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Dear Fellow Graduates:

This past March I attended and spoke at Founders Day gatherings in Boston, Miami, Charleston, and the Canal Zone. In every instance the dinner and program were excellent and our graduates were enthusiastic, committed, and keenly interested in the state of the Military Academy. I thoroughly enjoyed discussions on a variety of topics, and I was pleased and encouraged by the response to the work that is going on at West Point.

I will mention one question I received, which I know is of interest to all graduates. There was some concern that the plebe system is not as "tough" as it once was; that perhaps we have lowered our standards and permitted discipline to suffer. In fact, such is by no means the case. We are working to eliminate meaningless harrassment of plebes, we are eliminating intimidation, and we are stressing positive leadership techniques to cause our plebes to meet high and demanding requirements. The Class of 1982 is experiencing a challenging plebe year physically, academically and militarily. Our standards and discipline remain high, and we will keep them so.

Underway since late January has been a major effort, denoted "Initiative Teamwork," which has been designed to help improve the climate of relationships among cadets, instructors, tactical officers, and coaches--all those who directly participate in or work in support of the development of cadets for effective officership. This effort stems partially from my sensing, as well as that of others, that there exists too much of an adversarial "we/they" syndrome at West Point. The initiative thus far has consisted of a series of discussions with various groups, each of which is designed to foster a spirit of mutual support and sharing of responsibility for the Academy's mission; to open and further improve communications; and to enable the participation in such pursuits by a wide range of Academy citizenry. During this initial series of discussions two major areas of focus have been the Fourth Class System and Honor Education. Although it is premature to assess results at this time, it is possible to report that the process has been well received, and the seminars to date have provided much useful information.

Continuing during the past year has been an extensive review of honor-case procedures conducted by the Cadet Honor Committee, assisted by a Procedures Working Group established by me last spring. Responding to processing suggestions from Department of the Army officials, these two committees, as well as appropriate USMA governance officials, have evaluated streamlining the present procedures versus adopting new procedures which would insure expeditious processing of cases, a fair result, basic due-process rights, and confidence by the Corps in the effectiveness of this important area of the Honor System. This work continues.

As indicated in my last letter, Colonel Robert W. Berry has been investigating allegations of athletic recruiting violations made public by the departing football coach, Mr. Homer Smith. The investigation has now been completed and we submitted the facts and findings to the NCAA in late April. It is my intention to report the details to our graduates after the NCAA has made its final determination.

I wish to thank all graduates who participated in a recent research survey which sought to determine attitudes towards many programs and developments at the Academy. In addition to surveying graduates, we also conducted research on seven other segments of the public. It is a far-reaching effort to determine precisely what our many constituents think about the Military Academy. All the data has been gathered and is being refined at this time. We hope to be in position to present the findings in the next issue of ASSEMBLY.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. J. Goodpaster".

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Coach Palone observes the action, Army-Navy 1978.

JOE PALONE: A GREAT ARMY

• *Coach Palone was really loyal to his players. To him loyalty was the ultimate virtue. He used to keep people on "A" squad who really weren't that good. And everyone on "A" squad always made at least one trip.*

AS the day of the 1978 Army-Navy soccer game approached, the Army coaching staff had a major worry. Army's weakest position was at goalie. During the season, Coach Palone had used three goalies: senior Fritz Schmalberger, junior Mike Parkinson, and sophomore Mike Connor. Despite Army's 10-4-0 record, none had been consistent. With Parkinson injured, the assistant coaches voted unani-

mously to start Mike Connor against the Middies. Fritz had experienced some bad days, and hadn't lived up to expectations. Besides, since he was smaller than Connor, Fritz lacked Connor's range. But Coach Palone didn't see it that way. "Fritz had stuck by me for four years," he said, "And now I'm going to stick by him." On Friday, Coach Palone told Fritz that he would not only start against Navy, he would play the whole game, no matter what happened.

Fritz Schmalberger played the game of his life. Army scored on a penalty kick to lead, 1-0 at the half, and for most of the second half Fritz held off the determined Navy assault, giving Joe Palone

a victory over Navy in his 343rd and last game as Army's soccer coach.

It was a grand climax to a great career, and another vindication of Joe Palone's almost legendary ability to find the right man at the right time—and inspire another winning effort on another winning Army team.

• *It was fun to play soccer for Coach Palone. He molded his team around the players he had, and got the most out of all of us.*

Joseph M. Palone came to West Point in 1944, and in 1947 he assumed the duties of head soccer coach. That first season was a winning one, but in 1948 Army soccer hit the depths, as Joe's team won 0, lost 8, and tied 2. Midway through the season, Joe offered to resign, but there were no takers. When that disastrous campaign was over, the 1948 team wrote Joe Palone a letter—and it is his most precious memento of all the 29 seasons he has coached Army soccer. In part, the twenty-eight members of the Army team who signed that note on 22 November 1948 said this:

" we hope you'll remember that the members of your 1948 team thought the world of you, both as a coach and a man. Remember that, and not the record. . . those of us who are leaving next June are hoping that we'll be working with you again someday. We are grateful for the opportunity of having played under you this time. We're leaving, but we won't be forgetting."

The next season, 1949, was another losing year. But after that, for 26 straight winning seasons under Coach Palone's leadership, Army soccer never looked back. The record is awesome: more victories than any other active college coach, three Ivy League Champions, eleven teams that played in the NCAA tournament, and one team in the ECAC tournament, and three times ranked third in the nation. Joe Palone has coached over half of all the soccer games Army has played since the sport began in 1921, and 62% of all Army wins are his. Only twice, in 343 games, has an opponent scored

COACH JOE PALONE'S SOCCER RECORD

Year	Games	Won	Lost	Tied	
1947	14	6	5	3	
1948	10	0	8	2	
1949	8	2	5	1	
1950	9	8	0	1	(Ivy League Champions)
1951	10	9	0	1	(Ivy League Champions)
1952	10	8	1	1	(Ivy League Champions)
1953	10	8	1	1	
1954	10	6	2	2	
1958	9	4	1	4	
1959	10	7	1	2	
1960	10	8	2	0	
1961	10	5	5	0	
1962	11	7	3	1	
1963	13	12	1	0	(NCAA Tournament)
1964	13	10	3	0	(NCAA Tournament — 3rd)
1965	14	12	1	1	(NCAA Tournament — 3rd)
1966	15	10	3	2	(NCAA Tournament — 3rd)
1967	13	9	4	0	(NCAA Tournament)
1968	14	10	3	1	(NCAA Tournament)
1969	12	7	3	2	
1970	12	9	3	0	(NCAA Tournament)
1971	13	9	4	0	(NCAA Tournament)
1972	12	8	3	1	(NCAA Tournament)
1973	14	9	2	3	(NCAA Tournament)
1974	12	7	3	2	
1975	14	10	3	1	(NCAA Tournament)
1976	13	8	4	1	
1977	13	9	2	2	
1978	15	11	4	0	(ECAC Tournament)
Totals:	343	228	80	35	Pct. Wins: 71.6

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COACH RETIRES



It's Great to Beat Navy! Coach Palone and Army Captain Deryl Smoak.

as many as 6 goals on his team, while Palone's teams have scored 7 or more goals in 38 games.

Joe Palone attributes his remarkable success to the "kids" who have played for him over the years. "I never coached a team that quit," Joe says. "No matter what the score, my teams play all-out every minute. The mark of a real man, as far as I'm concerned, is the guy who is a little bit behind but is going to work to get back on top."

- One of the things I remember about Coach—at halftime he always told us, "The team that gets the next goal is going to win this game."

- I can remember once in practice Casey got off a bullet that accidentally caught another Army player on the side of the head. He went down, stunned, like a poleaxed steer. Coach was trotting by, supervising practice. He said, "Get up, the ball only weighs ten ounces, it can't hurt you!"

A mental lapse—falling asleep and not making a play—is one thing, Coach Palone stresses, but trying to make the play and failing is quite another.

- Coach would say, "You play in the rain, so you practice in the rain!" And we would. I think he kept a box of old leather balls just for rainy day practices. They could really soak up the water, and were they heavy!" I still remember the headaches!

"All I ask," Joe emphasizes, "Is that every man play up to his ability."

- When we lost, we felt worse for Coach than we did for ourselves. You could really feel his disappointment, but he always came in the locker room and tried to make us feel better. It was really hard to let him down.

Joe Palone has been coaching baseball and soccer since he graduated from Cortland State Teachers College in 1931. An instructor in the Department of Physical Education, Joe also officiates high school and college basketball games during the winter. During 1955-57, Coach Palone coached the Army baseball team at the request of LTG Blackshear M. Bryan, the Superintendent.

- I played baseball for Coach Palone as well as soccer. But I wasn't much of a baseball player. In fact I was a third string catcher. Joe found out my mother was coming up to see Army play a baseball game, and Joe started me. I played the whole game, and didn't do too badly, but I never played another whole game. My mother still thinks I was Army's first string catcher.

In 1958, Joe returned to his first love, soccer. He has two sons, Pat and Mike, and both were on hand to see their Dad coach his final game at West Point. Mike graduated from West Point in 1968, and won the Army Athletic Association award as the outstanding athlete in his class.

Joe has no hesitation in naming the best soccer player he ever had at West Point and the best Army team he ever coached. The best player was F. J. "Scotty" Adams, USMA '55, who played on the 1951-52-53-54 teams that won 31, lost 4 and tied 5. The best team was the 1966 team that won 10, lost 3 and tied 2. That team beat Navy in the NCAA Eastern finals and lost to San Francisco in the semi-finals for the national championship. Joe remembers that the 1966 team had five players that never played soccer before coming to West Point.

"It's the kind of game that a kid who is determined and willing can learn to play," Joe said. "My players are willing to work."

- I was always amazed that those repetitive drills paid off so well. I was an in-

side, and whenever I got the ball, I automatically pushed it out to the wing going down the sidelines and he was always there.

- Coach had a few favorite phrases. He still does. He would watch us dribble and carry the ball, not passing like we should, and he'd say, "If you like that ball so much I'll give you one for Christmas!" Another failing was that we would kick the ball in the air too much. A good team passes it from player to player on the ground. Coach Palone would say, "The ball is round—they make it that way so it will roll!"

- Coach always threatened to start the season in combat boots, particularly when we were clumsy in practice and not executing the drills very well. But we never did.

Coach Palone has never lost sight of the part athletics play in developing career Army officers. He is emphatic as he says, "I treat my players like I would my own kids as far as coaching is concerned, but there are lessons a guy on an athletic team learns that carry over as an Army officer.

"When I'm on the field I tell them, look, you may not agree with everything I tell you, but I can tell you one thing, you're going to have to take orders before you can give orders. Here, you're going to take my orders, and I take full responsibility. When you get to be an officer and you've got 100 troops depend-

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FOR THE RECORD . . .

Joe Palone has coached Army soccer:

- 29 Seasons
- 27 winning seasons
- 26 winning seasons in a row since 1950
- Won 3 Ivy League Championships
- 12 of his teams have participated in post season tournaments
- 3 of his teams were ranked 3rd nationally
- Against Navy he is 9-14-7, but in the last 5 years he is 3-1-1
- Against Air Force he is 11-1-1

COMMANDANT OF CADETS

In June, Brigadier General Joseph P. Franklin, USMA '55, will accept the mantle of command from Major General John C. Bard, USMA '54, and become the 58th Commandant of the United States Corps of Cadets. His mission remains as challenging now as it has been for his predecessors: stated simply, it is to develop well-trained leaders of integrity and character who are physically, mentally and morally prepared for life-long service to their country as officers of the Regular Army.

The current Commandant, General Bard, arrived at the Military Academy in January 1977, faced not only with the traditional concerns of command but also with an organization sorely tested by the trauma of EE304. Virtually every aspect of cadet life was under examination by the West Point Study Group following the release of the Report of the Borman Commission. It was in this atmosphere of review and critical evaluation that General Bard would successfully guide and direct the implementation of many recommended changes—changes which were pervasive, touching both the make-up of the organization and most of the programs dealing with the military development of the cadet.

Based principally upon West Point Study Group recommendations, General Bard initiated many modifications to the organizational structure of the Office of the Commandant. Both the Offices of Military Instruction and Physical Education were redesignated formal "Departments" and retained under the control of the Commandant. The Office of Military Leadership was redesignated the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership and transferred to the control of the Dean.

Within the Commandant's "tactical officer" structure, officers in the grade of lieutenant colonel were assigned as Regimental Tactical Officers. Additionally, the position of Special Assistant to the Commandant for Honor Matters was established and an Organizational Effectiveness Staff Officer became a member of the Commandant's Staff.

In an effort to make appropriate use of computer-related management techniques, the Information Systems Division was also established as a separate staff element. Other organizational changes in-

cluded the designation of key positions within the Office of the Commandant as "extended tour" positions to lend continuity and stability to the staff. As of this writing, the Director of Cadet Activities (formerly Cadet Activities Officer) is in the process of being selected to serve on an extended basis and the position of Deputy Director of the Department of Military Instruction has also been approved by DA as an extended tour position.

Within the United States Corps of Cadets, changes focused on freeing cadets from administrative and organizational tasks to increase their time for academic endeavors. Company Tactical Officers assisted through the relocation of their offices to rooms within the respective cadet company areas. This move not only made them more accessible but also improved communications and enabled them to play a greater role in assisting and monitoring each cadet's military development.

In one regiment a pilot program involving the assignment of three Battalion Tactical NCOs was also initiated to increase the cadets' awareness of the non-commissioned officer's role. In that connection, cadets are also now participating in the Drill Cadet Program during summer training periods at selected Army Training Centers in order to observe firsthand the work of the Drill Sergeant and to participate in recruit training programs. Cadet Troop Leader Training continued to receive emphasis under General Bard as an important link between the Army in-the field and the Corps of Cadets.

