entered the AF. The Supt and Morris Herbert, AOG, are most agreeable to Class initiatives. Sam Dickens and Sandy Vandenberg have agreed to lead this project.

Would appreciate it if you people out with the "troops in the field" would send in some pix of your activities. And see if you can find a long lost classmate who hasn't signed up for his issues of the ASSEMBLY—and "encourage" him. Will publish a list next time of those in '51 who are NOT subscribers to ASSEMBLY so that you can get the word to them.

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I have received perhaps a record amount of correspondence this past quarter, much of it reportedly in response to the letter I published in the Jun issue from a classmate who was unhappy that another classmate was mentioned in the article. Based on the vote of confidence expressed in all this mail and in oral comm, I plan to continue my policy of using as many names as I can as often as I can. Those of you who may wish to read less about any given individual will have to be content to accomplish this by giving me more names I can use, thus diluting the given name.

One of the first things I noticed when I read the Sept article was that the editor must have lost the last page of my article. So, with apologies that this information may now be stale, I'll begin by repeating most of what was left out last issue. "Bill Seaver, long considered as among the missing, has surfaced by becoming active in the WP Soc of Phila. Bill is now Secy of that society.

"Bill Snyder reported in from TX A&M, where he is in the Pol Sci Dept. He inclosed another article on Charley Shira's death. Charley was the AP SE Conference Coach of the Year in 70. Bill is busy and enjoys TX.

"The Army 06 DPL for this year added 3 more classmates names. Don Lasher and Jim Tow were distinguished to become Proj Mgrs and Lou Arnold to become a DE. Lou's asgmt in that capacity I already reported in the Jun issue.

"From Army Times: Bill Moore's BG asgmt is as Dir of Plans and Prog, MILPERCEN, Alexandria, VA; Sam Hubbard from the Pentagon to Bethesda."

During this past quarter, I had occasion to have a long talk with a classmate who had not contributed for the Class gift. He had

finally seen the error of his ways and was about to make a contribution, but the discussion caused me to give considerable thought to the reasoning behind conscious determinations not to support a group effort. To begin with, we all know that people think differently and it is unlikely that there is any gift that would ever satisfy every classmate's understanding of the "perfect" gift. It was for this very reason that the Class selected a cmte to come up with one which would be considered "perfect" by as many classmates as possible. This having been done, a lot of work has been expended on behalf of the Class by a few who felt that the result was worth the effort. These volunteers did not really have the time to spare, but someone has to do the work. The result of these efforts is now on display at WP and I feel that the entire Class should be proud to have our name associated with the gift. There is sentiment that says a Class gift should be for cadets. There is sentiment that says a Class gift should be meaningful. There is sentiment that says many other things about a Class gift. I visited Ft Putnam on a football weekend this fall. I saw our cannon and watched cadets and their guests and others who may have been visiting WP for the only time of their lives learn about how USMA was inspired during the Revolution and watched these same people looking at our cannon and forming an image of life in those early days of our country. Looking at the cannon, as you will during their official dedication next Jun, I was unable to visualize how any classmate could be "turned off" by the gift itself. It is not a monument to gather dust. It is very meaningful; and it does serve cadets extensively as they become a part of the Long Gray Line and surroundings that anchor it. The plaque on the entrance to Ft Putnam is worthy of your review. It reads as follows:

"Fort Putnam was the key defensive work in West Point's fortified zone during the American Revolution. It was constructed in 1778 by soldiers of the 5th Massachusetts Regiment. Named for the Regimental Commander, Colonel Rufus Putnam, Fort Putnam was built to protect Fort Clinton (originally Fort Arnold) from inland attack. In 1780, Benedict Arnold described it as follows: 'Fort Putnam, stone, wanting great repairs. Wall on the east side broke down and rebuilding from the foundation. At the west and south side have been a chevaus-de-freis, on the west side broke in many places. The east side open. Two bomb-proofs and provision magazine in the Fort and a slight wooden barrack.' The Fort as it stands today is a composite of many eras. In 1794, it was enlarged and the casements were added. In 1909, it was restored to its present general condition as a war monument. The 1909 restoration approximated the 1794 Fort. In 1975-1976, during the Bicentennial of the American Revolution, Fort Putnam was partially restored and refurbished to serve as a center for the interpretation of the military history of the Hudson highlands and West Point during the Revolution. The work was done in great part through the generosity of Mrs. Albert J. Bowley, wife of Lieutenant General Albert J. Bowley, class of 1897; Colonel Henry C. McLean, class of 1912; the class of 1952; the West Point Fund; the West Point Officers Wives Club; and with the help and support of the West Point community, faculty and students associated with Temple University, and several civilian con-



1952: Don Ross

tractors. The historical displays inside Fort Putnam have been designed to explain the military history of the region and to emphasize the importance of the West Point fortifications and the local terrain in the American Revolution. Reproduced artillery and mortars have been emplaced to show the approximate complement in 1780. In addition, at several points on the parapets protective walls, on the ramparts, plaques have been placed to identify the many other forts, redoubts, small enclosed works used to fortify hilltops, passes, etc., and batteries, works in which guns and mortars are placed which formed fortress West Point from 1775-1783."

Your contribution is still needed. If you have already pledged, the cash is needed and if you have not pledged, you are needed even more. The latest statistics (as of 24 Aug) are:

219°	Classmates have pledged	\$43,365.00
3	Ex-Classmates have pledged	250.00
3	Friends of '52 have given	1,250.00
8	Matching gifts	4,200.00
	Interest	1,123.09
233	Donors	\$50,188.09

Cash on hand: \$38,054.59

*219 = 45% of our 488 living classmates

Tom Ashton informs me that in the next fund-raising mailing, classmates will be reminded how much of their pledge is still outstanding. Do not take offense at the reminder, because no insult is intended. From the number of requests made for information about whether payment has yet been made by the individual asking, it is obvious that we are human and thus have imperfect memories.

Bob Vining sent me a letter, in lieu of minutes of the 9 Sept Class luncheon: "Rushing just a few short notes to you on our quarterly meeting of the 'Washington Connection' held at Ft McNair on 9 Sept.

"Attendees*: Brown, Rehm, Winger, Bartel, Malone, Moran, Meyer, Kidwell, Moore, Sells, Lawrence, Kenney, Wilson, Stevens, Swygert, Reilly, Sell, Schandler, Thieme and Vining. *Attendance may have been larger had there not been some mix-up on dates (e.g. 2d vs 9th in the minds of some.)

"Business: Brown reminded everyone to expect Dec mailing of 25th Reunion info-

with particular emphasis on timely making of reservations. Kenney, Sub-Chmn of the reservation bit elaborated on developments in that area and said Reunion packet would contain adequate info on accommodations.

"Brown reported that the Class' turn to provide a VP for the AOG was upon us. Raiford was nominated and unanimously elected to fill the position. (His acceptance speech was totally inadequate since he was one of those who thought the meeting was the previous week); (Bill missed the meeting in favor of keeping long-standing vacation plans.)

"Sells showed a cannon model replica which is being considered as an appropriate Reunion souvenir. Cost is likely to be about \$18. Authenticity to those being dedicated at Ft Putnam may be in question, but it is a handsome model and should make a quality memento.

"Newsy Items: Bob Winger (BG) newly assigned to area with duty on the JS as Asst Dpty Dir, J-5, for Fc Devl and Strat Plans. Bob has been Cmdt, Air C&SC, Air U., at Maxwell AFB, AL, for past 2 yrs. Incidentally, Chuck Youree has completed his tour with the JS and departed for Scott AFB, IL, where he will be a Dpty for P&O at MAC Hq.

"Dr. Herb Schandler was a little late for the meeting having interrupted his busy schedule to attend a Bicentennial Comm dedication involving John Warner and Elizabeth Taylor (late of the House of Burton). Herb was no more addled than usual."

Bob's letter went on to report that, having suffered a heart attack in the spring, he expected to ret. soon (a later phone call set the date as 3 Oct), have surgery on his heart soon thereafter, recover for a short while, and then be good as new.

Bill Shields provided a new address (2927 N. George Mason Dr, Arlington, VA 22207) and reported that his job since 18 Mar has been Dir, Office of Space Sys, OSAF.

Last issue, I somewhat promised a complete report on our 19 Jun Class party. Bert Stubblebine called me after the article was mailed to tell me about the party, but discovering my deadline had passed, he promised to mail me details and pics. I didn't receive a follow-up from Bert but did receive the following from Otis Moran: "Ralph, the party at Stubblebines was superb. The Stubs have a beautiful home and yard which provided an ideal setting for a luau. There was more than enough delicious authentic Polynesian food. There was a great turnout also. Most noticeable was—the wives all looked good. I do not remember talking to any classmates. The entertainment was super: before dinner music; a floor show after dinner; dancing music till midnight! And for those of us who haven't learned to go home, Bob Fernandez (USMA '53), leader of the Hawaiian group, played the uke and sang until at least 2 a.m., at which time I left the net.

"Fortunately for the Party Cmte, the 25th Reunion will take the place of our annual party here so the assembled group will have 2 yrs before producing another one. This will be a tough act to follow."

From the foothills of the Ozarks, a seldom heard voice responded this quarter. Ken Keating reports that Mildred and he ret. in Aug 72 and moved to property purchased earlier at Rt 3, Box 192, Atkins, AR 72823. They've built a new home, have been clearing land and building fences, a barn and other outbuildings. Ken doesn't want us to

think he's a cattle baron but he has started to run some cattle (15 head) on his 56 acres. They have a beautiful view north into the Ozark Natl Forest but have lost contact with the mil (except seeing Don Weinert on TV as the Little Rock DE). It all sounds great, Ken!

Marilyn Ross sent a picture of her husband, Don, together with the news that Don was recently appointed Corporate VP by the Bd of Dir of the U.S. Shoe Corp. They still live on Regiment Dr in an area of Cincinnati called Federal Hill. They hope to see us all at the 25th.

Dick Wiles sent me a couple of pages from the Army R&D News Magazine containing items on (as he put it) 3 classmates. Al Bracy is heading up the new DARCOM Foreign Intel Office within the Devl and Engr Dir. Al moved to this position from CO, 3d BCT Bde at Ft L. Wood. Al received a master's degree in commerce from the U. of Richmond in 74. Doug Slingerland took command of the Comm/ADP Lab of the ECOM at Ft Monmouth, NJ, upon leaving the position of Chief, Prod Engr Div in ECOM's RD&E Dir. Doug holds an MS degree in sys engr from the U. of AZ. Drake Wilson holds an MS degree in civil engr from Princeton U. The very next article on the same 2 pages (not marked by Dick) was about another classmate, Gene Stokes. (You're slipping, Dick.) Gene has been named the ACC Engr at Ft Huachuca, AZ. Gene holds an MS degree in engr from Princeton U. Gene's previous assignment was as engr pres, Arm-Engr Bd. Dick also reported that Sam Hubbard recently joined Dick, Art Stebbins, and Jack Witherell in the CAA. In Jun, at the Mil Opns Rsch Symposium at Ft Bliss, Dick say Gray Parks, Art Deverill, Gaylord Sluga, JFC Kenney, and Frank Benedict.

Art Deverill wrote that he is starting his 4th yr with the Army Nucl Agcy. Also in the agency are Gray (& Betty) Parks, CO; Len (& Pat) Sluga, XO; and Frank (& Joanne) Benedict, Chief SAL Div. Also at Ft Bliss, Jim (& Pat) Crow just reported in as CO of the SM's Acad. Loyd Rhiddlehoover was at Bliss from TRADOC to speak at the Academy and the Crow's hosted a delightful evening for classmates. Chris & Carol Ahearn just left Ft Bliss after a 3-yr tour with the ADS, Chris is now at The Language School in Monterey and will end up in Romania as attaché. Art sent me a picture of Kim with son Dirk at the reflecting pool after USNA graduation in Jun. If it doesn't appear with this article, it is probably because it was in color and did not reproduce acceptably in black and white. I encourage photos but please make them glossy black and white. Dirk is currently undergoing Naval Aviator Tng at Pensacola. Shane, their 2d son, entered the Corps of Cadets at TX A&M, this year, and their 2 daughters are still at home.

Sallie Hulley reports that Speed recently filled in as a "bit" player with a speaking part in the movie, "Charge of the Model T's." Speed, in real life the PM at Ft Sill, plays the part of the sheriff of Welcome, TX. Sallie included a couple of newspaper clips containing pictures of Speed in the part, but was, apparently, unable to get me a usable print. Sallie and Speed were planning a trip to Pensacola to see their 2d son Paul become an "ensign" (whatever that is). Paul was then to start flight tng.

John Garver forwarded a few notes from classmates. Ike Eisenhart sent an aloha. He misses playing golf with Ray Bergeson, who

was in HI with him for 3 yrs. Though classmates come and go, there aren't many there now. Warren Spaulding completed the Coll of Naval Warfare in Newport, RI, and is staying on as Chief of the AAG. While there, he completed requirements for a master's in Public Admin from the U. of CO. Jan's and Warren's #1 daughter, Lynne, will be working in the Georgetown U. hosp cardiovascular unit and Warren recommends her to all his worn out classmates. Sara, #2, heads for the U. of RI while Mimi, #3, hopes to hold up her end of women's lib in the trumpet section of the local HS band. Jerry Kutz sent a hello from Randolph AFB, TX. He had seen Willy Ross a few weeks earlier in the PX at Ft Sam Houston.

Dave Lyon reported in to inform us that Danford, Lowder and himself are div chiefs in Army DCSOPS. He also mentioned the current assignments of Bill Moore, Drake Wilson, and Bill Shields (included elsewhere in this article). Further, he reported that Charlie Sell is downstairs in the OCE; Ken Roper at Belvoir as a BG with TES; Don Swygert has a div in DCSPER; Jim Rink is now at Ft Dix (moved from Ft Hood); Jack Pilk and family are in Bolivia enjoying golf, bridge and the winter with the MAAG; John Ralph heads Doctrine for Air Staff; Dale Swanson, still with Norton Co. (now in CA) was with DCSOPS for annual 2 wks active duty: Herb Hollander, Herb Schandler, Otis Moran, Paul Brown, Don Sells, Al Thieme, Dick Wiles, Al Griffin, Bill Raiford, and himself are spending "free" time working on 25th Reunion matters; and Cynthia & Jack Witherell must hold some sort of record for active duty classmates, living 13 yrs in the same house.

Dave later sent me a follow up letter adding some sad news. John Wesley King, ex-classmate, died of heart failure following a respiratory illness in Milledgeville, GA, on 23 Jun 76. Wes (or John) was with some classmates in USMAPS and was in Co. F-2 during plebe year. A rheumatic heart problem discovered plebe year resulted in his separation at the end of plebe year. Wes graduated from GA Tech and followed a career in textile engr. He is survived by his wife



1952: Ensign Dirk Deverill and his mother, Kim at USNA June 76.

Ann (P.O. Box 357, Milledgeville) and 4 children.

An ex-classmate heard from this quarter was Bob Irvin through his wife Piffle. Piffle reports that 2 of their children were married this past year and their son Rob is a med lab tech at Ft Sill. Piffle and Bob went on a fantastic Caribbean cruise, including some highly recommended SCUBA diving in the Virgin Is, and plan, next spring, for their first trip to Europe to visit their daughter Kathy, their 2 grandchildren, and their CPT son-in-law in Hanau, Germany. Last fall (75), Piffle noted Lou Davis' picture in the Charlotte paper, smiling at her and asking for votes for city council. He made it! Piffle has been doing a lot of running, herself, tracking down descendants of graduates 100 years ago. She's on the USMA Centennial Cmte.

Another ex-classmate heard from, just to say hello to you all, was John Roosma. John is at Bergstrom AFB, TX.

I attended a conference in Baltimore in early Jul and crossed paths with Harry Dutchyshyn, Bob McGarry, and Harry Wilson. Bob McGarry was already wearing his stars but did not yet know his new asgmt. He had already departed from his job as Baltimore DE. Since then, I have received word that he is the new dpty CG for the CSC at Ft Belvoir.

When Ray Koestner reported his ret. to me for last issue, he did not tell all. I have since received word that he was presented the LM as vice cmdr of AF Tech Applications Cen at Patrick AFB.

Charlotte and I have season tickets for Army football this year (in the cadet section with our son, Randy). Only the first 2 games have yet been played by the time I must mail this in, but things are looking up judging from the last quarter of the Holy Cross game. At the Lafayette game, I bumped into Metz Seebach, Vince Bailey, and Pat & Howie Jelinek prior to the game. I had lost Metz's address so was glad to renew it. Metz can either be reached at 234 Kings Dr. W, Southport, CT 06430, or in care of Vince Bailey, 284 Whiting Pond Rd., Fairfield, CT. After the game, we bumped into Kay & Denny Mullane and family (including Denny's parents), and Mary Ann & Tom Nelson and family on Howze field under an engr flag. Later at Meredith & John Garvers' we chatted with Tom Ashton and his daughter. The next week, after the Holy Cross game, Connie & Charlie Watkins held a spontaneous Class Reunion dreamed up halfway down the hill amid the cheers. Present at said reunion were both pairs of Garvers and Evelyn & Ivan Mechtly. After Charlotte and I left to spend more time with our son, Dottie & Tom Cole arrived to keep the party going. We're sorry we missed them but I'm anticipating another chance to chat at a later game. The chat we did have resulted in an occasional exclamation of, "Don't you dare print a word of this!" But, such is life. The Watkins, the Coles, and the other Garvers are still happily situated at WP. Ivan Mechtly is still attending seminary. And, of course, I'm still in the CE, in the New Engl Div. One change this past quarter was that Charlotte and I saw our eldest daughter, Cheri, married in a beautiful ceremony in Blacksburg, VA.

After our chance meeting at WP, Tom Nelson sent me a newspaper article discussing potentials for Gov of NJ. One of those discussed is none other than Jim Wallwork, 13 years in the Legislature. Although Jim seems to be a favorite among the voters, it is

said that he doesn't get along well with politicians because he has an uncompromising attitude. He has, apparently, had little direct success cutting government spending but many of his ideas become successful after they are picked up as someone else's idea. Tom also reported that he had seen Ron Obach at the game but had no chance to talk to him. He further reported that Bill Reilly got a job with a small outfit that seems to be in the business of const mgmt trouble-shooting at nucl power plant const sites. Bill's very enthusiastic and is going on site in MO late this fall.

Vonny & Dick Stanier announced the marriage of their daughter Linda at WP on 1 Oct to Tony Triponi, from NYC, where Linda works.

With the help of Ma Bell and her info operator, I turned a couple of clues into a discussion with Mars Earle. He ret. in 73 and lives at 17 Stetson Pl., Duxbury, MA 02332. In mid-Sept, he took the Series 7, Natl Assn of Secy Dealers exam in NY. He didn't yet know the outcome but was hoping. He and Fred Stevens married sisters, Sandy and Betsy, and thus see each other often.

Mike Juvenal has become the new CS for TECOM. He came to this asgmt from SGS at Hq Allied Forces, South Europe, in Naples.

From Army Times: John Cannon is now Dir of the Waterways Experiment Sta, Vicksburg, MS; Tom Ayers has been named CG, 19th Spt Bde in Korea; Tom Fitzpatrick from Ft Lewis to Eighth Army; Howie Jelinek from the Pentagon to Norfolk; and John Claybrook from Ft McPherson to DC.

Class events coming up are luncheons in the DC area on 2 Dec and 2 Mar and our 25th Reunion at WP from 1 to 4 Jun. If you can make any of the luncheons, call Bill Raiford or Exec Cmte members for location. And if you know any current info about any classmates, please keep those cards and letters coming!

As a last minute added note, I deeply regret the necessity to report a Class tragedy which occurred on 26 Sept. Charlie & Janet Yocum were both killed in a plane crash in VA. The shock was deeply felt by all who knew them. Charlotte and I attended the funeral in a double capacity since Janet and Charlotte were the closest of friends from grade school. Bill & Chase Raiford were there to represent the Class, and I also saw Jim & Lark Wallwork. Other classmates may have been there but I did not see them in the large crowd. Janet and Charlie were both dearly loved throughout their community of Flemington, NJ. They are survived by 3 sons: Jim (USMA '75), an Engr LT in Europe; Rich, a student at Dartmouth; and Tom, in high school. Their loss leaves a great void.

'53

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Election year is here again, but '53 did our thing earlier by completing nominations, primaries, and elections early in Jun. Continued in office were Weemo Wubbena as Class Pres, Larry Davis as Secy, and Walt Henderson as Treas. New guys on the block are Jim Miley as VP, with special responsibilities for Class activities in the DC area, and yours truly as Hist, while continuing as Chmn of the Standing Class Gift Cmte. In



1953: Jerry Brophy on Nijmegen 4-day march.

assuming responsibility for this news column, I do NOT feel like the fellow who was made Mess Officer because he criticized the cooking; rather I express the great thanks of the Class to Bob Blum for carrying the duty so well for the past 2 yrs and 7 issues of ASSEMBLY. I do, however, make the usual appeal for your news and photos. If you don't send it, we can't print it. I need to hear from you by 3 Jan 77 in order to make the next issue; but please, don't put it off. Do it now!

Bob Blum passed me a good letter from Bill Horton, who is moving from his 2d tour at SHAPE Hq, to Ft Leonard Wood. Bill and Jo, and daughter Diane, are looking forward to govt qtrs for the first time in 12 yrs. Their son Will has separate govt qtrs—shared with the new Class of '80, USMA. He was an All Conference football player in Europe and is bucking for the Army lightweight team. Their other daughter Lisa zipped through high school in 3 yrs and entered CO State U. this fall. Bill reports having seen Bobby Karns, now at Sembach AB, Herb Schmidt at EUCOM J4, Charlie Fiala, and Jerry O'Malley.

The only other news from Europe is this photo of Jerry Brophy, who apparently didn't get enough of this hiking stuff on Plebe Hike. From his expression, he may now be having second thoughts.

There is more good news on the promotion scene: Bob LaFlam is promoted to COL in Feb. Herb Schmidt is on the current Army COL list, accompanied by Sam Conley (Ex-'53). The latest to pin on BG stars was Dick Boyle on 3 Aug, joining Jerry Brophy and Norm Delbridge to complete the current list. Dick's ceremony was conducted by no less than SA Hoffmann, who laid on all the good words in the presence of many of Dick's family, friends, classmates, old Bn CO's, etc. Congratulations to all—and let's see what the next lists bring forth. For those of you who are keeping tally, the count in the stellar arena is now one MG (Otis) and 13 BG's 11 (Army and 2 AF).

There is no lack of news from the DC area. A summer cocktail party was held at Ft Myer 31 Jul, with outstanding arrangements by Bill Harris. The Section Marcher's roster shows the following were present with their ladies: Bleecker, Blum, Colonna, Creighton, Coverdale, Daly, Day, Larry Davis, Boyle, Gilster, Edward, Goetz, Jewell, Jolin, Kinnie, Bill Harris, Tom and Rob McGregor, Miley, Lindholm, Neilson, Ramsay, Remers, Reynolds, Segal, Jim Stuart, Speir, Ventrella, Dave Wells, Joe Wilson, Wubbena, and Yale. Although the spread of food was great, the Blums, McGregors (both), and Reynolds were later seen closing the Flagship restaurant

(but that's not very late—sidewalks roll up pretty early in our national capital).

Newcomers to the Class cluster around DC include: Neal Creighton with ODCSOPS, Craig Coverdale with Arms Control and Disarmament Agcy, Bernie Hughes and Rog Peterson at Ft Belvoir, Clay Jackson, Pat Luck at the Customs Service Acad, and Rob McGregor at DARCOM. The most recent arrival, Fred Siebert, made the long move from Singapore to Ft Belvoir, occasioned by Pat having suffered 2 heart attacks. We're glad to hear that she is recovering very well following open heart surgery in Aug. The junior arrival in the area is Kevin Pierce Henderson, born to Walt & Anne Henderson on 11 Jul. The latest Class son, but not the last????

Departures from the DC area are: Dick Boyle to Ft Bragg, Bob Fernandez and Tom Williams to Ft Knox, Gail Freimark ret. to LA, Bob Joyce to MILPERCEN-EUR in Germany, and Dick Matson to Athens.

The latest business meeting and luncheon of the Class Hqs was eventful and marked a small departure from recent tradition. The departure was the added presence of our ladies to add grace and dignity to the otherwise sordid affair. Business events included approval of the goal of at least \$30,000 for the Class gift to the Academy, and ratification of the amendments to the Class Constitution which permit transfer of funds to the Class segment of the WP Fund (ring up \$1,300 more in the gift kitty!). Both these actions were based on the ballots returned in response to the Class-wide survey sent out in late Apr.

Present at the luncheon meeting were: Benz, Blastos, Bleecker, Blum, Brain, Colonna, Ellman, Glasgow, Bill Harris, Henderson, Kaplan, Kinnie, Lindholm, Matson, Miley, Neilson, Parker, Reynolds, Siebert, Spier, Sweeney, Dave Wells, and Wubbena.

Other DC and Vicinity news: Max Noah was recently seen on the Pentagon Concourse, allegedly on a staff visit from TRADOC, and avers that all 'mates at Ft Monroe are A-OK. If the roster is accurate, that must include George Egbert, Bill Burdeshaw, Tom Nesbitt, Tom Nugent, and Bob Zargan. Tom Brain has moved from ODCSLOG to be CG of USA Intl Log Cmd, concurrently Dir of Intl Logs at DARCOM. Tom's & Ruth's daughter Sally graduated from William and Mary last May and is now the staff economist for Sen Eagleton and a PhD candidate at George Washington U. I can also report that there were 3 weddings of class progeny in the area this summer. My daughter Cynthia was married to Tom Mattingly on 26 Jun. Wedding at Fairfax Chapel, Ft Belvoir, followed by the reception at our home. She and Tom now live in Columbus, OH, where she has transferred to Ohio State U. I understand Ed Andrews and Rocky Ventrella went through similar experiences this summer; I will report more when I can sit them down to get the details. Dorothy and I are still under treatment for the trauma.

"Long time no see" Dept: Cliff Neilson reports he ran into George Haas at Dulles Airport in Jul. George lives in Upper MI and is pres of a company manufacturing feed supplies for cattle. His son is at MI St. and is a Jr Champion skeet shooter. Weemo Wubbena was in San Fran on leave last Jul, something to do with the SPEBSQSA, Inc. and ran into Herb Peckham, who is teaching at nearby Gavilan Coll—Herb reports all is well with his family.

Now for a brief report on the Class Gift Program, supplementing letters of appreciation sent to those who have responded so far and reminders sent to those who have not yet committed themselves one way or the other. Our letter in Apr asked for pledges of at least \$100, to be paid by 1980. So far, the replies overwhelmingly support the amendment to the constitution and the goal; the amount pledged now exceeds \$17,000. Several pledges in the \$200 to \$1000 range have compensated for the very few who declined. While this is an encouraging start, it is no guarantee that we will quickly meet or beat our goal.

A few Classmates have asked why we have not proposed what the actual Class Gift should be. We did carefully consider whether to select now (even tentatively) the form of the gift. Briefly stated, we concluded that we should first know:

How much money we will have to work with, especially if it significantly exceeds or falls short of our goal, and What the Academy's real needs will be at the time of the gift. Times change, and other classes will be making gifts.

We plan to make that evaluation and consult with the Class in 80, with a view toward completion/presentation of the gift at our 30th Reunion.

The AOG and Acad officials have developed a "wish list" of currently identified needs (copy furnished on request). What the list will look like in 1980, and what the estimated costs will be then, may be another story. In the meantime, the Gift Cmte will certainly appreciate your thoughts and suggestions regarding the gift itself or criteria for selecting it; '53 may well come up with something better and more "meaningful." We will also appreciate any brainstorming you have on additional means for fund-raising.

Responses to our letter have also helped to improve the address roster. Our "lost" list now includes 42 classmates (down from 76 a few weeks ago) and we have updated many other addresses. We are continuing the effort to locate and contact every classmate; your help is still essential.

Have a Merry Xmas and a lucky double-7 New Year.

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Time does go by fast and once again I am faced with my quarterly suspense to the ASSEMBLY. Many thanks to those who have provided input for this column. It does make my job a little easier and the column more interesting for all of you.

I start this column on a sad note reporting the death of Charles Martin. Chuck resigned several years ago and since 1970 had served as the mgr of Stewart Airport for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. He died of a heart attack at his office on 13 Jul. Chuck had served his country well. He was commissioned in the AF and served with SAC from 1955-1961 flying B-47s. He later became a



1955: Margaret and Roy Thorsen with Mara Tolene.

proj engr for the construction of silos for the Atlas missile program. Chuck served twice in VN flying 147 missions over NVN and more than 1000 sorties in SVN earning 2 DFC's and 21 AM's. He is survived by his wife Eleanor and their 2 children. Chuck was interred at WP.

The last issue of the ASSEMBLY reported the Bicentennial escapades of Mike Garn, Donne Olvey, and Chaplain Jim Ford. The trio sailed their 31-ft sloop, *Yankee Doodle*, across the Atlantic and arrived at South Dock on 15 Jun after a 51-day, 5950-mile trip from Plymouth, England. Donne and Chap. Ford discussed their adventure on the NBC "Today" show on 7 Sept. The idea man for the trip was Chap. Ford but it did not take much persuasion for Mike and Donne to readily agree. Skipper for the trip was Chap. Ford, navigational credit goes to Donne, while Mike served as the radioman and chief cook. Time was passed doing a lot of reading and playing chess—55 games between Donne and Mike. Congratulations to the adventuresome trio. Chaplain Ford is now back to his primary task of administering to the Corps, Donne is back at his desk as head of the Soc Sci Dept, and Mike is now a sr researcher with the Urban Inst here in DC.

Bill Maus has been with the Army Rsch Inst (ARI) for the Behavioral and Social Sciences in Rosslyn, VA, for the past 3 years. He has been the cmdr for the past year. Photo



1955: Donne Olvey (L), Chaplain Ford, Mike Gard (R) at South Dock, 15 June.

shows Bill receiving an ASA (R&D) Award for Excellence on behalf of the Inst in recognition of their noteworthy programs which enhance the capability of Army operational forces. To be specific, ARI was engaged in research in support of the Army's manpower procurement mgmt program, tng and educ programs, and human factors program for sys and orgs. Bill keeps his head clear for all this complex thinking with his daily long runs around N. VA. Again this year he competed in the 26-mile Boston Marathon and finished 513th out of a field of close to 2000. Congratulations to Bill for both of these achievements. Bill, Fran, their 2 boys and 2 girls live in Fairfax. Bill Jr. is going to George Mason Coll. All are active soccer participants.

Lest you have been concerned lately about the passing years I am happy to report 2 recent additions to the households of illustrious classmates. Some months ago I gleaned from the *Washington Post* the birth announcement of Mara Tolene Thorsen. Mara was born to Margaret O'Brien Thorsen and Roy Thorsen in L.A. on 12 Jul. And just in time for this column arrived a letter from Roy and the lovely photo. Roy figures that since we now have female cadets Mara is a candidate for the Class of '98. Roy further relates that since Mara's arrival their "schedule has been quite hectic. Three weeks after she was born we moved into a new home. Then, 3 weeks after that we hosted a dinner dance at our new home, for 140 members and wives of the WP Society of L.A. '55ers attending included Ron & Bev Murray, Ted Ferritt, and Paul & Gwen Smor. Ron and Ted are on the Bd of Govs of the Soc and I'm Gov Emeritus, so '55 is well represented in the L.A. area."

Ted Gay reports the birth of his first child, Mary Priscilla, on 23 Jul. Ted reports "she is, in all candor, the sweetest and prettiest little girl there ever was! Starting life at 9 lbs 2 oz, she continues to be healthy and happy. Mary Carolyn and I are learning things—like how to change diapers in the middle of the night, and how to coax a burp out of a reluctant patient—which most of our classmates learned long ago." As native Floridians Ted and Mary are learning to adjust to the MN weather. They arrived in St. Paul, where Ted is assigned as District Engineer, last Jan, and having survived that experience have 2 more wonderful winters to look forward to. Ted reports that the job is great and the people are the finest. Should you get out that way Ted invites you to look them up. Congratulations to both the Thorsens and the Gays for helping us all feel a little younger.

A little research reveals that a total of 4 classmates are now serving as Dist Engrs. In addition to Ted Gay at St. Paul, Dan Ludwig is at Buffalo, Jon VandenBosch is at Galveston, and Lee McKinney is at St. Louis. Best wishes to the 4 for successful tours in these important jobs.

George & Patty Page have returned to Leesburg, VA, after an abbreviated tour in Italy. George is now the Dir, U.S. Army Engr Dist, Middle East, supervising over 200 people involved in the planning and programming of construction projects in Saudi Arabia, for roads, airports, etc., and a mil acad. Must be nice spending someone else's money. Their 2 sons are enrolled at MIT and GA Tech. Sounds like there are a couple more good engrs in the making.

Thanks to Chuck Roades for the 2 photos



1955: L-R: Chas, Chuck and Chris Roades.

and details of his promotion ceremony on 30 Jul. Chuck relates that after the conventional "pinning" by Adm Hannifin and Vicki he asked permission to disrobe so that his sons, Chris and Charles, could put COL shoulder marks on his shirt—the new AF uniform does lend itself to more extensive family participation in this traditional ceremony. Chuck has completed his 3-year tour with J5 and was awarded the MSM (1 OLC) and the JSCM. He is in training to become the Air Attaché in Moscow next summer. On 1 Aug Chuck and Vicki hosted a cocktail/promotion party at Patton Hall, Ft Myer, which was attended by several classmates in the area—the Carl Catheys, the Ed Andersons, the Dick Bakers, the Al Edwards', and Greta Masson (Dick was in Greece). Vicki called it a dry run for the extensive entertaining they will be doing during the Moscow asgmt.

Bob & Ann Pheiff are now at Tinker AFB, OK. Bob is the Dpty Cmdr, Msl Sup Div, 552d Aerospace Warning and Control Wg. Bob was awarded the MSM (1 OLC) for outstanding duty performance in his previous asgmt as Chief of the Wpns Sys Div, Hq TAC, Langley AFB, VA.

From WP comes word that Ken & Joan Ginter are enjoying another year there. Ken works in the Office of the Dean. Their oldest son Greg is a USMAPS at Ft Monmouth and hopes to become a member of the Class of '81. The number of ret. continues to grow and 5 ret. have come to my attention recently. Stan Sydenham ret. this past summer and is living in the DC area. His last assignment was with the Army Rsch Inst. Also remaining in the DC area following ret. has been Ed Zaborowski. He is actively following the football and educ endeavors of his 2 sons, one at Gettysburg and the other at Vanderbilt. Recent ret. from Ft Hood include Dick Dinwiddie, Cooper, and Schlotter. Jim & Mary Helen Cooper have remained



1955: Admiral Hannifin and Vicki Roades "pinning" Chuck 30 July 76.

in Killeen and are in the real estate business. Frank Schlotter headed for CA after serving his final tour with Hq MASSTER.

Don & Peggy Poorman are comfortably settled at Ft Lee where Don is the Asst Cmdt for the QM Sch. Our jobs interface to some extent and we have been able to discuss some of our favorite projects with each other. Another classmate I have occasion to work with is Dan Moses. Dan has recently returned from a one-year tour in Saudi Arabia and is now at Ft Lee with the U.S. Army Trp Sup Agcy. As a special asst to the cmdr, Dan is involved in projects leading to the successful implementation of central mgmt of Army commissaries, a project which is very near and dear to my heart also.

Some more news from around town. Bill Burrus is working at the Forrestal Bldg in a financial mgmt job with the Army's Club Mgmt Agcy. Norm Blahuta is in ODCSRDA as Chief, Command, Control, and Surveillance Equipment Div. Dan Malone is a recent arrival in town from Europe. He works for DIA. Matt Schepps is Cmdr, Intel Threat Anal Det at Arlington Hall. Matt & Betty live in Columbia, MD. Matt Jr. is now a plebe at WP. Matt reports talking with Jim Drummond at Ft Sill and Dave McNer-



1955: Bill Maus with GEN Hugh Bartley.

ney at TRADOC Hq in the course of his work.

Need a '55 HOWITZER? Contact Jack Polickoski at 8604 Greeley Blvd, Springfield, VA 22152 and you may be able to negotiate for one. From St. Louis comes word that Hank Burns, ex '55, is with the U. of MO at St. Louis as Chairperson of the Dept of Admin of Justice. He is a grad of S. IL U. at Carbondale with a PhD in Pol Sci and has formerly taught at Penn State and Indiana. Hank is the author of "Corrections: Organization and Administration," a college text, and numerous articles in professional journals. Hank continues to be active in the Army Res.

News from our man on Wall St, Dave Young, is that life continues at a hectic pace—"crazy hours and too much travel." He recently merged Young & Braine into Fahnestock & Co. where he now manages the investment banking end of the business. Dave has maintained his interest in Army football and enjoys sailing on Long Is Sound. Davey is at LA Tech (where Jack Thigpen '40—Dave's plebe poppa—is the dean) and close to home where Dave reports he can look after the ranch, timberlands, and oil production as well as get his hands dirty on a frequent basis. Sounds like Davey has a full time job without going to school.

From Worms, Germany, comes word that Sally Ann Jeter has been crowned Miss Backfisch, USA. She shares the title with a German lass and they jointly reigned at one of the largest wine festivals on the Rhine this fall. Jack & Kathy Jeter should be nearing the end of their tour in Germany.

Don & Mary Andrews continue to enjoy life in Madison, CT, "a lovely small town" but anticipate a move before too long because of Don's recent promotion. The recruiting business has kept Don on the go but he finds it an interesting and challenging job. Their son David is now at Marion Prep in AL following in Don's footsteps and hoping to become a member of the Class of '81 next summer. He lettered in cross country and baseball among many other activities in high school.