Of particular importance to the Corps was the comprehensive program initiated by General Bard for honor education and instruction in the standards of professional behavior designed to acquaint all new cadets with the fundamental concepts of Duty, Honor, Country.

Women in the Corps of Cadets expanded both in number and assignment from three companies per regiment in 1976 to all companies in 1977. Women officers in the Office of the Commandant also increased in number with one becoming a Company Tactical Officer in 1978 and a second programmed for a company later this month. The television movie, "Women at West Point," was filmed here on location with assistance



Commandant of Cadets, MG John C. Bard, who is departing in early June 1979.



New Commandant of Cadets, BG Joseph P. Franklin.

provided both by cadets and members of the Office of the Commandant. The favorable reviews brought some well-deserved publicity to the Military Academy.

General Bard's many contributions to the Corps have been recognized and will remain long after his departure from USMA this summer. He leaves with a second star to become the Deputy Commanding General, Allied Land Forces Southeastern Europe.

General Franklin was born on 28 August 1933 in Cumberland, Maryland, and is married to the former Constance Smith; they have four sons. A 1955 graduate, he obtained Masters of Science degrees in Nuclear Engineering and Civil Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology prior to his tour as an instructor in nuclear engineering with the Department of Military Art and Engineering from 1965 to 1968. He is a graduate of the Army War College and of the Naval War College Command and Staff Course.

His command assignments have included command of the 4th Training Brigade at Fort Knox and the 299th Engineer Battalion of the 18th Engineer Brigade in Vietnam. Staff duties have included Chief of the Electronics Operations

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TWO APPOINTED PROFESSORS

COLONELS Stanley E. Reinhart Jr. and Howard T. Prince II have been appointed to the Army's unique Corps of Professors, USMA.

Colonel Reinhart was advanced to Professor, USMA, and Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering in an April 2 ceremony.

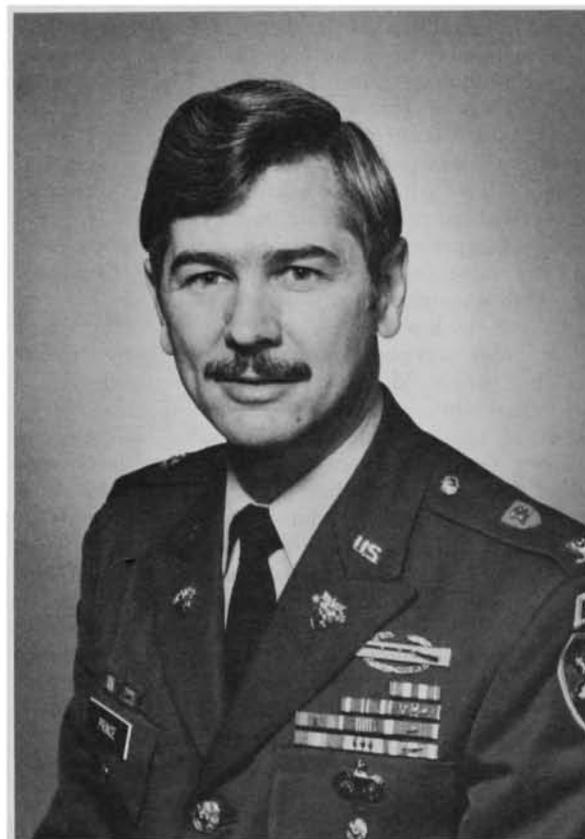
A native of Ohio, he graduated from West Point in 1950 and returned in 1953 as an instructor in what was then the Department of Electricity. In 1964, Colonel Reinhart received a master's degree in electrical engineering from Georgia Tech and a PhD in 1966, also from Georgia Tech. In addition to numerous Field Artillery assignments, he is a graduate of CGSC and the Army War College. He has served as a Permanent Associate Professor in the EE Department since 1965. Colonel Reinhart is the third permanent Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering. He succeeds BG Elliott C. Cutler Jr. who served in that capacity from 1961 to 1977.

Colonel Prince, Head of the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership, was appointed to the Corps of Professors and promoted to his present rank in the Regular Army in an April 6 ceremony. He is the first person to hold the position of Professor of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership, the Academy's newest academic department. Known to most old grads as the Office of Military Psychology and Leadership, the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership received the charter as a result of the organizational realignments recommended in the Final Report of the West Point Study Group.

Upon graduation from USMA in 1962, Colonel Prince was commissioned in the Infantry but later transferred to the Medical Service Corps because of wounds received in Vietnam. He completed Olmsted Scholar studies in political science and international relations in Bonn, Germany, and received his Doctor of Philosophy degree in clinical psychology from the University of Texas. Colonel Prince served as a German instructor at USMA in 1970-71 and returned to West Point in 1975 as director of the Cadet Counseling Center and later as Permanent Associate Professor in the department of which he is now Professor and Head.



Colonel Stanley E. Reinhart Jr. with Supt USMA.



Colonel Howard T. Prince II



ROBERT AND HIS RULES OF ORDER

by WILLIAM J. TAYLOR and ROBERT F. CROSKERY

THE history of civilized thought is a story of the search for order in nature and society. The 18th century philosopher and statesman Edmund Burke concluded that "Good order is the foundation of all good things." How a society is to arrive at a condition of good order has always depended upon an interpretation of presocial human nature. In the 17th century, Thomas Hobbes' interpretation was at best unrestrained competition; John Locke's was prevailing reason. Anyone who has witnessed organizational meetings without rules of order might conclude in exasperation that Hobbes was right. But most community organizations established according to democratic principles have by-laws which provide for rules of order accepted by a majority of reasonable people. Many Americans know of the great philosophers who have contributed to the age-old quest for order. Relatively few are aware of the West Point graduate whose abiding belief in the power of order and harmony provides daily guidance to hundreds of thousands.

Brigadier General Henry Marlyn Robert, Class of 1857, was the author of Robert's Rules of Order, first published in 1876 and long accepted as America's parliamentary Bible. Used by countless organizations across the nation as the fundamental set of rules governing procedure, approximately three million copies have been sold.

Assemblies of people to discuss organizational or community goals, policies or programs are, of course, quite common. Assembly procedures are conditioned by the nature of the organization or commu-

nity and may range from the tight order of autocratic control to the disorder of unstructured, competing factions. Robert's Rules of Order sought to establish harmony for both great assemblies and average local meetings based upon enduring principles of American democracy. These principles were explained in the seventy-fifth anniversary edition as:

the right of the majority to decide, the right of the minority to be heard, the right of the absentees to be protected.

Henry Robert was himself a man of great courage, vision, and inner harmony. His natural desire for order and harmony in life was evident in his cadet years, in which he ranked consistently in the top two percent of his class in his strongest subjects: engineering, ethics, philosophy, chemistry and mathematics. Indeed, his superior performance in mathematics and in philosophy won him temporary cadet duty as an Assistant Professor for those subjects during the first month of his first class year. Whether native intellect or long hours of study constituted the major variable in his high academic achievements is unknown. One can only guess the basis for Special Orders No. 119 (August, 1856):

Cadet Robert for being asleep while the Officer of the Guard on the night of the 3rd will be confined within the chain of sentinels during the remain-

der of the encampment and will perform two extra tours of camp guard duty as sentinel.

Robert's moral courage and orderly thought processes proved themselves four years after his graduation from West Point, when the North and the South became embroiled in the Civil War. As hostilities loomed, Lieutenant Robert was faced with the momentous personal decision which troubled each Southern graduate: whether to remain in the Union forces which had commissioned him, or to fight for the Confederacy. He felt an overpowering compulsion to fight in the Army of his native South Carolina, to which he was bound by ties of blood and devotion. Indeed, his birthplace, the town of Robertsville, had been founded by his great-grandfather. Furthermore, Robert believed that a man's first allegiance belonged to his own state, rather than to the Union, and that any state had the theoretical right to secede. Despite these views he did not join his fellow Southern officers in their exodus to the Confederacy, for Henry Robert was a man of vision who loved harmony. The vision he saw was that of future days when, the Confederacy victorious, states would secede in turn from it. The order for which Robert yearned led him to reject a future in which dozens of states without the common heritage of the Constitution would fall to petty bickering. Unable to countenance chaos, Robert's moral courage led him to choose what he believed to be right rather than what he preferred personally. He remained in the North de-

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Woody Burgess and Gar Davidson show Superintendent Berry a page in the new West Point Memory Book at the Class of 1927 Dedication Ceremony, June Week 1977.

The West Point Memory Book

THE West Point Memory Book was created in 1977 in order that the United States Military Academy could permanently honor those deceased graduates, ex-cadets, their wives, cadets, and friends of West Point in whose memory contributions to the West Point Fund or the Association of Graduates have been made.

Until 1977, there were two Memory Books at West Point. The West Point Memory Book was established in 1966, and consisted of a single volume placed on a table in the USMA Library, located underneath the glass case display of West Point class rings. The pages were black and white, and as time went on, the Alumni Affairs Office became increasingly concerned over the informality and lack of dignity surrounding the West Point Memory Book.

In 1972, the Association of Graduates also established a Memory Book, which was maintained in the Offices of the Association in Cullum Hall. While it was available for perusal by graduates and their family or cadets, it was not easily and readily accessible.

Happily, the Class of 1927, as they approached their 50th Reunion, responded to a request from the Military Academy for assistance and agreed to finance a new West Point Memory Book Corner as their 50th Reunion gift to West Point. The Military Academy and the Association of Graduates, believing that a Memory Book is important to our cadets and graduates, and that the book should be dignified, formal in nature, and properly displayed, were delighted to combine their two Memory Books into a single West Point Memory Book, to be placed in an appropriate setting in the Library.

The Class of 1927 agreed to buy new parchment pages with a colored border depicting scenes of West Point for the Memory Book, and they also financed the equipment necessary to hand-letter the pages in a handsome script. Eight volumes were purchased to contain the pages for the West Point Memory Book.

A typical Memory Book page. This is the first of two pages dedicated in memory of BG Frederick A. Stevens, November '18.

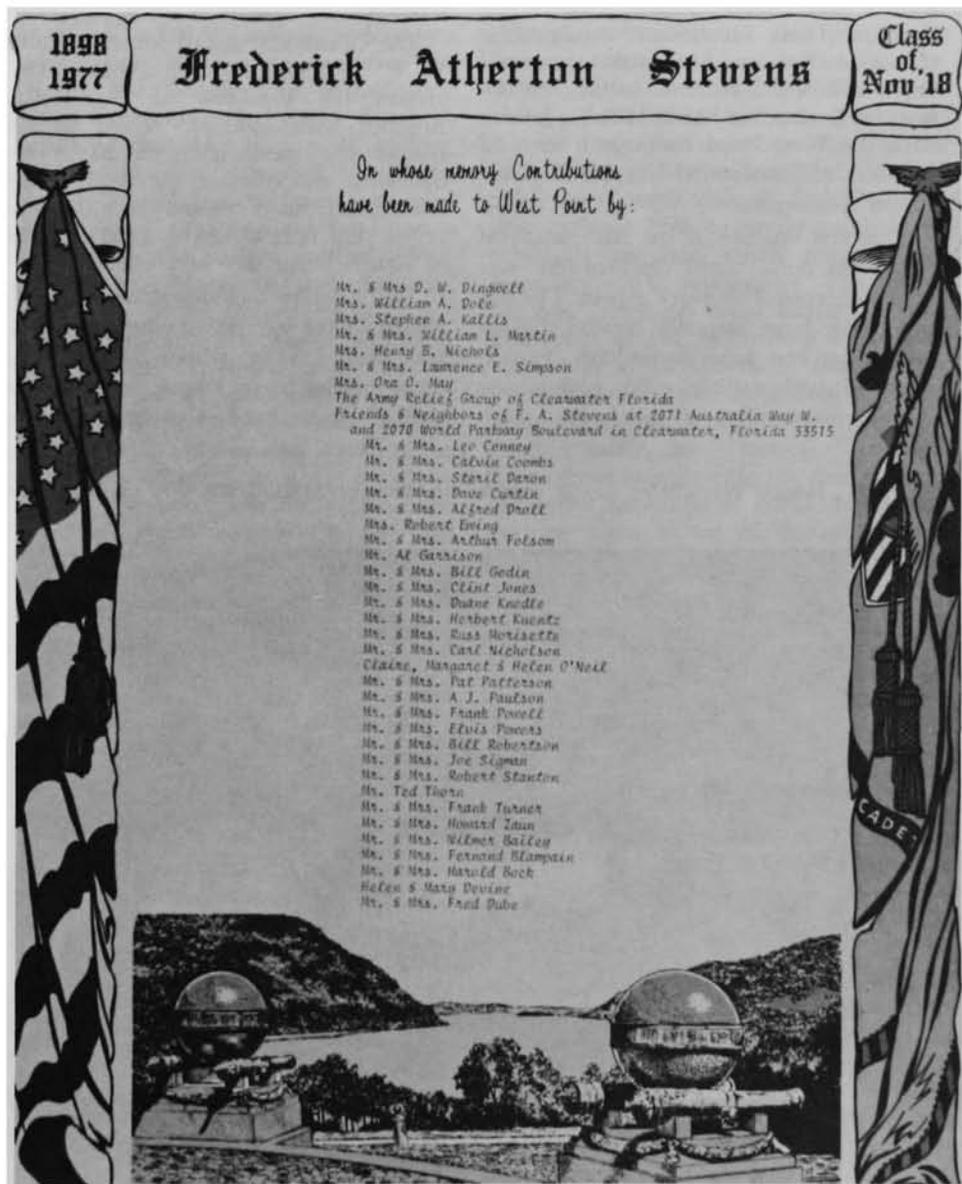
The Memory Book Corner, with its handsome display and quiet, dignified area where interested visitors may examine the volumes, was dedicated at the 50th Reunion of the Class of 1927 on 2 June 1977. A bronze dedication plaque on the wall beside the breakfront has these words:

In Lasting Memory
of
The Long Gray Line
The West Point Memory Book

is presented to
The United States
Military Academy
by
The Class of 1927
at its 50th Reunion
June 2, 1977

Above the breakfront, a framed needlepoint is prominently displayed depicting the Military Academy crest in black, gold, and gray. The needlepoint was presented

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VEENDAM cruising
Glacier Bay Alaska.