That's about it for this column. Next deadline is the end of Dec. Good timing for you to get off a Xmas card to me with your latest news. Have a Merry Xmas—Bob and Pat.

'56

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As might be expected during this 20th anniv year, there were several ret. from active duty announced this past 3 months. Bill Hooker ret. from his post as Chief of the Army TECOM Environmental QCO at the Aberdeen PG to pursue a career in optometry. He plans to enter the Coll of Optometry at Pacific U., Forest Grove, OR, in Sept and participate in a 4-yr program leading to a Doctor of Optometry degree. Bill received the MSM at his ret. ceremony. Dave Muntz, formerly a specialist in sanitary engr and water purification sys with the Med Sv Corps, has ret. to accept a position in the Const Engr Div of Contl Forest Ind in Augusta, GA. Dave was awarded the LM (first OLC) for his distinguished service with the Med Sv Corps. Al Thelin, Don Satterfield, and Larry Stebleton have also announced their ret. from the AF. Al served as Chief of Programs and Mobility, 50th TFWg at Hahn AB, Germany, prior to ret. Don's most recent asgmt was Chief of Current Opns, Hq, 15th AF at March AFB. He was a member of the SAC. Larry was an air opns officer at Kirtland AFB with a unit of the AFSC before ret.

Pete Lash, while assigned to Carlisle Bks,



1956: BG Frank Clarke presents MSM to Hooker at retirement.



1956: Larry Stebleton, USAF Retired.

has earned a master's degree in Public Admin from Shippensburg State Coll.

I received a very nice letter from Alex Williams' widow, Norma. She has remarried, and her husband, Donald Gill, recently received a med disch and is a ret. MAJ. They are in the process of moving from Ft Polk to Lubbock, TX. Since Alex died, Norma has lost contact with nearly all of the '56ers and would like to hear again from as many as possible, particularly the Florys, Adams', Hutchinsons and Huffs. Please address your letters to Mrs. Norma L. Gill, 4315 55th St, Lubbock, TX. Her son, Alex IV, an honor student, is making plans to apply to WP, Class of '82. Norma would also appreciate hearing from any one having sons or daughters who would be applying to enter WP at the same time as her son. Her daughter Julie is also an honor student and graduated from high school this year.

Jack Polickoski has been transferred from the Sacramento, CA area to the U.S. Army Audit Agcy in DC. If any of you have lost your HOWITZER yearbook for '56 or would like to have one for '53, '54 or '55, Jack has an extra one for each of these years. His address is 8604 Greeley Blvd, Keene Mill Station, Springfield, VA 22152.



1956: Muntz receives LM (1st OLC) from GEN Pollock, HSC dpty cmdr.

Bob Stein is making the most of his tour with the office of the Air Attaché at the Embassy in Morocco. Last year Bob, Joan and family took a 3-wk vacation en route to this asgmt by flying to Germany first, picking up an automobile they had previously ordered and then toured Europe on their way. Bob says the climate in Morocco is exactly like S. CA and they are only a few hours away by car from several exotic places such as Tangiers, Fes, Marrakesh and Casablanca. Bob recently saw Tom Cody who passed through a few months ago as a member of the NWC group covering Africa. For any of you who plan to be in that vicinity, Bob's mailing address is Box 82, U.S. Embassy, FPO NY 09544.

Carl & Denny Hattler are currently in the midst of a possible move from Puerto Rico to SC. According to Denny, their family is still mostly in Puerto Rico, but Carl is spending a great deal of travel time in Hilton Head, SC, as a result of a new venture of his at Sea Pines. They will probably move into the area, but for the present have been unable to sell their home in Puerto Rico. Therefore, Denny and most of their children remain in Puerto Rico for the time being. Their family consists of Hilary 19, a jr at the U. of Puerto Rico, Andrea 17, who was a freshman last year at a stateside U., but has returned to their warmer climate; Kelly 16, now entering 4th yr high at a boarding school in Albany; Amy 15, 2d yr high in Puerto Rico; Diana 13, 8th grade, William 11, now sharing a bachelor existence with his father and grandfather in SC, and Robby 3, their bonus baby. Diana, following in her older sisters' footsteps as a competitive swimmer, has surpassed their local records and has become quite well known in Puerto Rico. Amy represented Puerto Rico in the Pan American Games in 75, but Diana has topped her by going to the Montreal Olympics this year, just before her 13th birthday. She was the youngest competitor at the Olympics. The Hattlers have every hope of making the Reunion, but as of now things are still uncertain.

Many thanks for your response to my pleas for more mail. I hope to be well stocked with gossip for you next issue after our Reunion. Hope to see most of you there.

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Greetings from the nation's capital. I am now officially part of the MDW, having moved from Ft Belvoir to the Pentagon, and am assigned to DAMA-ARZ-E, which translates to the Office of the Dir of Army Rsch and Chief Army Scientist, ODCSRDA. However, as the address at the top of the column shows, I am still living in the same place—eagerly awaiting your letters. Unfortunately, very few have come—so write!

Regrettably, it is my duty to report the death of our classmate, Charlie Wheeler, and of a classmate's wife, Connie Raymond. Chuck's wife died on 17 Sept in Florissant, MO, of cerebral hemorrhage. A memorial mass was held in Highland Falls, and she was interred at WP. Chuck has requested that anyone desiring to memorialize Connie do so with a donation to the Leukemia Society of America, Inc., 1625 I Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001, in honor of her and in memory of John W. Raymond. John was a



1957: Woodberry Forest Sports Camp, 20 July 1976 (Matthews & Keeler with Church in back).

nephew who died of Leukemia. Chuck's present address is LTC Charles L. Raymond, 1643 Norberg Dr, Florissant, MO 63033.

Charlie Wheeler died on 2 Oct of a heart attack. He was assigned to Carswell AFB, and was in the process of ret. to set up permanent residence in Ft Worth. He was interred at Ft Worth on 5 Oct. Peggy asked that anyone desiring to memorialize Charlie do so with a donation to the National Heart Fund. She and her 2 youngest will continue to reside in Ft Worth. Her address is Mrs. Peggy Wheeler, 3833 Winifred, Ft Worth, TX 76133. Their oldest boy Steve is a freshman at the AFA.

A new Army 0-6 list has hit the streets and 23 classmates were on it, 17 in the primary zone and 6 in the secondary zone. We are making progress, slowly but surely. Those selected in the primary zone were Chernault, Duncan, Glen, Hall, Kehoe, Ketchum, Kovel, Luther, Marrella, McDonald, Mead, Merrick, Pataro, Seely, Tener, Voorhees, and Wishart. Congratulations to you all. Special congrats go to the 6 who made it in the secondary zone: Bennett, Moses, Ramsden, Schumacher, Szwetecz, and Tedeschi. May the list move swiftly!

We now have 5 offspring at USMA, including one daughter. They are Robert E. Bodenhamer Jr., Mark W. House, Jacob P. Kovel, Edmund A. Wilhelm Jr., and Kelly Lynn Zachgo. Notice that I listed them alphabetically, and the listing of the daughter last was purely academic and not because I'm a male chauvinist. Elsewhere in the ASSEMBLY is a listing of kids at the other academies. The only other that I know of is Steve Wheeler at the AFA. Congratulations to you all. One of the things we need to establish at the Class Reunion is whether to present something to Academy graduates when they graduate. Just about every other class does. Speaking of our 20th Reunion, a cmte has been formed at WP, chaired by Dana Mead. They are preparing a letter to all of you, but Dana gave me some advance info to put in the column. In the event you have not received any information by 1 Feb 77, or if you have some ideas, I suggest you give Dana a call or write him a letter. His autovon



1957: (L-R): McDonald, Soyster, Voorhees, Carson, Glick, Mead, Carrol, House, Bennett, Swindler, Olson, McDonald, Kielkopf.

number is 688-2811. Others on the cmte are Don Cline and Bruce Turnbull. The following info is tentative, except for the date which is fixed to the 77 homecoming game. Since it is our 20th, we will have priority on all facilities, including the Hotel Thayer. Activities will begin on Fri nite with a Class party. On Sat morning, there will be alumni activities, followed by the football game. In the evening there will be an Alumni Dinner Dance. Somewhere between Sat and Sun, we'll have a memorial service. The last Class function will be Sun afternoon. An informal questionnaire will go out this winter, to be followed in the spring by a more formal schedule. Any questions? Write to the guys at WP.

Other classmates presently at WP (that I know of) are Herb Carroll, Prof and Deputy Head of Mech; Tom Garigan, still the PA officer; Don Barlow, the Treas; Guy Wallace, who is out of the service and works in the training section of the S3, USCC; Tom Olson, XO in Juice; and Bernie Penrose, who I believe is also in Juice. Others who are scheduled into permanent slots at WP are Gerry Galloway, as Prof and Dpty Head of ES&GS, Len Marrella, as the USMA Dir of Intercollegiate Athletics (after he finishes ICAF), and Jim Armstrong, as a perm assoc P in Math (after he completes his studies in CA). Gerry's appointment just recently occurred, and he makes our 3d "not-head." Congratulations. I understand that Gerry still has to complete his dist asgmt and go for a PhD, so it may take awhile before he gets back to WP. Other news that I picked up while talking to the folks at WP follows: Jim Dunn is the PMS at St. Bonaventure. Bernie Loeffke is slated to become the Army Attaché in Moscow after he leaves his Bde next summer. Hank Hatch is slated to command the 2d Engr Gp in Korea, and should go there directly from the Nashville Dist. I saw Joe House in the WP PX during the Labor Day weekend. He was in the States on TDY with his boss, GEN Blanchard, and was visiting his son; he and Sue are living in Heidelberg. Spoke to a yearling who said that Mick Hazelrigs was his source of inspiration for going to USMA, and that Mick is

presently working for NASA in Houston. I know he was talking about our classmate because he described him as being reasonably tall and bald. Another classmate living in Houston is Bob Sprague. He and Betty and their 3 boys have been in Houston for about 4 yrs, and Bob currently works for Brown and Root, in their Petro and Chemical opns.

Now here's a biggie. For those of you who still think in terms of your "little" children, be advised that the Class of '57 now has its first set of parents-in-law. The oldest daughter of Barbara & Jim Britton was married on 28 Aug, in a formal ceremony on the lawn of the O Club at Ft Huachuca. The newlyweds are Brandy (known to some as Debra) and Frank Martin (of Panama). We wish them every happiness and hope that they'll always be enjoying life. Our congratulations to Jim and Barbara, on this happy event, and on being the first to marry off a daughter. I'm sure that there are others who will now seek their advice. Jim is now left with 2 sons (both of whom own antique cars) and 2 daughters, which sounds pretty well balanced. He will ret. in Jun and they will live in San Ant, where their "door is open to anyone visiting the area." Got a change of address card from Bob Arnold. He



1957: Class of 1957 Drinking Fountain.

has just moved to TRADOC HQs where he will be with DCS Cmbt Devl. Dick Bone ret. on 1 Oct and made a big move—all the way down the hall in the E-ring of the Pentagon. Dick left the office of the Dir of Army Rsch and became a member of the tech staff of General Rsch Corp, which has an office in the building. He must have done something very terrible to be relegated to working in the Pentagon. I wonder how many years of purgatory he'll have to suffer through before they let him out. Saw Martha & Charlie Cooper at an ODCSRDA party and learned that their daughter Helen was awarded the Engr Memorial Award Scholarship by the Engr Officers Wives Club. Helen is attending the U. of VA Sch of Engr. Congratulations, Helen. Spoke to Ann Harlow while I was visiting the Carrolls at WP and found out that her son is now attending Clemson. The Class must have lots of kids in college now, but I can't tell you where they are until someone writes. Hear that out there?

Received a lovely note from Hop Keeler's mom, with some very interesting information. Three years ago she gave 600 pages of the letters of Hop Keeler, covering the period 1954-Jan 1969, to the manuscript collection of the USMA Library. I quote from her letter; "Hop was a hearty and humorous letterwriter. There is material in those letters for footnotes on quite a few of you!" The letters have been reviewed by Egon Weiss, the Librarian, USMA, and he made the following comment, ref Hop: "He was a most remarkable man. His letters are ample testimony to the depth of his heart and mind. His perception is uncanny. It was both a privilege and pleasure to read his letters. They represent a fine addition to our manuscript collection."

Chuck Mathews stopped by the other day to say farewell as he left the Pentagon to take command of Watervliet Ars in upstate NY. I understand that he's going to get housing that will make the new CSA envious—but it gets mighty cold up there. Chuck provided a picture of Gail Keeler, and her son Mike. Gail has remarried and is now Mrs. Cashen, of Pleasantville, NY. Saw Jr. Gaspar in the halls of the Pentagon recently, and found out he is the Army aide to GEN Brown, the CJCS. He looks like an ad for someone who has just stepped off a tennis court in FL and is about to model the latest in high fashion. How come he looks so good and I'm getting bald? He mentioned that Bill & Marilyn Murphey have just moved into the area, and that Bill is on the Pres's Inaugural Cmte. I never realized we had so many people in high places. Saw Spooney Alsheimer at Ft Myer, looking very sharp in his Blues at lunch. He is the dpty cmdr of the Old Guard. Anyone need a sharp marching outfit, colorful flags or colorguard? See Bob! (That's his real name—honest.)

John & Helen Shaefer arrived from Redstone Ars, and he is in the BMD Prog Office. He reports that Don Whalen is still the Lance proj mgr, and that Bob Westerfeldt is in REDCOM at Mac Dill AFB. From another source, I learned that Ben Waller is in charge of the AF recruiting for the SE region of the U.S. (GA, FL, AL) and is operating out of Patrick AFB. Got a note from Bill Webb, thru Moon Mullins. Bill and Margaret are in Hong Kong, where he's supposed to be the air attaché. His real mission, according to him, is to run a Chinese laundry in Kowloon and exploit his PhD in noodle eating. I'd believe anything Bill says. He and

his wife graduated from the Foreign Service Adv Chinese Language and Area Study Program in Taichung, Taiwan, but I'm not sure that they are really qualified to run a laundry.

We had 2 Class functions since the last column. Moon Mullins, our man on the Hill, arranged a tour of the Capitol, lunch in the Rayburn Bldg, and a talk by Rep Millicent Fenwick. It was a most interesting and enjoyable tour, and was greatly enhanced by the presence of wives (ours, of course). At the end of Aug we had a Class picnic, to include the kids, and it also was a great success. The thing that impressed me the most at the picnic was the number of kids—prolific '57—especially the large number of females. Between the 2 functions (for which I did not take any pictures) the following poop evolved. Jim & Marie Cortez have moved into McLean, VA, and Jim is in ODCSOPS. He mentioned that Chris Comeau (son of) has entered VPI. Jim & Marie Chernaunt are with ODCSRDA. Jim & Dianne Edgar are at ICAF, and Jim is scheduled to become the Defense Attaché in Afghanistan. Don & Pat Ley are at the NWC. Don said that Whit Hall is on the faculty and Jim Murphy, Ed Soyster and Rudy Pataro are fellow students. Len & Dee Marrella are at ICAF, and as already noted Len will be moving to WP next Jun. Jack & Rosaleen Meehan spent 2 days with Jack Murphy in Golden, CO, and met Tom Lindholm there. Tom is assigned to the RR in Denver and says it's a great job. Jack Meehan's son John has just entered the State U. of NY at Oneonta. Tom & Karen McDonald have moved into the area (we're in a carpool together), and Tom works in OCSA (PAE). Guy & Susan Palmieri are at the ICAF, having just left ODCSRDA. Their son Dave is at the USMA Prep Sch and their daughter Ann was "Miss Teenage Kansas" in '75 (congrats). Dick & Phyllis Pfeiffer are at the NWC and he wishes he knew his next assignment. Don't we all! Their daughter Karen is entering George Mason U., and Phyllis is teaching at St. John College High School in DC. That's probably to pay for Karen going to GMU. Jim & Terri Powell are in ITAD—whatever that is, and live on Ordinary Ct in Annandale. Jim, don't you know that no one in '57 should live on Ordinary anything! John & Alayne Ramsden are at ICAF. Bob & Nancy Stevens are with the J3, OJCS. Bob mentioned that Warne Mead's son is also in the USMA Prep Sch. Hope that he and Dave Palmieri get together. A note from somebody, maybe Joe Samm, said that Don Kutyna and Craig Smyser have both just reported into the Elect Sys Div at Hanscom AFB, MA. Other classmates who have just arrived in the DC area are Cal & Barbara DeWitt, and Sam & Nancy Newsom. Sam is with OCE and I don't know where Cal is working. Got a late note from my carpool mate with a picture of Founders Day 76 at Carlisle. It's in color and I don't know if it will print, so look for it somewhere on the page. While at Carlisle, Les Bennett earned an MA in Public Admin and Warne Mead earned an MS in Communication, both from Shippensburg State College—congratulations to both of you. As a final note, for those of you who have never seen the '57 water fountain at USMA, I've included a picture. Unfortunately, you'll have to accept the fact that I'm in the picture too, but that's life. I might mention that the benches associated with the fountain, as well as the fountain, are in need of repair, and

we should consider doing the repairs (would you believe funding the repairs) prior to our 20th Reunion. That's it for now—let me hear from you.

'58

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I regret that my first venture as scribe must begin with bad news. First, Clyde & Ethel Brown lost their almost 15-year-old son, Clyde III, on 30 May 75. He was killed accidentally in HI when a 90mm dud exploded. I hate to report such news at this late date, but as a roommate of Clyde's who only recently learned of the tragedy, I feel certain many of their friends have not heard. There is little I can say except to lean on the Psalmist: "his soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch: I say, before the morning watch."

Bill Denson died of cancer 23 Oct 75. I learned recently of this loss from Ron Bellows and Norm Gustitis. Bill is survived by his mother (address unknown) and brother Tom (of Greenbelt, MD). More information or correct address would be appreciated.

Additional information on Chuck Densford, seriously injured in an OH-58 crash at Ft Hood. He was flying as observer on a search and rescue mission when the helicopter hit a wire and crashed into the Pedernales River. After an extended stay at Brooke GH for back injuries, Chuck is now home on convalescent leave.

All of the above lend credence to the fact that bad news does not improve with age. Now, to set the record straight, I was classmated by COL Bunker who called and said, "Meet me at the mall entrance at 1200." A good soldier, I complied, saluted, and got the vaunted class files in a Gilbey's Gin box. Alas, no gin! Alas, not many files!

I received only one letter from a classmate—from the Cmdr, Baltimore Dist Recruiting Cmd, J. Wesley Loffert, addressed to Resident! A few excerpts: "Join the people who've joined the Army! . . . Maybe you qualify for enlistment in today's Army . . . we will get the word out about how to enlist and get ahead in one of more than 300 steady, interesting jobs." (I'm listening, Wes, especially on the getting ahead part in light of your success!)

Good News—more COLs for others of us to salute! Congratulations to the 10 on the 12 Aug 76 list: Jim Hall (another roommate, now at NWC) EN, Wes Loffert (the recruiter at Ft Meade) IN, Don Palladino (one of the more recent fathers, now at AWC) EN, Jim Peck (currently XO, 7th Engr Bde near Stuttgart) EN, and below-the-zoners Tom Sands (would you believe, COLs Div) EN, Clyde Brown (AWC) SC, Tom Cameron (ICAF till Jun 76) OD, Claude Fernandez (NWC) IN, Gary Graves (somewhere?) AR, and Chuck Teeter (DACS-DMA Pentagon) FA. This brings '58 Army files up to 28 COLs. Recap (courageously or stupidly provided—certain wrath for the sin of omission): 29 Jan 74 list included Tom Carpenter AR, Bob Pointer OD, Butch Saint AR, and Tony Smith EN; 25 Oct 74 list included Bob Bunker EN, Jim Davin IN, Dick Graves AR, Larry Hunt FA, Butch Ordway IN, John Palmer OD, George Robertson EN, Jack Bradshaw FA, and Dick Hirata MC; while the 29 Dec 75 list (all promoted 1

Sept 76) included Linc Jones IN, Ben Pellegrini AD, John Sewall IN, Bill Tuttle TC, and Neil Williamson OD. There are a number of AF COLs, but I need some blue suiter to provide the names, bitte sehr.

Other News: A little rundown of who went to which SSC provided because there is little correlation between reality and the list published last Dec or so. NWC claims Bob Bunker, Claude Fernandez, Jim Hall, Ben Pellegrini and Dick Reynard. John Sewall is on the faculty. ICAF has Pat Donovan, Bill Ganey, Mike Mahler, Tim McLean, Ken Phillips (USAF—was recently Cdr of 34th BMS, Beale AFB), Hugh Trumbull and Frank Waskowicz. Bill Stambaugh teaches economics at ICAF. AWC sabbatical types are Clyde Brown, Terry Connell, Mel Drisko, Les Gibbings, Bob Moscatelli, Don Palladino, and Doug Sedgwick. Address: AWC Class of 77, Carlisle Bks, PA 17013. Jim Frick is on the S&F. The only soldier I know at Air WC is Ron Hudson (who was at Belvoir in Feb and didn't call—guess I didn't behave well enough at their Benning qtrs in Aug 75). Could use letters from Maxwell and Newport.

Random inputs from Joan Collins (if you don't write me, write Joan): Sam is building a screen porch. Something happened to his critical path because it wasn't finished this summer and still isn't in Sept. Bob & Cindy Julian are now at 28230 Rui de Copaf Lane, Malibu, CA 90265. Bob is teaching mil sci at UCLA (hardship tour). Who has the youngest child? Most recent additions I know of are Julian (7 Apr 75) and Palladino (Aug 75). The Engrs are something; glad Judy approved my transfer to Inf and that we haven't been to Europe lately! Pat & Ann Kirk are farming at 225 W. Franklin St, Portage, WI 53901. Gloria Betts was in Salt Lake City last Xmas waiting for Jerry in Korea. Rich & Joanne Gell are at 12322 Inletridge Dr, Maryland Hgts, MO 63043. Jackie & Terry Howard went from Presidio SF to Japan (unheard of—two consecutive hardship tours). Mark & Ann Sigurski recently celebrated their 1st anniv—congratulations, Mark.

Those of you in greater DC area, keep the faith, a revised roster is in the Work Processing Cen (impressed?). I recently saw John Abernathy in the halls; he's on Air Staff (RDQRT) following Air WC. Had a short chat with Denny Sharon, who bears the USAF Congressional liaison responsibility for the morals of the U.S. Senate. Ken Montgomery returned to Pentagon (DAMO-RQD). Randy Rodenberg was promoted to LTC in USAR on 2 Jul 76 and has a mobilization designee slot in OCE: two weeks active duty in Nov. Jay Tirre (name never before in print) is at TRADOC and reports that John Devens and Bill Tuttle are also. Townsend Allen Van Fleet and John Barrie Williams were awarded master's in Public Admin from Shippensburg State Coll. As we slowly approach medicare age, it is comforting to learn of another doctor-classmate: "the degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred by Case Western Reserve—1 Jun 76—Glenn Lamar Bugay." The 74 Relook Bd atoned for prior omissions and selected Peeps Pedersen and Bob Hattler—congratulations!

Congratulations to Sam Benjamin for his recent Democratic primary victory in the 1st dist of IN (Gary and vicinity). He defeated a veteran of 34 years in Congress (who appointed Sam to USMA in 54). We look forward to his impact on the 95th Con-

gress given his continued success on Tues, 2 Nov. Speaking of Congress, how could I overlook Van Fleet, recently assigned to ODCSRDA Congressional Affairs Office from AWC who muttered, "I disavow USMA—coed—I'm from Shippensburg State now." He might try to clean up his act and change the name of his office (Affairs?).

Two letters inherited/found in the gin box: Bob Moore (MSC at Brooke) provided more details of Chuck Densford's body cast. Good news: Chuck's and Patsy's daughter Sharon was married on 26 Jun. Perhaps the first wedding of '58 offspring. Bin Barta wrote from RR VI that he's moving to DC: Mgt Sys Spt Agcy. A correction for my not-yet-published roster. Another potential first, Wayne Wyatt ret. in Aug (was at DSMS, Ft Belvoir) having completed 20 yrs. Called Ken Montgomery to confirm date—learned that Ken is convalescing after parting company with a horse. Ray Riggan recently ret. medically from Ft Bragg.

I am writing this on Mon, 27 Sept, with my back to TV football. George Allen, please forgive me! Who can fail to be moved by my sacrifice, grab a pen, pencil or autovon (225-1362) and get in touch before my next deadline 5 Jan 77. If you don't, I might have to accept Wes Loffert's offer!

P.S. 6 Oct: Bob Tallgren's son, Robert, is in GW Med Cen with leukemia. Telephonic and radio appeals for blood donors and for volunteers to be tested (white cells, HLA testing) as potential leukapheresis donors met with great response. Heartfelt thanks.

P.P.S.: My first real letter! Dottie Castle wrote that Jim is now the President Director General of HB Network Information Services, a new French company owned by Honeywell and Campagne des Machines Bull. They live at 3 Rue de Versailles, 92410 Ville D'Avray, France, about 10 clicks from Paris; phone: 926-5664. Jimmy (12) attends a French school and Tricia (10) the American School of Paris. All are enjoying France and looking forward to visitors.

'59

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At this writing our classmate Jack Knebel is the Acting Secy of Agriculture. Congratulations to you, Jack!

Jim Walsh, who has the 1st Bn (Abn), 319th FA, writes from Ft Bragg that this is his first communication ever with a Class scribe. In the nick of time, too, Jim, because it's the only letter I received this time! Jim says: "What prompted this unusual activity was the sudden realization that we were 'Yearlings' at Camp Buckner 20 yrs ago last summer. My bn was supporting summer training for the cadets this year, and as I was touring the facilities at Buckner I spied the sign 'Top of the Line 79!' My oldest boy, Jay, who just turned 16, spent 2 days watching plebes and yearlings do their thing and toured the academic areas to see if he might be interested in following in the old man's footsteps.

"Life continues to roll in the 82d. Lee Nunn just turned over cmd of the 307th Engr Bn and is on his way to Saudi Arabia. Don Smart continues to roll with 4/68th Arm, and Charlie Getz is G3 and slated to take the 3d Bde around Xmas.

"I don't really see much of the other '59ers



1959: Jim and Jay Walsh at Camp Buckner.

here at Bragg, but I did spend a weekend with the Conways upon their return from India. Rody is to head the Latin American seminar group at the IMA here at the JFK Cen. Art Bair still commands the Inst Bn. John Cox still works for the Inst as a civ. Bob Weekley recently turned over cmd of the 96th Civil Affairs Bn and relocated to Carlisle to attend AWC.

"Ben Dishman and George Harrison were down at the Inst, but I believe Ben is now at FORSCOM. I haven't seen George in ages. Denny Walters is the financial expert at Post and is all involved in CABL. I am sure I have left a few people out, but with all the other info you have this might be of some help in your next issue."

Many thanks to you, Jim, but all the other info just failed to materialize in my mailbox.

'60

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It looks like Paul Cerjan finally got a volunteer to take over the Class column. This must be poetic justice for all the years I neglected to correspond with the Class scribe. Now that I've been given the opportunity to reform, I trust that others of the silent majority will do likewise. And to those of you who've been faithful all along—just keep those cards and letters coming!

On with the news. Bill Harnagel just re-



1960: Bill Harnagel cutting red tape.

ported in from the Aloha state where he is commanding the 125th Sig Bn. Bill's next door neighbors, Jack & Sue Pellicci are sharing the discomforts of frontier duty on Wai-kiki. Jack is now the G3 of the 25th Div. Joe & Arlene Jascewsky also live in the same neighborhood. Joe is holding forth as XO of the DISCOM. John Seely is XO of an Arty Bn, and Les Beavers was CO of the 2d Bn 11 Arty before his present assignment at the War Coll.

From the other frontier in Vienna, Roger Seymour is enjoying the diplomatic life on the Blue Danube. He is the Asst AA and Chan Robbins is the Security Assistance Officer for the Def Attaché Office.

Here's a first for the '60 class column—a report from Ken Ludovici via ham radio (call sign WB8RQV). (No, Fred Bidgood, your CB radio won't net with Ken's ham!) Ken and Patricia are living in Cincinnati with their children, Wendy (15), Elaine (12), and Michael (8). He has been a stockbroker with E.F. Hutton for the past 10 yrs. Ken has offered to act as a radio-telephone relay for anyone who can gain access to a ham radio—so drop him a line, or whatever the term is. Herb Tyson, WB4CVP of Arlington, VA, will provide a phone patch in the DC area.

John Wilhauer, who owns Genl Business



1960: Robbins (L) and Seymour "at court" in Vienna.

Svs in Birmingham, AL, was visited by Ed Strasburger recently. Ed, his wife Arlene, and 4 children live on a kibbutz in Israel where he is teaching in a university.

Barbara Searles writes that Jon is now assigned to HQ VII Corps as the G1 Ops Chief. Both he and Barbara are enjoying life in Stuttgart, especially since Jon's hours have improved.

The latest from the USMA contingent is that '60 is enthusiastically holding its own, though small in number. Dean & Marg Herman, Juice Dept, provided the list which follows: Dave & Edith Bauer, Hist; Jere & Judy Forbus, PAO; Tom & Pat Huber, Engr; Pete & Pat Lagasse, Mech; Mark & Sally Lowrey, Alumni; Tom & Judy Schmitt, Engl; Dan & Carol Shimek, Law; Chan & Gigi Duryea, For Lang. There you are—the Army Football Lodging Service—make your reservations early! Classmates at Ft Monmouth recently got together with the USMA crowd so we also received info on them. Bob & Peggy Ammerman, now at Monmouth, are soon departing for Germany. Jerry & Bev Chapman are beginning their 3d yr at Monmouth. The USMA crowd will be augmented



1960: Darling confers with an ex-Supe on maneuvers in Eastern Turkey.

by the arrival of Bob & Andrea Leech after Bob completes his PhD at Duke. He'll join Dean Herman in the Juice Dept.

We have a new address for Tom Eynon, who has just moved from Knoxville to Dallas: c/o D, T.S., 3909 Swiss Av, Dallas, TX 75204.

In the DC area our numbers are dwindling. Recent departees include: John & Emma House to Ft Jackson, Ed & Joyce Post to Ft Carson, Chris & Joan Gigicco to Brussels, Joel & Bonnie Sugdinis to Germany. Soon to depart for bn cmds in Korea are Butch Nobles and Jim Fairchild. Helga Nobles and Sandy Fairchild will remain settled here. Some new arrivals are Jack Hoass, Mike Hatcher, Fred Hall, John Reber and John Berti. John Berti has recently married a lovely young lady named Shirley. The DC contingent initiated its fall social season with a Class luncheon at the Army-Navy CC. GEN Maxwell Taylor, Class of '22, spoke to us on the role of the mil in a changing environment. GEN Taylor informed us that Tom Taylor just graduated from law sch and is now residing in CA.

That about wraps up the Class news for this grading period. Your scribe is hereby requesting a stayback. Be sure to send your news directly to me unless you are stationed in Europe. Paul Cerjan will continue as our European correspondent and can be reached at: 10th Engr Bn, 3d Inf Div, APO New York 09701. Till next time—think revenge and Beat Navy!

'61

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By way of starting this column, I'd like to thank those of you who dropped me a note so we could appear in print. Any little tidbit helps; I'm sure our classmates around the world would be anxious to find out what's going on in the Class so please drop me a short note and let me know what you're up to.

Bruce Holmberg at Ft Ord, still acting as scribe west, sends news that Chuck Arm-

strong just assumed command of an Inf Bn in the 7th Div where Charlie Hansell is settling in as the Divy Arty S3 awaiting his turn in command of a 105 HOW Bn around Mar 77. Both of them recently saw Bruce Lambers at DLI; he's on his way to Germany and command.

From Pikes Peak at Ft Carson comes news that Glynn & Linda Mallory proudly announced the arrival of Amber Marie (8 lbs, 3½ ozs) on the 3d of May. Glynn is thoroughly enjoying his tour in command of an Inf Bn in the 3d Bde of the 4th Mech Div. Linda says that having a bn and a new baby presents a challenge but they're doing well. Larry Budge and Todd Counts are both also at Ft Carson.

Dick Regan, practicing law in Las Cruces, NM, dropped a line to say that he's prospering and dabbling in everything from politics to agriculture (no comment). He offers refuge to any classmates navigating through the SW. Speaking of the desert, George Henderson—now a civil (and civ) engr for USAF writes from Saudi Arabia, where he's beginning a 2-yr tour, that he's recuperating nicely from his last 8 years in the Pentagon. He must spend a lot of time at the airport bar, because he recently saw Rod Granneman on his way in and Steve Walker on his way back to Huntsville, AL. If anybody's going that way, drop him a warning order at Det 22, SAALC, Box 1213, APO, NY 09616.

From various news releases, we learn that our classmates are still continuing in the pursuit of academic achievement: Courtney Rittgers recently received his MA in journalism from the U. of MO, and Phil Yancey, who is on his way to an AF ROTC asgmt at the U. of KY, graduated from the Air U.'s academic instr crse at Maxwell AFB, AL. Congratulations to both.

In closing, a quick update on the crowd in the DC area: Bud Fritz recently arrived from Ft Knox; he's assigned at OTEA along with Jim McGinnis. Other arrivals during the summer include Rusty Dyer who's assign-



1961: Budges and Mallorlys at Ft Carson.

ing ADA LTC's at MILPERCEN after a command tour in Germany, and Jack Zimmerman in ODCSRDA. Pete Gleichenhaus is in ODCSPER at the USMA desk; Dave Teal is at ICAF going to school after several years at W-P AFB.

The next column should have more news as the war stories come in from the 15th Reunion.

'62

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Since my last article in the ASSEMBLY, events find the Pons family at Ft Ord. I am TDY to the newly established Organizational Effectiveness Tng Cen and will return to Ft Bragg in late Dec. The Army never gives up in its efforts to make me effective; amazing.

I received a letter from Bert Goldberg in which he invites classmates to visit; Bert and Susan live at 11595 E. Vassar Dr, Denver, CO 80232. The Goldbergs recently moved to CO as Bert joined the orthopedic staff at Fitzsimons AMC. He reports that Pete Hamiester is also at Fitzsimons as a first year resident in orthopedics.

Rufus Crow has changed his address; he now resides in Caravillo, CA as a result of his being transferred by the 3M Co. from WI to their MINCOM Div Plant. By this writing, Judy and the children should also have made the trip and are with Rufus in CA. Rufus reports that Irv Kamm, Bill White, and E.K. Whiting are also in the area.

Larry Waters wrote from Norfolk, VA. He was medically ret. in 69 and is now a stockbroker with Wheat, First Securities, Inc. He must be doing a good job as he was recently promoted to VP in the firm. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Monk Mooring please contact Larry; Larry and Jane live at 5416 Hatleras Rd, VA Beach, VA 23462.

Seth Hudak has recently taken the position of Supt of the West Baylston sch sys in NH. Seth received his PhD in educ and admin from Boston Coll in 74.

Dave Phillips, referring to himself as the faithful "TRADOC reporter," sent a lengthy letter with news of classmates. He and Sharon have settled into a 3d year with combat developments after having lost out to Jim Kays in the competition for a permanent slot in the Math Dept. Jim & Jeanne Kays are presently in Troy, NY, while Jim toils over his PhD. Bob Szymczak is at TRADOC, as aide to the Dpty CG. Mike Jones recently reported there and is assigned to DCSPER. Dick & Toni Mayo visited the Phillips on the way to AFSC. The Mayos had one of those real smooth moves from Ft Worth to Norfolk; the moving truck burned to the ground. Dick is busy preparing the paperwork for the claim and is having some problems. As he told Dave, "who knows how many neckties you have?" Dave hears from Larry Gunderman periodically. Larry and Anna are in Russelville, AL, where Larry works with the TVA and Anna runs a nursery sch; they ask for classmates to drop by. Frank & Betty Scharph are leaving TRADOC for MICV Proj Mgr in Warren, MI in the spring. In the meantime, Frank will commute to Ft Belvoir for an R&D Mgmt Crse.

Dick Sklar is still with TRADOC. Dave said that Dick is constantly being tasked on adhoc study groups and has contributed to some of TRADOC's best recent efforts.



1962: (L-R): Daughtertys, Francks, Heigls and Carlsons.



1962: Roger and Ann Franke with son Greg.

I am able to give a listing of classmates here in the Monterey area. Jim & Carol Ellis were kind enough to set up a gathering at which I, for one, had a wonderful time. Jim is the Asst CS of the 7th Inf Div. Don & Carolyn Snider are here at Ft Ord; Don commands a bn in the 7th Inf Div. Also with the div is John & June Winkler. Chan & Marilyn Armstrong attended the gathering; Chan is at the installation hosp. I threatened Chan with the task of giving me my long overdue physical; he agreed until he was told I now rate the "over 40" treatment. It was good to see Bob Loupe again; I don't know what he has been doing but he has a well-fed look and is still most cheerful. Saw Don & Genie Street for the first time since graduation. Another company-mate, Dick Gramzow could not make the party.

Phil & Marianne Stewart are at the DLI while Phil tackles Russian. The Stewarts' had a recent addition to the family, a 3d son, Chris. Rounding out the party were Bob & Joyce Martin and John & Susan Novotny. In addition to being a wife and mother, Joyce Martin recently completed her

studies to become a nurse. The Novotnys are also TDY here as John and I attend the OETC. They are slated for Germany after this course. George Carne is also at Ft Ord but was unable to attend the party.

From Ft Stewart, GA, comes the news that Phil & MaryAnn Browning also had an addition to their family. Jennifer Celeste was born at Ft Stewart on 24 Jul.

Our classmates are demonstrating that '62 can "still" do! Bill Daugherty sent a lengthy update which I extract in part.

"First, we have quite a B-2 group here in the DC area. Jim & Becky Acklin, with children Tommy (11) and Amy (9), are living in VA while Jim is assigned to the DNA. J.J. Heigl is Eastern Regl Mgr for Litton Ind. J.J. and Marilyn almost accepted an assignment in Saudi Arabia, then thought better of that and bought a beautiful new home in VA. Jack Franck, assigned to the DIA, and Marilyn live in VA with their 2 children, Michelle and Paige. The Carlsons, Rich, Marti, Steve (9) and Debbie (8), also

live in VA. Rich and myself are assigned to ODCSOPS HQDA and see each other quite often. Lynn and I, with daughters Kim (13) and Cindy (10), live on the MD side of the Potomac."

Bill also writes that he saw Jack Rucker who is with the IRS in El Paso. Gary & Sharon Seasholtz are at Hanscom Fld, MA, and Larry & Bonnie Sanders are bound for Wiesbaden. Roger Hauercroft, Ralph Burr and Bob Lilly are with the DIA and Art Bondshu is with MILPERCEN. Finally, Bill sends in behalf of B-2, "Bob Zabik, where are you?"

The Editor, ASSEMBLY and REGISTER asks for addresses of Class widows. Anyone having the address of our Class widows, please send it to the Editor or to me if you prefer, and I will forward it. Also, whoever assigns the duty of scribe for the Class of '62, please contact me.

Thanks to the classmates who contributed to this issue; Ernie, you are due for another report from Europe.

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As this issue of the ASSEMBLY reaches you, we will be well into the Xmas season. Please keep your scribe in mind when you send out your Xmas cards—the deadline for the spring issue is 1 Jan.

Our annual Class luncheon was held as announced on 21 Sept 76 at the Ft Myer Officers Club. I am sorry that more were not able to attend, but we did have an enjoyable get-together with classmates, many of whom had not seen one another since cadet days. Those attending gave me the following information: Pete Kelly (M-1) is with Computer Sciences Corp as mgr of the Spec Sys Dept. Pete and Karen have lived in Sterling, VA since 68. They are expecting their first child in Oct—congratulations are in order by now! Pete does a bit of traveling and reported that Art Conlon is at Ft Bragg



1962: Front row: Sniders, Ellis', Armstrong; 2d row: Winklers, Loupe, Novotny and Martin; 3d row: Streets, Pons', Susan Novotny, Stewarts and Joyce Martin.

escorting foreign dignitaries, and Al Clark and Buz Rolfe are in banking in Houston. He also saw former classmate Dy Candon in Boston. Dy is a nuclear engr and is working for Yankee Power & Light. He and Judy now have 3 kids. Ted Yamashita left Russ Simonetta and Dick Walsh at Ft Lewis to join the DA DCSOPS crowd last Aug. Bill Cooke is a recent arrival in the area and has joined an engr consultant firm in MD. As of Sept, the family was still in NJ and Bill was commuting back and forth on weekends. B.F. Miller was in town on TDY and able to make the luncheon. B.F. is in the Ofc Engr IG in Atlanta. Bob Trucksa, presently a veterinarian at Walter Reed, urges all classmates to ret. in NM in order to get cut-rate vet care. I believe Bob is thinking ahead and working on building a clientele! Dud Hartman is the Gov Affairs Dir for Hawaiian Independent Refinery, Inc., with DC and Honolulu offices. Dud mentioned that Jack Dwyer (L-1) and family (6 children) are also in HI. Jack must be doing pretty well in the law practice with a crew that size! Dennis Taillie, now with CAA, reports that he will soon be a civ working for Fed Energy Admin. Jay Westermeier saw Bill Merritt last summer. Bill is on ROTC duty at Clemson U. and also going to sch. He recently finished his PhD dissertation in water resources mgmt. Other items of news from the luncheon: Alex Whitaker is writing dissenting opinions arguing for lower first class postal rates—hope you win by the time I mail my Xmas cards, Alex! Don Siebenaler is with DIA, Paul Sutton still with ASA, and Ed Lee heading for Redstone where he will be the Roland proj officer. Also attending the luncheon but no recent news (unless you consider the McNeill's new springer spaniel pup news) were Bob Handcox, Dick Scharf, Norm Betaque, Bill George, Mike Jenks, Art Meier, Todd Dolighan, Pat Tate, and Bob McNeill. New arrivals in the DC area who were unable to attend the luncheon are Denny Leach, Bob Vogel, and Tim Grogan.

The guest speaker at the luncheon was Bill Raiford '52, who spoke from experience with his extensive involvement in his Class affairs, and provided some helpful hints for us on how to get things organized and done as a Class.

Congratulations to those selected for LTC the Jul 76 list. I won't swear to 100% accuracy, but I counted 32 new LTC's-to-be from our Class.

Larry Anderson, last year's scribe, passed back to me some letters which were forwarded to him in Germany—hence the delay. The Lee Earnests are now at Ft Carson. Their son broke his arm when Lee was attending CGSC and had severe complications requiring extensive surgery. So Lee received a compassionate assignment to Carson to be near Fitzsimons. They are enjoying their new home at 4730 Michael Pl, Colo Spgs, CO 80907. Larry also forwarded a letter from Mike Keaveney who relayed the assignments out of CGSC last summer. Those not previously reported are: Phil St. Amant to Ft Bragg; Ron Steinig and Luke Woods to Ft Hood; Mike Clay to Ft Sill; Al Jones to Ft Bliss (Al married Lola last Dec); Don Conrad, Jerry Anderson, and Army Lujan to Ft Ord; Len Gregor to Ft Monroe; Jeff Ellerson to Korea (UNC J-3); Rich Goldsmith to Ansbach, Ger.; and Duane Myers to Gunsburg, Ger. Mike had received a letter from Bob Foley who wrote that Julie is expecting again. Bob umpired the Reforger



1963: The Pattens: Mike, Lee, Steve, Sue and Barbara.

exercise in Germany this fall while awaiting his bn cmd.

I don't know how much sense all this is making. I've been writing this during the Redskins-Eagles Mon night football game, which is in overtime and it's nearly 1 a.m. I'm ready for anybody to win!

Mike Patten dropped a note from Upper St. Claire, PA, and enclosed a picture of his fine looking family. The Pattens are the longest married couple in the Class and have a boy in jr high. Somehow that makes us seem to be almost ancient! Mike is a proj engr with Bureau of Mines and Lee is a certified geneologist and now studying metaphysics.

Andy Seidel has not returned to the Army due to some problems the Chaplain Corps has with limitations in the grade of MAJ. However, he has accepted a great offer at Grace Bible Church at College Sta, TX (TX A&M). Our best to Gail and Andy as they start a new career!

Received a news release from Wilson Coll. Bill Alexandr, VP & GM of Alexander & Sons Const Co has been elected to their Bd of Trustees.

As I was about to mail this column, I received this latest word from Mike Keaveney at Leavenworth. The staff and faculty are in the midst of their annual reorganization, which I know the instructors who are planning lessons just love. Classmates who are enjoying the golf course and easy life of a student at CGSC are Mosier, Guilhaus, Vaughan, Pierson, Cargile, Jackson, McCarver, Marchand, Robbins, Metzger, Solenberger, Walker, Palmer, and DeGraff. Also at Leavenworth as permanent party are Kinsey, Nelson, Beach, and Mike Cunningham. Mike and Kay hosted a Class get-together to start the year off and renew old friendships. I understand Gary Marchand volunteered to host a potluck for Army-Navy game.

From what Frank Hall tells me from WP, as of this writing anyway, the Army team has a potent passing attack which should make for a good game. GO ARMY!

A Merry Xmas to all classmates and their families.

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Greetings from our rockbound highland home. Storm King Mountain is a blanket of autumn colors, and after a day of torrential rains and gale force winds, the WP community is enjoying one of those bright, crisp Oct days that chills your skin and makes you glad to be alive. Army's football performance is helping to enhance that feeling. With a 3-2 record and some sensational offensive demonstrations by the Hall-Brundidge duo there is a real expectation of a winning season and a scuttling of the squids.

Many of our classmates are also excelling in local endeavors. Tom Chapman extended for a 4th year to become dir of the standard physics course for which he has designed an experimental grading system. In Tom's course there are a total of 2005 points that can be achieved over the semester, and grades are awarded according to the distance one is above or below the mean score of any given test. If you'd like more details please contact Tom directly. Jack Speedy is coaching the water polo team in its 2d year as a varsity sport. They took the eastern championships last year and are right at the top of the league again this year. Sue is taking a course in interior decorating and has gotten into the quilt selling business. Joe Arnold spent the summer with the Def Nucl agcy where he wrote several papers on Soviet doctrine, one of which was presented at a symposium early this year. He has also written a paper on pre-World War I French tactical doctrine which has been accepted for publication by Military Affairs. Jack Darrow was recently up for a week of Reserve mobilization duty working for OML. Jack says that he is thoroughly enjoying his new employment with Chase Manhattan. Mike Conway was up for the Class tailgate party and reported that he is restoring a 66 Porsche, but that Marge has also taken a definite interest in it. It should be interesting to learn the outcome of that one!

When Barb and I were recently visiting my folks in the Berkshires we saw Dan Gerron on his way down from the top of Mt Everest. Dan was sporting a flaming red beard and said he had enjoyed watching the hawks fly. Danny Evans was recently extended for several months at TRADOC. He and Cynthia are now living in temporary quarters at Ft Monroe. He will be going on TDY to language sch early in Jan and heading for Germany about the first of Apr.

A number of classmates and wives from around the country have checked in with full and welcome news of their activities. Jack & Linda Bergen have recently arrived in the DC area where Jack is in the Office of the Chief of Mil Hist, working on a history of comm in the Vietnam war. They are settled in at 8030 St. Anne's Ct, Alexandria, VA 22309. Jack and Linda just returned from a tour in Korea where Jack was the XO and for 3 mos commander of the cps sig bn. Linda, John, and Mike spent the year in Seoul and Linda taught at Yonsei U. Fletch & Sherri Lamkin were also there; Larry Brewer was commanding an avn unit; and Gary Walk and John Murray were also in the area. Bob Ballagh, also recently returned from Korea, reports that he has been enjoying the low key pace at Leavenworth

and that he and Ella have taken up the gentleman's (or is it gentelperson's) game of golf.

We now deem to have a real concentration of classmates in CO. Marge Jackman writes that Bill is S4 of the 1st Bde at Carson when he is not on the rugby field. Also stationed at Carson are Chuck Jackson, on the div staff, and Gerry Werner, who recently arrived. Marge said that Bill ran into Kevin Kelly (I hope not too hard) at a rugby match in Denver. Kevin is teaching at the CO Sch of Mines, and he and Rosemary are living in Golden. Tony & Mary Anne Trifiletti are at the AFA. Tom Harman sent a long letter with the information that he, Dottie and sons Mike (6) and Tim (4) are comfortably settled in at Colo Spgs. Tom designs software for Kaman Sci Corp, but also spends a great deal of time working with CO Common Cause which has just worked to get a "sunset" law for the automatic termination of govt programs on the state books. Tom said that Greg Olson is practicing law in Colo Spgs and that Dick Nowak is a labor relations specialist with Martin-Marietta near Denver. Dick Peterson is reported to have left Houston for ND. Tom asked me to inform the marathoners in our Class that the Pike's Peak Marathon starts at an elevation of 6,000 feet and goes to over 14,000 feet and is a round trip distance of 28.6 miles. Tom ran the uphill half last year, and those interested in the race next Aug are encouraged to contact him at 2818 Dawn Dr, Colo Spgs, CO 80907. Pete & Diane Kufeke are now in Ft Collins, CO, about 60 miles north of Denver. Pete picked up a MA in Indl Engr and is working for Eastman Kodak. They and their 2 daughters, Stephanie (5) and Laurie (3), are enjoying the beauty of CO and invite anyone passing through the area to visit them. Their address is 2219 Tanglewood Dr, Ft Collins, CO

Speaking of addresses, the AOG prints the latest address they have on file in the annual REGISTER so if you want classmates to know where you are keep current with them. And if you want to know where classmates are, keep your subscription to the REGISTER current.

Congratulations are in order for Tony Hartle, Jim Harding, John Howard, Bob Wynn, Bill Landgraf, Danny Culp, Jim Carson, and Bob Michela who were recently selected for promotion to LTC as well as to Bill Murdy who has been elected a VP of Hawaiian Independent Refinery, Inc. and Ken Eklund who has been made a member of the President's Club of the Natl Life Ins Co. of Vermont.

Last year there was a welcome tremendous flood of Christmas cards and family pictures. Please let me hear from you again this year so we can all keep in touch. Until next time, God's blessings for a joyous Christmas and all best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1977.

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Received a letter from Todd & John Higley in Charlottesville where John finished JAG adv crse and they are now headed for Ft Carson, CO. Also from Charlottesville, Tony Gamboa was the Distinguished Grad. Tony, his wife and 3 daughters are on their way



1965: Defranco, Renschler, Fish, Alger, Shinseki, Kenry and Fergusson (L-R).



1965: Smile Bruce Hulin, we're winning.

back to DC where Tony is in the Office of General Counsel for DA.

Received 2 letters late but I am also late so it really helped. Skip O'Donnel writes that he and Bill Tredennick are the only residents of Ft Sill. Skip is with the Nucl Wpns Br, Hqs Ft Sill, and Bill is in the S3 shop for III Corps Arty. Skip also reports seeing Frank Meier on his way from Korea going to the CAA at Bethesda, MD, and Steve Sperry on his way to the Livermore Lab branch at DNA Fld Cmd, Albuquerque, NM. Hello Steve.

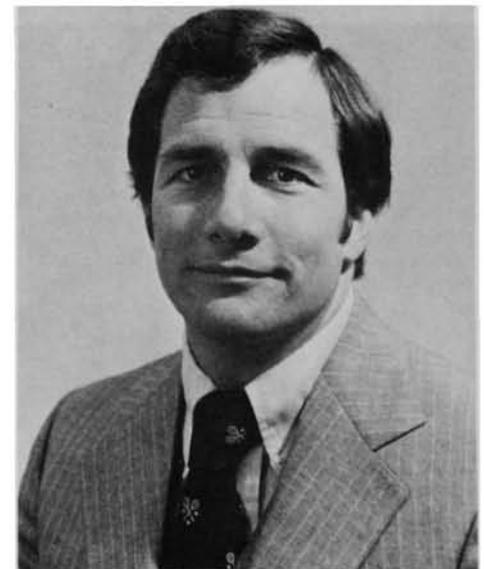
Locally 7 classmates returned to WP: Phil & Darlene Cooper—Math, Don Parish—Math, Mike & Rose Ann Shaver—ES&GS, Paul & Neva Renschler—Hist, Pat & Eric Shinseki—Engl, John & Kathleen Conner—TAC, and Al & Judy Clark—ES&GS. At our exciting football games I have seen Bruce Hulin and his wife. In fact I saw them at all the games last year too.

Many may not know it but James R. Golden is our 1st perm assoc prof in the Dept of Soc Sci at USMA. A native of NY, Jim graduated 4th in our Class and went directly to grad sch in the John F. Kennedy Sch of Govt at Harvard, receiving a master's degree in Public Admin in '67. After a tour at Ft Carson and VN, Jim returned to Harvard in '70 and received a PhD in economics from the Grad Sch of Arts and Sciences in '71. After 3 yrs in the Dept of Soc Sci, Jim went to CGSC at Leavenworth and returned to WP in the spring of '75. During 4 of the last 5 summers Jim has served as a Sr Staff Economist with the Council of Economic Advisor in the exec office of the Pres. This last summer Jim was the dir of the Presidential Task Force on the admin of export con-

trols. Despite all of this Jim still has time left over for his wife, Elaine, his 3 children and the varsity soccer team.

Just received a letter from Dave & Rosemarie Kuhn who reported all is well in Orange County, CA. Their son Davey is 7 and they are expecting #2 just about Xmas time. Dave also said that John & Donna Seymour with their 4 children will be moving to Irvine, CA in Dec. By the way, Dave was just promoted to Dir, Community Devl. He is responsible for the village of Woodbridge devl prog. This includes directing construction, planning the remaining 3 quarters, gaining approval for those plans from the city of Irvine, and establishing the appropriate community assns. Woodbridge is a residential, multi-family, commercial division of the Irvine Co. Previously Dave was the proj mgr for Woodbridge responsible for directing construction with some 800 workers with a budget of about \$18,000,000. Dave joined Irvine Co. as a proj engr for Promontory Bay Homes in Newport Beach's Bayside Village. Dave was 13th in our Class.

Well it appears '65 is becoming more successful everyday so please write so we can all enjoy your happiness. Strength and write. Bud



1965: David B. Kuhn Jr.

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Let me begin by reassuring you that, despite what you may read, nothing really ever changes at WP. As a case in point, I cite today—one of those “Thayer days” we have all come to know and love. First, a full day of bringing knowledge and enlightenment to the “gray masses,” then followed by a quick supper and a PTO meeting and an evening MBA crse, and now, as I type, by an effort to sound somewhat coherent despite the late hour. But, with the help of some black coffee and prodded by the knowledge that my deadline is almost 2 weeks past, I feel fairly confident that yet another column will be produced before this night is over. If so, the bulk of the credit should go to those who have written during the past 3 months. The incoming mail has been frequent, and by any scribe (and most certainly by me) that’s greatly appreciated.

Also at the outset, allow me to wish you and your families a most happy Holiday Season and a very prosperous New Year. As an aside, I should note that while that greeting may seem apropos to you as you read this during late Dec, it is early Oct as I now write—and it seems a bit strange saying “Merry Xmas” 3 weeks in advance of Halloween. But, regardless of its lead time, the greeting comes with the warmest wishes of myself, my family and all classmates here at the Academy.

Speaking of the '66 faculty contingent—we remain strong in numbers and in spirit, buoyed in part by the recent thrilling football victory over Stanford (to which, by the way, some people brought their “Chinese bandit” hats—remember those from the old days?). The summer outflow of classmates has been well matched by subsequent inflow; for example, joining “old timers” Fry, Carlson, and Gardner in Soc Sci have been “new guys” Donni-thorne and LeCuyer. And, in honor of the new arrivals, a party was held out at Round Pond, graciously hosted by Art & Ellen Grant (D/Hist). As a matter of fact, given the “good news” of the recent promotion list, the round of festivities has never really ended. As the Class has pinned on its oak leaves, there has been a steady flow of promotion celebrations, making for an enjoyable season indeed.



1966: The “fearless five of frisbie fame”: Grice, Dunn, Linder, Langendorf, Root.

The current major focus of Class efforts is, of course, the '66 Homecoming Reunion. It promises to be a good weekend, and all of us here are looking forward to meeting and greeting old friends. Dick Manlove (D/Foreign Lang) is serving as Homecoming Chmn, ably assisted by the officers of the Class group at USMA: Bob Seigle, Hank Simon, Jim Cullem, and Jim Lee. Of course, as scribe, I’m especially eager to gather in all your “news,” so be prepared to debrief me on your activities over the past decade...

Well, as I reach into the mailbag, the first letter out is one by Leigh Wheeler who, with wife Karen, is now located in the DC area (Dept of Medicine, Walter Reed). Leigh is a veritable fountain of information, noting that Jim Peake (newly married with a bride of 3 mos) is practicing General Surgery at Dewitt AH (Ft Belvoir), and that John Redmond (who Leigh saw at WRAMC recently) is now Chief Medical Resident at Fitzsimons GH (Denver). His biggest news, however, was about the first annual Class of 1966 Picnic for those in the Baltimore-DC area. Held on 18 Jun, the affair was well-attended. On hand to much chips and down the suds were: Bob & Becky Catron (with the FBI in N. VA); Frank & Jackie Galligan (Pentagon), Bill & Barbara Kirtley (working with Johns Manville Co. in Towson, MD), Lee & Deanne Fullerton (D/Orthopedics, WRAMC),

Mike & Susan McKay (SGS, 1st Army, Ft Meade), Pat & Diane Keating (on active duty, involved with sys anal in Rockville, MD), and Jack & Elisa Wheeler (civ lawyer, living in Bethesda). Also in attendance were: Bill & Sue Rennagel (Pentagon), Matt & Judy Harrison (Pentagon), Ron & Nancy Bartek (high school teacher, northern VA, and the Carrows (John & Lonnie) and the Di-Fiores (Matt & Amy)—both working with Army ORSA. Passing through the DC area en route to SC were John & Jean Geiger, now residing in TN. Adding a touch of class to the affair while (I am sure) demolishing every edible goodie in sight was Soc Sci’ own Ken Carlson, on TDY in the DC area while working with a “secret study group on secrets.” From all reports, a good time was had by all. And, plans were made for a similar event next year to be held in the Ft Belvoir-Cameron Sta area. If in the area next summer, be sure to contact Leigh Wheeler for details on arrangements.

Writing from Ft Eustis are Dave & Bonnie Linder, to provide both news and a photo of the “fearless 5 of frisbie fame” from Cluster 13, Stony Lonesome Housing Area, USMA: Ken Grice, Hilton Dunn, Hank Langendorf, Mike Root and Dave Linder—plus assorted offspring. Rumor has it that until 3 of the 5 PCS’d last summer, the “fearless 5” was never beaten; of course, rumor also has it that they spent most of their time posing rather than playing. Dave and Bonnie report that a fairly sizable group of classmates are located in their area, to wit: at Ft Eustis, the Hathaways (Ed & Jan) and the Hinkles (Larry and Reenie), and at Ft Monroe, Art & Jesse Schulz, and Ken Waylonis.

It was also good to hear from John Ford, now at the U. of SC (at Columbia) where he is working for a MA in Journalism and looking forward to teaching Engl at USMA beginning in Jul of 77. As you may recall, John resigned his commission in Sept of 70, but returned to active duty (as, by the way, have many of our classmates) 9 mos later. Since then, he has spent 3 yrs with the 82d at Ft Bragg and a short tour in Korea. As one might therefore imagine, both John and Laurie (along with sons, Timmy and Scott) are enjoying the change of pace in Columbia.

Extending an open invitation to any classmates who might find themselves in the “Windy City” is Bob Denney. It may be a little hard to visualize “a boy from ID”



1966: Picnic—Washington-Baltimore area.



1966: Herb Miller: "Our man at Bankers Trust."

now homesteading in Chicago, but such is indeed the case. Bob finished his MSBA at Boston U. while stationed in Germany, and after resigning in Jun 70, entered the business world. Currently, he is asst to the pres of Poxall, Inc., located in Chicago. And judging from his comments, life is going well. This summer, for example, while he was working with one of the operating divisions in Rockport (MA), his wife Ann and sons, Rob and Eric, came along, and all enjoyed a good "business vacation," exchanging lake breezes off MI for sea breezes off the Atlantic.

We have also learned that another invitation has been extended—this one by Rick & Cindy Sonstelie who now live in Seattle. Rick notes that he is working for an electric utility "trying to get the power plants built" and that after spending the past 2 yrs in the Pacific NW, they're hoping and planning to stay. By the way, the Sonstelies also report



1966: At Mount Vernon, the Grugles (Rog, Wendy, Pam) and the Morrisons (Gerry, Theresa, Patty, Jim).

that classmate Ron Cox is an atty, also located in the Seattle area.

Courtesy of Bankers Trust Co., my mailbag also includes a press release noting that Herb Miller has been named an asst VP in the Govt Securities Dealer Dept at the NY offices of the firm. According to the data provided, Herb joined the bank in 70 and was named an asst treas in 73. Active in the Meadowlands Chorus Barbershop Quartet, he resides in Ridgewood (NJ) with his wife Joan and their 3 children.

And, last but certainly not least, these items: To Rog & Pam Grugle (D/Physics) go our congratulations on the birth late in the summer of Nancy Lynn. . . Jim Morrison is working for the Bureau of Radiological Health (FDA) in DC, and with wife Gerry and daughters, Theresa and Patty, is living in Olney (MD). . . Ted Lingle and wife Pat (plus children: Monika, Karie, and Daniel) are residing in Long Beach (CA). . . Larry Faust has gone on a short tour to Turkey (following Leavenworth), while Donna and family reside in the DC area where he expects subsequent reassignment.

In closing, I must address what was for me, and for all of us, a deep and profound personal tragedy, that being, the death of Art Bonifas at Panmunjom, Korea, in Aug, a few days before the end of his tour. As you are



1966: LTG Berry awards Bonifas' medals to Marcia and children, Megan, Brian, and Beth.

all aware, Art had been assigned to the USMA Math Dept for 3 yrs prior to going to Korea and, during his absence, Marcia and their children (Beth, Brian, and Megan) were living in "waiting wives" qtrs at Stewart Sub-Post. We were all looking forward to his return and were sharing Marcia's happy expectations when the tragic news arrived. And thereafter we did what we could to help her and ourselves cope with the grief we so deeply felt. Art now rests in the WP Cemetery, but his memory is and will remain with us. Speaking for myself but echoing the sentiments of many, I have never known a man who possessed more than did Art the qualities cited by MacArthur in his final message to the Corps—"tolerance, balance, intelligence, courage." For classmates who may wish to memorialize Art, contributions may be made to the WP Fund, for the use of the Cadet Water Polo Team to which he gave so much of his time and effort while serving on the Staff and Faculty.



1967: Dick and Jan Waterman congratulated by COL Cutler on Dick's promotion.

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Greetings to all, and congratulations to the new MAJ's. Also congratulations to Julia & Terry McMahan on the birth of their son, Michael Terence, 20 May, and to Joyce & Jerry Hines, who had a daughter, Julie Ann, on 23 Jul. The McMahans are in Colo Spgs (4951 Santiago Way, CO 80917), where Terry is an instr in the Dept of Econ & Mgmt at the USAFA.

Ron Naples has been appointed VP of Hunt Intl Co., which has its headquarters in Phila. He and Suzanne are living in Bala Cynwyd, PA. Barbara & John Frink are in Ft Worth, TX; John received a master's with a major in psychology this May from TCU, and has assumed duties as asst PMS there. Buz Altschuler received his MBA from Madison Coll and has gone to CA to seek his fortune and fame. Dave Blanchard spent this summer "touring" the Ranger Sch with his Hofstra ROTC students. Barbara & Em Mahle are in Sacramento, CA, where Em is in his first year at the McGeorge Sch of Law, U. of the Pacific. Bob Haeffner attended a 6 weeks computer course this summer at Keesler AFB, Biloxi, MS; he and Gussie are now on Oahu, where Bob is stationed at Ft Shafter.

Deb & Doug Williams are in Augsburg enjoying the beer and bratwurst. Doug, presently a Bn S3 in the ASA Fld Sta, is arranging a 10th Reunion program for USAREUR classmates. He anticipates that it will take place in Berchtesgaden or Garmisch (located in the Alps of S. Germany), and sets a tentative date of 4-5 or 11-12 Jun. People are needed to become cmte members in the following areas: Reservations/Billeting, Activities Schedule, Food, Decoration, and Finance.



1967: Izzo's promotion, with wife Terry and Lenny and Christina.



1967: Doug, Deb, Lara Patrice and Jake (F.D. Jr.) Williams send a "Frohe Weihnachten" from Augsburg, Germany.

Anyone interested in working on the cmtes, attending, or anyone with addresses of classmates in Europe, should contact Doug not later than 15 Jan at Box 460, HQUSAFS Augsburg, APO NY 09458. Until next time... Now here's Bill Eggering's report:

Hello to everyone again from WP. In addition to having a few more departures and arrivals, promotions and births, not too much has been happening around here!

Well, enough for the understatement—let's get down to business. Several classmates left WP this summer with their respective families, but unfortunately, I did not find out where they were heading. So all I can say is—look out world, here they come! The "they" are: Allen, Barbee, Jones, Kraus, Natalini and Tye. We'll sure miss Ernie Natalini's poignant comments at the football games. Departures outpaced arrivals this summer, and our Class total is now at 68, down 16 from last year. New arrivals, and the depts they are in, are as follows: Brown and Downs (Mech), Dietzel and Hixson (ES&GS), Knapp (Tac), Love (Math), Rothmann (Hist), Richards (Soc Sci) and Ed Smith (Engl). Welcome aboard to all.

Three classmates had additions to their families since I last wrote, and would you believe—all boys. Congratulations to Earl & Angi Hughes on the birth of Kenneth Benjamin, born on 3 Aug. Earl and family are now in Germany. Congratulations also to PJ & Mary Penny on the birth of John Andrew on 18 Aug, and to Chuck & Sharon Sutton on the birth of Charles G. III, born 15 Sept. 76.

During this summer, classmates have been promoted to MAJ here and in the field. I haven't been able to keep up with them all,



1967: Dick Clapper enjoying life in his Duluth, MN, retreat.

but congratulations to all anyway. Those that I was able to keep track of here at WP are Hale, Held, Izzo, Lau, Love, May, Shumate and Swett. To help Larry Izzo celebrate, Mike Hood, Zeke Wimert and Chad & Barbara Keck came up. Chad and Barbara, by the way, have left Harvard and are now in NYC. Congratulations also to Doug Brown, who arrived here at WP this summer, who came out on the last list. Also, best wishes to John & Genevieve Hart on their recent marriage. The Harts are presently near Erlangen, Germany (HHB, 3/37 FA, APO 09352). In talking with PJ Penny, he mentioned to me that Dave Bucchieri, along with wife and daughter, are stationed in Ft Sill.

With our 10th Reunion just around the corner, I would like to put out a plea for current addresses for all our classmates. If we get enough responses, we could put together an up-to-date roster, so that, at least for our 10th Reunion, almost everyone would know where almost everyone is (provided everyone would want to know that, etc., etc.). With the holiday season coming up, what better way could there be than to just add one more name to your Xmas card list and send it either to Hank (address as above) or to me (CPT WH Eggering, 149-24 Cullum Rd, WP, NY 10996). Thanx much. Well gang, that's about all from our rockbound highland home. I would like to wish everyone all of the best for the upcoming holiday season. Also, BEAT NAVY. Until next time...

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Let me begin this issue with special thanks to Dave Carraway for a job well done the last 8 yrs as scribe. Since the largest Class contingent is now located at WP, the scribe will come from here for awhile.

Many exciting things are happening for this issue but first and foremost, here at WP the subject is football. By the time you read this, our season's record will be history, but win, lose or draw, our Army team has proved that it is made up of the kind of spirit and determination which makes our Army the leader in the world. The spunk and drive shown against such teams as NC and Stanford has allowed us to hold our heads a little higher.

Congratulations on the new MAJ's list. There are 42 from '68 who made it. Arm: Baerman, McCauley, Nash, and Vehlou; Air Def: Buckley, Gardepe, Madora, and O'Meara; FA: Banks, Johnson, Mangino, Ryneska; Engrs. Fuhrman, Gatlin, Greeby, Kympton, Morris, Nettesheim, Pinzuti, Sheaffer, and Shoener; Inf: Audrain, Benson, Brace, Bressler, Brooks, Burnette, Lynch, Mayer, McDonald, McLean, Neyses, Ohle, Sowa, Vitters and Wright; Ord: Caldwell; QM: Tuccillo; SC: Crawford, Keane and Powell; and SJA: Cruden. Great representation!

As I mentioned, our Class is really concentrated here: There are 106 classmates. According to depts they are—Chem: Adams, Fisher, Fuhrman, Matlach; ES&GS: Bonasso, Dallen, Gatlin, Lorentzen, Munson, Onasch; OMI: Adams, Martin, Neyses; TAC: Brace, Cima, Johnson, MacLaren, Powell, Thome, Volk, Wooten; MECH: Adkins, Creeden, Croft, Dull, Hammond, Kurkjian, Kympton, Wyman; ISD: Burnette; ODIA: Mente;

AIDE: Hansen; OPE: Anderson, Hensler, Johnson, Schutsky; Engl: Beckwith, Calabro, Flynn, House, Jeffries, Mulvey, Olmsted, Williams; SS: Dodson, Kelly, Kaufman, Olson, Peters, Robinson, Throckmorton, Wallace, Witherspoon; EE: Chapuran, Marriott, Rapisarda, Sweeney; Dental: Billingsley; DCSOPS: Halstead; Engr: Greeby, Lynes, Puffer, Shaffer, Thomas, Trauner; OML: Bachman, Brooks, Johnson, Ohle, Swinney, Taylor, Vitters; Phys: Fellows, Goodell, Johnson, Sheaffer, Sowa, Swedock, Toole; Math: Camp, Craig, Feher, Ford, Jones, Keane, Keller, Lower, Madora, Mayer, McKenna, Norton, O'Meara, Petcu, Pinzuti, Rebovich, Sharples, Wilhite, Winsor, Witschonke; Hist: Jordan, McCauley, Stefan; DAR: Tildon; FGN LANG: MacKall, Murphy, Ruiz.

Jackie & Bevi Cochran left USMA this summer and are stationed in HI with the 25th Div.

Tim & Annette Balliett were here in Sept en route to Ft Jackson where Tim will become S4 of AIT Bde. They also mentioned Jim Altemose was at Langley AFB near Norfolk, VA. Lamar Ratcliffe also came up from Ft Belvoir to see the victory over Holy Cross.

Bill McCauley states that Jim Orahood is flying chinooks in AK and Pat Toffler is trying to bring order to the OPMS in MILPERCEN. Charlie & Janet Lieb and 2 boys are at ROTC duty at San Jose State. Walt & Kay Curl and 2 children are at the Presidio of San Fran where Walt is in Orthopedics at Letterman. Joe Cinquino was married 14 Aug in Potsdam, NY, to Connie Byers. Robinson, Ohle, Mayer and Halstead were on hand for moral support. Joe left for Panama after 3 yrs ROTC at Lafayette. Connie will follow about Xmastime. We were happy to see Joe and Connie at our win over Lafayette on 11 Sept.

Also another Class wedding 26 Sept when Mike Fisher married Denise Peterman. Welcome to the Class Connie and Denise.

Tom Margrave left WP 22 Oct to assume command of a Hqs Co. in Gelnhausen, Germany. Marianne will remain behind and continue teaching Art at WP Elementary Sch until quarters and travel become available.

Chuck & Katie Vehlou and 2 children are in 2d year at MIT en route to WP.

Bette Spengler married CPT Michael Meuleners, USMA '70, in May and they are stationed at Ft Lewis. Best wishes!!!

Neil & Lucy McLean, Ft Riley, KS, had #5 in Jun—2 girls, 3 boys. I'm sure that's the Class record!

Steve & Jeanne Caldwell are stationed in DC and report that Steve Osborn, DARCOM HQS, was nominated for bd of govts at Army-Navy Country Club; Mike & Debbie Simonich, HQS, USAREUR, SGS; Jay Guinn graduated #1 from Emory Dental Sch and is now at Ft Meade, MD.

Also Steve mentioned rumors of: Garcia—M.D. at Walter Reed; McDonald—DCSOPS, Pentagon; Buckley—DARCOM HQS; DeBlaquiere—MICOM, Huntsville, AL—R&D Work; and D'Alessandro—Dept of Trans, Urban Mass Transit Authority, DC.

Ray, Ruby and William IV Lynch are at Carson where Ray is about to become a Bde S-1. Also at Carson are: Paul & Kerry Baerman and 2 children and #3 on the way; Steve & Helen Bowman and Scott, Megan and Lee Robert. Steve was with Brigade 76 and just returned from Germany; Gil & Cecilia Tijerina and 2 children; John & Kit Heisel, Div SO; Charlie & Agnes Piraneo

arriving from summer Adv Crse where prior to that Charlie was aide-de-camp to a 4-star Italian GEN, Cdr of Land Fcs in So. Europe; and Joe & Linda Javorski just left for Johns Hopkins U. en route to the Soc Sci Dept at WP.

Steve, Sherry and Rachel Harper are at Ft Benning where he is a prosecuting atty. Steve reported others at Benning are: Steve Rodgers, course monitor, USAIS, from Ranger Dept; Randy & Linda Griffin with Doctrinal Devl Task Force; Dale & Hui Nelson, one daughter and another due—with C Co. Rangers; John & Peggy Anderson with Dir of Tng Devl; and Jim Baird, not married, with OPRSA, CD Div.

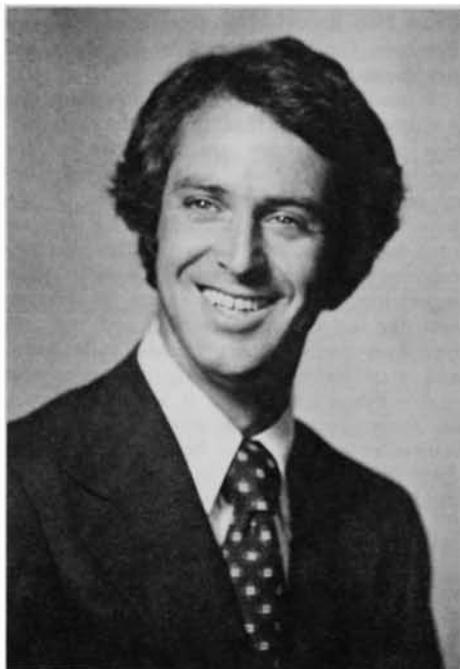
Out of the Army: Dave & Jeanne Clemm and 2 children are in Gibsonia, PA; Mike & Janean Hart in Denver, CO, with 3 children per rumor control; Art & Ann Sands are out of the AF and have hung out an M.D. sign in Monterey, CA; Terry & Al Kennedy are in Park Ridge, NJ, where Terry is with Mobil Oil; Mike Palone went to Harvard for MBA and is now in banking in Chicago; Jim Decker was at WP this summer for reserve training. He and Pat and new baby Laura live in FL where he is a legal clerk for the Chief Justice of FL Supreme Court; Jim Locher completed an MBA at Harvard and is now with OSD, Plans Anal & Eval and planning a European trip with family; Wally Magathan is in 2d yr at George Washington Law Sch and clerking with firm of Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue. Also Wally is in the USAF reserve flying C 5-A's; Randy Allen passed the VA Bar Exam in Sept and is with the firm of Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue in the DC area; Keith Quinney graduated from FL State in law and is practicing in Cleveland, OH; Rick Ryder is rumored to be in Baltimore, MD; Chuck Gantner and wife Rose are at Ft Benning where Chuck is a GS-11; Jim Llewellyn is in law sch at U. of SC; John Armstrong is a civ working for the govt in the DC area; and Joe Guignon rumored to be a stockbroker in DC.