AOG TRAVEL PROGRAM

ALASKA CRUISE NEXT!



ON 21 January 1979 and on 25 February 1979, two groups of USMA alumni families and widows, 87 strong, from classes of the period 1917-1953 embarked from Galveston, Texas, aboard Sun Line's *Stella Solaris* bound for a Caribbean vacation which took them to Montego Bay, Cartagena, Panama Canal, San Andres and Grand Cayman Islands and Yucatan. These vacationers were part of the joint Service Academies sponsored cruise which was featured in the September 1978 issue of *ASSEMBLY*. Joining with the West Point contingent were 62 travelers affiliated with Naval and Coast Guard Academies.

This first venture of the Association of Graduates into travel sponsorship was highly successful in every aspect. The unexpectedly large response created the necessity for two separate sailings. Participants of both sailings were enthusiastic in their expressions of satisfaction, both

during the voyage and by letters afterward.

The great success of Caribbean Cruise '79 has prompted the AOG to plan another special event—this time an Alaska Inside Passage Cruise—exclusively for USMA Alumni families, widows and friends during the ideal season of late summer!

The Cruise will depart from Vancouver, B. C. on Saturday, 18 August 1979, aboard the *Veendam* of the Holland America Line and will return to Vancouver one week later on 25 August. Spacious, and offering the finest accommodations, the *Veendam* is a luxurious cruise ship upholding the great traditions of Dutch hospitality and seamanship.

The itinerary includes stops at three of Alaska's most interesting cities, Ketchikan, Juneau and Sitka, where you will have opportunities to go ashore, sightsee, shop and take advantage of exciting shore ex-

cursions. The highlight of the trip will be a full day cruising Glacier Bay (see photo).

The arrangements are being handled by GROUPTRAV International, Inc., the agency which handled Caribbean Cruise '79. The plans, itineraries and activities for this program have been selected by GROUPTRAV and approved by the AOG. Super-saver air fares to Vancouver from many major cities are available and, upon request, GROUPTRAV will make all your additional travel arrangements.

In all likelihood this will be a very popular program. We therefore urge you to make early reservations to insure a place on the cruise and your choice of stateroom. Colonel Richard L. Gruenther '46 with his wife, Sue, will accompany the tour. For additional information and/or an application form, please contact Colonel Gruenther, Association of Graduates, West Point, New York 10996 (Telephone: 914-446-5773).

Happy West Point group gathers on deck of *STELLA SOLARIS* as ship transits Panama Canal 28 January 1979.





Maj. Gen. Eben Swift and the Five Paragraph Field Order

ON 11 May 1979 Major General Eben Swift Jr. (USMA 1876) was inducted into the Fort Leavenworth Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding military leaders who have served at Fort Leavenworth, and who have contributed to the achievement, tradition or history of the United States Army or the Army of the Confederate States of America. It includes, among others, such distinguished graduates as Robert E. Lee, Philip H. Sheridan, Henry H. Arnold, Omar B. Bradley, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Douglas MacArthur, Simon B. Buckner, Lesley J. McNair, Joseph W. Stilwell, Matthew B. Ridgway and Maxwell D. Taylor.

As a soldier, as a scholar, as a military thinker, and as a teacher, General Swift exercised a remarkable influence on the United States Army as it entered the twentieth century. His service at the Infantry and Cavalry School at Fort Leavenworth and his service at the Army War College made a lasting impression on the Army.

After graduation at the Military Academy in 1876, General Swift arrived in the American West in time for the Big Horn and Yellowstone campaigns in 1876, and spent the next seventeen years with his regiment in the West. His only detour from line duty was as aide-de-camp to General Wesley Merritt. In 1893, Swift went to Leavenworth and remained there until 1897 as an assistant instructor. Two other times in his career Swift returned to the school: from 1904–1906 as senior instructor in military art and as Assistant Commandant, and for a short time in 1916 as Commandant. His most important contribution was during the initial tour of duty at Leavenworth.

When first an instructor at Leavenworth, in 1894 and 1895, Swift introduced a technique of analyzing and solving tactical problems, which with some modification still exists in United States Army doctrine. Tracing numerous battle-

field failures in the Napoleonic Wars, the Civil War, and the Franco-Prussian War to a misunderstanding of orders, Swift attributed the misunderstandings to the absence of a systematic means of issuing orders. Historically, commanders either prescribed in great detail the execution of an order, or merely pointed out the objective, leaving the execution entirely to the judgment of subordinates. Neither extreme satisfied Swift. Based on German techniques for troop leading, Swift developed a system of tactical orders, or "simple tactical forms," to meet every tactical situation and produced a pamphlet on the subject entitled, "Military Orders, Messages and Reports." Every order issued by our forces during World War I and afterwards for march, or for tactical movement or for combat was based on the principles of Swift's pamphlet. No more important military guide or text book was ever issued to our army or any other.

Swift's five-paragraph order, the standard form, would contain the following information: 1) the general situation, including information on enemy and friendly forces; 2) the objective; 3) disposition of troops and tasks assigned to each of the several factions of the command; 4) instructions for logistic support of the operation; 5) instruction for communications during the operation. Such a form was invaluable to the soldier; it provided a short-cut to problem solving by including all pertinent information without deluging commanders with extraneous details. The guidelines of the order allowed subordinates to carry out the plan by their own means, thus relieving the overall commander from a mass of routine work. By standardizing tactical practices, the field order contributed to a better understanding among officers. It encouraged them to think and speak the same language, an obvious advantage in the stress and confusion of war.

Swift's system was valuable as a means

of instruction as well as for problem solving in combat. Each of the five paragraphs of the field order considered one important aspect of any tactical situation. Students dealing with the simplest or most complex situation, in a map exercise or a field problem, had to learn to consider these five aspects. One purpose of Leavenworth was to train tactical leaders. The system introduced by Swift provided a short-cut and a standard for training as it did for decisionmaking in the field. Although the essentials of the field order were simple enough, Swift believed that to learn how to apply properly its principles required much practice and some amount of intelligence. The use of the five paragraph order became a standard part of the applicatory method of instruction at Leavenworth. Before writing an order the student studied the map, made an estimate of the situation, and finally made his "tactical decision." Throughout this process the five parts of the order served as a guide. Instruction became more a test of decision-making and judgment than of academic attainment.

Following his service at Fort Leavenworth from 1894–1897, Swift took part in the Spanish-American War as a colonel, 4th Illinois Infantry in Cuba where he remained until April 1899. In June 1899, General Swift was ordered to Puerto Rico where he joined the 5th Cavalry, and served with his regiment and as inspector of the District of Humacao, and collector of customs, until December 1899. In December 1899, he became the Commanding Officer, Puerto Rican Battalion at Henry Barracks, Cahey.

In 1904, General Swift returned to Fort Leavenworth, where he served as senior instructor in military art and as Assistant Commandant. In August 1906, he returned to Washington for duty with the General Staff, and was graduated from the Army War College in 1907.

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A Great Nose Indicates A Great Man* (Oh Yeah?!)

by PERRY GRIFFITH '34

My class has another reunion shortly. If nine one-armed guys stood in line and counted their fingers, it would take five minutes—forty-five is such a big number. And that's what it is. Forty-five!!

I don't think I shall go back to the Rock Pile for this one because of what happened on my Twentieth. I need a repeat of that circuit of the track like Dolly Parton needs falsies.

To the time of my Twentieth, by crook and mostly hook, I managed to collect five broken noses. If my face were a map of the United States, my nose would start in Chicago, get its kicks on Route 66 to Los Angeles, and end up back in Dallas.

When this melancholy roundelay occurred, I was on the Air Staff in the Pentagon. Not having given much thought to the reunion, the first week in June a "friend" said he was filling a gooney bird

with reunion-bound zealots, and would I like to sand-bag along?

My wife is of the school that holds these retreats are strictly for stags, so that was no problem—yet. And it was too late to request a B-25 at Bolling. So, like a damn fool, I said, "Sure, I'll fill one of your bucket seats."

For a while everything went fine as frog's hair. A class Twentieth is probably the best reunion you'll ever see. All the studs are still muy macho, and their wives look like ripened movie queens. There was quite a turn-out, and we weren't a bunch of kids, yet we still had both feet well out of the grave.

But the night before graduation parade, some do-gooder who fancied himself the entertainment director on the cruise ship, I guess, laid on a picnic in a big log cabin they had built at Round Pond.

A typical, bashing bar-b-que, there was food, lots of chatter and noise and a

Niagara Falls of nose paint and branch water. Around midnight, the decibel level dropped from infinity to zero and I discovered that one classmate who now lives in Texas, his wife, and our classmate, Episcopal priest, Johnny Kromer, his wife and Old Dad, me, were occupying a small space in a mighty big building.

Someone suggested we get the hell out. So, leaving all those blinding lights on, we found a door. Throwing it open and with a flourish like one of Errol Flynn's, I invited them out. They graciously said, "Lead on," and I stepped off and into space and the Black Hole of Calcutta.

The door led nowhere. It was like parachuting on an overcast night into the Black Forest. There was a four foot drop, and my friends later said I looked like I used to, doing a half-gainer, when I was a diver on the Varsity. They found another door.

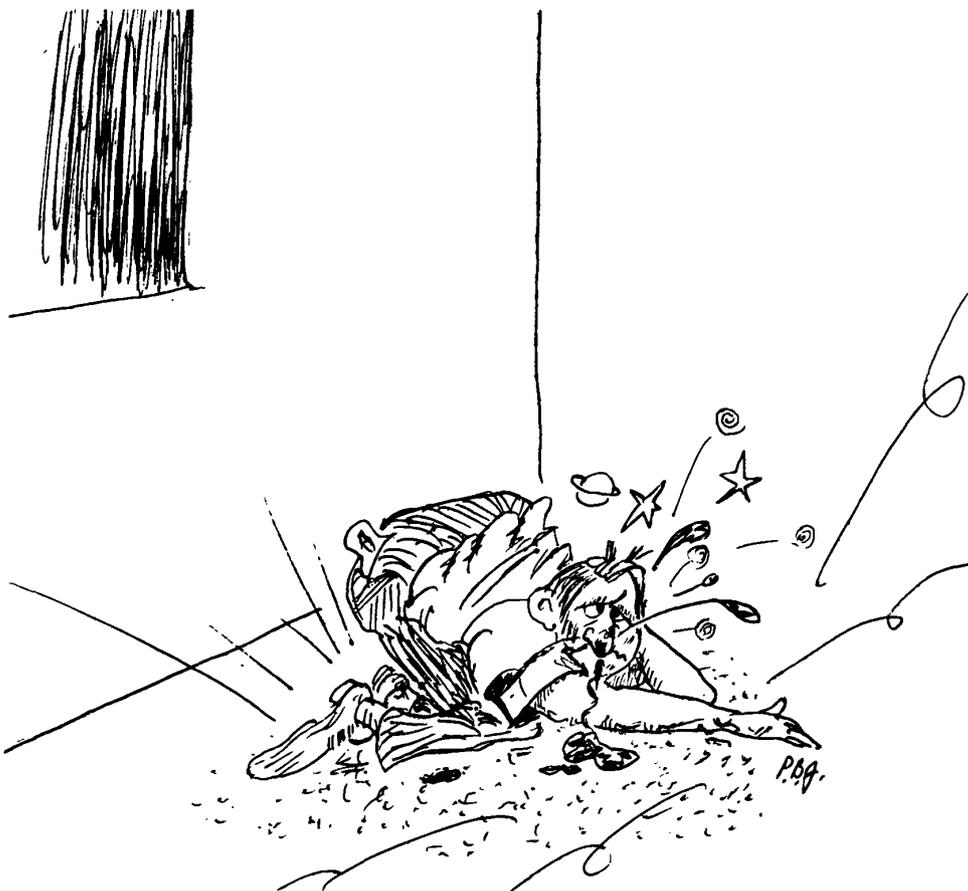
Once my head stopped sounding like Buddy Rich backing his band, I found I was a forty-two-year-old alumnus surrounded by gravel-covered ground, much of it embedded in my nose, lips and chin.

My Texas classmate's wife used up a box of Kleenex on my schnozz during the ride back in John's car. Her blouse looked like the Russian flag, John's car floor took on the appearance and air of an abattoir, I was trying to hold my nose in one piece until they got to the hospital, and my clothes were like a matador's who'd been gored by his bull.

I wasn't alone. The emergency room was filled with malingerers and guys with belly aches, but the emergency crew shoved me right through and on to the same table, I suspect, where I lost my tonsils, twenty years before. My loyal friends stuck by me, and finally, a harassed MOD appeared, and a helpful orderly asked, "What kind of anesthetic do you want?"