Dave Carraway added a great letter to the AOG. His letter, in almost its entirety, follows:

"The first news I received this last qtr was from the AOG which had gotten an announcement of Al Aker's graduation from NY Med C. on 2 Jun. Al will be spending his first year at Montifiore Hosp Cen in the Bronx. The AOG also let me know that Maurice Adams had joined Pacific Resources in Honolulu in Jul. He had been with NASA as a mgmt consultant for a while before going to HI.

"My first letter came from Dennis Manske, who wrote from Copenhagen in Aug where he was competing in NATO 'Military Olympics' as a reserve officer. Dennis mentioned that he had left the Army in Aug 73 and had since joined the TX AirNG and was living in Austin. Dennis also mentioned Phil Krueger who had just missed being selected for the mil olympics and had returned to FL Tech for his MS in Oceanographic Environment.

"Aug also brought a letter from Mike Cerrone with recent news about himself. He asked me to reproduce his letter in this column; editorial considerations preclude my including the whole thing but I hope the following portions will convey his intended message: 'My Friends in the Long Gray Line: About 3 yrs ago I resigned my commission in the USA, and since that time have decided to respond to the call of God in the



1968: Maurice Adams, civilian emeritus.

service of Jesus Christ and His church. Following in His Holy Spirit, I have taken an oath of commitment to Maryknoll, The Catholic Foreign Missions, Society of America. . . . For me this internal spiritual battle has ended; I have surrendered myself, body and soul to Jesus and have received the peace and joy of His victory. . . . Now it may be in the minds of some of you who read this letter that it reflects the heart and soul of a religious zealot and perhaps should be dismissed on those grounds. Whatever your thoughts or feelings, I assure you that the decision making time is very near and that this letter presents a clear challenge to surrender yourselves to Jesus Christ, to accept Him into your hearts, and to be reborn in His Holy Spirit. With the love of a brother, Michael Joseph Cerrone. I hope Mike will forgive the editorialization.

"Neil McLean's wife Lucy sent a postcard in late Aug announcing their 5th child, Maura Elizabeth, born on 14 Jun 76. She also said that Neil was then S1 of the 1st Tng Bn (Prov) at Ft Riley. Congratulations, Neil and Lucy!

"Andy Shaffer's wife Betty sent a very nice letter in early Sept. She reviewed just about all of the classmates now at WP I think, mentioning that Andy had recently been assigned to the Engr Dept. Also in the same dept were Ray Puffer (he and Sigrid have 2 little girls), Skip Greeby (he and Joan have a little boy, Michael), and Eric & Rhonda Thomas.

"Bob & Elke Lower were in the Math Dept. She also mentioned Pete & Betsy Wallace, Ed & Betty Lorenzo, Rich & Pat Witherspoon, Rick & Patti Goodell, Dave & Susan Ohle, Gary & Patti Halstead, and John Throckmorton. Betty said that Lamar Ratcliff was the S1 of the Sch Bde at Belvoir, Dutch Hostler was with JAG in the DC area, and John O'Neal was also in the DC area. Pat Mente and his wife Kate were also at WP where Pat was an asst coach in football. Joe Fowler was in the JAG office at Ft Devens, and Steve & Ellen Williams were living in VA where Steve was with OTEA. Brich & Diane Sweet had bought a house in MD while Brich finished his residency at Walter Reed AMC. They have 2

children, Adam and Amanda. Betty also reminded me that Dave Gerard just took command of the howitzer btry in the 3/3ACR that I just left.

"Sept also brought news from Tom Moore. Since we last saw each other at Ft Hood he has acquired a wife, Carolee, and a son, Timothy (15 mos), and Carolee was expecting their 2d child. Tom is starting his optometry practice in Lakewood, NJ. Larry Manning also wrote in Sept to clear up some misinformation on him I had included in my last article. I apparently did not see Larry at Ft Bliss (that fellow sure did look like him, though). Larry is at Ft Ord, serving a utilization tour with Cbt Div Experimentation Cmd after having received his MS in Elec Engr at SMU. He and Page have 2 sons, Larry (1 Nov 72) and Von (4 Jul 76). The AOG sent word in Sept that Danny Donahue had enrolled at Amer Grad Sch of Intl Mgmt, Glendale, AZ. Also, with me here at Temple U. is Gene Austin. He's in ROTC and enjoying it immensely. This coed world is OK."

Just received a post card from Joe Cinqino who is now stationed at the Canal Zone with the 193d Inf Bde. Jose states that his new bride, Connie, will be joining him in Nov. He says that all 30 yrs as a bachelor could do for him now was let him know that he could get terribly lonely without "his better half." Joe also reported that Gary Yoshizumi was stationed there as the TASO, Jim Hargis at the Tropic Test Cen, and "Big Al" Kimball at JOTC. Joe's job is on GEN Richardson's staff in the Plans Div.

Well, everyone, that's about it for now. Thanks are again in order for Dave Carraway. I can now see that putting this column into production is no easy task. A reminder: the deadline for the next issue (Mar) is 5 Jan 77. It'll be here before you know it. Please send your poop and pictures before then. Talk to you in Mar!

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This column is being written on 3 Oct (you guessed it—3 days past my deadline), and it covers news gathered since 28 Jun. Yesterday saw Army come from behind to beat Stanford, 21-20, and I, for one, am looking forward to Army-Navy with a good deal of anticipation. Of course, when you read this, the game will be history, but win, lose or draw, I expect to see a large number of classmates at the game, and I'll report the happenings next time.

Two rather large Class gatherings took place over the summer, both of which I mentioned last issue. On Sat, 17 Jul, over 100 persons showed up at my parent's home in McLean for what turned out to be a thoroughly delightful evening. In fact, only my innate sense of modesty and the fact that I was the host keep me from saying it was one of the greatest parties I have ever attended. Folks started arriving on Fri evening, the party began in earnest at 7:00 p.m. on Sat, everyone got their second wind at 1:30 a.m. on Sun, and I finally tore Tom Domino and his brother from the ping-pong table at 4:30 a.m. Classmates in attendance included Alexander, Barber, Barnett, Behncke, Berry, Blumer, Burke, Caris, Cornelison (you think he'd miss a free meal?) Crosby, Dillon, Domino, Duffy, Alan Ed-



1969: Albrecht and Hayes at Cantina in Chihuahuan Desert.

wards, Finch, Greg Foster, Freeley, Guest, Hammond, Healy, Hill, Hirabayashi, Ho, Holbrook, Hunkele, Illingsworth, Jaccard, Jeffrey (to quote my brother, Class of '76: "He was the 4th Regl Cmdr?!), Jim Johnson, Ken Johnson (who turned into a gypsy dancer at the stroke of midnight), Jim Johnston, Landrum, Gene Murphy, Parmeter, Raglin, Remmel, Rhyne, John Russell, Schempf, Bill Smith, Spann, Steele, Bill Taylor (F-3), Truscott, Ward, Jay Wheeler, Randy Wilson, and Yerks. While the party was planned primarily to bring the DC crowd together, a good number made trips of various distances to get there. Frank Finch received the "came the farthest by air" award—from Berkeley, CA—while Chel & Alan Edwards drove from Laurel, MS. The only problem surfaced long after the fun had ended, Mike Steele was charged with photographic responsibility—you may recall he majored in photography and minored in track during his undergraduate years—but when the prints came back, the right half of each was blank. So, a few snapshots were all that I was able to find. Now that I think of it, it may be better that some of the scenes I witnessed that evening never appear in print (right, Raglin?!). All kidding aside, it was a great time, and this is the first notice that we'll do it again next summer, probably in Aug since I take the bar exam in late Jul. I'll keep you posted here and in letters on the details.

On Fri, 10 Sept, those classmates assigned at WP joined for a boatripe on the Hudson prior to the opening game against Lafayette. I was able to make it for the weekend and saw the following classmates at the party, all of whom are stationed at the Academy unless otherwise noted: Bickel, Binder, Bresnick, Bornhoft, Burke (up from DC), Cantlay, Church, Colacicco, Craft, Demetriou, Denciker, Dibella, Diffley, Giacomini, Glore, Bob Harper, Heesch, Helsel, Bob Hoffman, Ivany, Johnsmeyer, Kaplan, Kimball, Krzyzewski, Laswell, McDonough, Wayne Murphy, Nardotti, Oristian, Overstreet, Pohlmann, Prosch, Rehkopf, Robyn, Scull, Don Smith, St. Onge, Mike Taylor, Thorne, Wheelock (down from Harvard), and Yeisley. Joan & George Demetriou and Kappy & Geoff Prosch did most of the work for the gathering, and I'm sure I speak for all who were there in thanking them. I hope there will be more such events in the future, and that more classmates not at WP will be able to attend. By the way,

I saw Skip Bacevich (up from Princeton), Joe Berenato, Jim Carpenter, Jerry Morelock, and Art Shean at the game on Sat.

I would like to be a bit philosophical for a moment and say that, to me, the 2 gatherings reported above are indicative of the special closeness that binds this great Class of ours. Recently, quite a number of you have expressed your thanks to me for my part in keeping our Class together via this column. While I sincerely appreciate those expressions of gratitude, I must remind you that the column reflects you and not just me. Your cards, letters, photos, calls, visits, and your caring for one another are what makes this column what it is. In that vein, as Xmas approaches, I would ask that you remember to send some holiday missive that I can then share with the Class. If you can, drop me a short note as soon as you finish this column so that the rush of holiday activities doesn't overtake you. Thank you—and now to your news, and those still in the service lead off this time.

Barb & Bob Glacel wrote from MIT with final details for the Class party at Army-Navy which Bob organized. Also, Bob said that a group from Boston went to WP for the



1969: Procter and Gamble, PA, standing: Drower, Wilson, Maxson, Singer; kneeling: Schafer, Calvert, Korach.

25 Sept game with UNC. From WP came the announcement from Susan & Bill Johnsmeyer that Colin Ward was born on 12 Jul. Bill also mentioned that Fritz Lash visited WP prior to departing for a year of language studies in Spain.

Also welcoming a new addition were Sharon & Red Taylor, who greeted Kelly Jennifer on 15 Jul. Red had been at ROTC camp at Ft Bragg and saw George Barstis, Denny Hitzeman, Jimmy Nielson, Ed Schwabe, Barney Wintermute, and Aus Yerks while there. Red also said that Greg Nosal was in dental sch and spent his summer active duty pulling teeth at Ft Bragg. Stationed at Ft Bragg were Ed Kersey and Dick Simmons.

Lew Killian called from JAGOB at Charlottesville to say that Karl Ivey was in his class and that both were due to graduate shortly. Lew and Patsy will be heading to Ft Eustis. Also in VA, at Ft Lee, were Karen & Jim McCullough. Jim was in the Army Log Mgmt Crs and also was working on his master's degree. He and Karen were planning to attend Army-Navy, so I hope to see them there.

Also planning to attend Army-Navy were Mary Ann & Ernie Albanese. Ernie re-

cently received his Master of Technology degree and decided to leave the service from Ft Gordon on 1 Sept. Not leaving the service (for obvious reasons) was Dave Hofstetter, who sent a post card from HI while on one of his many "inspection trips" for FORSCOM. Prior to heading over there, Hof had spent a weekend with Susie & Jim O'Toole who were leaving Ft Knox en route to Europe. Also present for the festivities that weekend were Jim Cox and Marilyn & Steve Metcalf. The Metcalfs currently are in AOAC at Ft Knox, and I saw them on their most recent trip to DC.

Jerry Zilinskas sent a change of address card from Selfridge, MI, where he is with Tank Sys Cmd. Kendy & Craig Garrett wrote from Denver, CO, where Craig is a resident in internal medicine at Fitzsimons AMC. Craig said he would be there at least 2 more years and asked that classmates passing through get in touch.

George Albrecht sent his semi-annual epistle from White Sands, NM, to say that Joan was expecting their first child, due on Halloween. He also gave me a rundown on the E-4 crowd: Johnnie Grant just finished ADAOAC at Ft Bliss and is studying physics at Tempe, AZ, prior to a tour at WP. Leo Carrigan is working for Allied Chemical in NJ, while Linda & Gil Hoskins were touring Europe. Dave Hayes visited George and Joan prior to beginning work with Merrill Lynch in Boston, and he had seen Mike Pettit, who was managing a restaurant in CA. Also at WSMR was Bob Foos. George said Lynn & Steve Vitucci had visited prior to beginning work at Ft Hood after receiving his MBA at the U. of AL. George also mentioned that George Barstis was on ROTC duty at Clarion Coll in PA.

Doug Rogers visited for a day en route to his new asgmt at Ft Ord, CA, after a 3-yr tour in Germany. The big news of the visit was that Ginny was expecting their first child later this year. Doug later wrote a long letter to say that he was taking cmd of a cannon btry in the 7th DIVARTY. On their trip cross-country, Doug said he and Ginny spoke to Nick Stafford in Dallas. After arriving in CA, they had seen Peggy & Jim Love, who are at DLI in Monterey, Ron Lucas, who was TDY at Ft Ord from his asgmt at Ft Sill, and Geoff Moran, who is out of the service and attending sch in CA prior to a new career as a minister. Doug also said that Jack Gafford had finished Nav PGS and was on a utilization tour in Iran.

Barb & Tom Whitaker wrote to announce the birth of Sara Marsel on 27 Jun. Tom



1969: Friedberg, Germany: Karsten and Arnie Haake.



1969: Summer Reunion: (L-R) Johnson, Chel Edwards, Steele, and Lois Johnson.

was due to leave the service from Ft Lewis on 20 Aug, and they planned to settle in the Midwest. Also leaving Ft Lewis, but for a new asgmt in Germany, were Sue & Bob Kuhn who welcomed their 2d child, Khari Ann, on 3 May. Bob called while passing through DC and said that Laurie & Bob Hoffman were expecting their 4th child. Already in Germany were Ann Marie & Jay Harper, stationed at VII Corps HQ. Jay said he had seen Bill May, who cmds a co. in the 1st Div (Fwd).

The first news from someone out of the service came from Rick Whitaker. He had just started his studies at the Harvard Business Sch and planned to be present at Army-Navy. Sandy & Tom Schafer sent a long letter and photo from Mehoopany, PA, where 7 classmates work for Procter and Gamble. Joining Sandy and Tom are Mary Jo & Gary Calvert, Pat & Pete Drower, Janet & Steve Korach, Cindy & Tub Maxson, Sue & Tony Singer, and Gussie & Randy Wilson. Gussie and Randy welcomed Jennifer Lash on 27 Aug. Tom said that Kathy & Tom Munson were studying Spanish prior to a tour at the Academy.

Mike Healy wrote just prior to leaving for grad studies in Opns Rsch and Stats at Trinity Col in Dublin, Ireland. He asked that anyone passing through please look him up at the Grad Studies Office at Trinity. Mart & Don Crosby were in touch from UVA where Don is in his 2d yr of MBA studies. They had seen the Currans prior to



1969: Summer Reunion: unposed shot of Penny Yerks and Betsy Russell.

Tony's departure for Korea and Judy & John Brundage who were en route to summer duty at Ft Devens, MA. John is on the Army Med Program.

Avril & Ray Dupere sent a long letter from Dallas, TX, where Ray had just finished his first year at Dallas Theological Seminary. Ray mentioned that he was giving some thought to returning to the Army as a chaplain. He had seen Gary Cantrell, Chang Caranto, Bill Gagnaire, Jack Nesbitt, and Nick Stafford at the Dallas Founders Day dinner. Raynelle & Bill Damon wrote to say they were living near Moscow, ID, while Bill finished work on his forest resources master's at U. of ID. Bill said that Don Wagner was starting law sch at the U. of KY this fall.

Gesine & Arnie Haake were in touch from Friedberg, Germany. Arnie is working for the Frankfort branch of the Chemical Bank of NY after completing his MBA in Jul. He asked that any classmates visiting the Frankfurt area get in touch. From info sent by the AOG, I learned that Mike Ryan also had recently received his MBA.

Bob Berry's newsletter located Mary & Ralph Crosby, who are at Harvard prior to returning to WP with the Soc Sci Dept. Bob Seitz is back in the DC area after his tour in Korea and is working at MILPER-CEN. Teri & Tom McCaslin are in grad sch at Stanford, while Bill Taylor (F-3) has returned for his 2d year at Harvard.

That is it for news, a little less than I expected, but then letters usually do drop off during the summer. Now that you are all settled for the winter, please take a moment to let the Class know where you are by dropping me a short note. Also, if any of you are in DC over the holidays, please do get in touch. I still am working for the NSC (new number: 202-395-6907), as well as finishing my last year at Georgetown Law (202-624-8283). Of course, the address and number atop the column are always good. By the way, the Defense Dept approved my clerkship with Judge Tamm of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit, so I will be in DC at least until Sept 78. Most of you should pass through between now and then, so please do get in touch.

I would like to wish each of you and your loved ones a very merry Xmas and a happy New Year. I look forward to hearing from you.

God bless to all in '69.

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Greetings, sports fans. My prediction by the time you read this is that Army will have had its first winning season in many moons.

I'll start this column off with an answer to the question most often asked in recent months. If the number of times I've been asked how many classmates are civs is any reflection of the curiosity of the Class, the following should provide satisfaction to many people. The breakdown of our Class as of 30 Jun 76 was Army 478, AF 28, MC 2, Navy 2, Civ 219, Ret. 8, Foreign living 2, and deceased 10. These figures are 6 mos old and obviously out of date already but it should give everyone a good idea of where we stand.

A last minute mail surge increased my

usual number of letters this quarter. From the civ side of the Class we received a big letter from Barb Troxell. She whipped Jeff into line this summer and they painted, screened, washed, roofed, planted, and repaired around their yard and house down in New Orleans before Jeff started his 2d year of sch. Barb has a variety of jobs that keep her busy while Jeff delves into pathology. Barb reported that the old man was running 4 miles a day this summer; sounds like he's in training to put on the gloves again. The Reeders stopped by to visit them during the summer as they were heading to Charlottesville for JAG sch. Reports have filtered in from New Orleans that the Troxells and Reeders gave Bourbon St more to talk about than the last New Orleans Super Bowl. I also got a card from Kathi Wennerberg giving me their new address, 42 St. Mary Dr, Succasunna, NJ. Kathi hinted that they may finally be settled after a lot of fixing and cleaning got the house just like they wanted it. It's been 6 yrs since graduation so Pam Waters decided it was time to drop us a line from 311 S. 3d St, Wilmington, NC. Steve res. his comm last summer after getting his MBA and is now working for Du Pont. They bought a 108-yr-old house that they have totally restored during the past year. Steve is so good he doesn't even hit his thumb with the hammer anymore. Steve, Pam, and Christy Lane, age 4, own the only gymnastic equipment in Wilmington so hear they have started a gymnastics club. Steve receives a salary for letting Pam coach, hire, and trot the team around. The Waters would like to hear from Tommy Miller; so Tom if you're within the sound of our magazine take pen in hand. Bucky Dunwoody called me while here on a recent visit from Germany. Bucky is now a civ but plans to stay in Deutschland where he has been working since he res. his comm. Before he got out he was in Aschaffenberg along with Lynn Rolf who is a co. cmdr and Bill McBeth who is reported to have joined the married bunch.

This quarter I received quite a bit of news from our ever dwindling service contingent. Ft Sill seems to be developing a rather nice sized group from the Class of '70. We received 2 new address cards from Sill courtesy of the Dinsmores and Pantiers. Dave, Sue Ann, and Shawn Dinsmore wrote from 5317 Ratherwood Dr, DC 8058, #12, Lawton, OK informing us that they just bought a new house this summer. Dave was reported to be slaving to make the grass grow before he took over B co. in Aug. Toni, Bob, and Hank Pantier also wrote from Ft Sill reporting that they were firmly entrenched in FAOAC and enjoying the break from those long hours in Div Arty. George & Chris Allin live across the street from the Pantiers and Bob Brand lives 2 doors down. Kathy Passaro sent us a card from Bucknell telling us that they are now settled in a soft ROTC asgmt after their departure from Ft Sill. The most important news that Kathy had for us was an exuberant announcement that she and Paul are parents-to-be and expecting the addition around mid Jan. Paul was last seen headed TDY to WP for a poop session in, none other than, the hist of mil art. Jim & Martha Hunn wrote from Ft Jackson, proudly announcing the 14 Jul arrival of their new daughter, Megan Candace. Naturally, they're happy and Jim is celebrating by working those long Ft Jackson hours.

Moving west I received another letter from Rocky Verrochi in MO. He and Deb-



1970: Norton, Co. Cmdr, on maneuvers in Eastern Turkey.

bie are also anxiously awaiting the birth of their 1st child in early Dec. Rocky reports that Steve & Cheryl Madley had a new daughter, Lynsay Rebecca, in Jul. The Madleys have added a Las Vegas status symbol to their house—a new swimming pool. Rocky and Debbie were in DC in Sept for Tom Lampley's wedding. As previously reported he married Ginny Nietz who is a USAF intel officer. They were married at the Presbyterian Meeting House in Old Town Alexandria and followed the ceremony with a reception on the cruiseship "Dandy." After their honeymoon, the Lampleys were headed for Germany where Tom will be flying F-4's from Ramstein and Ginny will be working in Zweibrucken. Don & Kay Crea were also at the wedding. Don is finishing law sch at TX. Rocky reports that Greg Webb is still in the personnel business and planning to take a vacation this fall to tour Germany, France, and Italy. Greg passed on some news about Doug Drake who is now married, out of the Army, and going to grad sch at U. WI. Rocky would like an all points bulletin out on Bill Prince. Bill, call Rocky at Autovon 465-2888. From Ft Carson I received a letter from Ron & Eileen Rold (5018 Hackamore, Colo Spgs, CO). Eileen gave birth to their 3d child, Daniel Lee, in Jul. Ron is presently on 4th Div Staff (G4) after 2 yrs as a Tank Co. Cmdr and a Bn S4. Mark Quimby and Dave Forinash were also Co Cmdrs in the same Bn. Mark is in the G1 shop now and Dave is a Bn S4 headed for FAOAC. Marty Knorr was also a Tank Co Cmdr, Asst Bde S3 and is now in Div G3. Jack Ryan, still the eligible bachelor, finished at Cincinnati Med last summer and is interning at Letterman in San Fran. He stopped in to visit Ron and Eileen while on a trip to Denver. Nick Constantino was also a Tank CO at Carson. Bill Knowlton is in Div G1 shop. John Decker is an Inf Bn. Gene Helmich is an Inf Co CO. Bill Patterson is an asst Bde S1. Jeff Schmidt is still at Carson in the Div CmptO. John Shull's brother Tom passed some news on to Ron that John is down at Hood where he has been an Inf Co. CO and a G3 special asst to the CC. Greg Smith is in his 2d yr of law sch in Denver and drops in on the

Rolds from time to time. Ron reports that Roger Stahlak and Loren Todd are also at Carson.

My final letter is from everyone's favorite rockbound highland home. Jim Crawford wrote with his usual wealth of information about many classmates both at WP and elsewhere. It appears that we have 8 classmates at WP now—Bob Wallis, Tom Oettinger, Tom Schmidt, John Huncharek, Wally Kaine, Bob Werner, Gary Steele, and Jim. Tom Haller has gone to Bliss for the Adv Crs. Fred White and Art Alden are both at RPI in math and should be down next fall. Nelson Johnson is at Ft Stewart where he is a Truck Co Cmdr. Ric Gass is headed for FORSCOM in Atlanta. He passed on news that Bob Jarchow is doing his med post-grad training at Fitzsimons in Denver. Paul Selge and Al Lisi both have QM AIT companies at Ft Lee. Ross Williams is reported to be an IBM exec. As Jim says we may have to start keeping a list of everyone we have working for IBM. Mike Gyovai, Rick Rutledge, and John Greenwalt are all at Ft Bragg. Curt Newcomb was at Ft Campbell but should be a civ by now and headed back to MN to go to sch.

On the local scene Greg Knight came through DC early in Jul for his 10th HS reunion. He was heading home to PA from the golf wars in FL. Greg said he played as well as he could but he has now seen how many excellent golfers there are out there trying to make the tour. Greg stopped by Ft Bragg where he ran into Gary Swingle who was on his way to spook AOC at Ft Huachuca before heading to grad sch and back to WP.

Joe Reeder called me in Aug from Charlottesville where he, Martha, Rachel and Aubrey Lynn, were attending JAGOC along with Frank Romano, John Beasley, John Bickel, and Bill Wallis. Joe is headed for an asgmt in the Pentagon and was in the market for a \$100,000 house for \$50,000! John Bickel and Bill Wallis were both headed for their first JAG asgmts at Ft Lewis, WA.

John Connors dropped in to see us one evening this past summer. He was working with a law firm from Long Is during his summer break from St John's. He was down here on "TDY" trying to get the goods on some past EPA practices. He, Mary Ann, Kristina, and Michael were enjoying a hectic summer back home in Floral Park.

Chuck Hicks became our token beach bum this summer as he spent his summer break from GW marching across the country to the shores of CA. He said it was so enjoyable that he was going to apply for a full time job in the field of beach bum. The job satisfaction was reported to be very comparable to that of a 2LT's in Ranger Sch.

In response to a previous plea I received a call this summer from none other than my best man, Jerome Bartholomew Sidio. He once again made contact with civilization as he and Rocky have been reassigned right in our own backyard in Baltimore. They bought a house in Glen Burnie, MD this summer and Jerry has become the original Better Homes and Gardens handyman. Jerry & Rocky helped Debbie and me organize a Class of '70 party in DC in mid Sept when Army was none other than 2-0. We tried to invite everyone that we knew was around DC and had a good crowd for the mini-reunion. Those who attended included Jerry & Rocky Sidio, John Boslego, Chuck Hicks, Sean & Nora Maxwell, Ron Riggs, Chuck & Lorraine Gandy, Fred & Jerri Zilian, Bob Hales,

Dick & Patti Moser, Herb & JoAnn Roberts, Nick Sebastian, Neil & Rhoda Ellis, Ed Smith, Caesar Rosati, Steve Wood, and Rod & Mingi Morgan. Charlie Wagner and Fred Lough weren't able to make it. If there is anyone else in the area that we forgot or didn't know about, give me a call.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable autumn and a great football season. Have a Merry Xmas and a happy, prosperous, and healthy new year in 77.

'71

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Season's greetings from the inf puzzle palace, where doctrine is parlayed and leaders are made. Life at Ft Benning, atypical of the real action Army, nevertheless keeps one on his toes or at least, down in the leaning rest position. Actually, the advanced course allows us to renew old friendships, which too often get lost in the mail. Write someone you love. Like me. My column is getting shorter each quarter.

Other classmates here and not mentioned in earlier columns include Tim Wray, John Hamer, Bill Lennox, Terry Tighe, and Jim Hickok. John Beard, Eric Sundin, and Cliff Lindstrom graduated in Sept. John and Cindy moved to Ft Jackson where John is now commanding his 2d co. They have bought a beautiful home outside Columbia and have settled down to a peaceful 3-yr tour with their 2 dogs and horse. They have heard from Dan & Carol Allemeir who have been hiding in Sacramento where Dan is in law sch. Cliff received a three wk drop from IOAC in order to register in the master's program at the U. of CO to be followed by a utilization tour at WP. He joins Scott Hutchison and Joe Yakovac who are in Boulder learning about advanced Phys and Mech respectively. Eric Sundin was on his way up to Ft Devens to join the Sp Fcs. I believe I have also seen Paul Oakley, Jim Ford (Ranger Dept), Butch Munoz (Wpns Dept), Joe Jenckes and Ben George walking with a purpose around Inf Hall. You can tell them from the students who wander aimlessly to and fro. Gordy Schnabl is a frequent visitor here from Ft Knox as a part of the Combined Arms ARTEP cmte.

Our civ ranks continue to grow. Jerry & Kathie Babayan have joined Joe & Nancy Albano in the airline business. Joe is reportedly working as a pers mgr with Eastern at Newark while Jerry is with PanAm as a comm mgr at Kennedy Airport. It looks



1971: The track captains and their girls: Kevin and Kellee James, and Bill and Kristen Diehl, September 76.



1971: Greg, Jonathan and Barbara Schrubbe, July 76.

like 5 yrs in the SC paid off for Jerry. The Albanos bought a home in Scotch Plains, NJ just in time for new arrival, Amy Jennifer. Don Corn resigned in Feb and took a position as a marketing rep for the Gen Sys Div of IBM in Denver. After his training is completed in Jan 77, he will be selling computers out in ski country. Also out in Denver is Steve Pjesky who is an exec with Samsonite. Ben Smith is now in Albuquerque in a biomed PhD program at the U. of NM. Artie Hays is now an Environmental Engr for the GA Dept of Natural Resources in Atlanta. Other new civs include Wayne Grant in LSU grad sch, Bob Ashworth in law sch, Tony Lentini as the Sp Asst to the Pres of the Middle South Utilities Co. in New Orleans, and Keith Wing, whose present whereabouts is unknown.

Mike & Rose Van Buskirk have had a busy 76. Mike graduated from the Arm Adv Crs in Jul and then slipped into the pathfinder sch at Benning. In Sept he became the S2/S3 of the 1/1 Inf at WP. And with little Chris Jason checking into the Van Buskirk net on 28 May, Mike and Rose have their hands full at Stewart AFB where they reside. I also heard that Pat O'Neill was married in MI on 16 Oct. Congratulations, you sly fox.



1971: Rick and Mari deMoya, September 76.

I heard from David Guerland who is in the AG Adv Crs at Ft Ben Harrison, after serving as the adj for the Army Security Agcy in Korea. After graduation he is going to Stanford for an Engr Mgmt degree before returning to WP in ES&GS. Among other things, David is working on his real estate broker's license and collecting art for the gallery in Oakland for which he is part owner. Jim Bapple is also in David's AG class. The amazing Tom Harvey was in touch. He and Pam are in Yugoslavia after finishing the Serbo-Croatian course at Monterey. Harv didn't mention his specific job, but I know it must be functional. He mentioned that Randy Fewel was out of the service and working for a tuna company in San Diego. Two new additions and one deletion was made in the Fewel household this year. They acquired a nice house and a beautiful daughter, Jennifer, while Randy lost 80 pounds. It must be that good civ life. Joe Halloran and his wife had a new baby, Nicole, for whom the Harveys are godparents. Joe ret. and is at Berkeley in Chem Engr. They say athletes produce girls. Whatever the case, Kevin & Rhonda James and Bill & Donna Diehl are proud of theirs. Believe it or not, Kellee Tiffany James at 8 lbs, 8 ozs (8 Jul) outweighed Kristen Francis Diehl at 7 lbs, 15 ozs (6 Jun). Kevin is with the SF at Bragg and Bill is on his way to the Inf Adv Crs.

I am going to exercise my scribe option here and use up a small paragraph for myself—privileges of the trade. I was married to the former Mari Yamashita in Rutland, VT on 5 Sept. It was a long time coming but well worth it. Now that I am married and ostensibly mellowed, I promise to produce a more productive column, as a result of communicating with you more individually. Your next column will be full of news as a consequence of my trip to Homecoming. Although I did not submit the request for "lost classmates" addresses, the response has been good and I (and the AOG) now know where most of you are hiding. Worry not, I have informed the IRS that the Privacy Act is in effect.

Please have a happy and safe 76 holiday season. If you have an extra Xmas card, send one to me. I get so lonely.

'72

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The great promise and high hopes for this issue were partially realized as will be exposed in the following lines. With an abundance of "Proud and True" classmates here at Benning this may seem more like a passage from Infantry Magazine than your scribe's notes. One IOAC class just received orders and we will take a look at those shortly. Must say a good word here about the gridiron rabble and what looks to be a return to respectability. Well, by issue time the record will be history and no doubt a hearty "Rocket" is due the Black, Gray, and Gold. A comment, also, on the surprising figures in the Class of '69 Sept column with respect to number of civs versus those still on active duty. With the 5-yr time in service date about 6 mos away, it will be interesting to see how our Class compares.

Let's begin the news this time with the correction of an error in last issue with the name of Bob & Sarah Mattox' new son, Charles Robert. Sorry 'bout that, Charlie, Bob, and Sarah, hope you will forgive and

forget. The Mattox family is one of many at Ft Benning for IOAC (6 mos) prior to another duty assignment. Before continuing with the locals, need to insure that Bob & Rosemary Holland know that their news did catch up to me—both letters about the same time, if you can believe that, Bob! Anyway, the Hollands have one more year at Duke U. Law Sch before getting back to the Army. They return to the JAG business with a family addition, daughter, Mary Elizabeth, born Jan 76. Son Daniel is rapidly approaching his 3d birthday and gets more attention from Bob than the Law Studies. The Hollands also report seeing Ken, Margie, and David Hopper in Aug at their place in OK City. Ken is still mastering the med sch. Thanks for both notes Bob, your patience is commendable.

The David Inglees reported a change of duty several months ago. Dave is now a BC in Germersheim, Germany, after a stint with the 509th in Italy. His unit is D Btry, 2/67 ADA. Dave says that Wayne Godfrey is soon to be, if not already, a trans CO in Heidelberg. No doubt Wayne and Shirley are enjoying that particular location.

Reaching further into the "poop" bag, we find a note from Ward & Jody Bursley at Ft Bragg. The Bicentennial was a special year for them, daughter Sarah Ruth was born 29 Aug. Congrats, proud parents! Ward is working with the 82d Div SigO as the radio officer, which he says is a far cry from the load he carried as the 82d Sig Bn S1. The Bursleys include info on others in the person of Jim Hougnon and new bride, Joanne, married 4 Sept. Joanne is getting a heavy dose of the Army life quickly—Jim took over a co. in the 307th Engrs in Oct. Glad to have Jim Bowden back from Korea recently, but not nearly so glad, I'm sure, as Kathy. Jim and Kathy are now at Benning. Oh yes, the Bursleys will soon be at Ft Gordon for the Sig Adv Cse.

Bob & Roma Lossius probably wondered what happened to their news intended for last issue, but was not printed. It finally caught up with me, so here it is, though slightly aged. Their biggest news, of course, is the arrival of Michele Nicole, born 13 Apr. The Lossius family joins the contingent now at Benning. Bob also reports that John & Bernadette Kidder have helped the population boom; Kathryn Perry was born last Jan. Can't understand why the 2/75th Rangers at Ft Lewis sends us so many girls. Bob, John, Bob Wood, Bill Lescynski and Tony Jacobs have all left Ft Lewis and will soon complete the Adv Crse, all Inf except Tony who has been at Ft Sill since last Jun.

Last issue there was an abundance of news from Bill & Betty Harlan in the form of the E-3 newsletter. Bill got his bid in just in



1972: Founders Day Ft. Lewis: Kidder, Wood, Wishcamper, Keenan, Ivey, Lossius.



1972: Engineer party, Ft Belvoir, at Lasalas'. Front row: Fader, Langlois, Parckard, Reyna, Lansrud, Scott; Standing: Hoon, Reyna, Jacobsen, Bixby, Kane, Foust, Hall, Gallay, Lasala (head waitress), Schrader.

time for this issue, but it isn't any less informative. The motto here is "you make it, I'll take it" so keep me on your mailing list, E-3 Dragons of yesteryear. Now, for an E-3 update (may need a special section soon, huh, Bill?). Jim & Rosemary Barnes are now at Ft Eustis for the Trans Adv Cse and announce the Apr arrival of Jessica McGrath. Jim told the Harlans that "she's a lot of fun and we really like her." An understatement the likes of which I have never heard, Jim. (I probably now have a law suit on my hands!) Congratulations! Good luck to Jim in his other endeavors including the flying lessons and a master's degree in Trans Mgmt from FL Tech. Paul & Kathie Labonte (IOAC, Benning) have added to the family recently—Matthew James teams up with John Paul (2 yrs) to provide the Labontes with that family atmosphere. Last time you read of the 2-part Ord Adv Cse of which Craig McKee is a student. As of this writing Craig and Joan are at Aberdeen, and are encamped in what they described as an 1837-vintage house. They look upon it as a "humbling experience," but are enjoying it nonetheless, what with all that furniture, etc. Bob & Martha Ludwig are still at Ft Monmouth where he is doing some special work on a control system for div-level air def. Best and worst part of it all, it seems, is the TDY. Rolly Dessert finally made it back from Korea and after picking up Karin and the kids in FL journeyed to Ft Knox for the Adv Cse. Before starting the course, though, Rolly helped the wpns cmte catch up. Another recent Korea returnee is Bill Walsh, who was S3 Air prior to coming home. Glad to have you back, too, Bill.

Ft Bragg is hanging on to the Bill Chamberlains and John Johnsons. Bill expects to have a co. cmd by now after several months as Bn Adj. John's plans include the MI Adv Cse next year, followed by grad sch (Spanish) and a teaching stint at WP after that. John will probably remain in the ASA det of the SF Cen. Chuck Coleman is still manning the sports prog at Bragg on a full time basis. How are the football pools working out, C? No change in the status of Bill Gibson at Ft Campbell. His legal business (Army) is flourishing and a recent tour of the British Isles was no doubt welcome, huh, Hoot? To finish off the E-3 details, John Featherstone is now CO of a CSC at Ft Carson. Our sympathies to you Cynthia, for we know of John's dedication to his mis-

sion! Please let us know if that "Featherstone smirk" ever leaves John's face. The following rundown on Adv Classes here at Benning will include some other former E-3'ers turned infantryman.

For several months now the hallowed walls of Inf Hall have held a veritable Class reunion of sorts, at least for many of the crossed rifle bearers in the Class. Hope the print doesn't turn blue from now on, but even if it does at least there is a significant portion of the Class included. IOAC Class 5-76 just graduated so let's see what new assignments are coming up.

Staying on at Benning for a while are Scott Adams, Greg & Lyn Hart, Steve & Maridonna Hicks, Berry & Jeanette Jenkins, and Dave & Leslie Lynch. Hate to say it, but we do have some who are gluttons for punishment. Ft Bragg bound are Tom & Pat McNerney, Bill & Jane Miller, Doug & Jane Skeggs, Jeff Staser, Joe & Julia Taylor, and Gerry & Cynthia Zmolek. It's off to Korea for a short tour for Randy Bookout (don't know where Cindy will be), Steve Powers, Dennis Wagner, and Wally Wajdakowski. Hope you enjoy it over there, gang! Bill & Mary Brittain and Bob & Teri Macarevy are en route to Ft Ben Harrison. Looks like another school stop for Jack & Bonita Buttine, John Eberly and Chris Feudo, all due for a stint at the Presidio of Monterey. Still others include Dave & Sandra Carlson to Germany, Mike & Frances Ceniceros to Ft Hood, Chuck & Pan Droby to Ft Lewis, and Frank & Maureen Hancock to Ft Drum, Fritz & Julia Heneman to Ft Hood, Stan North to Flight Sch, Erik & Kathy Polcrack to Ft Devers, (10th SF), Guy & Connie Richardson to Ft Lewis, Gary & Donnarae Sarpen to Ft Dix, Steve & Elizabeth Smith to Presidio of Monterey (DLI) Harry Stumpf to Germany, Bill & Ann Tierney (also to Presidio of Monterey (DLI) and Rick & Kathi Wampler. Ron Scott was a non-Inf member of this class. He and Nancy will forgive me for not announcing their assignment (don't know where it is) as long as everyone knows that son Jayson was born during the stay at Benning. Congrats, Ron and Nancy. (Still don't have my cigar, Ron).

By printing time the orders of IOAC 1-7T will have arrived so maybe next issue we'll have a bunch of new assignments to pass on. Among those anxiously awaiting are John & June Anderson, Bruce & Sandy Barlow, Dave & Carolyn Bradford, Ed & Barbara Bratton,

Tony Colby, Bill & Leslie Dermann, Gary & Chris Dobija, Jeff & Lorraine Donald, Paul & Debbie Doppel, Bob & Phyllis Doyle, Joe & Cindy Drach, Jeff Dufacult, Rick Ekman, Rick Gorzelnik, Dan & Pam Hennebry, Roger & Connie Hershmann, George & Connie Heyworth, Chuck & Karin Hiatt, Jim & Kathie Holcomb, Tom & Lola Innamorato, Karl & Dianne Johnson, Matt & Marion Kriwanek, Howie Kuschick, Brad & Carolyn Loo, Bob & Roma Lossius, Rick Luczak, Dave Lueneburg, Bill Martin, Bob & Sarah Mattox, Doug Merkl, Chet Phillips, Bob Phillips, Tom Pollard, Pete, Emilie and Natalie Rich, Ray & Barbara Ritacco, Bruce & Maurine Ritter, Steve & Diane Sheppard, Jeff Schrepple, John & Stephanie Seimer, John & Jean Simar, Willy Snader, Jeff & Marie Spara, Scott & Maria Stonecipher, Charlie Williams, Tod & Sheila Wilson, Joe & Judy Wisman, and Charlie & Jody Zimmerman. Anybody get left out? If so please feel free to let me know.

That about does it for the winter issue. Would like to be able to fill several pages this spring, so send those cards and letters at will. Don't be disheartened if you sent news for this time and didn't see it. Probably arrived too late, so look again next time.

'73

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It is on a sad note that I begin this installment of the Class notes. While at Hohenfels training area, FRG, this past summer, Harold Weinberg was tragically killed in an explosion. I know that I speak for all of us in extending our heartfelt sympathy to his wife and family.

I have received several letters since the last issue from FRG to HI. Lin Arrison graduated from the Def Race Relations Inst last Sept and is now in Korea. Lin will be our new columnist for the ASSEMBLY so send further letters to him at 1LT Lin Arrison, HHD, 6th P&A Bn, APO San Fran 96301.

Clare Miller wrote that she had a 9 lb baby, Katherine King. Jerry is the S1 of 2/69Arm. Don Coover wrote to say that he had completed both fixed and rotor wing tng and was off to MI sch. From there he was going to Korea. He did mention that somewhere along the way he would be getting married to Sandy Hopper, a sweet thing that he met back at USMA.

Karl Eikenberry wrote of all the fun that Rangers have that normal troops never experience. So here is the Ranger news: John Abizaid just had a baby girl a few months ago. John is with C/2/75Inf, Ft Lewis. Bob Portante is XO A/1/75Inf and Mike Anderson is the same in B/1/75Inf. Buc Garrison is a plt ldr in C/1/75Inf, and Pat Logan is a wpns plt ldr in A/1/75Inf.

Karl also mentioned that Pete Baldwin is the asst S5 for Ft Benning and Dave Ramm is in his 2d year at the Sloan Sch at MIT. He also told me a few things that I would not dream of including.

John Zielinski was cited for outstanding performance during operational tng missions as a co-pilot of a B52 with SAC.

Ron Patricka sent along an H4 newsletter so I'll relate some of the items. Ron was happy because they had cancelled Graf for him because of the drought in FRG. All it did for us was make us return in Oct to

finish where we had left off. Danna Keeney is a member of a Blue Grass band named "Easy Pickens" which won top post honors in all-Army competition. Ron Grosso left Japan and has been trained as a Marine maint plt ldr. Don Get is returning to Ft Huachuca for more schooling and then back to Ft Bliss to extend.

John Rocco wrote from HI where he and Scott Cottrell are the aides for the 2 Div ADCs. Scott's wife Peggy is expecting their 2d in Feb. John says that he's making the plunge on 23 Oct so by now it is history. Susan Smith (daughter of COL Robert Smith, USAF) is the lucky one. John also wrote that Wayne Reynolds is the CO of a Topo Engr Co. on the islands. He and his wife have 2 boys. Tom & Karen McClean (XO, E/725 Maint) have a 7-mo-old daughter. Paul Moscala transferred from ADA to Chem and is the Chem Off for DISCOM. Jim DeBroux and Steve Kirin are XOs in 3/13FA. Tom Chycota is an FSO for 1st Bde. Dave Pickett, Fred Kennedy, Dave Winkbauer, George Rollins, and Don Takami are all aviators in 25th Avn. Dave Pickett was also John's best man. Terry Mehan is an XO in 1/5Inf; Wayne Roberts is an XO in 1/27Inf; George Weightman is an XO in 1/35Inf; and Dan Wright is the asst S1 in 1/19Inf.

Tom & Robin Lubozynski wrote to say that they were expecting around 27 Oct. It was their 2d and they proclaim that they are LaMaze all the way. "Take a deep cleansing breath." Tom wants to get in touch with Art Brown so if you know his address please write Tom at 551 Plumwood Dr, W-P AFB, OH 45433. They also said that Judi & Jim Styron were expecting their first in Nov.

Remember to continue writing to Lin Arri-son as you have to me. Besides, he can probably use the mail, being in Korea.

'74

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Article time again, how time flies when you're having fun. Like to express again this column's theme of "quantity not quality," as if you haven't noticed. Finally got some organization into my files, in the form of 5x8 cards and letter files. In about a year and a half I'll need a computer and 2 secretaries to keep up with everyone.

I'll start off with a correction to the last article. Ralph Graves is studying CE, not med, at Berkeley. He also informed me that Tom Downar finished his degree at MIT and is now with 802d Engr Bn, Korea. Bob Nelson left the 44th Engr Bn, Korea for grad sch at Rensselaer. Fred Giacometti is a Bn Sig Off in 3d AD, Germany. Thanks Ralph and good luck.

Dwight Webster is now CO of F Co. (msl spt), 709th Maint Bn, Ft Lewis, while Linda is on her last year of college. Matt Reese is the S-2/3 for the same bn and his wife is teaching PE. Dan & Nancy French rtd to Ft Ben last summer for the Mort PL sch. Linda also notes Roy & Chris Hubbard are in Germany and expecting this Nov. Roy is a staff officer with 123Sig Bn. Bob Beecher is with B Btry, 2/377 FA, Germany, and is active in Volksmarching.

Got a note from Steve Bollens in Germany on Bde 76 with the 1/17 FA from Ft Sill. He and Peggy added #2 on 20 Jun 76, Jeremy Thomas. Congrats! Around Germany and Graf he's run into Ken Cross and Jeff



1974: Dean '76, Starn '75, Albrecht '74, Loisel '74, Volz '73, Cole '72 in Maui, HI.

Ginther. Also Denny Lewis is in Augsburg with the 36th FA. He also added that Rick & Mary Preece (Germany) should have a child by now.

Got ahold of a B-1 newsletter and gosh was it newsy. Steve & Marilyn Adams are creators of it, and they're in Germany where Steve is a vertical const PL with an Engr unit, while Marilyn is teaching HS math. Mike & Diane Milligan are in Germany, too, as is Dave Rodarte, who is working in S3 besides making the All-Army golf team for the 2d time. Chuck Barker is XO, B Co, 33d Arm, Germany. Tracy Strickland is married and has a child at Ft Polk. Jim & Kathy Soncrant are at Ft Lewis, where the FC LT spent a yr with a line plt. C.A. & Cathy Harris have a son and are living in Wurzburg, Germany. Rich Clifford was married to Nancy on 12 Jun 76 and PCS'ed to Germany by now. Jim & Kathleen Bash were married 14 Feb 76 and are at Ft Lewis. John Dewitt rtd from Korea to Ft Ord. Myron & Naomi Lynch were married Nov 76 and are at Ft Bragg. Dutch Hermann is in the SF now at Ft Bragg I believe. Terry & Chris Youngbluth are at Ft Devens. Thanks to the Adams' on the poop.

Finally have located Vicenza, Italy, by an informative letter on SETAF (something even the Army forgot) by George Desiderio. George is A/S1 for 1/509th after a yr as FO and R/S with D Btry. Steve LaRocca and Al Walker (rtd from Turkey) are FO's in D Btry. Denny Blasko is the A/S2 after 1 yr in



1974: Petraeus looks happy on maneuvers in Eastern Turkey.

Germany. Boog Powell is a mort PL in B/1/509 and has been competing in weight-lifting recently. Dave & Holly Petraeus are there, he's a PL in C/1/509. Jeff & Maripat Rogers are with the 559th Arty Gp along with Ed Polom, who is A/S1 for the 559th. George further notes Todd & Bobby Bacastow were there for a bit from the Berlin Bde. Colin Dunn is at Baumholder, Germany, with 2/81 FA. Larry Bethel is a Spt PL in the Maintz area, Germany. Also Kurt Hansen (ex-'74, now '75) is with 4/68 Arm in the Baumholder area.

Panama reported in with John Nations sending the word. John is XO of C Co, 4/20 Inf. Randy Vollmer went to Ft Ben for mort PL sch and picked up a bride, Norma. He's now the 4.2 PL in 4/20. He and Rick Goodhand had taken in a sailboat too. Rick is XO, CSC, 4/20. John Aleshin is XO of B Co, 4/20 and also knows the local language well. Panama's jungles are a great stopping place for 82d Abn types, to include Dave McCracken, Greg Parlier, Steve Rybczynski, Dave Buto, Rich Kniskern and Denny Dimengo. Jerry Dixon is a Comp XO, 3/5 Inf, while John & Lu Geraci are in the same bn, John having the Sct Plt. He's also been on an exchange to Ft Lewis. John Kling is 4.2 PL in 4/10 Inf and Scott Haswell is in the same unit. They also have a sailboat that shark-fish from? Sounds like a good additional MOS. Thank-you Johnny. Recently I saw orders on John and Scott Haswell to Stewart, Jerry Dixon to Devens, Randy Vollmer to Benning.

Now for some tidbits. Tom McGinnis had been XO of Hawk Btry in S. FL, and is now on short tour in Korea. Scott & Eady Myers were married this summer and honeymooned south of the border. Brad Lindsey finished MI Sch and is back at Hood. Jim Sharp, Navy, participated in the Beirut evacuation on the USS CONNOLE. John & Linda Porter had a daughter, Heather, this summer in Germany. Marty Dempsey married Diane Sullivan of Monroe, NY, on 10 Jul 76. Brian Clowes has been bicycling up a storm and doing well. He's XO, HHC, XVIII Abn Cps, Ft Bragg. Bob Minor was married to Bridget McCabe 10 Sept 76 in MI. Frank Prindle was wed to Graciela Margarita Lozano, 14 Aug 76. He's at Ft Hood.

Recent orders which I hope are correct include: Dave Herbison from Polk to Korea. Blaine Hyten, Fred Stellar, and Bill Hastie from flt sch to Germany. Rick Binger, Jeff Richgels, Rich Kornacki, Pat Thomas, Geary Bauman, Steve Leggiero, and Chris Sargent to Flt Sch, Ft Rucker. Joe Gonzalez from Flt Sch to Korea. Pete & Liz Stuart are proud parents of a baby girl this summer. Tom and Mary-Jo Lengnick have a boy, as of Apr 76.

That wraps up another one. Maybe I'll get some Xmas cards before by 3 Jan deadline. Have a happy New Year.

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Merry Xmas! That treat of ours, Paul Schaeffer, has been found alive and well in the U. of Miami Med Sch. He is pres of Alpha Kappa Kappa Med Fraternity and enjoying the life of "school." Grades are pass/fail, and "med sch is fun—indefinitely easier than WP." The picture concerns thoughts of his upcoming 13-year commitment. Always open to visitors at 2250 NW 14th St. #12, Miami, FL, he awaits com-



1975: Baumholder (L-R): Beros, Morningstars, Lawson, Monken, Al Wallaces, Andersons, fall 76.

pany. Wandering last summer he found Bruce Hulsart, Spider Marks, Jim Maye, Jim Slavin and Mike Rigsby at Campbell.

Switching to the Arctic, Mike Simone wrote from Richardson where he and Jan along with George & Sue Schrlau are with the 1/37 FA. Mac & Flo Acree, Tom & Leigh Ayers, Les & Laurie Smith are with Charlie Abn while the 1/60th claims Tom & Judy Hale and another diehard bachelor, John Cosgrove. Bob Buswick and Bob Haviland work with the 4/23 Inf while Tom Noreen handles commo at the 33d Sig. ADA has George Clark (still with his hockey stick) and Keith & Kathy Sims who are proud of their baby daughter. Jan finds them all in "Jack Frost" in the -60°F temp of the Arctic Circle. I hope Schaeffer becomes the Med Officer at Wainwright for 13 yrs.

Down to rainy Lewis where Mark Girolamo announced his marriage to Denise Tribus last May in NJ. They are with the 1/11 FA. Mark sends a lot of news. Scott & Debbie Christensen were wed back in Jun and with John McMurray support the 864th Engrs. Steve Branscom is assigned with Dan Bonney to the 1/11th FA but Dan spends every free minute on the ski slopes. He's having a contest with Paul at Carson to see who can ski the most and work the least. Jim Wark and Dave Ridenour are in the 15th Engrs while Jay Gruskowski and Luigi Magnanti are somewhere in 1st Bde Inf units. Vickie Magnanti is expecting and I remember she was the only wife at our party in Benning last Feb after Rgr. Ches Harris and Ernie Neilsen are in 2d Bde while Gus Murby handles tanks with the 2/77th. Harry Floyd and Sheldon Bruce are FO's in the 3/34 FA while Mike Spasyk FO's in the 2/4 FA. Carl Barthelson, Jack Craven and others are said to be out there somewhere. Mike Kirshner wrote from his Rgr Bn slot to volunteer Ches Harris as my Lewis rep. Congratulations Ches for your wholehearted support by Mike. Mike's job is a far cry from his former soft job with the hostess office and hop cmt. He's been everywhere but Lewis as he has seen Panama for Jungle Sch, Bragg for Jumpmaster, CO and CA for tng and he's headed for AK in Jan. How did he get that slot anyway!

Bob Enzenauer wrote to say the Abcouwers have a baby boy down at Benning. Ralph Smith has a MI slot in England for 39 mos briefing and debriefing AF pilots. Bob supplied Mel Bennett's location with B/5/6 ADA and Randy Rapp with D/94th Engr (Darmstadt), both in Germany while Mark Hehmeyer is in Korea with B/1/72 Arm. Steve Sanders was cited as a member of the "Outstanding Crew of the Month" at Warren AFB, WY. He's stationed with a SAC unit at Grand Forks AFB, ND.

Out of KS comes news from Barb Cailteux. She and Kerry have a new baby, Kathleen, born in Apr. They're with 1/63 Arm while Bob & Jan Berlin and Bob & Morene McNulty are with 4/63 Arm. Terry & Debbie Campbell are neighbors of Barb's and with B/4/63. The Burnettes also live next door and Gary Bishop and Bruce Wells are floating around in the same apt complex. Sounds like a permanent reunion. Steve & Diane Benkufski are SC with Div Arty arriving in Apr after a special crse at Sill.

Mike & Liz Weinstein have a baby daughter, Elizabeth, born in Mar out at Carson. John & Joyce Cimral are at Gordon where they've bought a home in Augusta. Leonard Wood finds Joe Barget with Engrs while the Dieners rank LT Charles and CPT Debbie. Jim Hicks and Rich Fine are at Riley but trained in CA til Oct. Rich has his own auto manual written about his Trans Am. Jeff Akamatsu surfaced with the 1/28th Inf at Riley, while Pat Leake and Rus Glenn support the Engrs. Bob Smith is at Bragg but worked at WP last summer with the 82d. John DeTroy is married but in Korea till Jan when he and Gay will be moving to Bragg.

Now to Europe where Steve Bittner hides with the 2/60 ADA at Ramstein AFB. Bob & Jeane Hoopes are in Karlsrue. The Mierswas are in Friedburg with A/2/27 FA. Trent Keeble relaxes in Stuttgart with the 503 Engrs. Craig Jung ravages Goppingen from Cook Bks while Jim Issacs and RC Robertson keep commo flowing in Wurtzburg. Wally Schaeffer is rumored to be married but no details can be found except that he attended a NBC course. Wade & Linda Popovich and Mark & Sue Hertling were married last Dec (my news is usually late).

Reforger found some strange meetings as I worked with Steve Beever from 4/69 Arm in Mainz against the 101st and 11th ACR. We had confrontations with Bruce Bachus as we rambled through his company assembly area with tracks and tanks. His 101st troops told us he was there but we couldn't find him. We met Karl Gunselman as a surprise for the 11th ACR on a hilltop he didn't expect us on and Ted Osuniga was seen in several small towns. Chuck Baker and Drew Stanley were found running around as umpires figuring out combat ratios but the most interesting get-together for Steve and me was when we boxed Reinhard Ratz in some woods, but didn't know it was him 'till he started yelling.

News here in Baumholder found a get-together at Dan & Justin Monkens' with Dorian & Sherril Anderson and Vic & Faith Bero. These 4 have been hiding for months but Faith is going crazy without a job. Also Dean and Mary Morningstar were there so I could discover Mary didn't know we were in the same bn. Steve & Sue Wallace are expecting a baby but also brought their cat to the party. Rich Machemer and Denny Manganiello were supposed to show but got lost trying to find the apartment. Justin Monken feeds me news as she gets it but she moonlights as an O-6's secy. John Deacon spends most of his time in the field with his btry while Tom Fix seems to run around always doing something or going somewhere. Larry Ghormley, Jim Yocum, Kris Hardy, Bill Quick, George & Marth Sanford are over here somewhere but I don't know where.

Dave Rittenhouse got married back in Jul to Jean Marie Scott in PA. After all his debating experience, I'm surprised he fell this early. Several mothers have written request-



1975: Schaeffer "thinking" at Med School in Miami.

ing me to inform all you delinquent letter writers to remember your homes and parents. Some may soon use the Red Cross to locate you.

I have some sad news that Wes has written to us about the deaths of John Ruzicka and Don Taylor. Their deaths were blows to us all. Please remember them and their families in your prayers especially during this time of the year. May we all as a Class keep united in times of happiness and sorrow. Courage and Drive!

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Regretfully I report the death of Jon Lewis who died 2 Aug 76 at Prince George County, VA. After services in the Old Cadet Chapel, USMA, he was buried in the WP Cemetery.

With leave over and everyone getting down to work, the news is starting to trickle in. Rick Manson's having a hard time at Ft Gordon with John Reidt. They're poisoning themselves with their own cooking while sweating out ¼ mile runs 2-3 times a week. Walt & Gretchen Sutterlin are doing well in their apartment cooking meals for everybody else at Ft Benning. We're still waiting to hear whether or not Zan Zeige kept his mustache at Abn.

Bill Monk and Doug Slaybaugh, being married, during Aug at Ft Sill had a good time with TDY while the bachelors, Liepold, Campbell, and Robinson had to report every day while apparently threatening to get hitched. Doug and Vikke passed on the news that Bob McEwin and Kenny Pamperin and wives are partying in a trailer park in Hephzibah (?), GA. Greg Mallon apparently pulled the staples out of his infamous knees while water skiing. MI or MSC may be his only alternatives if he can stay in.

From all the letters, the tallest tale award goes to Jerry Warner. Rich Carlin, Mark West and he, while travelling through the S. Pacific during leave, claim to have run into Doug Koenig in a sleazy pub in New Zealand. We'll leave it up to Guinness to verify that story.

If this seems like a paltry amount of news, then send some of your own, along with pictures, to me. Finally, does anyone know of a good anatomy tutor?

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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Harry Russell Kutz

NO. 4943 CLASS OF 1911

Died 3 March 1976 at Bay Pines Veterans' Hospital, Saint Petersburg, Florida, aged 87 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York



HARRY RUSSELL KUTZ

HARRY RUSSELL KUTZ was born in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, 29 January 1889. His father, Charles M. Kutz, born in Pennsylvania and long a resident of Pottstown, died there in 1914. His mother, Rebecca B. Kutz, also born in Pennsylvania, died in Pottstown some years later.

Jack, as he was known to his many friends, attended grammar and high schools in Pottstown and in 1907 was appointed to the Military Academy from the 8th District by Congressman Wanger. In his records, he left no information as to his pre-cadet days; however, at the Academy he was not only outgoing and understanding, but was a diligent and industrious student and was graduated eighth in his class, closely missing the engineers.

On graduation, 13 June 1911, he was promoted in the Army to second lieutenant, 10th Infantry. After graduation leave and a short period at Fort Sam Houston, there was duty in the Canal Zone until 1915 when he was detailed a first lieutenant, Ordnance Department, and was assigned to the Armory at Springfield, Massachusetts. Routine duty ensued, with various promotions during the years up to lieutenant colonel, Ordnance Department, in 1918.

At that date, he was stationed in the office of the Chief of Ordnance, Washington, until ordered to France. There he served at several American Expeditionary Forces stations until return to the States in November 1919. After permanent transfer to the Ordnance Department in 1920, there was duty in the office of the Chief of Ordnance; a period as Ordnance Officer, III Corps Area, and from 1928 a three-year detail in the Inspector General's Department with station at Governor's Island, New York. Then, for variety, he was with the G4 Section, War Department General Staff, until 1935 when he went to foreign service in Manila, where he served on General MacArthur's staff.

Returning home in 1938, Jack was gradu-

ated the following year from the Industrial College and transferred to the Fiscal Division, Ordnance Department, until July 1940 when he was promoted to colonel and took over operation of the division. In 1942 he was promoted to brigadier general, Army of the United States, and became Assistant Chief of Ordnance.

He was retired for disability 30 June 1946. Decorations received during his many years of faithful service were the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Purple Heart and Commendation Ribbon.

The above outline shows thirty-five years of busy and varied military duties, but throughout that period and after retirement he was greatly interested and involved in Masonic work. While on duty at Springfield in 1915 he became a member of Hamden Lodge Free and Accepted Masons, and later a 32 degree and York Rite Mason. He also became a member of the Melba Shrine. During his lifetime he was a 50-year Past Member of the Board of Trustees, Past Member of the Committee of 33, Past National Commander of Heroes of '76 and a recipient of the Legion of Honor Medal of National Sojourners. And during his retirement years, he was Past Commander, Saint Petersburg Chapter, Military Order of World Wars; Past President of the West Point Society of the Florida West Coast; Past President, Saint Petersburg Chapter No. 314 and Washington Chapter No. 3, National Sojourners; Life Member, Military Order of World Wars; Life Member, Pottstown Lodge No. 814, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; a member of The Retired Officers Association; a member of Veterans of World War I, and of Disabled American Veterans, Chapter No. 9, Saint Petersburg. For many years, before infirmities interfered, he and his wife traveled extensively in connection with the National Sojourners.

It is seen that Jack was a remarkably active and social man, but curiously, during his long and active Army life he never was married. Not until after his retirement in 1946, and adoption of Florida as his home, was his life enriched by marriage on 20 January 1948 to Mrs. Lillian C. Brooks, known to her friends as Kitty. They had no children.

As the years passed, with increasing periods of hospitalization and steadily deteriorating sight, Jack rose above his physical troubles, traveling frequently with Kitty on Masonic work and engaging in many activities in his home area. Some years before his death Kitty's health necessitated her being placed in a nursing home, and through the following years, almost totally blind, Jack visited her every possible day. His main thought until he passed away was to retain his health so that he could care for her.

He was admitted to the Bay Pines Hospital on 8 December 1975, where he passed away on 3 March 1976. Lieutenant Colonel Foster W. Merker, United States Air Force, Retired, a close friend of Jack's and Kitty's since 1953, arranged for a Sojourner funeral service in Saint Petersburg on 6 March, and on the 9th, accompanied the casket to West Point. There, on 10 March, interment was in the Post Cemetery with full military honors and with the Masonic graveside service conducted by West Point Lodge No. 788, Free and Accepted Masons, assisted by members of the local Chapter of National Sojourners.

To the writer, through many years it has been a privilege to have known Jack Kutz as a classmate and friend.

—Nichols

Carl Andrew Spaatz

NO. 5262 CLASS OF 1914

Died 14 July 1974 at Walter Reed Medical Center, Washington, D.C., aged 83 years.

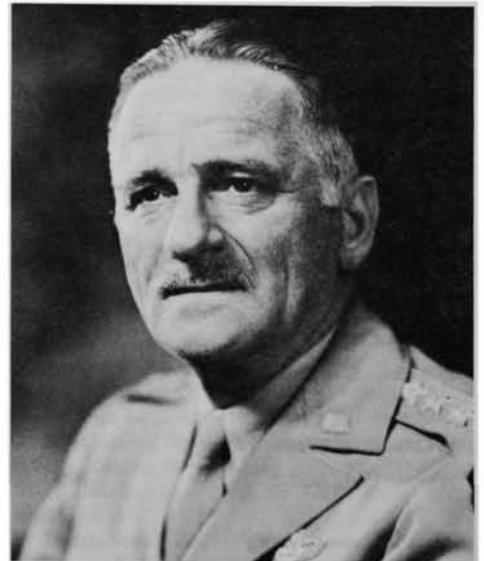
Interment: Air Force Academy Cemetery, Colorado Springs, Colorado

CARL ANDREW SPAATZ, who was destined to be the last Commanding General of the United States Army Air Forces and the first Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force, was born in Boyertown, Pennsylvania, on 28 June 1891. Entering the Military Academy in 1910, he was promptly given the nickname "Tooey" because he somewhat resembled another redhead, an upper classman named Toohey.

Upon graduation his first station was with the 25th Infantry at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. There he had the good fortune to meet his future wife, Ruth Harrison, daughter of a colonel in the Cavalry. But duty with the ground forces was not what Carl Spaatz most desired, and he soon applied for aviation training. Receiving his wings in 1916, he saw his first combat service with the First Aero Squadron chasing the bandit Villa with General Pershing's Expeditionary Force in Mexico.

When America entered the First World War in 1917, Spaatz was ordered to France and was given command of Issoudon, the largest United States pursuit training base. In the months that followed he repeatedly besought General (Billy) Mitchell for permission to enter combat, only to be told that as an instructor he was worth a hundred fighter pilots, hence too valuable an asset to be hazarded at the front. Eventually, however, during the last few weeks of the war he managed to escape to a front line squadron, commanded by one of his former students, where he shot down three German planes and won the Distinguished Service Cross.

In the years between World Wars I and II, Spaatz had command of fighter groups, of air bases, or held senior positions on the Air Staff. In 1929, together with then Captain Ira C. Eaker, he conducted the Question Mark aerial refuelling experiment. The plan was a hazardous one, and an incident on that flight



CARL ANDREW SPAATZ

well illustrates a Spaatz characteristic. On the first day when they were refueling the air was bumpy, the hose from the refueling plane was torn from Major Spaatz's hand and he was completely soaked with 72 octane gasoline. With Eaker's help he tore off his clothes and they covered his body with lubricating oil. Spaatz then said, "If this doesn't work and I need emergency medical aid, I will get out by parachute. You take command. Under no condition abandon this flight. That is an order. Do you understand?" The first aid proved effective. Spaatz remained on the plane, and the flight continued for more than six days. Spaatz and Eaker each received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

When the Germans crossed the French border in the fall of 1939, General Arnold sent Colonel Spaatz as an observer with the French Air Force. After Dunkirk he was an observer with the Royal Air Force. Knowing that the United States Embassy was sending gloomy reports to Washington indicating that Britain was doomed; that Germany would launch an early and successful invasion, Spaatz cabled Arnold his own estimates. He believed the Royal Air Force would stop the Luftwaffe bombers. He concluded, "Air superiority over the Channel is essential to any invasion of Britain. The Germans, in my judgment, will never gain that requisite air superiority."

When General Eisenhower went to Africa in 1942, Spaatz accompanied him to head the air effort. Early in the campaign Eisenhower called Spaatz to a fateful conference. He said, "Tooeey, my morning report shows you have 400 planes, while the British have 300 and the French show 100. Rommel has only 500 planes by today's intelligence estimate, yet every day he clobbers us. How come?" Spaatz said, "Ike, your figures are about right, when they hit me they outnumber me five to four; when they hit the British they have the advantage five to three. Over the French they have overwhelming superiority, five to one. Our tactics have all been wrong. Air power must always be used on the offensive. The first mission is to win air superiority over the battlefield." Eisenhower said, "Tooeey, I get the point. Hereafter you have operational control of all the airplanes made available to me." The Luftwaffe never won another air battle in the North African Campaign. The 800 allied planes, all under Spaatz control, destroyed the German planes and thereafter denied the resupply of the Africa Corps by sea or air. The Africa Corps was finished.

Spaatz was always, thereafter, Eisenhower's principal air adviser, stationed at his headquarters and in daily contact. When Eisenhower returned to England, Spaatz accompanied him and had command of all United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe. He was then transferred to the Pacific Theatre where he was given the same role, coordinator of all the United States Army Strategic Air Forces against Japan.

General Spaatz was the only Air Commander present at both surrender ceremonies in Europe. He was part of the Allied delegation when the original surrender document was signed in the schoolhouse in Rheims, France, on 7 May 1945. He and General Walter B. Smith represented Eisenhower at the ratification of the Nazi surrender at Soviet Marshal Zhukov's headquarters in Berlin. He was also aboard the battleship *Missouri* for the capitulation of the Japanese war lords.

When General Arnold retired in 1946, General Spaatz inevitably became his successor.

His tasks were to dismantle the world's most powerful air force and to plan the organization, composition and status of the postwar Army Air Force. A fundamental decision faced him. Should the Air Force remain in the Army, or should it become a separate service, co-equal with the Army and Navy? As an advocate of co-equal status for the Air Force since the days of General Billy Mitchell, Spaatz made the hard choice to "go for broke." He reasoned that there might never be a better opportunity, with the Air Force war record, with the probable support of Generals Marshall and Eisenhower, and with powerful friends in Congress. The plan was approved by President Truman, was submitted to Congress, and resulted in the National Defense Act of 1947.

Tooeey Spaatz owed his success as a military leader to many outstanding qualities. He possessed absolute integrity. He never vacillated, trimmed or hedged where principle was involved. Many times when it seemed certain to jeopardize his career he took the unpopular course because he believed it was right. He would not compromise. He was wise, quick-witted and perceptive. Common sense always dictated his decisions and motivated his conduct.

Carl Spaatz' many honors and decorations included three Distinguished Service Medals, the last one presented by President Truman when Carl retired from active duty in 1948. His West Point training influenced his entire life and inspired him to become a founding father of the United States Air Force Academy.

Edward Caswell Wallington

NO. 5394 CLASS OF 1915

Died 24 April 1976 in Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., aged 85 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

EDWARD C. WALLINGTON was born at New York, New York, 19 February 1891. He was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, and commissioned a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery Corps 12 June 1915.

His first assignment was with the Coast



EDWARD CASWELL WALLINGTON

Defenses of Puget Sound at Fort Flagler and Fort Casey in Washington. He served with a provisional brigade for three months in 1916 on the Mexican Border.

In January 1917 he was transferred to Hawaii, where he later served as Inspector General of the Hawaiian Department.

He returned to the United States in February 1920 for duty with a provisional Coast Artillery Brigade at Camp Lewis, Washington, and a month later was named Ordnance Officer at Camp Lewis. In August 1921 he assumed command of Fort Flagler, Washington, and the following December was transferred from the Coast Artillery Corps to the Chemical Warfare Service.

He then entered the Chemical Warfare School at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, and upon graduation in 1922 became an instructor there. In June 1923 he was assigned to the office of the Chief of the Chemical Warfare Service in Washington, D.C. In August 1927 he entered the Army Industrial College, and upon graduation the following June entered the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He completed the two-year course there in June 1930, and assumed command of the First Chemical Regiment at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. He was graduated from the Army War College in 1932 and appointed Chemical Officer of the Seventh Corps Area at Omaha, Nebraska.

In August 1935 he became an instructor at the Chemical Warfare School and a year later returned to Washington, D.C., for duty in the office of the Chief of the Chemical Warfare Service. In September 1941 he was named Deputy Commander of Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, and in February 1943 became Chemical Officer of the Third Army at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

He accompanied the Third Army to England in March 1944, and was in General Patton's headquarters until the end of the war in Europe.

He returned to the United States in July 1945 to assume command of Huntsville Arsenal, Alabama, and a year later was assigned to the office of the Chief of the Chemical Corps at Washington, D.C. In December 1946 he was appointed Deputy Chief of the Chemical Corps. He was retired 28 February 1951 with the rank of brigadier general, after 40 years service.

General Wallington was awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Ribbon and the Croix de Guerre.

He is survived by his widow, Marianne Wallington; a son, Edward C. Wallington Jr.; daughters, Evelyn W. Starbird, Marjorie W. Penney and Judith W. Mansfield; ten grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Leslie Thomas Saul

NO. 5513 CLASS OF 1916

Died 18 September 1975 in Charleston, South Carolina, aged 84 years.

Interment: Betheny Cemetery, Charleston, South Carolina

LESLIE THOMAS SAUL was born in Kenwood, Iowa, 19 March 1891, the son of William Clark Saul and Elida Jane Thomas. He was graduated from Carroll High School, Carroll, Iowa, and from the United States Military Academy at West Point, Class of 1916. He was commissioned in the Infantry and sent to Camp Douglas, Arizona, in September 1916, a first lieutenant.



LESLIE THOMAS SAUL

War came along and he was sent to Fort Hamilton, New York; to Plattsburg Barracks, New York, as instructor, 1st Reserve Officers Training Camp; and to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, commanding 1st Company, Replacement Battalion. In October 1917 Leslie sailed for France. He served first as captain then as temporary major, commanding battalions in the 359th and 58th Infantries, and at Saint Nazaire, France, commanding 9th Prisoner of War Escort Company. He served in the Toul Sector, Picardy, Saint Mihiel Offensive, and commanded 1st Battalion, 52d Infantry, until June 1919 when he returned to the States.

Until 1921 Leslie was stationed at Camp Grant, Illinois, where he married Cecil Irene Lynn of Ida Grove, Iowa, on 25 December 1920.

For four years, from 1921 to 1925, he was instructor in the Department of English and History at the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was graduated from The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, in 1926; went to Vancouver Barracks, British Columbia, June 1926-August 1928; to the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 1928-1930; then to the Hawaiian Division, 27th Infantry, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, June 1930-March 1931. He returned to the States in March 1931 because of sickness in his family and was attached to the Quartermaster Corps, Washington, D.C., until October 1933.

Retired for disability in the line of duty on 31 October 1933, Leslie went home to his native state. He settled in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and led a busy life after that date. He administered the National Auto Code; was Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in Algona, Iowa; was Commander of the American Legion Post; instructed the High School Marching Band; helped with the Boy Scouts; was a busy speaker on the subject of international relations; and was an ardent student of history.

In 1940 he moved to Charleston, South Carolina, to be an assistant commandant at The Citadel, South Carolina Military College, which work he enjoyed. During World War II he worked in the engineering office of the Charleston Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company.