The sawbones said, "This guy doesn't need any anesthetic," promptly cleaned out the gully in my face's center-piece and went to work with his needle and thread. Eventually, he finished, and with my nose-tip pointed upward toward the

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*Edmond Rostand, "Cyrano"



news from the SOCIETIES

West Point Society of Chicago

The Society kicked off a very active social season in February with a dinner for the new Head Football Coach, Lou Saban, and the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Major General Murphy. The purpose of the dinner was to provide an opportunity for the local graduates and their wives to meet Coach Saban and also for the Coach to meet ten of the outstanding student-athletes in the Chicago area. Under the auspices of Assistant Coach Bernie Wall and Frank Mleko, our Vice President for Athletic Recruiting, we were able to invite ten top players and their parents to be our guests. Approximately 150 attended the dinner, many of whom were alumni and members of the Parents Club. The evening was capped by speeches by both General Murphy and Coach Saban. General Murphy devoted his remarks to the influence that a successful football team can have on the image that West Point portrays to the outside world and of the extreme importance in financial terms that such a successful team can have to the other sports and facilities at the Academy. General Murphy introduced Lou Saban who gave some very brief remarks on his feelings toward the Academy and his desire to produce a winner.

Following these remarks, our Treasurer, Jack Miley, presented General Murphy with a contribution to the Arnold Galiffa Memorial Fund on behalf of the West Point Society of Chicago. Following the dinner and remarks, Coach Saban met privately with all of the athletes and their parents and General Murphy met privately with the additional prospective candidates and their parents who were in attendance and who were not being recruited by the Athletic Department.

On 17 March, the annual Dinner/Dance for the West Point Society of Chicago was held at the Elmhurst Country Club. The main speaker for the evening was the Honorable Adam Benjamin Jr., the U.S. Representative from the First Congressional District of Northern Indiana. In addition to being a graduate of the Class of 1958, Adam is a very active member of the West Point Society of Chicago and addressed his remarks to his personal views of the Academy and the Honor Code as he sees it following the Borman Report. The Society was also pleased to have as a special Guest of Honor, Major General Bill Mundie, who is the ranking active duty officer in the area and the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command at Fort Sheridan. Although not a graduate,

General Mundie found a number of old acquaintances amongst our Society members, and was made an honorary member of our Society.

As usual, a very strong and loyal contingent of the West Point Parents Club of Northern Illinois was in attendance, led by their President, Mr. Hugh Waldier.

Following the formal remarks and annual business meeting, the group adjourned for a splendid evening of dancing and renewing old friendships. The approximately 200 dinner guests all seemed to have a good time and are looking forward to our next event.

Now that the effects of the Blizzard of 1979 have gone and the green grass is slowly returning to the Chicago area, Frank Kobes '66 has again begun to schedule our Regional Cocktail Parties, some of which were literally snowed in in January and February. Frank has three of these cocktail parties scheduled for April and will probably have two more in May. The final event for this part of our season will be a summer family outing in July or August. All in all, the rejuvenation process of the West Point Society of Chicago is coming along very well and the membership is becoming more and more active in our affairs.

West Point Society of Minnesota

There seem to be three key periods in a cadet's career at West Point during which serious second thoughts surface about the wisdom of the decision to attend the Military Academy. The first occurs when the cadet is initially separated from home and family during Cadet Basic Training. The second is

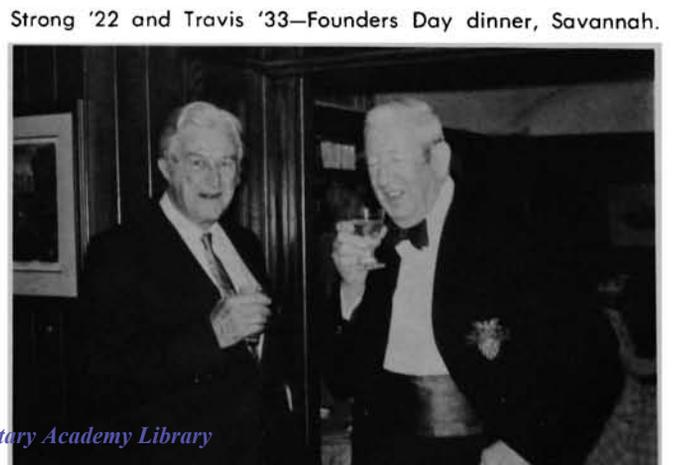


Founders Day West Point Society of Hanover. Standing: Walk, Devereaux, Harmon, Krueger, Luebbert; Kneeling: Peixotto and Moorman.



West Point Society of Los Angeles: The Craigies at Founders Day dinner: John '51, Marilyn, Victoria and Lawrence '23.

West Point Society of Los Angeles: Waddell '14 (center), oldest grad present for 14th time, receives Society Award as President Shaler '56 and Kreuter '20 look on.



Strong '22 and Travis '33—Founders Day dinner, Savannah.

immediately after the plebe returns to West Point from Christmas leave. The third critical period encompasses the whole Yearling year. Other schools refer to this as the Sophomore Slump.

In assisting cadets in these key periods, extremely positive results have come from a program such as the one developed by the West Point Society of Minnesota. This program should be considered by other USMA support organizations and Admissions Participants. It involves a letter of encouragement from a Minnesota USMA graduate to a new cadet in Cadet Basic Training, Jim Badelin, USMA '66, is responsible for the Minnesota Sponsorship Program. He has received many enlightening and appreciative comments from Minnesota cadets reached by the program last summer. A program of this kind is small in effort and cost, but invaluable in its potential accomplishments. If this encouragement can come at one of the critical times outlined above, it is especially helpful.

The Cadet Counseling Center at West Point has also been very valuable in terms of helping cadets deal with their problems. The center is run by a group of skilled professionals, headed by MAJ Will Wilson. If you know of a cadet who is having difficulty handling life at the Military Academy, it might be especially meaningful if you would refer him to the Counseling Center. If necessary, MAJ Wilson can be contacted telephonically at commercial 914-938-3022, or autovon 688-3022.

West Point Society of Philadelphia

The Philadelphia West Point Society

celebrated its 52d annual Founders Day on 17 March 1979.

The guest speaker this year was General Bernard Rogers, Army Chief of Staff. In addition to his remarks, General Rogers assisted in the induction of this year's new officers. They are:

President: William W. Watkin '42 (Ret.)

Vice President: Randell W. Bell '59

Secretary: Robert E. Klein '60

Treasurer: Alfred L. Griebing '50

The turnout at Philadelphia's famed Union League included more than 200 alumni, parents of cadets, and friends of West Point.

Last fall, the Philadelphia West Point Society hosted the Army-Navy Rally at the Defense Personnel Support Center on the Friday before the game. This marks the return of this event to the Center, and the successful turnout was sparked by the return, also, of an Army general to head up the DPSC. We encourage all to attend next year, same station.

The Philadelphia Society maintains a local phone number in the Philadelphia area and encourages all alumni to call (215) 563-6277 to inquire about West Point activities.

West Point Society of Orange County, California

"If you can't move Mohammed to the Mountain, move the mountain to Mohammed!" This fairly common saying has often been applied to educator visits to West Point. For several reasons, most of which are financial, visits of high school counselors to West Point have been drastically curtailed the last few years. To

compensate for this, the West Point Society of Orange County, California, in conjunction with the Admissions field force, has initiated luncheon meetings for counselors, Admissions Participants, and West Point Society members for their 63 secondary schools. At three separate luncheons, 48 of the schools were represented. The agenda included remarks by the Society President, an Admissions orientation, a current film, and a period of questions. The entire program lasts less than an hour and a half. Present plans call for continuation of this program every other year in several locations throughout Orange County.

1979 Founders Day, Lisbon, Portugal

In Portugal, since the number of West Point graduates is so small graduates of the other service academies were invited to attend the festivities. Of the total of eleven graduates invited, seven attended and included:

RADM James H. Scott, Commander, Iberian-Atlantic Command, USNA '49, attended with wife, Jean. RADM Scott is the senior USNA graduate on active duty in Portugal.

COL William L. Wubbena Jr., USMA '53, Chief, MAAG, Portugal, and his wife Marie—Founders Day host and hostess.

CPT Walter C. Nix, USNA '54, Chief, Navy Section, MAAG, Portugal, and his wife Kathy.

COL Bob D. Schuler, USMA '56, the Army Attaché, with his wife Marlene.

LTC John P. Bevans, USNA '60, Chief AF Section, MAAG Portugal, threatened to sing the Middie version of "On, Brave,



West Point Society of Ft Benning and Columbus, Georgia: The Boxes and Christiansens, Founders Day.

West Point Society of North Florida: Love '50, Asbury '63, and Haas '22.



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Founders Day St. Petersburg, head table: Marks '44, Mrs. Newman, Bagnal '56—principal speaker, O'Malley '37, Newman '25—oldest grad present, Mrs. Marks.



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Old Army Team," but was promptly squelched.

LTC Kevin J. O'Neill, USMA '59, Chief Army Section, MAAG Portugal, with Ann, his wife, provided his preserved "tarbucket," a reminder to us all of our K-det and Middie days. Ann has recently become the Embassy Nurse.

LTC John L. Taylor, USMA '62, was the youngest graduate present and, in fact, the youngest in Portugal. John attended with his wife Lyna, who greatly appreciated Wubben's cancellation of John's speech as the youngest "grad" and substituted the film, "Duty, Honor, Country." John is the Chief, Plans, Programs, and Admin Section, MAAG, Portugal.

More importantly this year, all were honored by the attendance of the three most distinguished service representatives in Portugal in addition to the Portuguese Military Academy Commandant. The service representatives were General José Lemos Ferreira, Chief of Staff of the Portuguese Air Force; General Pedro Alexandre Gomes Cardoso, Chief of Staff of the Army; and Admiral António Egídio Sousa Leitão, Chief of Staff of the Navy. General Renato Fernando Marques Pinto, the Commandant of the Military Academy, also attended.

Thus, on 16 March 1979, at the Monsanto Officers Mess, all celebrated both a joint and an International Founders Day.

Founders Day, Fort Bragg

The "Long Gray Line" stood proud and strong, as graduates joined together at the Fort Bragg Officers Club to com-

memorate the 177th anniversary of the founding of the Academy.

Some 470 graduates and guests filled the Lafayette Room, heralding the occasion which was hosted by the 82d Airborne Division. The lineage and traditions of the USMA were symbolized in a telegram from retired General Omar N. Bradley, former General of the Army. In part the telegram said, "While my legs can no longer keep up, my thoughts and spirit march on with you in the hopes that our every step more indelibly stamps into the fabric of our nation the blueprint our forefathers prepared for us."

William T. Huckabee III, USMA '59, Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army for North Carolina, sat at the head table with XVIII Airborne Corps commander, Lieutenant General Volney F. Warner, USMA '50, retired Brigadier General George S. Speidel Jr. USMA '31—oldest grad, and West Point Soccer Coach Joe Palone—guest speaker.

The youngest graduate, 2LT Mark E. O'Neil, USMA '78, in his address said: "It is indeed a pleasure to be allowed to volunteer to say a few words. I was given a few, very general instructions. Those were to keep it short and somewhat humorous, if I could manage that."

He went on to say, "We, the Class of 1978, can report that the institution is still strong. And it's needless to say that the Academy is going through a great change as is this great nation of ours. Regardless of these changes, the purpose for and ideals of West Point will never waiver."

BG Speidel, the oldest graduate, chose

"not to talk about how rough it was back in the old days. I'd like to talk a little bit about growing old; maybe growing old gracefully, I hope," he said.

"At my last reunion, when the Corps of Cadets passed in review before the old brass, a classmate poked me in the ribs and said, 'You know something? We're to those cadets out there what the Class of 1886 was to us when we went by.' And that, of course, made you feel a little old."

In closing BG Speidel said, "A little advice to some of the active duty people who are going to retire; never feel your age. Keep active and talk. That's been my philosophy."

The guest speaker for the evening was Joe Palone, who has been head soccer coach at West Point since 1947.

Coach Palone spoke at length about sports. "Gymnastics, wrestling, boxing and swimming are our four basic subjects. We're spending a lot more time in carryover activities such as golf, tennis, racquetball, handball and squash. My own sport is soccer. It's going to be tough for me to leave after all these years. Soccer will be taken over by Coach Edell who is a fine coach and I'm sure he'll do a good job," said Palone.

Speaking about the cadets Palone said, "We work them just as hard as ever. The training is just as tough as ever. As far as the women are concerned, they are fitting in very nicely. They have been accepted."

In closing Coach Palone said, "We'll make no compromise on our honor system. We'll make no compromise on dis-

Members of Board of Governors, WP Society of Philadelphia: Kurtz '65, Popielarski '63, Bland '47, Siever '52; Bunnell '68, Bell '59 (VP), Guernsey '69, GEN Rogers (CS), Branker '45, Watkin '42 (Pres), Hess '36, Dapprich '38, Greibling '50 (Treas), and Olshansky '61.



JUNE 1979



January meeting, West Point Society of DC: Murphy '42, "Biff" Jones '17, USMA football coach (1926-29) and member of Football Hall of Fame; Palmer '36 and Society President; new football coach, Lou Saban.

Ambassador John H. Holdridge '45, a veteran of over 30 years duty with the Foreign Service, speaker at West Point Society of DC Founders Day dinner.



missing cadets who do not follow rules and regulations. We still work on the basic principle in training an officer; before he can learn to give orders, he must learn to take orders."

Following the guest speakers' comments, the 82d Airborne Division Chorus sang several traditional songs of the USMA. The applause from the audience said it all when the singers left the room, at double time, singing Airborne "Jody Cadence."

Founders Day, Korea

A very successful 1979 Founders Day celebration was held at the Eighth U.S. Army Officers Club, Seoul, Korea, on 24 March. Over 150 graduates and guests heard the guest speaker, LTG Marion C. Ross, Class of '49, Commander, I Corps (ROK/US) Group, speak on duty and the responsibilities of officers. MG Harry A. Griffith, Class of '49, Chief, JUSMAG-K, did an outstanding job as our Master of Ceremonies. LTG Emerson Charles Itschner (USA, Ret.), Class of '24, spoke as the oldest graduate present, while 2LT David L. Bham, Class of '78, the youngest graduate, assured the gathering that the West Point traditions we all hold so dear are continuing to flourish. General John W. Vessey, CINC, UNC/CFC and Commander, USFK/EUSA, attended the dinner and extended his personal greetings to all graduates and friends present.