Leslie bought a home in Charleston where he enjoyed his children and grandchildren. He looked forward to the celebration of his 50th wedding anniversary in December 1970 and although he suffered a stroke and had

to take life easy, he was able to enjoy this special event.

He entered the United States Naval Hospital in Charleston on 3 March 1975 and was later transferred to the Veterans Administration Hospital in Charleston, where he died 18 September 1975. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, three grandchildren and one great-grandson.

James Louis Guion

NO. 5621 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 27 January 1976 in Holyoke Hospital, Springfield, Massachusetts, aged 81 years.

Interment: Hillcrest Park Cemetery,
Springfield, Massachusetts

JAMES LOUIS GUION was born in Kansas City, Missouri, on 28 April 1894, the son of James Randolph and Ella Clement Guion.

Louis was educated in the Ward School, and graduated from Central High School with honors. He was encouraged by his teachers to try the examinations for West Point. His entry with the Class of April 1917 began a long and dedicated career, guided by his love for mathematics and science.

As a cadet, Tubby included sports such as throwing the hammer, wrestling and the polo squad. He was always reminded of his sports career by his false teeth; the real ones remained on the fields of friendly strife where a fellow contestant mistook them for a polo ball. His well rounded cadet career ended with graduation in 1917, number 20 of a class of 176.

He was commissioned in the Field Artillery and went to France in July 1917 with the 7th Field Artillery, 1st Division, American Expeditionary Forces. After division training at Valdohon, he was selected as an instructor at Camp Cortquidan near Rennes where he assisted in training two other divisions. Louis rejoined the 7th Field Artillery in time for the Argonne Offensive. At the front he commanded Battery C, 7th Field Artillery and was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action. He was promoted to major in command of the 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery on the move to the bridgehead at Coblenz.

In May of 1919, Louis was ordered to West Point as an instructor in mathematics and in June of 1920 was married to Dorothy



JAMES LOUIS GUION

Sublette. That year he applied for a transfer to the Ordnance but was ordered to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, as an instructor in communication. Two years later his transfer to the Ordnance was approved and he was assigned to Ordnance engineering instruction at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Nineteen twenty-three involved another transfer, this time to the University of Chicago for courses in ballistics-mathematics and physics. At the end of the second year, Dr. F.R. Moulton requested that Louis be extended to three years in order to teach ballistics and mathematics while the doctor was on sabbatical leave. During this time he completed requirements and examination for his Doctor of Philosophy degree.

Orders were received for Aberdeen Proving Ground in June 1926 where he completed his thesis for the doctorate and was the head of the ballistic section and later the head of ballistics research. Louis took a trip to Chicago during 1928 to receive his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Astronomy.

He departed Aberdeen in 1933 for the Office of the Chief of Ordnance with assignment to the Industrial War College and remained in Washington as head of the Artillery Fire Control Development and Procurement Division and was responsible for research.

A tour as the Director of the Metallurgical Laboratory at Watertown Arsenal in Boston followed the Washington assignment and as World War II approached, Louis was transferred to Pittsburgh as Deputy District Chief, Pittsburgh Ordnance District. Recalled to Washington in 1942, he served as Chief of Artillery Maintenance, spent six months in the Pacific theater on problems in connection with all types of Ordnance materiel and returned to the Military Plans Division of the Office of the Chief of Ordnance. A second trip to the Pacific theater was spent planning for supplies, troops and material for the invasion of Japan. In 1947, Louis was awarded the Legion of Merit and assigned as Ordnance Officer, United States Army Pacific, and Commanding Officer of the Hawaiian Ordnance Depot. He returned to the United States in 1950 to command Springfield Armory, remaining there through the Korean War and until his retirement in 1953. At his retirement he was honored with these words:

To Colonel Guion

Who was the fellow who said, "Parting is such sweet sorrow?" Believe us, Colonel, we don't see anything "sweet" about it. We hate to see you go.

We've known you as a fine commanding officer and a true friend—and that's the way we'll always remember you.

We'll miss you as an efficient leader, respected and admired for your ability and modern ideas, for your honesty and sincerity, for your willingness to listen to us at all times and do your very best to lend a helping hand.

We'll miss that grin of yours, your cheery "hello" and the warm and personal interest you have always taken in each and every one of us.

We'll miss the strains of Mrs. Guion's fine music, her gracious ways, and her genuine friendliness.

We wish you both the very best that life has to offer, and we sincerely hope that everywhere you go you will find friends as sincere and loyal and true as those you are leaving behind you at Springfield Armory.

So long, Colonel. May you and Mrs.

Guion be blessed with good health and a long and happy life together.

Thirty-six years of dedicated service did not slow him down. Louis formed his own engineering consultant firm, was a 3d Degree Mason, a member of the Springfield Rotary Club, served as Red Cross chairman for the city of Springfield, was an active supporter of the Boy Scouts, a member of the Reality Club, and a Deacon in his church.

He belonged to the Sigma Xi, Scientific Research Society; The American Society of Metals, and The American Institute of Mechanical Engineers.

Dad was the complete man, devoted to his country, his family and those who worked for him. He is survived by his wife Dorothy, living in Springfield, Massachusetts, his son Jim, Class of '50, and three grandchildren.

-J.L. Guion Jr., his son

Donovan Swanton

NO. 5717 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 6 February 1976 in New York, New York, aged 84 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

COLONEL DONOVAN SWANTON was born in New York City on 21 September 1891, the son of Margaret and James F. Swanton, a New York attorney. He attended Xavier Grammar and High School and a year at Xavier College in New York City, prior to his appointment to the Academy.

He graduated from the Academy in April 1917. This early graduation date was due to the United States' entry into World War I.

In World War I, Colonel Swanton served with the American Expeditionary Forces as a temporary captain of a Machine Gun Company in the 30th Infantry Regiment of the Third Infantry Division. He saw combat in the Aisne-Marne Defensive, in the Chateau-Thierry Sector, in the Champagne-Marne Defensive, in the Aisne-Marne Offensive, in the Fismes Offensive and on the Vesle River, where on 10 August 1918 he survived a gas attack. After recuperating from the effects of mustard gas he was transferred to the Eighth Machine Gun Battalion and fought in the Saint Mihiel Offensive and the Meuse-Argonne Offensive. His bravery, capability in battle and demonstrative leadership abili-



DONOVAN SWANTON

ties did not go unrecognized by his superiors and he was awarded the Victory Medal, Six Clasps and a Silver Star with an Oak Leaf Cluster.

Upon the conclusion of the war, Colonel Swanton served in Germany with the Army of Occupation in the Adjutant General's Office in Paris as Secretary to the General Staff. He was promoted to captain in 1919.

During the post war years, he was assigned to various stateside posts and also was attached to the American Embassy in Paris. In addition, he served as an instructor in French at the Academy and commanded Civilian Conservation Corps camps in the Bitter Root Mountains of Montana and the Cumberland Mountains of Tennessee. He was appointed Associate Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of New Hampshire and also served there as Assistant Commandant of the Reserve Officers Training Corps.

Following his promotion to lieutenant colonel in 1940, Colonel Swanton commanded the posts at Fort Wayne, Michigan, and Fort Custer at Battle Creek, Michigan. In 1941 he was assigned to Fort William McKinley at Rizal, Philippine Islands.

After the outbreak of World War II, Colonel Swanton served as Commanding Officer of the 51st Infantry Regiment of the Philippine Army on Bataan. He was wounded on 22 January 1942 and awarded the Purple Heart. After capitulation on 9 April 1942 he became a prisoner of war. He survived the infamous "Death March" and was held prisoner for three and one-half years in the Philippines, Formosa, Japan, Korea and Manchuria. He was finally liberated by the Russians from Muckden, Manchuria in 1945.

For his service in the Pacific theater, Colonel Swanton received a World War II Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Medal, Philippine Defense Medal, Silver Star with an additional Cluster, a Bronze Star, an American Defense of the Philippines Medal, a Distinguished Unit Citation with Three Clusters and a Combat Infantry Badge.

He was appointed full colonel in December 1945. Thereafter, until his retirement in 1951, the Colonel served his country in various capacities, including acting as Professor of Military Science and Tactics and Commandant of the Reserve Officers Training Corps at Niagara University from 1946 through his retirement in 1951.

Surviving the Colonel is his sister, Marguerite Swanton, who resided with him at 71 West 12th Street, New York City, and who attended the funeral service held with full military honors at the Academy.

Robert Hilton Offley

NO. 5960 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 25 May 1975 at Camp Pendleton, California, aged 77 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

BOB WAS BORN into the Army at Fort Reno, Oklahoma Territory. His father, the third generation of Offleys to serve in the Army, retired in 1937 as a colonel. Bob graduated 12 June 1918, one of the 137 left of 188 plebes. Due to World War I his class graduated one year early. Those assigned to the Infantry and Cavalry attended a special course of instruction in all Infantry weapons and communications at the Infantry School



ROBERT HILTON OFFLEY

of Arms at Fort Sill, from early in July to mid-September.

He was selected to be an instructor and moved with the school to Columbus, Georgia. He remained with the school until September 1920, when he was transferred to the 43d Infantry at Camp Lee, Virginia. His stay at Camp Lee was short as the regiment was transferred in February 1921 to the Philippines. He had lived there for six years while his father was military governor of Mindoro. Bob also served, while in the Islands, with the 45th Infantry before returning to the States and station at Fort Sam Houston with the 2d Infantry Division, until May 1925.

A tour of Reserve Officer Training Corps duty at Johns Hopkins University followed. He had another tour of ROTC duty at the University of Hawaii from September 1931 to September 1935. He must have done very well for he had his third ROTC detail at the University of Nebraska from October 1939 to June 1941. Then a short tour at Camp Wheeler, Georgia, as Executive Officer and Commanding Officer, Training Branch, Infantry Replacement Training Center, from July 1941 to March 1942.

His prior services in the Philippines and his ability to speak Tagalog fluently were no doubt the reasons for his next assignment, that of Commanding Officer to activate and train the 1st Filipino Infantry Regiment, in California, from April 1942 to March 1944. The regiment then moved to New Guinea for jungle warfare training. The regiment was actively engaged from June to October 1945 in combat operations clearing northern Luzon of the still fiercely resisting remnants of the Japanese Army.

Bob received a Bronze Star Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with two bronze stars, Philippine Liberation Medal with one bronze star, and the Philippine Independence Medal.

After the Filipino regiments were sent home in February 1946 to be deactivated, Bob was transferred to the 45th Infantry Philippine Scouts until he returned to the States in December 1946, then being assigned for duty with the Montana National Guard as Senior Instructor with station at Helena until he retired at his own request on 30 September 1948 with over thirty years service.

Bob married Eleanor Moir on 31 August 1948 at Great Falls, Montana. They lived in southern France for four years, then in Hawaii for six years before finally settling

down in the Laguna Beach area in California.

Our HOWITZER describes him as care-free, happy-go-lucky, independent yet congenial, good mixer, earnest workhorse, generous and unassuming. These are the qualities of character which helped him to succeed in his military career. He was highly respected and admired by the men of the 1st Filipino Regiment—the best reward for a troop commander. They called him their “Tatay” (father, in Tagalog). The veterans of the regiment have highly honored him in the history of their wartime unit.

The BOLO NEWS, a monthly newsletter of the 1st and 2d Filipino Regiments, is quoted: “Colonel Offley is gone, but his name, leadership, fatherly advice to his troops, good disposition, fair dealings with everybody and sacrifices will always remain in the minds and hearts of his officers who had the honor to serve under him. Everybody loved that officer—no question about that! He was always number one officer in their hearts. GOD BLESS HIM.”

Also: “If the 1st Regiment was considered as the most publicized and decorated regimental combat-size unit in the Pacific Theater of Operations in World War II, it was because of the great leadership of their commanding officer, Colonel Robert Hilton Offley, his understanding of people, his patience with his men’s training here in the States and in New Guinea. He was the greatest. Ask any man who had the honor to serve under his leadership.”

Bob’s survivors are his widow; and by his first marriage, his son Robert Jr., Class of 1942; daughter, Sister Margaret of Sisters of Notre Dame; daughter, Mrs. Henry Walther and her three children; and his sister, Mrs. Griffith Clark.

—E.W.G.

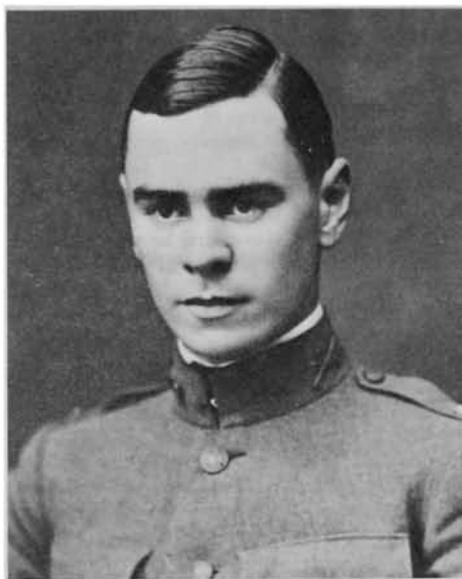
John Kennedy Buchanan

NO. 6199 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 26 February 1974 at Veterans Hospital, Phoenix, Arizona, aged 75 years.

Interment: Siskiyou Memorial Cemetery,
Medford, Oregon

JOHN KENNEDY BUCHANAN was born on 11 October 1898 at Neola, Pottawattamie County, Iowa, the son of Kennedy Buchanan of Scotch ancestry and Sophia (Felton) Buchanan of English heritage. His grandparents, John and Jesse (Dickson) Buchanan, emigrated from Kilmarnock, Scotland, to the United States with their ten children in 1873 and settled immediately on a farm they purchased near Neola. The Buchanans lost no time in becoming citizens, having accomplished the declaration for citizenship at Council Bluffs, Iowa, in 1875. The Buchanan family continued in the farming industry for several generations, and throughout demonstrated a proud patriotism toward their newly adopted country, and displayed a deep feeling of honor and respect toward the fighting forces of the United States. The grandfather, John Buchanan, was one of the founders of the Presbyterian Church at Neola. John’s father, Kennedy Buchanan, at one time planned to go to Omaha to enlist in the 7th Cavalry, but was prevailed upon by the Presbyterian minister to stay on the farm near Neola. Circumstances at the time had indicated a need for him to remain close to the family. So it becomes clear that as a result of being reared in the wholesome atmo-



JOHN KENNEDY BUCHANAN

sphere of such a family, our John Kennedy Buchanan would develop even as a young boy in grade school at Neola a fierce hope of becoming a cadet at West Point. Contemporaries remember that John at an early age felt that it would be an honor to be willing to meet any danger in wearing the uniform, following the flag, and fighting for his country.

John attended the high school at Neola, being graduated therefrom in 1915. In the autumn of that year and the following winter in 1916, John returned to the high school to take additional subjects subsequent to his graduation. In these subjects, he made high grades. He received an appointment to West Point from Congressman William R. Green of the Ninth District of Iowa. John’s Neola High School certificate was accepted, and he did not have to take the mental test for admission to the Academy. He was sworn in as a cadet on 10 July 1916.

As a cadet, John was known among his classmates as “Buck,” and enduringly to his family always as “Johnny.”

The course of instruction of Buck’s class at the Academy for the first two years was conducted in the normal and usual manner of curriculum. However, our country having become a part of World War I from 6 April 1917, a marked change was instituted to adopt a crash program of training at the end of the yearling year. The summer furlough period was shortened to one half the usual length so that half the class alternated with the other half on furlough and special summer duty and intensified tactical training at the Academy. The academic courses and training schedules were revised in a furious attempt to get over a year and seven months of work accomplished in three months of long hours and many lectures by the time the class was graduated on 1 November 1918. This was officially known as “The War Emergency Course” as is depicted on the diplomas awarded the class upon graduation.

It is interesting to note that among the courses prescribed for his class, Buck made his highest grades in the following specific six subjects carried in ascending order: Mathematics, Surveying, Chemistry, Mineralogy and Geology, Drill and Regulation, Philosophy.

Upon graduation, Buck was commissioned second lieutenant in the Infantry and assigned as a student officer on 2 December 1918 to

the Infantry School of Arms at Camp Benning, Georgia, in company with those of his classmates commissioned in the Infantry and Cavalry with the exception of those who were assigned to attend the Machine Gun School at Camp Hancock, Georgia. Upon graduation from the School of Arms on 22 February 1919, Buck was assigned to duty with the 20th Infantry at Fort Riley, Kansas.

By late spring of 1919, the members of Buck’s class had been graduated from the basic school of their respective arms and were scattered on various assignments. World War I armistice had been signed on 11 November 1918. The engineers, most of the field artillery classmates, and some of the classmates of other branches were ordered to Europe to make a tour of the battlefields and Services of Supply installations. But Buck and a group of his classmates in the Infantry were ordered to Vladivostok with a chance for combat against the Red Guards and Russian partisans in Siberia. Buck debarked at Vladivostok on 29 June 1919 and was assigned to duty with the Provisional Battalion of the 31st Infantry with headquarters at Shkotovo about 40 miles west of Vladivostok.

The following remarks are extracted from Buck’s efficiency reports:

—Duty with Headquarters 2d Provisional Battalion 31st Infantry, 30 June–7 July 1919, Shkotovo, Siberia.

—“A capable and energetic young officer who handled his job exceedingly well. . . . A reliable hard working officer who should prove very valuable to the Military establishment.”

—Duty with Detachment Company C, 31st Infantry, 8 July–18 July 1919, Kangauz, Siberia during active operations against Bolsheviks.

—“A refined courteous young man whose integrity is beyond reproach. He advanced courageously against the enemy, kept cool during the action and did his work in an excellent manner.”

While on duty in Siberia, Buck was promoted to first lieutenant on 5 November 1919. The 31st Infantry returned to the Philippines in March 1928, the hot season there. But ice breakers had to be employed to get out of Vladivostok harbor. Buck was stationed first at Fort William McKinley for six months and then transferred with the regiment to Manila for the remainder of his stay in the Philippines. He embarked from Manila on 15 June 1921 for assignment with the 7th Infantry at Camp Pike, Arkansas. He remained with the 7th Infantry at Camp Pike and moved with the regiment to Camp Lewis, Washington, on 15 September 1921. Beginning 31 August 1922, Buck obtained a detail of nearly a year of duty with the horse-drawn 10th Field Artillery at Camp Lewis as a widening experience in military education. It was during this year with the 10th Field Artillery that Buck contracted encephalitis, a dangerous disease attacking the brain and nervous system, often fatal, particularly at that time prior to the advent of antibiotics. Buck lay in a coma for weeks, but had the stamina to recover and return to duty. Repeated examinations by the medics showed “epidemic encephalitis residuals” not found. However, Buck found that some of his faculties seemed impaired. He did not retain at times what he read and studied as he formerly had. This condition would seem to clear up and disappear only to return on occasions more severely. But Buck doggedly continued to struggle on. He became interested in signal communications and began to perfect himself in this discipline. He was

placed on special duty with special troops of Headquarters 3d Division and in September of 1923 was detailed to the Signal Corps. On 22 March 1924, he was placed on temporary duty with the Washington-Alaska Cable and Telegraph System and ordered in charge of the construction of the Trocadero Trench and laying the cable across Prince of Wales Island, Alaska, connecting Trocadero Bay with Twelve Mile Arm of Kasaan Bay. This was a difficult assignment. The weather was highly inclement, the soil swampy, the terrain covered with dense forest, and there were several streams to be crossed. The use of conventional power machinery was impractical over the bottomless morass, so that horses were used. He was required to act as finance officer, and had to purchase numerous provisions and supplies. The project was brought to a successful conclusion and Buck was given a splendid commendation for his work and supervision.

Buck was transferred to the Signal Corps on 14 April 1925 and continued in signal work with the 3d Signal Company at Camp Lewis and was later made assistant to the Signal Officer 9th Corps Area at Presidio of San Francisco. He entered the Signal School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, on 1 October 1926 as a student in the company officers' course from which he was graduated on 15 June 1927. But while still at Camp Lewis in January 1926, Buck had suffered wounds and contusions on his face and head upon being thrown violently against the side of an automobile when the car in which he was a passenger collided with another. This accident seemed to aggravate and reestablish some of the symptoms noted after his illness of encephalitis. This along with the strain of pursuing the course at the Signal School resulted in several instances of hospitalization while at the school. He went directly to Walter Reed Hospital for observation upon graduation from the Signal School. He was returned to duty 13 August 1927 with findings of no incapacitation for field duty and with the remark "no residuals of epidemic encephalitis were discovered." Buck was then assigned to duty with the 51st Signal Battalion until 20 November 1928 when he was ordered before a retiring board of officers and was retired as first lieutenant, United States Army for disability in line of duty, effective 5 March 1929.

But Buck was not the man to accept the destruction of his life and hopes without a struggle. He, having liked and done well in mathematics and surveying, entered on 20 August 1929 the University of California at Berkeley as a student in the College of Civil Engineering. But the disability previously incurred had taken its toll, and Buck after having struggled mightily to master the course of study which he could have handled readily in his normal days was forced to drop out in December 1930.

Buck at some earlier date had met at a dancing party at the Camp Lewis Officers Club an attractive widow, Evangeline Hume. A romance developed and they were married at Santa Rosa, California, on the 23d day of September 1930. This was a happy, successful lifelong marriage.

Buck and Vangy decided in 1933 to go into the cattle breeding business as he had been raised on a farm, and had enjoyed helping his father with cattle. They found an ideal location for raising range cattle in an almost inaccessible region on Smiths River near Gunter, Douglas County, Oregon, about thirty miles southwest of Eugene. They pur-

chased eighty acres with range grass, built a small house, a huge barn, corrals, and other accessories needed on a cattle breeding ranch. A stable cross breed of Hereford and Shorthorn cattle with white faces was developed, attaining the advantage of hybrid vigor. Vangy and Buck operated this venture with considerable success. Some of the winters would be spent in San Francisco and Mexico City, so that life was not all frustration and tragedy. The life on the ranch was so beneficial that Buck seemed to recover his health and damaged abilities.

When the Pearl Harbor episode occurred, Vangy said, "Nothing would do but Johnny must get into the fray in some capacity." The cattle and the ranch were sold immediately at a ruinous price. Buck hastened to Letterman Hospital for a physical examination. The specialists there declared him fit for arduous duty. The commander at Fort Mason desired Buck's services and sent in an application for Buck's restoration to active duty. The application was disapproved in Washington—at Buck's retirement his disability had been ruled permanent. Bitterly disappointed, Buck obtained a job as a civilian managing the exchange aboard the Army Transport "Ancon," sailing from San Francisco. Vangy writes, "To his boundless joy, they were almost caught in the battle of the Coral Sea." (This was in May 1942.) "My sweet old war horse had a sniff of powder. But it seemed to satisfy him." Later the "Ancon" caught fire in the Atlantic and put in to port at Boston for repairs. Buck then obtained a position in the Post Exchange in Boston. While there, he went to Walter Reed Hospital for another physical examination and another try for active duty. He was declared fit, but his application for active duty was again rejected in Washington. Again keenly disappointed, he returned to Boston to the Post Exchange position where he remained until the Navy took over transport services.

Buck and Vangy returned to San Francisco where he soon obtained another job in the war effort as a civilian, this time as a purchasing agent for the Weyerhaeuser steamship Company which had a contract with the government to operate on both coasts to ship supplies to the war zones. Buck liked this work and held the position until the contract held by the steamship company was taken over by other entities and expired.

Buck's next venture as a civilian in the war effort was in the employ of the Bechtel-Price-Callahan Company under contract to the Chief of Engineers who implemented the Canol Project in Alaska, and in the Yukon and Northwest Territories of Canada. This project involved setting up an oil refinery at Whitehorse and the construction of a road and oil pipeline from Johnson's Crossing over the Mackenzie Mountains to oil fields at Norman Wells on the Mackenzie River. Buck had charge of warehouses set up at intervals along the road as it progressed. The bulk of the workers had to come from the United States. The employment officers of the Bechtel-Price-Callahan Company across the United States posted the sign as copied below.

THIS IS NO PICNIC

Working and living conditions on this job are as difficult as those encountered on any construction job ever done in the United States or Foreign Territory. Men hired for this job will be required to work and live under the most extreme conditions imaginable. Temperatures will range from 90 degrees above zero to 70 degrees below zero. Men will

have to fight swamps, rivers, ice and cold. Mosquitoes, flies and gnats will not only be annoying but will cause bodily harm. If you are not prepared to work under these and similar conditions

DO NOT APPLY

Buck's name appears among those on the company roster of the personnel who served nine months or longer in Canada or Alaska.

In 1945, Buck and Vangy moved from San Francisco to a home they purchased in Phoenix. At about that time, Buck developed diabetes which he fought the remainder of his life. The disease gradually destroyed his arteries and heart and injured his eyesight. Vangy reports that they lived happily in the home at Phoenix and that Johnny was a good and faithful husband.

Buck raised and supported his three stepdaughters through their childhoods, and they took his surname as their own. They regard him with genuine fondness and respect.

We feel without question that Buck can be acclaimed to have served with the true commendation of "Well Done," and to have lived in conformity with West Point's motto, expressed by General Douglas MacArthur as "those hallowed words—Duty, Honor, Country."

—W.P.B.

James Wellington Boyd

NO. 6473 CLASS OF 1919

Died 8 September 1975 in Falmouth, Maine, aged 77 years.

Interment: Pine Grove Cemetery, Falmouth, Maine

JAMES WELLINGTON BOYD died suddenly on 8 September 1975 of natural causes at the age of 77. He graduated from West Point, Class of 1919, and was assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps, Fort Monroe, Virginia; then to Fort Williams, Maine, 1920-1922 and to Boston, Massachusetts, as aide-de-camp to General M.L. Hersey. He resigned from the service in 1923 to become sales manager of E. Corey & Co., Portland, Maine, and then sales manager of Maine Electric Company in 1927. He married Alice Carter in 1928, and founded his own business, The Boyd Corporation, in Portland, Maine, in 1931 where he served as president, with the ex-



JAMES WELLINGTON BOYD

ception of the war years 1942-1945, until his retirement in 1961. The Boyd Corporation opened branches in Providence, Rhode Island, and Boston, Massachusetts, during his term and the company became a sizable and widely respected major appliance wholesale distributor.

In 1942, he reenlisted in the Air Transport Command where he served as Air Inspector with the headquarters of the North Atlantic Division. He retired a colonel in 1945.

Jim's hockey interest, developed with the West Point varsity, continued after his graduation. He played with the Boston Olympics and other semi-pro teams for a period of fifteen years after graduation. He developed active interests in upland bird shooting and fishing, as well as tennis and golf. In his latter years he became an avid boat owner and cruised the waters between Maine and Florida extensively. His greatest joys came from active involvement with the outdoors and he was favored with good health which allowed him these pleasures to the very end.

Jim retained a great sense of pride in the Academy and returned to a number of football games with his family. We will all remember the special feelings we shared with him at the Saturday Dress Parades. Jim leaves behind two children, James C. Boyd and Barbara Soule, a growing and prosperous business, and the memory of a man who lived an active and very happy life.

Claude Birkett Ferenbaugh

NO. 6520 CLASS OF 1919

Died 10 September 1975 at Bethesda, Maryland, aged 76 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

"NEVER INSCRUTABLE and ruggedly indiscreetible"—that was my first impression of Buddy Ferenbaugh. In June 1917, when he joined the Long Gray Line on The Plain of West Point, his tall, athletic figure exuded physical force; however, it was soon apparent that a gentle nature prevailed. Those who were closely associated with Buddy find it difficult to realize that he finally succumbed to illness. Did he himself know the end of the trail was near? Only twenty-four hours earlier he had submitted to grueling tests at Walter Reed Hospital. When asked the result of the brain scan, he replied in characteristic good humor, "They couldn't find it." Quietly in his sleep a few hours later he passed away.

Claude Birkett Ferenbaugh was born in Dresden, New York, 16 March 1899, and schooled in his small hometown, Penn Yan, in the State of New York. As a 6-foot 4-inch West Point plebe, he was a prime target for the "little Napoleons" in the Yearling Class. However, he easily satisfied their lust for "stress and strain" thanks to a florid complexion, taken as evidence of his earnest effort "to pull one's chin back."

Due to the shortage of officers in World War I, Buddy's class was graduated early as second lieutenants, with the prospect of prompt wartime assignment overseas. However, Germany agreed to an armistice on 11 November 1918, and the class was remanded to West Point for further academic work and training. During the summer of 1919, Buddy accompanied his classmates on a tour of the battlefields in Belgium, France and Italy, and also visited the United States occupation forces in the Rhineland. Returning



CLAUDE BIRKETT FERENBAUGH

stateside that autumn, he resumed training at The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, and in June 1920 Lieutenant Ferenbaugh was assigned to the 4th Infantry Division at Fort Dodge, Iowa. Following a summer of maneuvers, he moved west with the Division to Camp Lewis, Washington. In July 1921, he was ordered downstate to Vancouver Barracks, to become Adjutant of the 3d Battalion, 59th Infantry. August 1922 marked a personal triumph for Buddy Ferenbaugh when he married an Army daughter, Dorothy Van Way, at Vancouver Barracks. In October 1922, he was assigned to the 19th Infantry and later transferred to the 21st Infantry in Hawaii. Returning to the mainland in 1924, he served at Fort Niagara and then spent the summer as an instructor in rifle marksmanship at Camp Perry, Ohio. Lieutenant Ferenbaugh was returned to the 21st Infantry at Schofield Barracks in 1925. In October of that year he was again ordered to Vancouver Barracks. After serving six years, performing various types of garrison duty, he was detailed in 1931 for a year at the Signal School, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, graduating that June. He was assigned to the 29th Infantry, the demonstration regiment of the Army at Fort Benning. Now a captain, he was assigned in fall 1935 as a student at the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Graduating with honors in 1936, he was ordered overseas to join the 57th Infantry (Philippine Scouts) at Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands. In 1939 he received orders to the prestigious Army War College in Washington, D.C. This assignment revealed that his twenty years of service reflected a superior performance and dedication. From War College in that June, now a major, Buddy was moved to the Personnel Division of the War Department General Staff at a time when the pace was accelerating throughout the United States armed forces, and was marked by intense mobilization and enlargement of our military and industrial capacities.

With the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, our country was drawn into a "two front" war in Europe and Asia. Most officers on Pentagon staff duty promptly requested assignment to the many rapidly forming combat units. Early in 1942, recently promoted to lieutenant colonel, Ferenbaugh was fortunate in his orders to the II Corps at Jacksonville, Florida. Leaving duty at the War Department, he happily quipped, "Some have to do the thinking—some the fighting." He was

promptly named Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations in the combat-ready II Corps, which shipped to England in fall 1942 to prepare for landings in North Africa.

Following United States capture of Oran and Algiers, and contiguous eastern areas along the African littoral, preparations in the II Corps under Ferenbaugh's supervision were expedited to advance against the Germans and Italians farther to the East. In January 1943, now a colonel, Ferenbaugh was ordered back to the Operations Division of the General Staff. A year later he gained the desired prospect of combat command with orders to the 83d Infantry Division at Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky. That April, he became a brigadier general and was appointed Assistant Division Commander and accompanied the 83d to England where the Division made final preparations for the invasion. He experienced for the first time combat command responsibilities against the enemy in France and won a Silver Star "For gallantry in action on 12 July 1944, when, through his conspicuous leadership and personal courage, he inspired his men to aggressively attack and successfully rout a strong enemy detachment supported by tanks that was impeding the advance of one of his regiments."

In May 1945, General Ferenbaugh again returned to General Staff duty in Washington with the Operations Division. The citation for a Distinguished Service Medal reveals the important contribution he made to the effort in his duties at a critical phase:

"Brigadier General Claude B. Ferenbaugh performed exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service from May 1945 to March 1946 as Chief, Troop Control Section, Theater Group of the Operations Division. He was responsible for insuring proper coordination of all matters pertaining to redeployment and readjustment of the Army and was signally successful in solving the many complex problems which these simultaneous and conflicting activities occasioned. General Ferenbaugh's far reaching decisions, based on wide knowledge and experience, prevented the useless movement of troops and supplies to the Pacific. His ability to solve problems quickly, and his unfailing and forceful leadership contributed in a marked degree to the success of our war effort."

In April 1946, he was made Commander of the Military District of Washington and drew additional duties involving the Army-Navy atom bomb tests at Bikini, serving in the Pacific as Chief of Staff of that critical operation from October 1947 to June 1948. Upon completion of the Bikini tests that summer, Buddy was ordered to Hawaii as commander of Schofield Barracks. In May 1950, he was in charge of all United States Army Forces, Pacific. Then he was assigned to the Third Army in August 1950, at Fort McPherson, Georgia. However, his battle experience was to be employed again when he was promoted to major general and sent in January 1951 to lead the 7th Infantry Division in Korea.

The comments of a brother officer who observed General Ferenbaugh there:

"In 1951 Buddy came to Korea to command the Seventh Division. The procedures he followed were examples of his instinctive understanding of the leadership role of a combat commander.

"Before joining the Seventh, he spent four days with the Second Division (I

was then Assistant Division Commander of the Second). Each day he accompanied me in visiting front line units where he observed operations, got an understanding of their problems and some knowledge of the enemy's practices.

"Immediately after assuming command of the Seventh, Buddy made himself known and recognized. He moved among all units talking to officers and men. He was most frequently seen with front line companies. The word spread and confidence in the new commander grew."

The comments of a fellow officer involved in the combat:

"As a Division Commander, General Ferenbaugh was a thorough professional. His relaxed and easy manner masked a deep concern for the lives of his men. I don't know how much he slept, but at night any time there was a firefight, however modest, in the Division area, he would be on the phone to the unit involved ascertaining if we needed help.

"I never saw him show any tension or fear. He was trapped one day after leaving my area to visit the 32d Infantry. His jeep was shot up and one of the soldiers who rode shotgun was killed. After several hours, a tank maneuvered up the road to where he was pinned down in a ditch and he crawled up into the tank and was rescued. It had been a tough day all along the Division front with the Chinese counterattacking us bitterly. As I remember, General Ferenbaugh returned to his CP about midnight. He was his usual irreverent self and made light of the incident, which nearly cost him his life.

"His restraint in letting each of us command our units was remarkable. It engendered in all of us a deep pride and determination never to let this man down. The soldiers in ranks knew he was as concerned about their lives as he was of his own. Consequently when he had to take on the tough ones, everyone of us knew this was the thing to do and we leaned into it with everything we had."

General Ferenbaugh's outstanding performance in Korea won the Oak Leaf Cluster to his Silver Star "For conspicuous gallantry in action at Habangnim, Korea, on 25 February 1951, when, while visiting one of his front-line battalions, he repeatedly exposed himself unflinchingly to heavy enemy small arms, automatic weapons and mortar fire, thus inspiring his hard-pressed troops to greater effort. His actions contributed in great measure to the successful accomplishment of the battalion's mission."

He also received an Oak Leaf Cluster to his Distinguished Service Medal "For exceptionally meritorious service in positions of great responsibility as Commanding General, 7th Infantry Division, and as a Member, United Nations Command Delegation negotiating a military armistice with the North Korean Communists and Chinese Communist Forces, in Korea, from 20 January 1951, to 4 February 1952. During the spring offensive of the Chinese Communist Forces, he combined determination with professional acumen to stem the onslaught and then launch a successful counteroffensive which continued through Hwachon and cut the escape route of thousands of the enemy. In the Armistice

negotiations with the Communists, his exemplary performance of extremely trying, difficult and sensitive duties materially aided the work of the Delegation."

In February 1952, General Ferenbaugh was appointed Inspector of Infantry in the Office of the Commanding General, Army Field Forces, at Fort Monroe, Virginia. In August 1952, he was assigned as Director of Operations, Plans, Organization and Training of United States Army Forces, Europe headquartered at Heidelberg, Germany. In 1954 he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant general and ordered once more to Korea, this time to command United States Army Forces, Far East.

He returned to Washington, D.C., in June 1955, with a mild illness and reported to Walter Reed for examination. In September 1955, he was retired for physical disability. Thus closed the outstanding career of a true son of West Point. Impressive retirement ceremonies were held at Fort Myer, Virginia, in the presence of senior civilian and military officers, family and friends. There were mixed emotions as Buddy Ferenbaugh bade formal farewell to Army blue.

But there was now increased opportunity for golf, old friends, and expanded time with his wife and daughter. Buddy would be the first to acknowledge the loyal support of his devoted Dorothy. She was the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Charles W. Van Way and had been seasoned in the duties both of Army daughter and wife. She followed the military life with quiet pride. Buddy was proud of his daughter, Dorothy Anne, who had received a master's degree from Columbia's Pulitzer School of Journalism. She is presently Assistant to the Editor-in-Chief of Time, Inc., New York.

Grateful for the rewarding opportunities of thirty-five years of service in the Army and appreciative of the especially deep friendships military life fosters, Dorothy and Buddy left for Palo Alto, California, to settle in a new "Dunrovin" home. Buddy promptly became involved in business; accepted a position with U.S. Chemical Milling Co. There was one more "change of station" though. In 1959 the Ferenbaughs moved to Bethesda, Maryland. Buddy continued as Washington, D.C., representative of the Chemical Milling Company and was elected president of the Army-Navy Club in 1961. In 1966, he was tapped Grand Paramount Carabao, the coveted high office of the Military Order of the Carabao, a popular social organization of military men who have had duty in the Philippines. Buddy unselfishly supported all activities of Academy graduates.

"Duty" and "Honor" were not just abstract words to you, Buddy. They were your lifetime guideposts. May you be at peace among the members of the Long Gray Line in the Eternal Kingdom. You were very special to all whose lives you enriched. We miss you. —A Classmate

Ulric Lee Fomby

NO. 6535 CLASS OF 1919

Died 20 December 1975 in Homer, Louisiana, aged 77 years.