West Point Society of Charleston

The Society celebrated the 177th anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy at a dinner on 18 March 1979.

Nearly 100 graduates, wives and friends attended the affair at the Colony House in Charleston.

The traditional program included an inspiring talk by the oldest graduate present, Mark W. Clark, Apr '17, followed by the youngest (??) graduate, M.W. Cary '60. Bill was the oldest "young" grad in memory. The guest of honor and principal speaker was A.J. Goodpaster, the Superintendent. The Superintendent's encouraging status report on the Academy was greatly appreciated by the entire audience.

The regrettable absence of Barksdale Hamlett '30 was noted and it was the consensus that a message to that effect be sent to General Hamlett at Walter Reed Hospital.

Thanks to the attendance of a great number of grads from Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head, this year's dinner was the largest in the history of the Society.

West Point Society of Southern Arizona

Almost 100 graduates, wives and guests attended the 1979 Founders Day dinner, which was held at Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona. Guest speaker was the USMA Commandant of Cadets, BG John C. Bard '54. He gave a highly interesting talk on the current situation at West Point and some of his experiences as commandant. William W. O'Connor '24 gave the "Oldest Grad Present" talk, and Robert J. Lamb III spoke as the youngest grad present.

As a close to the evening's program, Perin Mawhinney '54 read a humorous citation from the local '54 grads for

General Bard's outstanding leadership as First Captain when trouble brewed over the kidnapping (or goatnapping) of the Navy goat just before the 1953 Army-Navy football game.

West Point Society of Savannah

The Society held its annual Founders Day dinner at the Oglethorpe Club in Savannah, Georgia, on 15 March. Society President, Frank Meszar '40, was Master of Ceremonies. The guest speaker, the Reverend William H. Ralston Jr., Rector of Saint John's Episcopal Church, presented a most interesting and inspiring talk on the character and strength of George Washington.

New Society officers were elected:
President: Robert J. Quinn '36
Treasurer: Walter J. Mueller Jr. '56
Secretary: Victor L. Johnson Jr. '39

West Point Society of North Florida

The Society held its Founders Day dinner at the Ponce de Leon Lodge and Country Club, St. Augustine, FL, on 16 March. There were 63 present including wives, friends and parents of cadets. MG Willard W. Scott, Deputy G3, the Pentagon, was the guest speaker. General Scott gave a most interesting talk about the training program in the Army for both the officers and enlisted.

The officers for the ensuing year are:
Pres: COL Joseph B. Love '50
VP: MAJ Lloyd T. Asbury '63
Secy-Treas: COL Harry H. Haas '22

BG Charles W. West '20 was the oldest graduate present and LCDR Timothy J. Vogel '65 was the youngest graduate present.



Founders Day dinner sponsored by the West Point Society of DC found three Jones' in attendance. "Biff" Jones '17 (center), son Larry '45 (left) and brother Herby '19.

Founders Day San Antonio: McDermott Jan '43 and Rogers Jun '43.



Founders Day Ft Meade: Hubbard '29—oldest grad present, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Fitzpatrick '52—master of ceremonies, Joe Palone—speaker, Mrs. Palone, Bartocci '78—youngest grad present.



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down the field...

by JERE K. FORBUS

APRIL is the cruelest month, reasoned T.S. Eliot. So reason many of the Gray Line as they stretch and strain at the kinks of winter and ready themselves for a go at the spring schedule.

Some eight squads are in the early throes of the spring season. Added to the slate are women's track, tennis, and softball competing at varsity level for the first time and swelling the number of intercollegiate athletic squads to 32—one of the most comprehensive programs in the nation. Over the full year more than a third of the cadets compete intercollegiately. When it is considered that there are only 260 women in the Corps, it works out that more than two-thirds of them are engaged in varsity athletics.

But back to the cruelty of April which bites hardest, let's say, on football and soccer—two squads that are working on matters that won't be tested until next fall. Both teams are out in the April mud of Clinton and Daly Fields perfecting maneuvers that anticipate fruition only after the leaves begin to turn again. New head football coach Lou Saban has moved spring drills for the Black Knights back to Daly Field alongside "The Parade" where the afternoon thumps and hard

breathing are accessible to the Corps and faculty. Taking to Michie's bright astro-turf is the highly regarded lacrosse team which both practices and plays there. Since Dick Edell pulls double duty as coach of lacrosse and soccer, he has necessarily turned spring soccer training over to his assistants.

A look back at West Point's winter reveals many bright spots and a few disappointments. The cadets prevailed over opponents at the rate of 68.2%—a record of virtually seven wins for every 10 dress-outs. Not bad when all is considered. Of course, we wish and intend to win them all, but when one plugs academics, the quality of competition, the vagaries of sport, etc. . . . 70% isn't bad. That will sure win a pennant in baseball.

For the brightest spots amidst winter we had two unbeaten teams—indoor track and women's swimming. Gymnastics, rifle, and pistol carried all but one of their events while the swimming team was 11 and 2 on the year. The women's basketball team piled up a record of 21 and 5 to file a winning record of greater than .800. In the end, all but two (fencing and hockey) of the 15 squads achieved winning records for the season.

Heading into winter competition with the Navy, prospects were good for giving them a solid thumping. Having gone one and two in the fall (soccer won, football and lightweight football lost) we needed to run the score up on the Mid-dies. But alas, after all tallies were in we had taken three victories versus nine for the Navy.

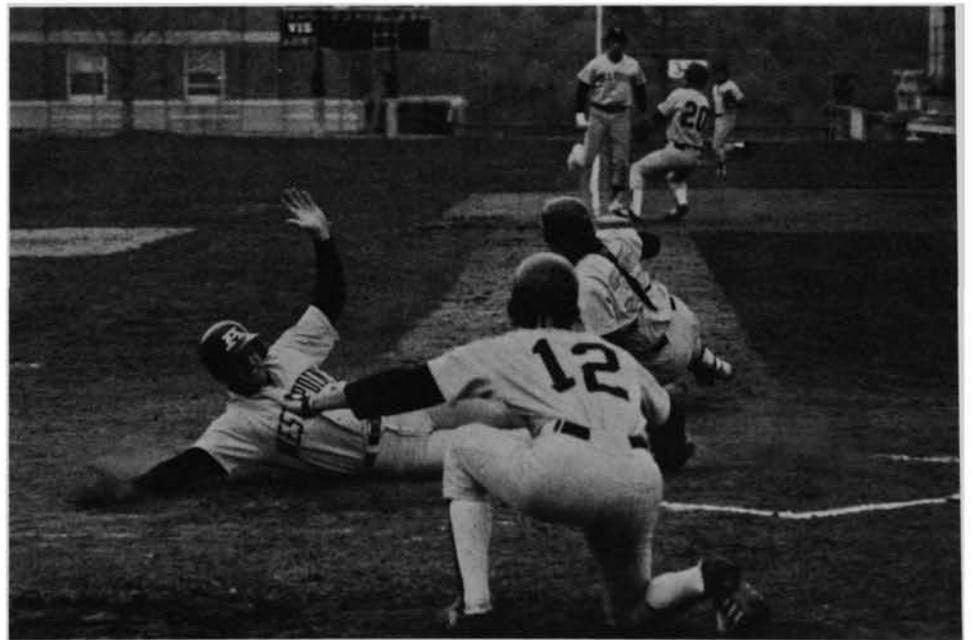
Gymnastics, swimming, and track brought home decisive victories; all others lost to include a stunning upset in basketball. Surely there is some irony in our taking them in swimming and their picking us off in rifle and pistol. And maybe, just maybe, there's some consolation in the fact that of battle in *major* sports over the winter, we were victorious in three of five events: wins in swimming, gymnastics, and track versus losses in basketball and wrestling.

SWIMMING (Women) (12-0)

The women swimmers, led by team captain Bobbi Fiedler racked up a flawless record with 12 big wins. Additionally, Coach Sue Tandy's black and gold-clad mermaids took the New York State collegiate championship with a big come-from-behind win. Donna Alesch, Heidi



Cadet Steve Kreider, winner of Penn Relays.



Cadet Paul Divis scores for Army.

Brown, Chris Portera, and Debbie Pittman continue to star on a team that gets stronger with each splash.

INDOOR TRACK (10-0)

The speedsters of Coach John Randolph showed their heels to every opponent during the winter. Having edged Cornell at mid-season, they went on to count Harvard and Navy as victims. By demonstrating depth and versatility in field events and sprints and at distance, the cadets were formidable in dual meets. The big meets such as the Heps and the IC4A still prove elusive, however, because the super-star individual performers bring home the big points in those meets.

GYMNASTICS (14-1)

Coach Ned Crossley's gymnasts tasted the sweetness of victory 14 times this year—bitterness only once. Counting great wins over Temple, Springfield, and Navy, the cadets succumbed only to nationally ranked Southern Connecticut. George Rhynedance, Marty Schubert, Greg Daly, Chris Bowling, and Rob Caliva led the grand effort.

Coach Crossley must be proud of his charges—it was earlier billed as a year

for re-building. Everyone should have a 14-1 year when they're re-building.

RIFLE (12-1)

With nerves of steel the rifle squad shot its way to supremacy in every match except that grave duel with Navy. With All-American Dave Szarenski leading the way, they ran their successive victory skein to 38 before being out-pointed by a highly skilled team from Navy.

PISTOL (10-1)

The steady-handed marksmen, like their colleagues with longer weapons, dominated all opponents except for arch-rival Navy. Coach John Smith's shootists had piled up an extensive winning streak and, thus, look anxiously to building another. Three members—John Miller, Lou Anderson, and Ron Humphreys were selected for All-America recognition by the National Rifle Association.

SWIMMING (11-2)

As the March issue went to press, Coach Jack Ryan's swimmers had posted a 6-2 record. They didn't lose after that. Plus, they brought home the big one with Navy.

Having lost only to perennial heavies

Harvard and Princeton in the regular season, the cadets finish third in the Eastern Seaboard Championships. That's right—Harvard and Princeton placed one-two.

The breaststroker, Koji Nishimura, was selected All-East as he broke Eastern Seaboard, Harvard Pool, and Academy records. A freak training injury prevented him from competing in the nationals.

Coach Jack Ryan has great optimism for coming years as the strength of the cadet swim team goes up, up, up.

BASKETBALL (Women) (21-5)

Playing in their third year, the Army women took on tougher competition and proved to be up to the task. Big wins over tough competition such as Indiana, Immaculata, and St. John's proved their mettle.

The team finished third in a tourney to decide the New York State collegiate champions; yet they were passed over for the Eastern Tournament for St. John's—a team the cadets defeated twice this year. "St. John's had played a tougher schedule," reasoned selection officials. That's right: They had to play Army twice.

VOLLEYBALL (11-5)

The cadets spiked their way to 11 wins against 5 losses in their 16 game season. The season was marked by outstanding play by Mark Paslawsky, Tom O'Brien, and Rex Spittler.

The high point of the season was a big win over nationally ranked Ohio State.

SQUASH (12-7)

The 12-7 record by the squash team is even more impressive than the .632 win percentage suggests. The team fell to some tough Ivy League squads but was always in the match. The promises of the future are indeed very good.

INDOOR TRACK (Women) (6-4)

Having competed in only one event at press time for the last issue, Coach Charlie Hunsaker's runners went on to compile a 6 to 4 record over the course of the season. Plebe, Harlene Nelson, of Wayne, NJ, was perhaps the most consistent outstanding performer at the distance events—she's got three more years to wear the Black and Gold to victory.

WRESTLING (11-8)

The cadet grapplers forged their finest season in several years by hammering out 11 victories versus 8 losses. Coach Ron Pifer must feel that the wrestling program at West Point has taken a turn back toward the prominence Army wrestlers have enjoyed in the past. Getting a strong performance in all the weight classes is the key to success, and the prospects are excellent with young wrestlers filling in many of the slots throughout the weight range.

BASKETBALL (14-11)

When we went to press with the March issue, the basketball team was rolling

1978-79 VARSITY SPORTS SUMMARY

(As of 26 April 1979)

	FALL					Navy
	Contests	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	
Soccer	15	11	4	0	.733	Won
Cross Country	11	8	3	0	.727	—
Cross Country (Women)	9	6	3	0	.667	—
Volleyball (Women)	25	16	9	0	.640	—
Water Polo	16	10	6	0	.625	—
150-Lb Football	5	3	2	0	.600	Lost
Football	11	4	6	1	.364	Lost
	92	58	33	1	.636	(1-2)
WINTER						
Swimming (Women)	12	12	0	0	1.000	—
Indoor Track	10	10	0	0	1.000	Won
Gymnastics	15	14	1	0	.933	Won
Rifle	13	12	1	0	.923	Lost
Pistol	11	10	1	0	.909	Lost
Swimming	13	11	2	0	.846	Won
Basketball (Women)	26	21	5	0	.808	—
Volleyball	29	20	9	0	.690	—
Gymnastics (Women)	15	10	5	0	.667	—
Squash	19	12	7	0	.632	Lost
Indoor Track (Women)	10	6	4	0	.600	—
Wrestling	19	11	8	0	.579	Lost
Basketball	25	14	11	0	.560	Lost
Fencing	11	4	7	0	.364	Lost
Hockey	27	7	20	0	.259	—
	255	174	81	0	.682	(3-6)
SPRING						
Golf	15	15	0	0	1.000	—
Lacrosse	8	7	1	0	.875	—
Outdoor Track (Women)	8	6	2	0	.750	—
Outdoor Track	2	1	1	0	.500	Lost
Tennis	11	7	4	0	.637	—
Softball (Women)	12	7	5	0	.583	—
Baseball	22	14	8	0	.636	—
Tennis (Women)	8	5	3	0	.625	—
	86	62	24	0	.720	(0-1)
Overall	433	294	138	1	.679	(4-9)

high, sporting an 11-4 record and leading the metro division of the ECAC. After that the wheels came off, and the cadets finished with a record of 14 and 11. A series of losses to strong traditional eastern rivals, St. John's, Holy Cross, Seton Hall, plus the heartbreaking two point loss to Navy, spelled doom for any post-season tournament expectations we had earlier entertained. Turning in sterling performances over the course of the year were Matt and Bob Brown; Bob will be returning next year along with Marty Coyne, and a host of other promising young players will lead the cadets into battle.