Interment: Arlington Cemetery,
Homer, Louisiana

ULRIC LEE FOMBY was born in Homer, Louisiana, the son of Walter Lee Fomby and Lulu (Alexander) Fomby. He was graduated from Homer High School and received



ULRIC LEE FOMBY

his appointment to West Point in 1917. World War I cut short his study at West Point, and he was graduated November 1, 1919.

Following graduation, his class went to France on a tour of the Belgian, French and Italian battlefields.

Later, he was assigned to the 25th Infantry, and from 1920-1923 was stationed at posts in Arizona, Colorado, Texas and New Mexico. The latter part of 1923 he was stationed at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, with the 21st Infantry, where he was assistant to the Post and Division Property Auditor.

While stationed in Hawaii, he met Rose Marjorie Truskett from Kansas City, Missouri, and they were married 10 September 1924. He resigned from the service the same year, and they returned to Homer, Louisiana.

In 1942 Ulric reentered the service and was stationed at Camp Livingston, Louisiana, as Post Adjutant. At the close of the war he resigned with the rank of lieutenant colonel and returned to Homer, Louisiana.

Ulric spent most of his life in Homer, Louisiana. "Mr. Fomby, suh. 'Bout three thousand, suh." According to the HOWITZER, this was the introduction he gave when entering West Point.

Funeral services were conducted by Reverend Cleburne W. Quaid of the United Methodist Church. The following are excerpts from one of the services: "...Ulric was a close friend of mine... We drank coffee at 8:25 each Monday morning. He was seldom one minute early or late. Punctuality and adherence to schedule was an integral part of his life. Things moved like clockwork for him. Perhaps this came from his education at West Point."

"He was at the store exactly on time. He left on schedule, ate, slept and read in the afternoon on schedule... was punctual and regular in worship attendance. He was simply dependable."

"Ulric was a prolific reader and a charming conversationalist. He was well-informed on the economy and the government, as well as foreign affairs. What a delight it was to talk with him!"

"We honor and memorialize this gentleman and friend, but even more, we celebrate his faith and thank God that he was sent our way... I thank God for the Christian faith which Ulric accepted and made part of his life. I don't know about schedules in heaven,

but I have a feeling that God won't have any trouble with Ulric following his..."

He is survived by his widow Marjorie of New York City; three sisters: Mrs. William L. Bowles and Mrs. Raymond J. Tranter, both of Homer, and Mrs. A.V. Weaver, New Roads, Louisiana; one brother: Oswald Fomby of Homer.

William Squier Wood Jr.

NO. 6613 CLASS OF 1920

Died 6 November 1975 at Beloit, Wisconsin, aged 77 years.

Interment: Beloit, Wisconsin

WILLIAM S. WOOD JR., was born 11 June 1898, in Two Rivers, Wisconsin. His father, William S. Wood, was born in Canada and immigrated to the United States in the 1880's to find employment in Two Rivers, Wisconsin, in his trade, which was that of an Inn-keeper. His mother, Carolyn Pierpont, was the daughter of a Two Rivers, Wisconsin, industrialist. His parents raised, in addition to Bill, brothers, Hiram Orange Wood and Pierpont Jonathan Edwards Wood, both of whom predeceased Bill.

He graduated from Two Rivers High School in 1916, with highest honors, and attended Marion Academy for one year in 1917. He was then appointed to the United States Military Academy where he graduated with the Class of 1920. While he had many activities at the Academy, his main recreation and love was horses. After graduation from the Academy, he was stationed with an Artillery unit in France for one year and then transferred to Fort Knox, in Kentucky.

While stationed at Fort Knox, he met and married Marion Stark Bruner, of Louisville, Kentucky—their marriage taking place on 8 March 1922. At that time, the Artillery wintered at Fort Knox, Kentucky, but summered at Camp McCoy, in Sparta, Wisconsin, which required the unit to march from Louisville to central Wisconsin. While on that march, he became acquainted with officials at the Beloit Iron Works in Beloit, Wisconsin, where subsequently he became employed.

After serving at Fort Knox, he served at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, before he resigned from the regular Army in



WILLIAM SQUIER WOOD JR.

1928 and joined the Wisconsin National Guard.

While working at the Beloit Iron Works, which subsequently changed its name to the Beloit Corporation, he had his initial job on the erection floor, using his training in the Military Academy as the equivalent of an engineering degree. His Army-trained leadership abilities helped him to progress to Shop Superintendent, then to Personnel and Labor Relations, and finally to Vice President in charge of Production and Plant Manager. Meanwhile, his regular Army training helped him progress through the ranks in the Wisconsin National Guard until he was appointed brigadier general in charge of the 57th Field Artillery Brigade of the Wisconsin National Guard in 1939. In 1940 the unit was activated and he served with that unit at Camp Beauregard and Camp Livingston, Louisiana, until he resigned in November of 1941.

Once again a civilian, he continued his work with the Beloit Corporation, and after successfully operating the Beloit main plant of the company, converted other factories to his company's use in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, and Downingtown, Pennsylvania, and started up factories for the company at Walmsly, England and Pinnerota, Italy. His normal work week, both civilian and military, was usually six and one-half days, and therefore his hobbies and other activities were severely limited. Gradually, as he became older, he began to restrict his work, and retired on a farm in Wisconsin, and then to a house in Florida. Eventually, when he was in his 70's, he returned to Beloit, Wisconsin, to live near his children.

He is survived by his wife Marion, who still lives at 920 Park Avenue, Beloit, Wisconsin. Their relationship from beginning to end can best be described as having the loyalty, respect and good humor of an old fashioned marriage. His daughter Marion predeceased him by a number of years, and his son Jonathan died quite suddenly shortly after his death. He is survived by his son, William S. Wood III, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and although his health gradually failed, and toward the end he lost his eyesight, he never lost his sense of humor or his enjoyment of life.

—His son—Bill

Ford Trimble

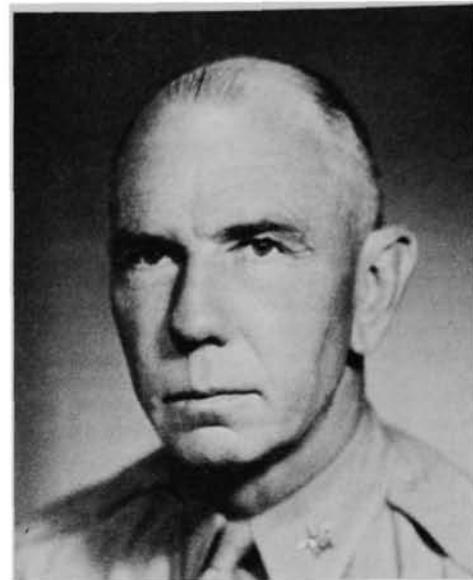
NO. 6643 CLASS OF 1920

Died 9 June 1972 in Lutheran Hospital, Wheatridge, Colorado, aged 73 years.

Interment: Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colorado

COUNT TRIMBLE, recipient of the highest honor of the Kingdom of Denmark, the Grand Order of Danneborg, would have been of the royalty of any country whose most distinguished sons are so recognized by birth or achievement.

Born Ford Trimble on 31 October 1898 of the eminent Trimble family of the Great Northwest, his father was William Pitt Trimble, twice Mayor of the city of Seattle and twice Governor of the state of Washington; and his mother, Cannie Ford, of pioneer Kentucky stock, was a leader in Seattle civic affairs, many philanthropies and women's activities throughout her active life. With such a background of forebears, it was to be



FORD TRIMBLE

expected that the son would be a "natural" for leadership in the years to come.

Schooled at the historic Massachusetts Croton School, where he rowed on the varsity crew, excelled in English, and received the school's highest honor—Prefect—Ford was headed for Harvard and a business or legal career; so the senior William Pitt thought. But young Trimble had other aims.

Without parental blessing, knowledge or assistance, he applied to Senator Wesley Jones, of Washington State, for an appointment to West Point. The good Senator was only too happy to do a good turn for the son of his old friend, with the result that before Papa realized it, his son was embarked upon a military career which was to prove most distinguished, and to render important service to his country covering most of the world through more than three decades of epoch-shaking events.

At West Point, Trimble was an excellent student, maintaining an "upper third" class standing with a minimum of apparent effort, while his record in demerits is one probably unsurpassed even to this day—a total of nine for the first year! As right guide of the first platoon of "A" Company, the tall spooey cadet sergeant set the pace for The Corps. A parade-side youngster once expressed the impressive precision of the front rank of some fifty pairs of No. 12's, led by Trimble's No. 13's, with an excited observation, "Oh, Ma, look at them feet!" Had it not been for the concealing tarbucket chin straps, the entire company might well have been skinned for "smiling in ranks at parade."

Recreational riding with his Cavalry-boning classmates, regular Hop attendance, either "with" or "without," and always a good grind or pleasantry were earmarks of one of the most personable and popular men in the class which were to be carried with him throughout his career.

Upon graduation in 1920, Lieutenant Trimble, commissioned in the Field Artillery, was selected for the choice assignment to the Army of Occupation in Germany, followed by detail as student at the Field Artillery School at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He continued at the school as an instructor until 1923, when he was picked as aide to Brigadier General Douglas MacArthur, Superintendent, USMA, remaining on that duty through "never-a-dull-moment" tours with the General during his successive and rapid promotions from one to four stars; in the Philippines; Fourth Corps

Area, Atlanta; III Corps Area, Baltimore; back to the Philippines as Department Commander; Ninth Corps Area at San Francisco; and finally Chief of Staff of the Army in Washington. The record speaks for itself; the able and dedicated service of Ford Trimble as the personal aide to one of the most distinguished Generals in history during the period he was "on the make" had much to do with smoothing the way for the great General of the Army MacArthur. The stories Ford has told of experiences of that decade would themselves make a "best seller" book; such as when returning from an evening social event, their car was held up by two highwaymen, brandishing pistols and commanding "Hands up!"; the General gave them an icy stare saying "I am a General of the United States Army, and I hold up my hands to no man!" The would-be robbers fled.

Following membership on the United States Olympic Equestrian Team, 1928, and a brief return to aid duty in Washington, Trimble resigned his commission. For personal and family reasons it became desirable for Ford to enter upon the responsibilities of the family business in Seattle.

Even with the heavy obligations of duties as secretary and treasurer of Trimble and Company, the pull of the military was still paramount in his ruling passion and affection. He accepted a commission in the Washington National Guard and advanced rapidly to the grade of captain, doubling in his military and business responsibilities with frequent periods of active duty, until 1941.

Among the numerous commendations for initiative and superior performance of duty was a recognition for an outstanding simplification of the many, and often conflicting, mimeographed instructions for the Civilian Conservation Corps camps. Trimble's brief and to-the-point booklet for guidance in the important and key matters was a godsend for the young officers and non-commissioned officers of the camps. During this period he was also able to squeeze out enough time to attend the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, further fitting him for the wartime duties which lay ahead.

With war raging in Europe, and every indication that our involvement was imminent, Trimble accepted a commission as captain in the United States Army Reserve and entered on full time active duty status. He advanced with minimum time in each successive grade, and was promoted to colonel, United States Army Reserve, in October, 1942. His principal assignments were on the IX Corps Area staff, where, in the G4 Section, he developed the logistical support plan for the Aleutian Campaign, and later became Assistant Chief of Staff, G3 for Operations. His first Legion of Merit citation for these accomplishments read, in part, "... the success of the recent combat operations against the enemy in the Aleutian Islands was due to a considerable extent to the service rendered by Colonel Trimble in the coordination of the preliminary planning and organization of the task force that later occupied and reduced the enemy-held Islands of Attu and Kiska. ..."

Following a brief session at the Army-Navy Staff College, Colonel Trimble reported for duty at Supreme Headquarters American Expeditionary Forces in England in February 1944, where he was appointed Secretary of the General Staff, on which duty he remained for approximately one year, when he was assigned to the Airborne Artillery, having been awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster to

his Legion of Merit for the Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces duty performed in an outstanding manner.

With World War II approaching its end, and the many chaotic problems in connection with the demobilization of millions of men and return to peaceful civilian life, Colonel Trimble was appointed Deputy Head, Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces Mission to Denmark. In the latter position, his performance of singularly outstanding leadership and direction earned him the everlasting devotion and gratitude of the Danes and the Danish Government, in the capture and acceptance of surrender of all German troops in Denmark with the minimum of confusion in their repatriation to their country. By Order of the King of Denmark, Colonel Trimble was "adopted" as an honorary citizen and awarded the Cross of Commander of the Order of Danneberg, 1st Class, which carries with it the title of Count, and is heritable to the oldest son.

Following a brief period in command of the Airborne Artillery unit in occupied Berlin, Colonel Trimble was assigned in August 1945 as Acting Field Commissioner of the United Kingdom for United States Troops. For outstanding performance of duty during this critical two-year period, he was awarded the Order of the British Empire in degree of Honorary Officer.

In the reorganization of the post-war United States Army, Colonel Trimble was reappointed in the Regular Army in the grade of major in October of that year, and resuming his colonelcy in 1948, with duty in Washington at the Pentagon, in the Procurement Planning Office.

Much to his pleasure, Colonel Trimble, in February, 1948, was "drafted" by the Commanding General, United States Army Group, Greece, for duty as his Deputy Chief of Staff, and subsequently as Chief, Joint United States Military Advisory Group Detachment at "A" Corps Headquarters. After a two-year stint of this strenuous, but enjoyable for the ever-active Trimble, Grecian duty, he was awarded the Medal for Distinguished Services with the citation signed by King Paul, for his able efforts and accomplishments.

The next assignment was a well deserved "plush" post in Wurzburg, Germany. This pleasant duty was all too short lived as Colonel Trimble's skill and expertise were needed in Norway to assist in the postwar reorganization of their North Atlantic Treaty Organization Army. Excerpt from the citation for the period 1950 to 1954 and award of the Commander's Cross of the Royal Norwegian Order of Saint Olaf reads, "... disregarding even vacations, he has undertaken a most thorough study of the Norwegian Army, and offered recommendations for reorganization and reforms that will be of greatest value. ..."

At a State dinner given by the American Ambassador in Oslo, Colonel Trimble was seated as dinner partner with a most attractive young lady, Miss Edith Bjornsen, daughter of Otto Bernhard and Olga Josephine Bjornsen. That was the end of self-imposed bachelorhood for Count Ford Trimble. They were married in 1953 and lived happily in Norway and Fort Carson, Colorado, from which post he was mandatorily retired after thirty-five years of spectacular service to his country and most of its Allies.

After his retirement from the Army, now as "Mr." Trimble, he resumed in the business world with the Tenneco Company in Denver. This association was a very happy

one, and for more than a decade the Trimbles lived delightfully in suburban Arvada. There they made many friends while the two daughters, Karen and Cindy, attended school and integrated with the Norway-like Colorado mountain environment.

All too soon the dread cancer was detected and after three years of suffering, relieved and comforted by his lovely and devoted wife, Edie, taps sounded 9 June 1972—the end of a glory-strewn life's path. A brother, Webb, and a sister, Mary, (Mrs. Lance Goven), both of Seattle, also survive.

Good Hunting, Count Ford! You are a Great One!

—A Classmate

David Henry Tulley

NO. 7665 CLASS OF 1925

Died 14 April 1975 at Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Denver, Colorado, aged 70 years.

Interment: Fort Logan National Cemetery, Denver, Colorado

DAVID TULLEY was born 17 April 1904 in Durango, Colorado, the eldest son of Thomas Henry and Lenore Day Tulley. He was the maternal grandson of David Frakes Day, winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor for valor during the Vicksburg Campaign, who interested Dave in attending the Military Academy. In 1914 Dave moved with his family to Washington, D.C., when his father, a Colorado newspaperman and politician, was appointed Reading Clerk of the United States Senate. Here Dave received his early education and for a time acted as Senate Page.

The family returned to Denver in 1919 where Dave continued his school, participated in baseball, football, track and boxing, and graduated from North High School in 1921. On 21 July 1921 he reported to the sally port of Central Barracks to be sworn in as a member of the Class of 1925.

At the Academy Dave took part in all activities: academic, social and athletic; was awarded letters in baseball and boxing; was Academy welterweight boxing champion; ranked forty in the class in academics; was a company comander; and one of the youngest members in his class. He also met Alice Hannah who later became his lovely wife. Dave's classmates in unison describe this tough, lovable Irishman with his engaging personality, likable nature and bubbling sense of humor as one of the most popular members of the class.

Red Reeder, baseball teammate of Dave's on the cadet nine, writes, "It was fun when Tulley took the mound. You knew that this left-hander of moderate size, handicapped by a small chubby hand, was a competitor. You knew that he expected to win, but you also knew anything could happen.

"He had worked to overcome his disadvantages, developing pinpoint control. He was brainy and cool. He might strike out the cleanup batter with the bases full, but the next hitter might cripple our third baseman.

"You were playing behind a man with an unparalleled sense of humor. When he experienced a good inning, he'd sit on the bench, mopping his ruddy face with a towel while he congratulated a teammate on a good play. He inspired people by passing the plaudits around. Or he might get off his delightful half-laugh, half-chuckle and say,



DAVID HENRY TULLEY

'Boy! I hung that curve over the heart of the plate. It's amazing he didn't belt it right over Cullum Hall.'

On 12 June 1925 Dave graduated from West Point and was commissioned a second lieutenant, Corps of Engineers, United States Army.

During his first commissioned assignment Dave gained tremendous experience in the duties of a junior engineer officer. He was a leader in the 2d Engineers at Fort Sam Houston, receiving commendations for the efficiency of his units, coaching baseball, basketball and football, winning several championships, building athletic facilities, auditoriums and many recreation facilities with his engineer troops. He acted in a speaking role in the first Oscar-winning movie "Wings" while in Texas. He next attended Cornell University and obtained a master's degree in Civil Engineering, then spent a year with the Basic Engineer Course at The Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Upon completion of his studies at Cornell University he married Alice Hannah, his lovely and revered wife, and introduced her to Army life at Fort Belvoir.

Following school Dave continued his military experiences with the 2d Engineers at Fort Logan, Colorado, thence a tour with the 3d Engineers in Hawaii.

During the depression of 1933, General Johnson selected Dave to be Deputy Administrator of the National Recovery Administration's "The Blue Eagle" Paper and Pulp Codes. When the Blue Eagle was disbanded Dave received his baptism in a Corps of Engineer's river and harbor assignment at Louisville, Kentucky. Thereafter, he attended the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

In 1937 Captain Dave Tulley completed his company grade officer training by commanding a company of the 11th Engineers in Corozal, Canal Zone, with much jungle duty. Quoting an Army medical officer, "Malaria was rampant in Panama, especially in the jungle. At the risk of his own life, Dave Tulley established methods of drainage of mosquito breeding areas which led greatly to the reduction of the malaria and yellow fever rate, not only in the Canal Zone, but also the Republic of Panama as well as within U.S. troop units. Dave came down with malaria several times himself, once seriously ill. It was the U.S. Engineers and Dave in particular who were highly responsible for

maintaining the high standards of disease control in the Panamanian area."

Following Panama Captain Dave was selected to be a senior instructor at West Point in the Department of Military History and Engineering. While there he helped develop and pioneer a modern military history course which even today has no peer. He also served as officer-in-charge of boxing and was trout fisherman par excellence.

Following a short tour as Control and Executive Officer for the Chief of Engineers in Washington, Colonel Dave was active in World War II in the European Theater of Operations as Assistant Engineer, Third Army, General Patton commanding. Dave played a major role in Patton's dash across France and the miraculous ninety degree change of direction to save our troops heavily engaged in the "Battle of the Bulge." Dave personally directed engineer units and equipment to assist in bringing up critically needed emergency supplies of all types to sustain those historical operations.

Following the cessation of hostilities he completely reorganized the Special Services, European Command, to post-war potential to keep the troops in Europe profitably occupied until time to ship out home.

Following the war, Dave was especially selected to be Engineer of "Task Force Seven" conducting the "A" bomb tests at Eniwetok. Taking time out for a year at the National War College, he then spent two and a half years as Chief of Construction, United States Army, Europe, doing a spectacular job under trying circumstances of rebuilding much of that which we had destroyed along with many new facilities for our vast buildup of troops in Europe.

In 1953 he returned to Washington, D.C., for several assignments: first as Chief of Construction in the Office of Director of Logistics; then Assistant to the Chief of Engineers in charge of military construction, receiving his first star; then to Commanding General, the Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, receiving his second star. His record was universally outstanding in all these assignments.

At Fort Belvoir he was known as "the developer." He added new quarters, many new and improved facilities, along with a new eighteen holes of golf. He established impeccable community relations and organized a post general cleanup project for volunteers on the weekends which enhanced post appearance, pride and developed recreation facilities for the use and enjoyment for all. During his stay in the Washington area, Dave, a charter member of the Army-Navy Country Club, served as its president, then as chairman of the board. During his tenure the Club prospered and developed greatly.

General Tulley ended his long, interesting, illustrious and brilliant career as Commanding General, United States Army Japan from 1959 to 1961. His record there was outstanding, as usual, according to fellow officers as well as the Japanese.

In 1961, Dave retired to a new home in beautiful Aspen, Colorado. There he and Alice immensely enjoyed having their friends around. They were very popular and respected members of the community. One of Dave's greatest joys was exploring new and beautiful mountain spots with friends or family. He was an avid golfer, a good hunter, and a fisherman without peer.

His decorations included the Legion of Merit (with three Oak Leaf Clusters) and the Bronze Star.

Dave was a man among men, admired by his superiors and loved by those under him. Excerpts from notes written by compatriots and junior officers follow: "General Tulley had a rare combination of love of duty and love of life." "I was constantly amazed how he could receive difficult problems, cut away the minutia, pinpoint the key issues and rapidly resolve the most complex situations appropriately and rapidly." "In my twenty some years of service I have never seen any leader surpass General Tulley's ability to get to the heart of issues." "It was fun working for General Tulley. To this day I consider him my second father and loved him as much as any other man I've known." Dave had utmost character and integrity coupled with a magnificent sense of humor. He truly lived the teachings and motto of West Point. No man more deserves the accolade, "Duty, Honor, Country."

Dave is survived by his wife Alice; daughters, Gertrude, Mary, Alice; son Bill; two brothers; one sister and nine grandchildren. I know his multitude of friends join in saying: "Well done, Dave; be thou at peace."

—Russ Broshous '33

Ralph Edmund Tibbetts

NO. 7747 CLASS OF 1925

Died 10 March 1976 in Saint Francis Hospital, Columbus, Georgia, aged 73 years.

Interment: Post Cemetery, Fort Benning, Georgia

RALPH EDMUND TIBBETTS, a man for all seasons, a wise and faithful family man, a steadfast friend, a good neighbor. An officer and a gentleman in all respects. A business man of the highest integrity with compassionate concern for his customers. He seemed always to place the needs of others first. He desired nothing that was not his just due.

Ralph and his wife of more than fifty years, Elizabeth Lowe Tibbetts, were childhood sweethearts in Somerville, Massachusetts. They and their daughter, Leslie Tibbetts Hill, were a devoted and close-knit family. His mother and Betty's mother graced their home not infrequently during the early years of their marriage. Leslie and her



RALPH EDMUND TIBBETTS

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three fine boys brought great pleasure to her parents by their visits in more recent years. His eldest grandson, Robert Hill, is a member of the class of 1978 at West Point.

Ralph's career was almost equally divided between active Army duty and civilian pursuits.

His conspicuously successful military career was cut short by the discovery of a heart condition which necessitated his being placed on the retired list in 1944.

Over his most strenuous personal objections he was ordered home for retirement from the European Theater shortly after the invasion of the continent. He had recently been transferred from the General Staff of the European Theater of Operations to Headquarters, Ninth Army, and had just returned from a liaison visit to the Normandy beachhead.

He was placed on active duty the day following his retirement and served as Chief of Staff of the Armor Center at Fort Knox until 1946.

Early in his service, his high qualities of leadership and devotion to duty marked him as one destined for the top in his profession. A fine athlete, he was all-America in lacrosse at West Point, and Master of the Fort Benning Hunt. A close student of his profession and a well-read scholar. A man of great moral courage and of indomitable will, he had a great understanding of people and a fine sense of humor. He derived zest and pleasure from work as well as from play, a valued associate, a great companion.

A graduate of The Infantry School, The Tank School, the Command and General Staff College, a proven troop leader, an outstanding staff officer, his services were in great demand in the early days of World War II. His assignment to Headquarters Ninth Army in 1944 was made at the personal request of the Army Commander.

Following his release from active duty in 1946, the Tibbetts family moved to Fort Benning where Ralph became manager of the Fort Benning Officers Club and its diverse activities. He moved into this completely new field of activity with the same aplomb with which he had undertaken his many and varied active duty assignments and served here with the same degree of success.

After four years the time came to make the last move to a more permanent situation. By now both Betty and Ralph had come to feel that Columbus, Georgia, was their hometown. They built a delightful home on a hill overlooking that city and there they remained.

Ralph now turned to real estate and insurance for his business career. He studied both of these fields as intensively as he had studied the military profession.

In this new life he soon acquired a high degree of effectiveness. His friendly interest in people soon brought him as much business as he desired to handle.

His interest in people was genuine and always came first. His objective was never just to sell but rather it was to fill a need. Most of his customers were young people of limited means. His constant endeavor was to place them in a house they could afford or to sell them an insurance policy tailored to their actual requirements only.

Ralph Tibbetts lived by his principles and died leaving a host of friends and well-wishers. He left his footprints in the sands of time.

-A.D.M.

Guy Beasley Henderson

NO. 7938 CLASS OF 1926

Died 19 November 1973 in Grand Prairie, Texas, aged 68 years.

Interment: Grand Prairie, Texas



GUY BEASLEY HENDERSON

GUY BEASLEY HENDERSON was born in Goodland, Indiana, 12 April 1905. He was the son of William and Anna Henderson. His parents moved to Gary where Guy graduated from high school. In March 1922 he reported to Fort Sheridan where he had little difficulty in passing the mental and physical examinations for the Military Academy, after receiving an appointment from the 10th Congressional District.

After Beast Barracks Guy was assigned to "F" Company, where he spent his four years at the Academy. He was appointed cadet corporal his Second Class year and cadet sergeant his First Class year. Guy had no problem with academics and graduated in the upper half of the class. He participated in Hundredth Night shows, sang in the choir, was on the Pistol Team and was also an expert rifleman.

Although Guy had his choice of several branches of the Army, he chose the Infantry and upon graduation was assigned to "G" Company of the 11th Infantry, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. After two years of foot soldiering, the sight and sound of military aircraft were too much and Guy requested an assignment to the Army Air Corps training schools in San Antonio. He graduated from the primary and advanced flying schools at Brooks and Kelly Fields and was transferred to the Army Air Corps in July 1929. After graduation Guy was assigned to the 22d Observation Squadron at Maxwell Field, Alabama. In 1930 he was married, in Montgomery, to Mary LaVona Shauman.

For the next twelve years the Hendersons were almost continually on the move. Guy was a student at the Air Corps Technical School in Chanute Field, Illinois, in 1931, and from 1932 to 1934 he served at Langley Field, Virginia, and became the commanding officer of the 8th Pursuit Group, and from 1934 to 1936 the Hendersons were stationed in the Canal Zone where Guy served with the 44th Observation Squadron and later as commanding officer of the 24th Pursuit

Squadron. From 1936 to 1939 he was an instructor and Secretary of the Air Corps Primary Flying School which was then at Randolph Field, Texas. In 1939 he was transferred back to the Canal Zone where he served at France Field, and in 1940 he returned to the United States and became Secretary of the Air Corps Advanced Flying School at Barksdale Field, Louisiana. Guy was the envy of many of his classmates who were not in the Air Corps because of his rapid temporary promotions to captain and major, and he became a lieutenant colonel in January 1942.

Unfortunately Guy had experienced physical difficulties, and he was retired from the service in July 1942. After retirement Guy worked for North American Aircraft and the Douglas Aircraft Company. He also taught flying in Uvalde, Texas, and later worked for the city of Los Angeles as an assistant to the District Engineer of the San Fernando Valley. During recent years the Hendersons had made their home in Grand Prairie, Texas. Guy died 19 November 1973. He is survived by his beloved wife Mary, and is mourned by his classmates who have never forgotten his ebullient spirits and pleasing personality.

-A Classmate

Fred Wallace Kunesh

NO. 8057 CLASS OF 1927

Died 22 March 1976 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 69 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

FRED WALLACE KUNESH was born 20 June 1906, the son of George and Barbara Kunesh, in Haugen, a little village of about 650 people in the northern part of Wisconsin. They owned the general store in the town and Freddie attended the local school up to and including the tenth grade. About that time his parents sold the store and purchased a virgin 160-acre tract of timberland about a mile from town. Fred soon got acquainted with the hard life of a farmer. Until he left for West Point he helped clear the timber, dig out the stumps (including the use of dynamite!), cultivate the land and assist in the chores of building and running a dairy farm. In spite of the modern facilities of the time, the work included hitching up horses to farm equipment, operating them long hours and milking up to thirteen cows at a sitting.

He was confronted with the problem of getting on with his education because the nearest high school to which he could go for his last two years was ten miles away from the village. So almost every day during the school year, come rain or shine, minus 30 or even 40 degrees below zero cold, or ten to twelve-foot-deep snow drifts, he would walk to the village and board a passenger train going to the small city having the high school. Frequently he would "bum" a ride on a local freight to save the price of a ticket. Each day the process was reversed when he and his friend (the only other boy to be going to high school from that village at that time) would take a passenger train back or hop an "extra" freight which did not stop at the village. There was a long upgrade in the tracks before the town and they would "debar" by jumping off when they felt the freight had reached its slowest speed.

He had planned to work his way through the University of Wisconsin, but in January



FRED WALLACE KUNESH

1924 he saw a notice in the local weekly paper that the Representative from the local Congressional district had a vacancy for West Point. Unknown to his parents he applied, having read and thrilled to the many books about West Point life. He was notified he had a first alternate candidacy and because his application was received too late for his high school credits to be processed, he had to take both the mental and physical examinations for admission. He reported to Fort Snelling, Minnesota, and passed the examinations. Because the principal candidate had dropped out, he was given the appointment and reported to West Point on 3 July 1923. Because of his vigorous earlier life, the rigors of West Point were not too hard on him, nor were the classes. He graduated 35th in his class. His only serious difficulty during the years at the Military Academy was that he became involved in the "hazing" investigation during his First Class year. He was cleared without detriment.

Upon graduation he applied for detail in the Army Air Corps and reported to Brooks Field, Texas. He completed his primary training and was assigned to Kelly Field for advanced training. He could not quite master the wartime DeHavilland planes which were then the mainstay of the Corps and was relieved of further training. He reverted to his original assignment in the Army and reported to the 2d Signal Company at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. In the summer of 1929 he was ordered to Fort Monmouth for the Officers' communication course. While at Fort Sam he met and married Miss Ruth Nelson of Denver, who was visiting San Antonio. Upon graduation from Fort Monmouth he was ordered to Hawaii where he spent two years with the 11th Signal Company at Schofield Barracks.

In 1932 he was ordered to Reserve Officers Training Corps duty at the University of Wisconsin. Because of the depression and the War Department policy of not making frequent changes of station, he was lucky to stay at Madison six years. He was again assigned to Hawaii where he spent a year in Department Headquarters at Fort Shafter and then a year as Commanding Officer of the Hawaiian Signal Depot at Fort Armstrong in downtown Honolulu. In 1940 he was ordered to Fort Monmouth to command the 1st Radio Intelligence Company and a few months later to Fort Dix to command the 1st Signal Construction Company. Again a few

months later he was assigned to the 8th Motorized Division at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He was on maneuvers with the division at the time of Pearl Harbor. In the summer of 1942 he was assigned as Signal Officer, XIth Corps, at Chicago and was transferred with the Corps to Fort Riley. In September 1943 he was ordered by air to Australia to become Deputy Signal Officer, Sixth Army. Late in December he joined the Field Headquarters of Sixth Army in the jungles of New Guinea and participated in the planning and operating of the leapfrogging operations up the coast of New Guinea, the Halamaheras, to Leyte Island, Lingayen Gulf and Manila in the Philippines and was engaged in the planning for the invasion of Japan when the war ended. He arrived in Kyushu with the Army of Occupation late in 1945.

In March 1946 he was ordered back to the United States and attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 1946-1947. From 1947-1949 he was Chief of the Industrial Mobilization Branch, Office Chief Signal Officer, which was engaged in planning, with industry, for its rapid expansion of production in case of emergency. In 1949 he was sent to London on temporary duty with the Combined Planning Staff to assist in planning for the Middle East area. Then he was assigned, late in 1949, to Headquarters European Theatre at Heidelberg in charge of Signal Supply activities for the entire theatre.

In 1952 he was assigned as Commanding Officer, Lexington Signal Depot, Lexington, Kentucky. In June 1955 he retired after twenty-eight years service. He and his wife decided to retire in Florida where they took up residence in Miami for two years and Clearwater-Tampa one year. Each year they would take a trip to California to search out possibilities of moving there but in 1960 they decided to move to San Antonio.

He was promoted to first lieutenant in 1933, to captain in 1937, to temporary major in 1941, temporary lieutenant colonel in 1942, temporary colonel in 1943 and permanent colonel in 1950. In addition to his other educational assignments he attended the short course at the Army Command and General Staff School in Fort Leavenworth.

Colonel Kunesh received the Bronze Star Medal and the Legion of Merit for outstanding services in the Southwest Pacific Area during World War II. The decoration he was most proud of was not a medal at all but was a small device called the "Arrowhead" which was attached to the Theatre ribbon and was awarded to those who made assault landings during the leapfrogging operations. Communications had not been going too well in the earlier operations so the Signal Officer, Sixth Army, asked him to go in with the assault forces in the Sidor landing on 2 January 1944. On New Year's Eve 1944 he was on the transport ship and at 0740, 2 January, he scrambled down the rope slings over the side of the ship with full pack equipment on his back and landed with the first wave of troops. He observed the operations for several days and made a report on communications which resulted in improvements in future operations.

Colonel Kunesh engaged in several hobbies while living in retirement including golf, bowling, gardening, making furniture, and particularly, reupholstering furniture.

His beloved wife died suddenly in San Antonio in 1964 of a massive heart attack, and was buried in the National Cemetery at Fort Sam Houston. Colonel Kunesh now

is with her after his death in San Antonio, Texas, on 22 March 1976. Colonel Kunesh has no known blood survivors.

Paul Jones Mitchell

NO. 8468 CLASS OF 1928

Died 4 October 1974 in Columbus, Georgia, aged 71 years.

Interment: Post Cemetery,
Fort Benning, Georgia

PAUL MITCHELL WAS born in Saginaw, Michigan, 7 October 1902, and almost directly into the Army. His father was Captain George E. Mitchell, who was a horse cavalryman and a member of the United States Military Academy Class of 1897. Captain Mitchell was stationed at West Point (and was on leave) at the time of Paul's birth. One of his grandfathers served in the Union Army and the other with the Confederacy. As a child and boy, Paul traveled across the United States with the Army and indeed halfway around the world. He lived in such places as Marfa, Texas; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; the Philippines (twice); China; Fort Wayne, Michigan; Fort Des Moines, Iowa; and Washington, D.C.

Always a venturesome sort, he even tried a stint with the Merchant Marine. It was after this incident that he decided to follow the example of his father and brother (George E. Mitchell Jr., Class of 1922) and join the Army. As a boy Paul had attended nine high schools and George Washington University for one year. He then entered old Schadmann's Prep School in Washington and won a coveted Presidential appointment to West Point. He entered the Military Academy with the Class of 1927. After an unsuccessful bout with the French Department plebe year, Paul won a rematch and returned to the Academy with the Class of 1928. This time his academic skirmishes were uniformly successful. He was graduated and commissioned a second lieutenant in the Infantry in June of 1928.

Paul was first stationed at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyoming (later Francis E. Warren). It was here that he met, courted and married Miss Frances Machen, a Virginia girl, originally from Norfolk. His first overseas post was in the pleasurable Hawaiian Islands. Upon his return from this duty, he served at Fort Benning, Georgia, and Fort Meade,



PAUL JONES MITCHELL

Maryland. He also commanded an outstanding Civilian Conservation Corps camp in the Virginia-Tennessee mountain area. Due to a temporary officer shortage, Paul accepted a detail in the Quartermaster Corps about this time. However, with the outbreak of World War II he insisted upon rejoining the combat Infantry. He first went overseas to Africa, but was soon transferred to the China Theater. He became a senior advisor to one of the Chinese Armies of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. He rendered outstanding service in many rugged campaigns against the Imperial Japanese Army.

Following World War II, Paul returned to the United States and joined a succession of units as the postwar reorganization of the Army was taking place. These included the Replacement and School Command and Army Field Forces while stationed in Birmingham, Alabama, and Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He then became a Reserve Forces District Commander with station in Denver, Colorado, where he reorganized the Colorado Reserve units and contingents. The Korean War found him overseas again in Japan, where he served with G4, Far East Command, under General Douglas MacArthur, whom his father had instructed in mathematics as a cadet at West Point.

Paul returned again to the United States and was stationed at Fort Benning initially as G4. However, the commandant selected him as Chief of Staff of The Infantry Center in which capacity he served both The Infantry Center and the community of Columbus, Georgia, with great distinction. He completed his military career as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Alabama in July of 1958.

While serving at the University of Alabama, Paul undertook a series of graduate courses which led to the award of a master's degree in Education. He then launched a second career as a mathematics instructor in the high schools of the Columbus, Georgia, school system. He had great success in this field, and one year was selected as best in his field. He retired a second and final time in 1967.