FENCING (4-7)

The cadet fencers enjoyed only modest success during the fencing season by posting 4 wins against 7 losses. Perhaps the brightest feature of the year was that Cadet Joe Reed was selected as the national "Fencer of the Year."

HOCKEY (7-20)

It was a grim year for the cadet skaters as Coach Jack Riley's charges were able to skate to only 7 victories in their 27 game schedule. The cadets were beset with a number of injuries both on and off the ice and just never quite got it all together. The team is, however, blessed with a considerable amount of youthful talent and you can be sure that the Army hockey team will be back in the thick of it next year.

GYMNASTICS (Women) (10-5)

Paced by Cadets Kathy Gerard and Pat Walker, the women gymnasts compiled a season record of 10 wins and only 5 losses. Coach Joanne Micka's most graceful cadets are quickly molding themselves into a highly competitive team.

Spring Sports

The eight intercollegiate teams which make up Army's entries into the spring season are off to a superb beginning. At less than a month into the season, all squads are having winning seasons, and overall the cadets are boasting a winning rate of better than 72%. To be certain, there are some tough contests down the road, but across the board the Army teams are turning in splendid performances.

A word about spring football. New head coach, Lou Saban, has the Black Knights out on Daly Field for his first look at the Army football team. He is fully engaged in the process of on-the-field evaluations of the individual players as they undergo spring drills, which include much physical contact like that in the Red Blaik days. Excepting for a look at some game film, this constitutes Saban's first view of the men who will write Army's football story this coming fall. More than 140 cadets have turned out for the practice, including 26 lettermen returning from last year's squad. Stalwarts among the returnees (projected to their next year's class status) will be senior

quarterback, Earle Mulrane, and sophomore quarterback, Jerryl Bennett, who proved to be an exceptional athlete in his game time last year as a plebe. Other standouts to watch for on offense are junior runningback, Jimmy Hill, and junior flanker, Mike Fahnestock. Also watch for a newcomer, running back yearling, Rob Heather. On the defensive squad, veteran middle guard, George Mays, and linebacker, John Hilliard, are certain leaders. Joining them where experiences are strong suit are junior defensive back, Jon Hallingstad; junior defensive back, Jeff Cook, and junior defensive back, Dan Webb. The schedule is awesome so we know precisely what we have to do.

BASEBALL (14-8)

The Army baseball squad managed by second year coach, Bill Permakoff, is off to an excellent start with a record of 14 and 8 going into the second half of the season. Coming off a very impressive third place finish in a California pre-season tournament, the cadets have slugged their way to a 5-1 record in the Eastern League, which puts them in first place. Presently, they are enjoying a six game winning streak which is our longest in the last ten years. Over the period of those last six wins the Army team has forged a fantastic team batting average of .380. Through the entire 22 game season thus far, the team batting average is a big, fat .315. Ten cadets are batting .300 or better. Tops at the plate are catcher, Dave Toth (.394), and first baseman, Paul Divis (.393)—both yearlings. Leading pitchers are John Brudvig, Stu Whitfield, and Jeff Wright.

LACROSSE (7-1)

Coach Dick Edell's stickmen ripped off to a blazing start with six victories in the first six outings before encountering the reigning national champion Blue Jays from Johns Hopkins. Having fallen 12-7 to Hopkins, the cadets came back this week to beat Bucknell and presently sports the record of 7 and 1 and are ranked sixth in the nation among college lacrosse teams.

With only four regular season games remaining on the schedule, the cadets are virtually certain of being involved in post-season competition. Leading the squad is senior Dave Reeves. Goalie, Kevin MacGibbon, has allowed only 43 goals while chalking up 70 saves. Great performances have been turned in by plebes Harry Jackson and Mark Albe.

GOLF (15-0)

Coach Dave Yates' linksmen are off to another Cinderella season with a perfect record of 15 victories already in the bag. Some phenomenal statistics are that the cadets are unbeaten in their last 59 matches on the West Point golf course. Additionally, they own wins in their last 26 matches anywhere. Led by captain, Chuck King, the cadets are rich in

talent and depth, and we have a lot of good young ones waiting to step up to the tee.

OUTDOOR TRACK (Women) (6-2)

The women's tennis team has posted a 6 and 2 start of the season, has virtually completed dual meet competition. The rest of the season involves the cadet speedsters in relays and other championship events.

Standout performer of the season thus far is Terry Tepper who won the Penn relays and javelin throw with a heave of 159-1. This clearly makes Terry a national class javelin thrower. She is additionally, a sprinter, but oddly enough her real expertise lies in the realms of ice skating.

TENNIS (7-4)

Coach Paul Assaiante has taken to the outdoor courts and thus far has run up a record of 7 and 4. Captained by Cadet Kevin Williams, the cadets have beaten all opponents except for the Ivy Leaguers. Bright spots for the cadets lie in their youth and feature plebe, John Zeljeznjak, and yearling, Blair Alexander.

TENNIS (Women's) (5-3)

The women's tennis team has posted a record of 5 and 3 while driving through 8 matches of the 12 game schedule. Playing in its first year of varsity competition, the tennis team shows promise of developing into a contender in Eastern tennis. Standouts for the cadets are yearling, Bonney Epstein, Margaret Williams, and Donna Hilsman. The cadets are coached by Navy Lieutenant Christina Batjer.

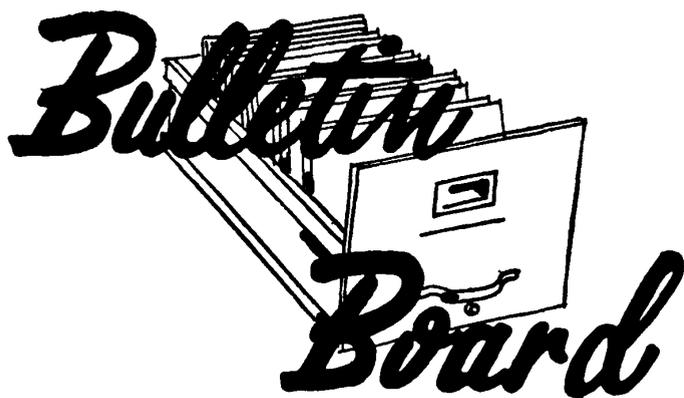
SOFTBALL (Women's) (7-5)

The Army women's softball team is playing .583 ball a little more than half way through the season. With the swing of a run here and there, the cadets could be sitting on a fantastic season. Coach Dennis Helse's squad boasts two hitters that are hitting well over .400, shortstops Lori Utchel and Heidi Vallencourt. Pitchers Karen Hinsey and Sandy Thornton have turned in some fine performances on the mound.

TRACK (Men's) (1-1)

The outdoor track team has competed in only two dual events thus far, smashing Yale 133-30 and then dropping a heartbreaker 82-81 to Navy in which there were some disputes. Captained by sprinter, Mike Willis, the cadets present virtually the same cast that went to an undefeated indoor season. There is considerable strength and depth in the field, in the sprints, and in the distances.

Javelin thrower, Steve Kreider, is probably the best in the East. Football tackle, Duane Fuller, is also class in both the shot and discus. On the cinders, Mike Willis and Jeff Cook provide a very strong one-two punch in the hurdles, and the middle distances are strong with Joe Baker and Jim Arriola. Veteran John Enright holds the cadets' strength in the distances.



Our Association membership of 26,074 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

Critical Dates and Academic Schedule, 1979-80

The following schedule of significant dates for the period 1 July 1979 to 31 May 1980 is announced for the information and guidance of all concerned. Please note Graduation Week is scheduled for 21-28 May and includes alumni activities.

July 1979		
DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY
2 Jul	Mon	R-Day—Class of 1983 Enters Cadet Basic Training
2 Jul	Mon	Plebe Parent Orientation Program
6 Jul	Fri	Late Graduation, Class of 1979
23 Jul-3 Aug	Mon-Thu	ROTC Leadership Workshop

August 1979		
DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY
3 Aug	Fri	Late Graduation, Class of 1979
11-12 Aug	Sat-Sun	Camp Illumination, Camp Buckner
11 Aug	Sat	Awards Review, Camp Buckner
13 Aug	Mon	Football Team Returns to Begin Practice
14 Aug	Tue	Cadet Military Training Ends
14-18 Aug	Wed-Sat	Reorganization Week
20 Aug	Mon	1st Term Begins

September 1979		
DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY
4-7 Sep	Tue-Fri	Fall Blood Donor Program
15 Sep	Sat	Football—Connecticut (Home)
22 Sep	Sat	Football—Stanford (Away)
27-29 Sep	Thu-Sat	Admissions Coordinator's Conference
29 Sep	Sat	Football—North Carolina (Home)
TBAN		USCC Review Honoring Civilian Employees
TBAN		Enlisted Soldier's Review

October 1979		
DATE	DAY	ACTIVITY
4-7 Oct	Thu-Sun	USMAPS Visit
6 Oct	Sat	Football—Duke (Home)
13 Oct	Sat	Football—Penn State (Away)
20 Oct	Sat	ACT Assessment Program National Test
20 Oct	Sat	Football—Baylor (Home)
26-28 Oct	Fri-Sun	Alumni Homecoming Weekend (No Classes)
27 Oct	Sat	Football—Boston College (Home)
TBAN		Cross Country Navy (Home)
TBAN		Educator Visit (FL, SC, MO, NE)
TBAN		Educator Visit (NY, NJ)
TBAN		SAT (College Board Admissions Testing Program (CA & TX only))
TBAN		Educator Visit (IL, MI, IN)
TBAN		USMA Debate Tournament
TBAN		Thayer Award

1979 SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD

The President of the Association of Graduates has announced the selection of The Honorable Clare Boothe Luce to receive the 1979 Sylvanus Thayer Award. Mrs. Luce has made a major contribution to our nation as playwright, member of Congress and United States Ambassador. Presentation ceremonies will be held at West Point in early October 1979.

November 1979

2 Nov	Fri	Soccer—Air Force (Away)
3 Nov	Sat	Football—Air Force (Away)
3 Nov	Sat	150-lb Football—Navy (Away)
7-10 Nov (T)	Wed-Sat	SCUSA XXXI
10 Nov	Sat	Football—Rutgers (Away)
17 Nov	Sat	Football—Pittsburgh (Home)
17 Nov	Sat	Soccer—Navy (Away)
22 Nov	Thu	Thanksgiving (Holiday—No Classes)
TBAN		SAT (College Board Admissions Testing Program)
TBAN		Educator Visit (CT, VA, PA)

December 1979

1 Dec	Sat	Football—Navy at Philadelphia
8 Dec	Sat	ACT Assessment Program National Test
20 Dec	Thu	First Term Ends
20 Dec	Thu	Christmas Leave Begins
TBAN		SAT (College Board Admissions Testing Program)

January 1980

13 Jan	Sun	Christmas Leave Ends
14 Jan	Mon	2d Term Begins
17 Jan	Thu	Branch Specialty Selection—Class of 1980
18-20 Jan	Fri-Sun	500th Night Weekend—Class of 1981
25-27 Jan	Fri-Sun	Hockey—Royal Military College (Away)
		Rifle—Royal Military College (Away)
		Pistol—Royal Military College (Away)

February 1980

16 Feb	Sat	Track—Navy (Away)
16 Feb	Sat	ACT Assessment Program—National Test
23 Feb	Sat	Army-Navy Sports (Basketball, Fencing, Squash) (Home)
23 Feb	Sat	Navy Gymnastics, Swimming, Wrestling, Rifle (Away)

27 Feb	Wed	Assignment Selection—Class of 1980
29 Feb	Fri	100th Night Show, Eisenhower Hall, 2000
<i>March 1980</i>		
1–2 Mar	Sat–Sun	100th Night Show, Eisenhower Hall, 2000
7–9 Mar	Fri–Sun	Yearling Weekend, Class of 1982
10 Mar	Mon	Army Physical Aptitude Exam
12–14 Mar	Wed–Fri	Spring I CPRC
15 Mar	Sat	Spring Leave Begins (Class Day)
16 Mar	Sun	Founders Day
19–23 Mar	Wed–Sun	Plebe Parent Weekend
23 Mar	Sun	Spring Leave Ends
24–26 Mar	Mon–Wed	Spring II CPRC
<i>April 1980</i>		
19 Apr TBAN TBAN	Sat	Army-Navy Track (Home) Ring Weekend, Class '81 Eastern College Science Conference
TBAN TBAN		Boy Scout Camporee Open Golf Course
<i>May 1980</i>		
1–3 May (T)	Thu–Sat	May Admissions Conference
2 May (T)	Fri	Army-Navy Baseball & Tennis (Away)
5 May	Mon	Centennial Reunion at West Point—Class of 1880
12 May	Mon	Term End Exams Begin
17 May	Sat	Term End Exams End
21–28 May	Wed–Wed	Graduation Week
23 May	Fri	Alumni Exercises at Thayer Monument
24 May	Sat	Golf—Navy (Away)
26 May	Mon	Lacrosse—Navy (Home)
27 May	Tue	Awards Convocation for Class of 1980
28 May	Wed	Graduation for Class of 1980
30 May TBAN	Fri	Begin 1st Summer Term Retiree Day

West Point on Television

The television cameras are coming to West Point again this spring—in droves. No fewer than five video programs will be filmed here between press time and June Week 1979 and will be shown at various times starting in July 1979.

There is no obvious reason for the sudden surge of attention, but a good guess is that the recent television movie “Women at West Point” revived sensations of the aesthetic backdrop wrought by our gray rocks. This theory won’t hold water in every case, nor perhaps in any, for none of the productions involve the assimilation of women cadets. They all, however, attach to West Point itself.

Here’s the proposed lineup:

—“200 + 3,” a two-hour network special by Arthur Godfrey, is scheduled for showing around 4 July. As the title suggests, the program is an examination of the nation at bicentennial plus three years. The thread of the program is planned to be national strength and defense. Holding it all together thematically will be the fact that Godfrey, at 74, still pilots his own airplane and will fly around the country illustrating several bastions of American power. It is planned that the show will open with the West Point segment.

—“My America” is the working title for a prime-time special by Anita Bryant, also scheduled for the Fourth of July period. The concept is that Anita will, through song and picture, present her country. West Point gets the middle seg-

ment preceded by her hometown in Oklahoma and then Sun Valley, Idaho, followed by sketches in New Orleans and Gettysburg.

—“PM Magazine” is a Group W production that is syndicated to approximately 30 cities across the country. By definition it is a magazine format show that seeks to take viewers to interesting places and to meet interesting people. They plan to film three of their 30-minute programs at West Point in connection with the coming June Week. Most of one program will concentrate on a graduating cadet and the ceremonies surrounding graduation. Another will feature a former Superintendent reminiscing about how things were in his day at West Point. Present plans call for the third segment to illustrate the role of the tactical officer. Showings on TV will probably start right after June Week.

—“The History of West Point,” is to be an hour-long made-for-television film which seeks to illustrate some important aspects of the Military Academy’s history. It is a part of an international public system series that is designed to show the histories of the participating countries. Thus, the thrust of the movie will be to relate major intersections in West Point’s past to the history of the entire country. The entire film will be shot at West Point during the spring and summer and will be scheduled for television sometime this coming fall. The director and writer are the award-winning Gilligans, Michael and Sonja.

—“First Estate” is an NBC magazine format program that is doing a ten-minute segment of its Memorial Day program at West Point. It will feature Chaplain (MAJ) Colin Kelly, Class of '63. The segment will speak specifically to Memorial Day, and the role of some of the more distinguished graduates of the Military Academy.

Letters to the Editor

Beginning with the September 1979 issue, in order to provide a vehicle for constructive comment and exchange of ideas, ASSEMBLY will devote a section of each issue to “letters to the editor,” if the volume warrants it.

Letters should cover subjects pertaining to the Association of Graduates and the United States Military Academy which are of interest to alumni and friends of West Point. Unless otherwise specified all letters received will be considered for publication. The editor reserves the right to reject or edit letters.

Correction

In an article in the March 79 ASSEMBLY entitled “Oldest Living Graduates Through the Years” we inadvertently omitted from our listing John P. Hains, USMA 1889, who was the oldest living graduate from 15 July 1963 to 25 March 1964. He saw active service in Cuba, Puerto Rico, the Philippines and France and was the recipient of the Silver Star Citation for gallantry in action and the Purple Heart for wounds. He never married. His father was Peter C. Hains, USMA 1861.

Infantry Tops at Drawings

Infantry proved to be “Queen of Battle” once again in the USMA Corps of Cadets’ branch drawings as 223 of the 906 First Classmen went for blue.

Field Artillery was the next most popular branch, with 179 cadets choosing to wear the red scarf during their Army careers. The Engineer branch drew 122 cadets in the Jan 31 drawings, while 121 went for Armor.

Other branches selected were: Air Defense Artillery, 78; Signal Corps, 51; Military Police, 18; Chemical Corps, 6; Military Intelligence, 36; Quartermaster, 26; Transportation Corps, 19; Ordnance, 27.

In addition, there are 15 cadets who have applied for medical school and will join one of the branches if not selected for medical training.

Eighty-seven percent of the First Classmen received their first choice in the drawings, done by the Department of Mil-

tary instruction using performance rank order. The top man on the list, Cadet Bert K. Mizusawa, received his first choice which, of course, was Infantry.

Homecoming 1979

The following is a tentative schedule for alumni Homecoming 26–28 October 1979. A firm schedule will be published in the September 1979 ASSEMBLY. For additional information contact the Alumni Affairs and Gifts Program Division, USMA, West Point, NY 10996 or telephone 914-938-3700.

Friday, 26 October 1979

- 1200—Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall
- 1200–1600—Fort Putnam open for visitors
- 1330—West Point Alumni Foundation Board of Managers Meeting, WPAM
- 1530—AOG Board of Trustees Meeting, USMA Library
- 1700—Reunion Class Picnics, Dinners & Social Activities
- 1900—Jewish Services, Room 420, Bartlett Hall
- 1930—USMA Band Concert
- 2400—Alumni Headquarters Closes

Saturday, 27 October 1979

- 0800—Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall
- 0900—AOG Board of Trustees Meeting, USMA Library
- 0900—Open House at the following:
 - Cadet Barracks—1st Floor of Scott & MacArthur Barracks
 - Department of History—Thayer Hall
 - Department of Social Sciences—Thayer Hall
 - USMA Library
 - West Point Museum, Ft. Putnam
- 1055—Assembly for March to Thayer Monument, Jefferson Rd***
- 1105—Alumni March to Thayer Monument***
- 1115—Alumni Exercises, Thayer Monument * ****
- 1140—Alumni Review, The Plain***
- 1225—West Point Army Mess open for lunch to graduates and their guests
- 1300—Concert, Elizabeth Phillips Irwin Carillon
- 1400—Football, Army vs Boston College, Michie Stadium
- 1715—Catholic Mass, Holy Trinity Chapel (Fulfills obligation for Sunday Mass)
- 1900—Alumni pre-dinner Cocktail Hour, Washington Hall
- 2000—Alumni Dinner and Superintendent's Reception, Washington Hall (Dress—Civilian, Informal)**
- 2100—Informal Alumni Dance, Washington Hall
- 2400—Alumni Headquarters Closes

Sunday, 28 October 1979

- 0800—Alumni Headquarters Opens, Cullum Hall
- 0800, 0900, 1030 and 1200—Catholic Mass, Holy Trinity Chapel
- 1030—Protestant Service, Cadet Chapel
- 1100—Reunion Class Brunches
- 1200—Alumni Headquarters Closes
- 1215—Concert, Elizabeth Phillips Irwin Carillon
 - ° Conducted indoors in event of inclement weather.
 - ** Admission by ticket.
 - *** Cancelled in event of inclement weather.
 - **** Alumni wives & dependents to be seated by 1105 hours.

Annual Plebe-Parent Weekend

"Plebe-Parent Weekend was a great success," exclaimed Colonel Joseph Griffin, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Security. "We had heavy visitation and record turnouts to the academic departments' open house activities."

Griffin's office coordinates Plebe-Parent Weekend activities. More than 3,000 parents and guests of the Class of 1982 visited and toured the Academy during the week.

"This is the only place that I know of," said Griffin, "that completely turns over the whole college to the freshman class and their guests during spring leave."

Plebe-Parent Weekend is a fairly young tradition, as traditions go at West Point. The first Plebe-Parent Weekend took



Charles Hooper examines son Marc's saber.

place 26–28 March 1965. During that initial weekend, approximately 1,200 relatives and friends participated in the activities.

The original Plebe-Parent Weekend was just that, a weekend. Since then, the two days have been expanded to five days of scheduled activities. "Parents and guests are able to observe and witness every facet of cadet life" explained Griffin. "They can eat in the cadet messhall, visit with their son's or daughter's tactical officers, meet their friends and participate in social activities."

Academic departments host open house activities, allowing parents the opportunity to meet informally with instructors. The Officers Club, which is conveniently located, is open daily to all cadet parents. The chapels, gymnasium, classrooms and laboratories are all accessible to inquisitive guests. Reserved parking and extended shuttle bus service are made available to ease traffic congestion and to help visitors reach their destinations.

Estate Planning Seminar Program

On 4 April 1979, the West Point Fund Committee and the West Point Society of New York co-hosted an estate planning seminar at the University Club in New York City. The seminar was conducted by Conrad Teitell, a New York attorney specializing in estate and tax planning. In his introductory remarks, West Point Fund Committee Chairman Paul Thompson pointed out that the purpose of the seminar was to assist alumni and their wives and alumni widows in their personal financial planning, and enhance their understanding of the latest IRS rules applicable to estate planning. Mr. Teitell spoke and answered questions for about an hour and a half before an audience of approximately fifty people, some of whom had come from as far away as Albany. Following the seminar, the attendees were guests of the Association for luncheon.

It was generally agreed that Mr. Teitell had done a splendid job in acquainting his audience with the broad essentials of the subject. In the course of his presentation, he also demonstrated several ways by which an individual might take advantage of significant tax-saving opportunities, establish a good income for himself and his beneficiary(ies), and, at the same time, provide a future commitment of benefit to West Point or some other charitable institution. The favorable reaction of the group was further attested to by a number of follow-up expressions of interest concerning the overall matter of estate planning.

As this issue goes to press, notices are being distributed to Reunion Classes announcing a seminar of similar nature to be conducted by Mr. Teitell at West Point during June Week. Consideration is also being given to extending the coverage of this program and making the service available in various parts of the country. Anyone interested in any aspect of this subject is requested to contact the Development Office, Association of Graduates at West Point.

Disciplinary System Revised

Over the past two years the Military Academy has addressed many areas and made many changes in order to resolve

problems. One such change is the recent revision of the cadet conduct system regulation. The intent of the new regulation is to tighten the conduct system so that it is stricter, fairer, and administratively more efficient. The new system has several major features which will help instill self-discipline and promote responsibility in each cadet.

Cadets have ample opportunity to exercise discretion and choice. Conduct seems to be the best indicator of a cadet's willingness and ability to meet the demands and limitations of military life. Demerits, as the primary measure of a cadet's inability to comply with regulations, have taken on increased importance; the demerit allowance has been reduced by 25 percent. Since most cadets receive far fewer demerits than the standard allows, this is not expected to affect significantly the number of cadets found to be deficient for exceeding the demerit allowance. The demerit allowance is graduated by class, requiring a higher standard of performance by seniors than by freshmen.

Conduct deficiency is measured by three criteria: exceeding the demerit allowance; receiving three single awards of 25 demerits or more; violating the terms of conduct probation. The new system will be administered more efficiently because it involves fewer people in the decision making process.

Although it is not anticipated that more cadets will be found to be deficient in conduct under the new system, it is probable that the reduction of administrative complexity will permit the separation of more of these cadets. Cadet reaction to the new provisions has been minimal to date, centering mostly on the more stringent room tour provisions.

Squash Court Project Dedicated

On Sunday, 4 March, the newly renovated Army varsity squash courts were dedicated at West Point as Mr. Russell C. Ball, USMA '48, joined the Commandant of Cadets, Brigadier General John C. Bard, USMA '54, in a ceremony unveiling the bronze dedication plaque in the new Number One court.

Mr. Ball, who is Chairman of the Board of the Philadelphia Gear Corporation and captained the first Army squash team in 1948, donated the entire project to West Point. Consisting of a glass backwall for the Number One court, grandstands seating over 120 spectators, and a renovated and newly furnished team room for the Army squash and tennis teams at the opposite end of the squash court corridor, the project is the largest single gift given by an individual to the Military Academy.

It is expected that the new facility will increase the popularity of squash as a spectator sport at West Point. Immediately following the dedication ceremony attended by over 150 dignitaries and squash fans, the finals of the National Intercollegiate Squash Championships were held on the new Number One court. This is the first time the National Championships have been held at West Point.

Commandant of Cadets, General Bard, with Russell Ball '48 at dedication of squash court.



JUNE 1979

Comparison of Admissions Status: Classes of '83, '82, '81

		Class of '83	Class of '82	Class of '81
		As of 12 Apr 79	As of 13 Apr 78	As of 13 Apr 77
<i>Applicants (files started)</i>				
Men		8302	9342	9887
Women		840	870	833
<i>Applicants with Nominations</i>				
Men		4575	5225	5534
Women		462	512	546
<i>Offers of Admissions</i>				
Offers	Men	1464	1443	1354
	Women	151	126	94
Acceptances	Men	653	716	617
	Women	70	60	38
Decliners	Men	101	79	86
	Women	11	8	9

The Army "A" Room—We Need Old Football Programs!

The "A" Room, a handsome recreation facility, has just been completed under the East grandstand in Michie Stadium. Seventy by twenty feet in size, the view overlooks Lusk Reservoir from tall windows running the entire length of the room.

The "A" Room is a gift to West Point from Mr. George C. Alvord in memory of his father, Buell Alvord. The elder Mr. Alvord was a lifetime friend of Army athletics. The Army Athletic Association and the West Point Fund have also contributed to the project, which will be dedicated at Army's first home football game on 15 September 1979. The "A" Room will be used for informal gatherings, parties and conferences by cadet groups, staff and faculty, and class groups at West Point. During the football season, the "A" Room will be reserved on home football Saturdays for special guests of the Army Athletic Association.

Decorations on the walls will follow a sports motif. It is presently planned to frame a number of colorful Army football program covers, preferably from early games in Michie Stadium. However, any attractive Army football program covers of any vintage will be considered. Graduates who have in their possession programs that might be appropriate are requested to mail them to the Alumni Affairs Office, West Point, New York, 10996.