Paul always had more than his share of athletic ability. His classmates will recall that he was a member of the United States Military Academy polo team as a cadet. He continued his polo career at Fort D.A. Russell, Wyoming, and in Hawaii, but the events leading up to World War II and the war ended his participation in this old Army sport.

Following the war, Paul became quite interested in golf and developed into an outstanding player. He was a most successful golf coach for the high school teams in Columbus, Georgia. He played as much as practicable and usually placed high in the many tournaments in which he participated, and he won some of them. He shot in the low to mid-eighties with many scores in the seventies. He had played golf the day of his death.

Paul died suddenly of a heart attack (his first) at his home during the evening of 4 October 1974 after a very full, active and productive life. He was buried at the Post Cemetery at Fort Benning, Georgia, with full military honors. The Honor Guard was from the 3d Battalion, 197th Infantry, the battalion commanded by Paul's son-in-law, Lieutenant Colonel Richard D. Gillem. Colonel Gillem made the presentation of the flag.

Paul will be greatly missed by his many friends both in and out of the Army he loved and served so well. He is survived by his widow, Frances Machen Mitchell; his mother,

Mrs. George E. Mitchell; a daughter, Mrs. Richard D. Gillem; a son, Paul J. Mitchell Jr.; two grandchildren, Dana and Douglas Gillem; and a brother, who drafted this memorial statement.

—Clair B. Mitchell '35
Colonel, U.S. Army Ret.

Walter Edwin Ahearn

NO. 9018 CLASS OF 1930

Died 25 November 1975 in Fort Gordon, Georgia, aged 71 years.

Interment: Westover Memorial Park,
Augusta, Georgia

WALLY AHEARN was born on 26 August 1904 in Providence, Rhode Island, where he spent his boyhood. His hometown meant a lot to him, so he returned there after his military retirement for a three year period of service as Director of Civil Defense. The frustrations of such a job in peacetime became too great and Wally decided to enjoy his well-earned retirement. He moved to North Port Charlotte, Florida, in 1960, lived there until 1969 and then moved to Augusta, Georgia.

After graduating from Providence College, Wally spent a few years at odd jobs prior to entering West Point in July 1926, so he had to struggle with the academics to keep from being among those who did not make it. His roommates observed him as a hard worker and one with exceptional perseverance and dedication. He studied very hard to reach the goal of graduation and the opportunity for an Army career. His diligent efforts brought him success and he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Infantry on 12 June 1930.

Wally spent his first nine years of service at various Infantry posts, including Fort Schuyler, Fort Ontario, Fort Wadsworth and Schofield Barracks. In 1934 he graduated from The Infantry School at Fort Benning, where he was with many of his "doughboy" classmates for the last time since in 1939 he decided to transfer to the Finance Corps. He did not like the separation from his classmates and in later years tried to return to the Infantry, but the Chief of Finance had other ideas for Wally. He continued his Finance Corps training, which culminated with his assignment to the Finance Corps School at St. Louis. His early days in the

Finance Corps were spent at Fort Holabird, Maryland, and in Denver, Colorado, where he was a property auditor.

During World War II he served first with the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Bliss and then with Headquarters, IV Corps at Fort Lewis, Washington, and Camp Young, California, before moving overseas with that unit for service in Italy until the end of the war. His service in Italy was recognized by the Italian government, which awarded him the Cross of Merit. He was also awarded the United States Army Bronze Star Medal.

In the post-World War II years Wally felt himself fortunate to receive assignments in Seattle, Washington, and at Fort Bliss where he had enjoyed serving before. A choice assignment, greatly to his liking, came in 1949 when he was transferred to the Boston Army Base, only forty-five miles from his hometown of Providence. It was here that he attended the 20th Reunion of his class and enjoyed being with many of his classmates whom he had not seen in years.

The longest assignment of his career was at Fort Gordon, Georgia, where he served as Comptroller from 1952 to 1957. He chose to end his military career before another transfer and since he was happy in the Augusta area he requested early retirement. He was retired on 31 May 1957 after twenty-seven years of active duty. Later correspondence indicated that he was never quite sure he had made the right decision in retiring early. He was consoled by the fact that many of his classmates had made the same decision in the post-Korean War period.

After loafing for over a year, Wally wanted to go back to work. Hence the decision to accept the Civil Defense job in Providence. His second retirement took him to Florida, where he built a house and lived for nine years. Then his desire to be near his daughter and three grandchildren brought him back to Augusta in 1969. The remaining years there were happy ones, with his family and numerous associations with nearby Fort Gordon.

A serious heart attack struck him in 1974. He fought valiantly for over a year to recover his health but destiny decreed otherwise. He passed away after a brief hospitalization at the Fort Gordon Hospital. Interment was held with full military honors in Westover Memorial Park in Augusta following funeral services at St. Mary's-On-The-Hill Catholic Church, where Wally was a devout member.

The family life that meant so much to him throughout his career began in Hawaii, where he met Jeanne Stratton Gabrielson, daughter of Chief of Police William A. Gabrielson of Honolulu. They were married at Schofield Barracks on 27 November 1935. Their only child, Leilani, was born at Fort Ontario, New York, on 17 February 1938. This small family remained close together through all of their travels. At the time of his death, Leilani and her three children, Lisa, 13, Chuckie, 11, and Gina, 9, were living within a block of her parents in Augusta. With Jeanne and Leilani's love and devotion we know Wally's last years were happy and that they made him comfortable during his last illness.

Wally was a quiet man who did not go in for heroics. He was kind and gentle; throughout his life his goal was to help others without regard to himself. West Point meant a great deal to him. It was evident from his correspondence with the various class scribes that he regretted having served with such a small branch of the Service, since it limited



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his contacts with his classmates, but he kept in close touch with class activities and consistently evinced his desire to be included in all class programs. His writing ability was in evidence during his cadet days, when he was on the staff of "The Pointer." His contributions then and during his military career proved him to be a most loyal member of the LONG GRAY LINE and a staunch and devoted member of the Class of 1930.

—A Classmate

Harold Charles Davall

NO. 10008 CLASS OF 1934

Died 9 April 1974 in San Francisco, California, aged 64 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

HE WAS CHRISTENED Harold Charles Davall, but he was at various times called "D," "Devil" and "Tiger," and "the Rock" and called "Garney" by a small grandson, but he was called "Heck" by most of us who knew him. The following is a compilation of suggestions and information from a close friend and classmate, his son and his daughters.

Heck was 64 years old at the time of his death from cancer. He "bought the farm" (a favorite expression of his) in San Francisco, that wonderful city which had held so many pleasures during ten retirement years. The calendar read 9 April 1974 and as he lay hospitalized this final time, the world read of the death of several prominent figures—but all our senses were focused on one man who was too optimistic to know that this was his last battle. The disease was an enemy far more formidable than he. God knows he fought. And true to the way he had always lived, he forced himself beyond the line which would mark the breaking point for most men.

He was high on the list of men who make a difference, of men who really count. Not only was his life an affirmation of the finest ideals of West Point, but it was a full life lived with integrity and intelligence and not for personal aggrandizement. A classmate wrote, "I particularly admired his rare combination of strength and gentleness. He truly had class." Somehow it is surprising that many demanding years in the service of his country, and a decade of retirement did little to alter the likeness we see today in his yearbook.

Heck was born in Camden, New Jersey, the first son of Harold and Agnes Davall, who themselves were remarkable people. His father, one of the early pro-football players in the country, coached at Cornell University, from where he graduated, and later worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad. His mother was, in the nineteenth century, liberated in the best sense of that word. She is now in her 99th year.

Heck graduated from high school in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, with the ambition to attend Annapolis, but no appointment was available. Thus it happened that he enlisted in the Regular Army and won a competitive Presidential appointment to West Point. Here, he demonstrated the ability and dogged determination that became so characteristic of him and which enabled him to master so many situations.

He entered the Academy in July 1930. Prior to that time he had had many experiences. He worked for the Pennsylvania



HAROLD CHARLES DAVALL

Railroad, not only surveying for a new main line, but also working as a high tension man. One story recalled him at the scene of a wreck, with an engineer in agony and pinned under his locomotive. Heeding the tortured man's pleas, Heck seized a pickaxe and hastened an inevitable death.

In the years to come, Heck continued to live a colorful life. He shared a bottle of brandy with Churchill, one long night—taught tank maintenance to General Patton—gathered information in the Middle East, disguised as a religious, sworn to silence—scaled precipices in Greece, fighting communists with General Van Fleet.

Meanwhile, Heck in cadet years manifested the brain of a scholar, and as one of Cavanaugh's "pugs," the heart of a fighter. Years later he would credit Cavanaugh's training for saving his life. An incident occurred when the speed and thrust of his hands disarmed a German officer, in a surprise confrontation for both.

Following graduation, Heck applied for, and received, assignment for pilot training. Typically, he was the first to solo in his class, but "washed out" because of defective vision. On to Hawaii, and thence to The Infantry School at Fort Benning, after which he took the Tank Course, and graduated first in his class. Shortly thereafter, he was assigned to Camp Cooke, California, where he trained his 68th Tank Battalion of the 6th Armored Division. He led these troops across France, Belgium, Luxemburg, and Germany. Of the 68th Battalion, he wrote that it was "truly one of the workhorses of the western front." His former adjutant and close friend, Paul Warp, wrote of him, "His tactics and studious assessment of all battle conditions brought back more men from battle than other units, still achieving our assigned missions. He was a hard man, but a fair one, and the troops of the 68th will always remember the 'Old Man' as a great leader and friend."

Following World War II Heck entered the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. Again, he graduated first in the class. With a stint as Executive Officer of the 1802 Special Regiment behind him, he was sent to Greece as Chief of the Joint United States Military Advisory and Planning Group. His expertise and leadership did much to insure the survival of democracy, and defeat of the Communist-led uprisings in that country. For this service he was decorated by the Greek government.

He returned to serve in the office of the Adjutant General in the Pentagon. Following attendance at the Army War College, he was ordered to Germany in 1952. He was Executive Officer of G3, 7th Army. This tour included a year as Commanding Officer of the 6th Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Upon return to the United States, he went to the Command and General Staff College as instructor of armored tactics. Soon after he was made Director of Resident Instruction.

Following this assignment came orders to Korea, first as senior advisor, and later as Deputy Commander of Detachment R of Provisional United States Advisory Group, Korea. In this capacity, the Chief of Staff, General Harold K. Johnson, wrote of him: "He was instrumental in establishing procedures for the efficient operation of all activities involving transportation, housing, and messing of personnel, as well as the maintenance of morale, welfare, and discipline of military and civilian advisors."

Heck's career had boxed the compass by now from "wash out" from flight training, to Technical Assistant to the Chief of the Training Division, United States Army Element, the Federal Aviation Agency. Here he was directly responsible for developing a comprehensive study which assisted the Agency in standardizing flight training for all commercial airline pilots. He was accorded major credit for the acquisition of several heavy jet aircraft which were utilized in the Agency training program. His efforts to plan, justify, and follow-up made this training advance a reality in the Federal Aviation Agency. The results of his work are recognized today in the unparalleled safety record of United States commercial airlines.

Heck's wife, the former Teresa Breen, whom he had known since high school and married in Washington in June 1934, died there in 1962. Prior to his retirement in 1964 as Commander of the Southern California Sector, XV Corps, he married Martha Calvert Ginder. Shortly thereafter, they moved to San Francisco and settled there permanently. Their guest room was seldom empty, and life was busy and happy. Heck became a consultant with an executive placement firm, and when that company relocated, he enrolled in computer programming courses. Subsequently but not surprisingly, the student Heck became the instructor in the school—equally comfortable in either role. But he was always learning, ever stretching the horizons of his active mind. The range of his knowledge was a continuing source of wonder and fascination to those of us who knew him. He became interested in California wines, took courses in oenology at Stanford, and also became a collector of special wines. After dining often in San Francisco's finest restaurants, he took up cooking as another hobby. He resumed his study of French, which language he had not used since World War II—likewise, he spoke a very colorful language of his own! And withal, he could, on any occasion, tap a source of stories and jokes to add the exclamation point to any subject under discussion. He adored his grandchildren and was always a willing "baby sitter."

Despite the terminal illness from which he suffered greatly, he and Martha planned to attend his 40th West Point Reunion, and thereafter, sail to Alaska in the remaining year his doctors projected. He never had that year. Instructions to be followed after his death were never completed, but part of his abbreviated notes read—"organs up for

grabs"—"no oration"—"no flowers"—"drinks on the house."

Following Heck's burial with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery, his family and friends gathered at the Fort Myer Club for those "drinks on the house."

His decorations included the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with Cluster, Army Commendation Medal with Cluster, and the French Croix De Guerre, avec Palm—(which medal he used to lend his officers when they had leave to go to Paris—"they earned it").

He is survived by his widow Martha; his mother, Mrs. Harold J. Davall of Holmdel, New Jersey; his daughter, Mrs. William J. Toth of Zelienople, Pennsylvania; two sons, Lieutenant Colonel Bernard M. Davall of Bethesda, Maryland and Specialist 6 Hugh T. Davall of Fort Davis, Canal Zone; a sister, Mrs. James Chiara of Colt's Neck, New Jersey; two brothers, Donald B. of San Francisco and Richard J. of New York City; and 11 grandchildren.

Again, to quote a friend and classmate, "What a happy combination of personal and professional skills, habits and traits he possessed! Always a fighter yet gentle, warm, humorous and understanding. He had friends at every level of contact. He contributed much that was good to the lives of all who knew him."

George Julius Weitzel

NO. 10012 CLASS OF 1934

Died 24 March 1959 in Aiken, South Carolina, aged 50 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

GEORGE JULIUS WEITZEL was born in Tusculumbia, Alabama, on 7 September 1908, the fifth child of Gottfried A. Weitzel and Katherine Mehl, who was a native of Dubuque, Iowa. George's father migrated from Germany at the age of fourteen, became a master mechanic and worked for the Louisville and Nashville and Southern Railways until his retirement.

George graduated with honors from Tusculumbia High School. For two years he attended Georgia School of Technology where he studied architecture and was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. His studies finished there, he enlisted at Fort Benning, Georgia, and served from June 1929 to June 1930, an apprenticeship that prepared him for Beast Barracks at West Point, which he entered 1 July 1930 with the Class of 1934, on an appointment from the 8th Congressional District of Alabama.

As a cadet George excelled particularly in the classical areas, exhibiting a tendency for minor theatricals and impressionisms. He often astounded his friends with the breadth and sophistication of his vocabulary and the scope of his artistic appreciation. He was not only a student who developed an acute sense of literary discrimination, he also chose the avocations that he enjoyed, and always spoke out on issues as he saw them, in cogent and convincing terms. He played lacrosse during plebe year, but settled on polo for the full course, becoming manager in First Class year. Thus, he participated in rough athletics, but ended up typically in the sport of gentlemen, as was befitting his own temperament.

George chose the Coast Artillery and reported to Fort Monroe, Virginia, as his first post, with some sixteen classmates in Sep-



GEORGE JULIUS WEITZEL

tember 1934. They lived in what was then Bachelor Officers Quarters, Randolph Hall. Living next to George was fun. He was truly an accomplished pianist, and he was frequently in good voice singing a particularly obvious favorite for him, "Stars Fell on Alabama."

He worked on assignments in railway artillery units until the next spring, but then the secret came out. He seemed to be AWOL, but he had gotten leave and quietly sneaked off to Barahona, in the Dominican Republic, to marry a girl to whom he had been introduced on a blind date at West Point by our old Tac, Captain (Pop) Goode. She was the lovely Elsie Warmoth, daughter of Phyllis Aitken, who came from Canada, and Frank S. Warmoth from New Orleans. The marriage took place at the Warmoth home on Santo Domingo, 22 March 1935. George proudly brought his bride back to Monroe where he was the envy of his classmates, who were still wife hunting. The Weitzels moved into quarters inside the old post, and George went on special duty with the West Point Prep School. During this tour, their first daughter, Ann Carroll, was born 23 December 1935.

The Weitzels departed for Corregidor in 1936. During the tour in the Philippines, George suffered an attack of poliomyelitis. The Weitzels returned to the States in 1938 and served that year at Fort H.G. Wright, Fisher's Island, New York. Tours with Coast Artillery units followed at Fort Preble, Portland, Maine, and at Camp Edwards, Massachusetts.

In 1941 the Weitzels began their longest tour. George reported to Colonel "Hermie" Beukema for duty as a history instructor in the then Department of Economics, Government, and History. It was a natural environment for George, and with his background and mastery of language he was an outstanding instructor for the interpretation and application of Modern European, Latin American, and Far Eastern History to the cadets. It was also a good assignment for George since his polio began to bother him. The academic world was somewhat easier than active field duty. Later in this tour the Weitzels became parents of another lovable baby girl, Sallie Durand, born 6 December 1944. The Department was a place where George could, and did, make a valuable contribution to the West Point product: well-rounded and educated officers. When the Economics, Government and History Department was reorganized, George's value was recognized in

his designation as Associate Professor of its successor, the Social Sciences Department, in 1945.

George was beset with physical difficulties attributable variously to a fall from a tree in Alabama, an injury during plebe lacrosse, and the polio contracted in the Philippines. Physically disabled, he was retired with the rank of colonel in 1946 but recalled to active duty to serve in the Department until 1948, at which time he was retired finally from the Army with 100 percent disability.

After 1948 George obtained a position with Eso and the Weitzels lived at Roslyn Heights, Long Island, New York, during 1949-50. George's worsening health then led them to move south to Aiken, South Carolina. He went into the real estate business where his broad educational background, esthetic appreciation, and warm manner made him a notable success for almost nine years of improved health.

By 1959 however, George's previous physical problems reappeared in greater degree and his health deteriorated for several months. He died at Aiken on 24 March 1959. After a small funeral service at the Cadet Chapel, George was laid to rest in the cemetery at West Point, midst the scenes of many of his years of service.

George's life after graduation bore out the forecast of his HOWITZER description: "... Always a chooser of things that appeal to him, swayed only by their reaction on his own moral makeup, indifferent to the bustling envious cries of more material plodders, he makes no secret of his truth. As a friend he is genuine. Ever is there an understanding ear, a knowing solicitude, and an oft-proffered ubiquitous hand..."

George is survived by his wife, now Mrs. Dean C. Strother, 8 Polo Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80906; by his daughters: Mrs. G.L.B. Rivers, 16 Legare Street, Charleston, South Carolina, and Mrs. Jamie Gough III, 104 Allison Drive, Dudley, North Carolina. Also, by his brother, Frederick J. Weitzel, Tusculumbia, Alabama; and sisters: Mrs. Katherine Patterson, Muscle Shoals, Alabama, Mrs. Olga W. Vaughn, Decatur, Alabama, and Mrs. Anne W. Kumpe, 104 River Road, Muscle Shoals, Alabama 35660.

—Johnny Stevens '34

Cecil Eldon Spann Jr.

NO. 10510 CLASS OF 1936

Died 9 February 1976 in Plantation, Florida, aged 62 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

CECIL ELDON SPANN JR. was born in Altheimer, Arkansas, on 14 July 1913 to Dr. Cecil Eldon Spann and Leila Hays Spann. After graduating from Columbia Military Academy, he entered West Point and graduated from there in 1936. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery Corps. His first post was Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Cec spent 1937-39 in the Philippines. Then, after short stateside tours at Camp Davis, North Carolina, and Fort Barrancas, Pensacola, Florida, he returned to the Pacific and spent all of World War II there. During 1942-43, he was in the Office of the Chief of the Artillery Center, and from 1943-46, he was Artillery Officer, Executive Officer, and Commanding Officer of the 2274th Hawaiian Coast Artillery. While there, he received the Bronze Star Medal.



CECIL ELDON SPANN JR.

After the war Cec was sent to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Then during the following four years he was an instructor in Military Art and Engineering at West Point. In 1952-53, he was Commanding Officer of the 18th Antiaircraft Group in Pittsburgh, and then was sent to the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks.

Colonel Spann served as Army Attaché in Norway 1955-58 under Ambassadors L. Corrin Strong and Francis E. Willis. When he returned from Norway he was stationed in the Pentagon until 1 May 1960. He retired then and moved to Plantation, Florida. There, he served as one of the first presidents of the Retired Officers Association, was active in philately, and enjoyed fishing in the Keys.

On 9 February 1976, Cecil Eldon Spann Jr. died in a Florida hospital. A memorial service was held for him at the Plantation United Methodist Church, and he was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. He is survived by his wife Virginia, his daughter, Laura Lee McConnell, and many friends.

The foregoing paragraphs tell Colonel Spann's military record but little about the man. However, those who knew him know that Cecil Spann was a kind and generous man who loved his family, his friends, and his career in the Army. They know also that he especially loved West Point. Not once did he ever lose his belief in the values of Duty, Honor, Country.

John Jacob Beiser

NO. 11931 CLASS OF 1940

Died 15 February 1976 in Kansas City, Kansas, aged 61 years.

Cremation

JACK BEISER WAS NOT the sort of person to be boxed up in assignments, posts, duties, and accomplishments. He was one of the "Great Captains" of our class and his death on 15 February 1976 is a loss not only to Ruby and their two daughters, but to the class as a whole. Hank Adams in a letter to me after being told of Jack's passing said, "It was a shock to hear about Jack Beiser; he was one I would pick to go on forever."

It was my privilege to room with Jack and Andy Budz for about a year and to play

"hearts" with them after taps. We were all five year men content to be in the Class of 1940 and to graduate with it. As the Captain of D Company, Jack had the innate ability to deal with plebe, yearling, Second Classman, and his own classmates in such a manner that he was respected and understood. If Beiser said it, then it must be so and there was no further questioning. Really a Kansas-born oracle!

He was born in Pittsburg, Kansas, on 11 January 1915 and grew up there. He attended local schools and then spent one year at Wentworth Military Academy. Then it was off to West Point and the start of a distinguished military career. But first he had a losing battle with the Department of Modern Languages (Plebe French). This accounted for his five years.

He graduated in 1940 and was high enough in his class to select Field Artillery because, as he always said, "I like horses." He went to branch school at Fort Sill for training and then was sent to the 9th Field Artillery Battalion and the 41st Field Artillery Battalion of the 3d Division. Jack went back to Sill for advanced training and then to Camp White in Oregon to help with the organization of the 91st Division. Then it was back to the books at Fort Leavenworth at the Command and General Staff College in June of 1943 and in April 1944 went to the China, Burma, India Theater where he served as assistant G3 under General Stilwell and had the same job under General Sultan whom he also served as an aide.

Before coming back to the States, he was assigned to Headquarters, Chinese Combat Command in Chungking. His first Stateside job was assignment to the Office Chief of Staff, War Department General Staff Training Group. He enjoyed some duty with the Scientific Branch of the Intelligence Division Office Chief of Staff but was soon on his way to the Far East Command in Korea.

In 1949 he was sent to the 1st Cavalry Division at Camp Drake, Japan, and in 1950 went back to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill. He was selected to be a member of the English Department at the United States Military Academy and spent a year at the University of Pennsylvania for training. Then followed three years at the United States Military Academy in the Department of English.

Apparently his two and one-half years of training in French stood him in good stead for he next served three years at Fontainebleau



JOHN JACOB BEISER

in France with Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe. Back to the States and assignment at Fort Meade and then on to Finance School at Fort Benjamin Harrison to become Comptroller United Nations Command/United States Forces Korea. In November 1961, Jack was retired for physical disability.

He and his high school sweetheart Ruby were married on 13 June 1940 at the Presbyterian Church in Highland Falls. Jack truly loved West Point and the Army. He was reading military history books two weeks before his death.

A line from Chaucer which he taught at West Point describes him better than any words I can put down. "He was a verray parfit gentil knight."

—Hank Brewerton

Graham Charles Sanford

NO. 12231 CLASS OF 1940

Died 15 November 1975 in Minden, Nevada, aged 60 years.

Interment: Walton's Chapel of the Valley Mausoleum, Carson City, Nevada

"CY" SANFORD WAS a quiet gentleman from the Far West. He gave both the tactical and academic departments a run for their money, but when the smoke had cleared "Cy" was in that graduating line in June of 1940.

His first post upon graduation was at Fort Amador in the Canal Zone with subsequent transfer to Fort Kobbe and then back to Amador. During this time, he was married to Jean Cameron who came to the Canal Zone to work for the Navy. She was evacuated a few months later and Cy was then ordered to Fort Wright on Fischer's Island in New York. From there it was Fort Pendleton for Cy, at Virginia Beach for combat training and in June of 1942 he went to the Pacific. First spot was New Caledonia, next Australia, and then many of the small islands until assignment to Okinawa before the invasion of Japan. This last was prevented by the Japanese surrender. A short tour in South Korea followed and then he was assigned to Fort Bliss and the Pentagon, and then resignation.

Cy and Jean made their home in Minden, Nevada. There was a family obligation which Cy felt that he should fulfill. He was following in his civilian life the "Duty, Honor, Country" motto which was his at West Point.

He was an intense patriot, loved his country and loved West Point. He had set up a plan for a private trust, if still financially feasible, on Jean's demise to contribute to the help of the disabled veteran and the veteran's family in Nevada.

It was my privilege to write the Be Thou at Peace biography for Jim Moore of our class and to have at my hands an editorial written about him by the editor of the paper of the town in which he lived. The same material is available for Cy Sanford from an editorial in his hometown paper. It says:

"Graham Sanford made a strong impact on Carson Valley during his life. His death on November 15, 1975 has been strongly felt by the Valley residents. As manager of the Dangberg Land and Livestock Company, he was called on to make decisions more far-reaching than those of many county officials. Graham Sanford must have made a lot of right decisions. And that should come as no surprise to anyone familiar with the Sanford family history. The Sanfords were Car-



GRAHAM CHARLES SANFORD

son City pioneers. Graham's uncle, James Sweeney, was the youngest Chief Justice the Nevada Supreme Court ever had. A great-uncle, Peter Cavanaugh, was the building contractor responsible for the construction of the State Capitol Building. Graham's father was one of Nevada's foremost attorneys.

"During his 25 years as general manager of the Dangberg Land and Livestock Company, Sanford earned his own reputation for lending a helping hand to the community and to individuals. He played an important role in Dangberg efforts to keep the record clear on Carson Valley water rights and to adjudicate fairly when disagreements arose.

"His service to the community as an active member of civic and service clubs is well known, but he kept private his generous acts towards individuals. Graham Sanford will live in the memory of his fellow citizens for his generosity and fairness, both public and private."

The townspeople of Minden, Nevada, have lost a vital and respected citizen, and we have lost a classmate.

Unknowingly perhaps Cy Sanford operated under a motto that many men try and few achieve. "I expect to pass through this world but once . . . any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to my fellow-man let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

James Arthur Ruth

NO. 14659 CLASS OF 1945

Died 7 January 1976 in Fort Myers, Florida, aged 54 years.

Interment: Lee Memorial Gardens, Fort Myers, Florida

JAMES ARTHUR RUTH was born in Marion, North Carolina, 15 February 1921, and educated in the schools of the area.

Appointed to the United States Military Academy from North Carolina in 1942, Jim graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree. He received a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Iowa in 1950, graduating first in his class.

He served in the Far East Theater with the 13th Engineer Battalion of the 7th Division, and with the Joint Command Agency in the European Theater. In 1955 he joined the firm of Gee & Jenson, Engineers, Architects,

and Planners, Inc., of West Palm Beach, Florida.

Among his achievements were Registered Civil Engineer in the states of Florida and West Virginia, Chairman of the Board of Directors of his company, member of the Board of Directors of two local banks. The American Society of Civil Engineers and the Florida Engineering Society both conferred on him the honorary title of "Fellow." He was awarded the Meritorious Service Award in 1968 and the Distinguished Service Award for 1972 by the Florida Engineering Society, and was the Florida Representative on the Board of Directors of the National Society of Professional Engineers, and served on the Legislative Council for the Florida Engineering Society.

Among his many contributions to his profession and his section of the country were serving as District Engineer for the Florida East Water Resources Control District, and compiling a detailed study on Projection of Water Resources of Southwest Florida. Since 1971 he had served as a member of the Governor's Engineering Advisory Committee for the state of Florida.

He was an active member of the First



JAMES ARTHUR RUTH

Baptist Church, in the Scottish Rite Bodies and Shriners, and a contributor to civic affairs.

Jim patterned his life on the Cadet Code and a practical application of his faith in God. He was never too preoccupied with more important endeavors to give counsel to the young, advise friends, or to be a devoted family man. Much has been written of his academic and professional achievements, but in the final characterization of the man, the words of Saint Paul come to mind, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

Kenneth Wayne Anderson

NO. 15495 CLASS OF 1946

Died 13 June 1975 in Binghamton, New York, aged 51 years.

Interment: Binghamton, New York

KENNETH W. ANDERSON has left a unique legacy of decency and courage to all who knew him. Bearing his own discomfort in

silence, he listened patiently to the problems of those about him and gave comfort where he could. Confined to a wheelchair in 1954, he completed his doctoral work and became a respected university professor and academic administrator.

Kenneth Anderson was born in Ottawa, Illinois, on 2 February 1924, the son of Oscar Elmer Anderson and Ruth Ebert Anderson. An honor graduate of Kankakee High School, Kankakee, Illinois, he spent one year at the University of Illinois (Urbana), and was appointed to the United States Military Academy in July 1943. As a result of an injury received at West Point he was graduated from the Academy without a commission. Ken was to spend his remaining years fighting the debilitating effects of the radiation treatments that he received at Walter Reed Hospital during his last year at the Academy.

Intent upon pursuing a career in industry, he joined the Chrysler Corporation in Detroit, Michigan, working there from 1946 to 1950, and later became General Manager of the Chicago Material Handling Equipment Company in Chicago, Illinois. In 1948 he married Anne Merrihew of Belmont, Massachusetts. Not finding in industry the personal satisfaction he sought, he decided to embark upon an academic career. In the fall of 1953, he enrolled at the University of Illinois as a graduate student in mathematics, and obtained his Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1960. He began his academic career as an assistant professor of mathematics at Harpur College, State University of New York (SUNY) at Binghamton. He was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor in 1963. In addition to his teaching duties, he served as Master of Newing College, SUNY at Binghamton, a residential and collegiate unit of 1,000 students, from 1970 to 1975.

His publications include SETS, SEQUENCES AND MAPPINGS (with Dick Wick Hall), John Wiley, 1963, and ELEMENTARY REAL ANALYSIS (with Dick Wick Hall), McGraw-Hill, 1972.

Ken felt a strong commitment to undergraduate education. He devoted all his time, energy and talent to this commitment. He was an excellent teacher and knew he was respected and loved by his students. He also knew he was an excellent teacher! That knowledge gave him total joy and satisfaction. An indication of his impact upon his colleagues and students can be noted in several excerpts from their letters. A col-



KENNETH WAYNE ANDERSON

league wrote, "Ken was one of the few thoroughly decent humans I knew, without guile and without pretense. He had a strong sense of duty and responsibility which I am sure must have helped him through some tough periods. It was always a pleasure to work with him for he came to a task without preconception and joined in controversy without rancor and always as a gentleman in the best sense of that word. A student said,

"Dr. A cared about students and people not as numbers but as human beings to be dealt with on a personal basis. He taught me a lot—how to solve problems; how to work with people; how to compromise; how to be a better person." Another colleague wrote, "Ken was first class all the way and the students knew it. Best of all, Ken must have known how much the students loved and respected him. This was very evident to his

colleagues as we registered and advised students. 'Which calculus section is Anderson teaching?'; 'Will Anderson be teaching 161 next semester?' These questions from students really tell the story."

Ken is survived by his wife Anne, his mother who is now living in Venice, Florida, and a brother, Elmer Anderson, in Potsdam, New York.

—Anne Anderson

News from the Societies

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West Point Society of Los Angeles

The Los Angeles Society keeps marching onward! The main purpose of the Society remains to encourage outstanding young men and women to enter the Academy. Towards this end the society gives its main support to the Cadet Candidate Committee.

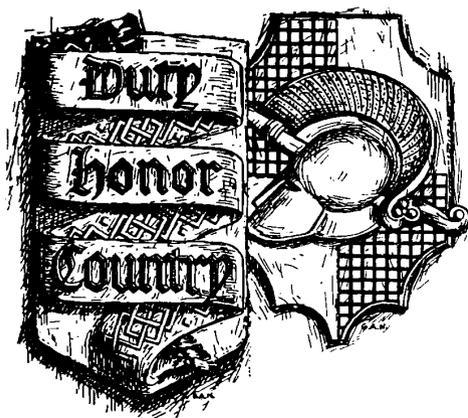
The Cadet Candidate Committee gained its first woman member this past spring, LaLeen Searing. The committee also sponsored a Parents Club which got off to a roaring start with a cocktail and dinner on 7 August.

The summer saw socials at various members' homes. "Sam" and Jack Price kicked the season off with a great party at their home on 31 July. Bev and Dale Peloquin and Lee and Nancy Gray kept the ball rolling on 21 August at Bev's and

Dale's home. Margaret and Roy Thorsen took on the San Fernando Valley on 28 August and Kathleen and Jim McCrorey entertained on 11 September.

Los Angeles plans on several activities over the next few months and so travelers to Los Angeles should plan their trips around the following dates:

December—Cadet Christmas Party
February 13—A Day at the Races
March—Founders Day
Y'all come!



Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the September 1976 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Jack W. Heard	1910 . . . 28	October	1976 . . . San Antonio, Texas
Carlos Brewer	1913 . . . 29	September	1976 . . . Columbus, Ohio
John B. Anderson	1914 . . . 1	September	1976 . . . Washington, D.C.
Harold R. Bull	1914 . . . 1	November	1976 . . . Washington, D.C.
Harry C. Ingles	1914 . . . 14	August	1976 . . . Bethesda, Maryland
Edwin C. Kelton	1915 . . . 3	November	1976 . . . San Diego, California
Charles H. Gerhardt	Apr 1917 . . . 9	October	1976 . . . Winter Park, Florida
Edwin H. Crouch	Jun 1918 . . . 9	August	1976 . . . Delray Beach, Florida
Homer W. Blair	Nov 1918 . . . 26	September	1976 . . . Harrison, Arkansas
Arthur J. Sheridan	Nov 1918 . . . 3	August	1976 . . . Sarasota, Florida
John R. Culleton	1920 . . . 17	August	1976 . . . San Francisco, California
Homer W. Kiefer	1920 . . . 22	September	1976 . . . Clearwater, Florida
Thomas E. Lewis	1922 . . . 14	June	1976 . . . Kerrville, Texas
John J. Binns	1923 . . . 20	August	1976 . . . San Francisco, California
William H. Arnold	1924 . . . 30	September	1976 . . . Lake Forest, Illinois
Tao H. Chang	1924 . . . 4	July	1976 . . . Macau
Robert M. Cannon	1925 . . . 3	September	1976 . . . Wilton, Connecticut
John M. Willems	1925 . . . 15	September	1976 . . . San Diego, California
Frank S. Bowen Jr.	1926 . . . 24	September	1976 . . . Columbia, South Carolina
Edwin J. Van Horne	1926 . . . 12	October	1976 . . . Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Herbert B. Kirkpatrick	1927 . . . 6	August	1976 . . . Columbus, Ohio
Robert K. Taylor	1928 . . . 11	September	1976 . . . South Laguna, California
Howard M. McCoy	1930 . . . 12	October	1976 . . . Bethesda, Maryland
Lauren W. Merriam	1933 . . . 1	November	1976 . . . La Grange, Georgia
Roy T. Evans Jr.	1933 . . . 16	September	1976 . . . Petersburg, Virginia
George R. Walton	1934 . . . 16	September	1976 . . . Chicago, Illinois
Rollin B. Durbin	1938 . . . 10	October	1976 . . . St. Petersburg, Florida
Charles M. Duke	1939 . . . 21	August	1976 . . . Fairfax, Virginia
Daniel F. Tatum	1939 . . . 21	August	1976 . . . Fort Smith, Arkansas
Charles M. Walton Jr.	1939 . . . 3	September	1976 . . . Melbourne, Florida
Clarence W. Clapsaddle Jr.	1940 . . . 25	September	1976 . . . Richmond, Virginia
William F. Starr	1941 . . . 29	August	1976 . . . Lexington, Kentucky
Lansford F. Kengle Jr.	Jun 1943 . . . 2	May	1976 . . . Palo Alto, California
Arthur J. Lacouture Jr.	Jun 1943 . . . 8	June	1976 . . . Sedona, Arizona
Michael Zubon	Jun 1943 . . . 17	April	1976 . . . Arlington, Virginia
John J. Vallaster Jr.	1945 . . . 5	August	1976 . . . Roswell, New Mexico
William C. Burns	1948 . . . 18	September	1976 . . . Washington, D.C.
Frank G. Barnes	1949 . . . 25	September	1976 . . . Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio
Paul C. Fleri Jr.	1949 . . . 10	September	1976 . . . Islip, New York
Charles W. Yocum	1952 . . . 26	September	1976 . . . Hot Springs, Virginia
John W. King	Ex-1952 . . . 23	June	1976 . . . Milledgeville, Georgia
Arthur G. Bonifas	1966 . . . 18	August	1976 . . . Panmunjon, Korea
Paul R. Kokonowski	1967 . . . 8	October	1976 . . . Auto Acdt, Massachusetts Turnpike
Harold E. Weinberg II	1973 . . . 22	August	1976 . . . Germany
Donald G. Taylor	1975 . . . 18	August	1976 . . . Lubbock, Texas
James E. Colwell	Ex-1977 . . . 2	October	1976 . . . Hazard, Nebraska