We can't promise to use them, but if we don't use them, we will return them if you wish.

Your assistance will be deeply appreciated!

USMA Seeks Permanent Deputy Director of Military Instruction

The Superintendent of the United States Military Academy has appointed a committee to search for an officer to serve for an extended tour as Deputy Director of the Department of Military Instruction. Anyone interested in the position should address an application, together with supporting materials, to Colonel Jarold L. Hutchison, Deputy Commandant of Cadets, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York 10996, prior to 15 September 1979. An applicant should be in the grade of colonel or lieutenant colonel, have completed the Command and General Staff College or equivalent course, have an extensive background in the combat arms, possess a graduate degree, and preferably have commanded a battalion-level troop unit. Additional details may be obtained by contacting Colonel Hutchison at the address listed above or by calling (914) 938-3413/2113, AUTOVON 688-3413/2113.

SURCOUF and the Royal Navy

Captain Julius Grigore Jr., USNR-R is writing a book on the history of the French submarine SURCOUF and its

interface with the Royal Navy which began with England's K-class submarines in 1917 and ended when the SURCOUF was lost with all hands on 18 February 1942 in the Caribbean.

Captain Grigore urgently needs personal recollections and anecdotes from those who knew of or were associated with SURCOUF, particularly during her tenure in the United States between August and November 1941, while she was undergoing overhaul at Portsmouth Naval Ship Yard under the Lend Lease Program.

SURCOUF, as you may recall, was once the world's largest submarine, until the introduction of the Imperial Japanese Navy's I-400 class, and carried a seaplane and had twin 8-inch guns.

We hope that some of our readers will be able and willing to contribute, including photographs. Credits will be given. Captain Grigore's address is: 425 Harbor Drive South, Venice, Florida 33595.

Old HOWITZERS For Sale

The Directorate of Cadet Activities has announced that HOWITZERS for the following years are available for sale: 1946, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1960, 1961, 1963, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976 and 1977.

The selling price for these HOWITZERS has been established at \$15.00 if the book is picked up at West Point, and \$20.00 if it is mailed.

Indicate the year HOWITZER you want, inclose your check made payable to the Cadet Activities Fund and mail to: Mr. John T. McCabe, Assistant Director, Directorate of Cadet Activities, USMA, West Point, NY 10996.

Army Alumni Lacrosse Game

The United States Military Academy will sponsor its first annual Alumni Lacrosse Game this fall during the week-end of 6-7 October 1979. Although plans have not been finalized, the contest will pit former Army lacrosse players against the current varsity squad. In addition an alumni team dinner/party has been scheduled for Saturday night and everyone will have the opportunity to attend the Army-Duke football game. Army head coach Dick Edell is lending every support possible to the project and it promises to be a most enjoyable weekend.

Any former Army lacrosse player who feels he is still in shape enough to run up and down the field is invited to attend. Or if you would just like to come out as a spectator you are more than welcome to do so. Point of contact for further information is: Kevin Scherrer, 3 Cedar Drive South, Old Bethpage, NY 11804; or Dick Edell, ODIA, USMA, West Point, NY 10996.

A Donor is Needed!

The West Point Museum has the opportunity to purchase a Hessian Jaeger rifle of the Revolutionary War period. The rifle is unique, since it is the only known copy that has military marking indicating that it was made in Hesse-Kassel. This caliber .68 flintlock rifle is in excellent condition and has a 28 inch barrel. It was discovered in Northampton, Massachusetts, through which Burgoyne's Hessians passed in 1777.

The West Point Museum owns all of the Revolutionary War weapons except this Hessian rifle, and it will complete the Museum's display in the Bicentennial Room. The cost of the rifle is \$1,300.

A dignified brass plaque will identify the donor and/or the friend or classmate in whose memory the rifle is given to West Point. Interested donors should write the Alumni Affairs Officer, Colonel M.J. Herbert, or telephone (914) 938-3700/3024.

Graduate Competition for Scholarships, Fellowships

Most cadets and graduates are unaware of a subtle, yet fierce competition for graduate scholarships and fellowships at West Point. There is a tradition of excellence in this compe-

tion, especially in the Rhodes, Hertz and National Science Foundation programs.

The RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS were established by the will of Cecil Rhodes, the distinguished British explorer and statesman, in 1899. They provide for two years of study generally in the liberal arts and sciences at Oxford University, England. The will suggested the qualifications of scholastic ability, force of character, demonstration of leadership and physical vigor.

Thirty-two scholarships are awarded annually in the United States. Competition is by geographical area. Since entering the competition in the twenties, USMA graduates have won 57 scholarships, behind only Harvard, Yale and Princeton. USMA winners include such names as Major General John C. Bard, Commandant of Cadets; Colonel Lee D. Olvey, head of the Department of Social Sciences; and Colonel Pete Dawkins. Most recent winners have been Lieutenants Justin S. Huscher, Class of 1976, and Lonnie D. Henley, Class of 1978. Currently 20 cadets of the Class of 1979 are accredited by the Academic Board for national competition.

The HERTZ FOUNDATION fellowships were initiated by Fannie and John Hertz of Rent-a-Car fame for the promotion of education and the enhancement of the defense potential and technological stature of the United States. Candidates must have a record of outstanding scholastic performance and must morally commit themselves to make their skills and abilities available for the common defense, in the event of national emergency.

The program provides for three years of study leading to PhD in the applied physical sciences. Since entering the competition in 1973, USMA graduates have won 13 fellowships, placing fourth behind MIT, Stanford and Cal Tech. The most recent winner was Lieutenant Doug Bowman, Class of 1978. Eleven cadets are awaiting accreditation by the Academic Board.

The NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION was created by the United States Government as one means of promoting the progress of science in the United States. Fellowships are open to citizens or nationals of the United States who have completed undergraduate study. USMA graduates can participate in two years of study leading to a master's degree in the fields of science, engineering, social science or mathematics. Since entering the competition in 1962, USMA graduates have won 27 fellowships. Currently, 27 members of the Class of 1979 are competing for fellowships.

Cadet Joan Smith, USMA '80, selected as one of GLAMOUR magazine's Top Ten College Women, will be featured in the August issue of GLAMOUR and will receive a cash prize of \$500 and trip to New York City to meet "a top professional in her career field."



Joe Palone

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ing on you, you are going to have full responsibility. Playing soccer, they learn how it feels to be led and the importance of a leader accepting his responsibility.

"Also, I want my guys to respect me; I respect them and they *have* to respect each other. And that's one thing cadets learn and have; they have respect for other people. That's what makes them so great to work with, and that's what makes them such great men when they leave here. A military leader has to gain the respect of his men, and he gains the respect of his men by treating them like honorable men until they do otherwise. And an officer has to teach his men to respect each other; that is a very important lesson carried over from the athletic field. Team members have to respect each other or they won't work together well and accomplish their mission."

- As a player, you knew who was in charge. Coach made all the decisions, and he took all the responsibility. He would listen to suggestions, but the decisions were always his.

- Coach Palone really liked the game. He told us, "If you don't enjoy yourself at practice you shouldn't be out here!" We did have fun—I looked forward to practice every single day.

- Coach Palone remembers everyone he knew as a cadet, whether the guy played soccer or not.

Loyalty, mutual respect, honesty, dignity, a determination to do your best at all times. These are the qualities that have marked Joe Palone's soccer teams for twenty-nine years. It all adds up to a very special brand of leadership.

- When you played for Palone, you felt you were a member of his family. He would really be upset if a player quit the team.

- The Army soccer team was always a family. It was a family environment, created by Coach Palone. He showed genuine concern for his players—it really came through to us that way. When I look at other organizations now, I use our old soccer team as a model. I look for that same feeling of closeness that we had.

- We played Air Force in Chicago in 1965. We were undefeated, and they didn't have a very good team. But they were very rough, and keyed up for the game. At the half we were down 2-1, and we'd let them dominate us. Coach wouldn't let us sit down. He talked to us eyeball to eyeball. We were hurt and tired, but he didn't talk about that. He just told us to get out there and play our game. He really got us calmed down. I think he showed great strength of character. We won 3-2.

- He never permitted anyone to be a *prima donna*.

There is a fine sense of humor too:

- In 1964 we played Penn State at State College, PA. When we arrived at the motel on Friday night before the game, they were having a Grand Opening and there were 10 or 12 very pretty girls acting as hostesses. Well, of course we couldn't stay out the night before the game, but we all made dates for Saturday night. In the first half of the game, we played badly, and the score was 1-1. We had been favored to win. At half-time, Coach Palone was really upset. He said to us, "If you guys don't win, we're going to get in the bus and go straight home after the game!" Of course we were thinking about those girls at the motel. We went wild in the second half, and finally Frank Prokop scored the winning goal. He was so happy he jumped in the air and came down on his nose, which didn't improve his appearance for the evening.

- Before every game, just before we left the locker room and went out onto the field, Coach would say, "Remember they're not going to roll over and play dead!" Once, after giving his pre-game speech, he turned and said, "All right, let's go!" But nobody moved. Coach said "Come on, what's wrong?" One of the players said, "Coach, you forgot to say that they aren't going to roll over and play dead."

- I don't know why, but Coach Palone always used his soccer players to demonstrate on in plebe boxing. "Come over here," he'd say, "Try and hit me with a straight left hand!" Then he'd block it and let you have that right cross.

- Once we were playing Penn State. It was one of those games that started out as a grudge match—you never know how those things get started. In the second half a fight broke out, and one of our guys, Avery, decked a Penn State player with a left jab. Coach jumped up and down on the sidelines. He was really happy. "I taught him that in plebe boxing," he shouted.

And the final accolade, from an Army soccer captain of a few years back:

- He treated everyone alike, coaches, players, families, girlfriends. He treated us all royally.

Looking back on his thirty-five years at West Point, Coach Palone likes what he sees. "It's been a great experience and always a privilege for me to work with cadets at West Point. It makes you pleased to be a part of it and to be able to stay here this long. At West Point there is honest, mutual respect, I'm always proud to be with my team and with cadets."

As he spoke, Coach Palone pursed his lips and looked at the ceiling. "I know I can't go on forever—but the day I leave West Point will be the saddest day of my life."

Like all of the members of that 1948 team, Joe, West Point won't be forgetting.

NOTE: Assembly acknowledges with appreciation the contributions of Captain Joseph T. Cox, who interviewed Coach Palone in May 1977. Some of Coach Palone's remarks made in that interview are contained in this article.



Commandant of Cadets

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Section/Engineer Construction Agency in Vietnam; duty with the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the Nuclear, Chemical, and Biological Branch, Requirements and Developments Division, Policy and Plans Directorate, J5; and recently as the Executive to the Director of the Joint Staff.

General Franklin is the first Commandant with a background in the Corps of Engineers. While many of the Superintendents have been engineers, all of the Commandants have been infantry, artillery, or cavalry/armor. Although recently transferred to infantry, General Franklin's troop experience has been with engineer units.

General Franklin's decorations include the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Expert Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, and Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge.



Robert and His Rules

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fending the Union and established Washington's defenses, leaving only when ill health required his reassignment to Philadelphia. Each Sunday the Cadet Prayer venerates his choice, guiding cadets to choose the "harder right over the easier wrong."

After the Civil War ended Robert began his lifelong research into parliamentary procedure. A disastrous attempt to preside over a dissent-filled and disorganized church meeting in 1871 convinced then Captain Robert of America's desperate need of a set of guidelines to orderly meetings. In 1876, he published the results of his first research, Robert's Rules of Order. It has been primarily a labor of love, and without great expectations, he paid to have 4,000 copies printed. The practicality of the work and the great need it filled are evident in the fact that all 4,000 copies were quickly purchased.

During the next thirty years of his lifetime, Robert forged steadily if unspectacularly forward in the Engineer Corps, lending his assistance to such note-

worthy projects as the protection of Galveston, Texas from tidal waves and the improvement of Mexico's Frontera harbor. He also continued his research into parliamentary procedure. An expert on resolving dissensions by finding a reasonable position acceptable to all parties, Robert's understanding of human nature and his orderly approach to problem solving enabled almost every board he ever served on to reach unanimous recommendations.

A final illustration of Robert's character is manifest in the way he obtained his appointment to Chief of Engineers. Four years before his retirement as Colonel would have been mandatory, he had been passed over for promotion and a younger officer had been appointed as his superior. Rather than fall prey to the petty jealousies which could easily have disrupted organizational effectiveness, Robert worked long and hard for the next four years, making unprecedented engineering contributions to his country. Recognizing his talent and achievements, the Chief of Engineers retired early so that Colonel Robert might be promoted to Brigadier General just months before time in grade would have mandated his retirement.

Robert's legacy should be clear to all Americans involved in assemblies based on democratic process, and especially to those who have mastered the intricacies of parliamentary procedure. Knowledge of the rules of order is a form of power in democratic process. Rules bestow order; the rules of order wielded skillfully can prevail in shaping the required majority vote one seeks on a given issue. General Robert bequeathed rules which not only establish procedural order and harmony, but also enhance the powers of the earnest parliamentarian in the competition which characterizes the democratic process.

There is every indication that General Robert understood the potential of parliamentary procedure to pursue worthy objectives. Few have followed better in their lifetimes the ancient guidance to "Set thine house in order."



Memory Book

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to West Point in 1972 at the 45th Reunion of the Class of 1927. A small brass plate beneath the bronze dedication plaque for the West Point Memory Book describes its purpose: "The USMA Crest in needlepoint which hangs above this breakfront was done by the wives and widows of the Class of 1927 in proud memory of their husbands and classmates who have answered the Last Roll Call."

The breakfront itself contains as many volumes of the HOWITZER as space permits in addition to the Memory Books, and the Class of 1927 also purchased four bouquets of beautiful artificial flowers in



autumn colors for the east windows of the Library.

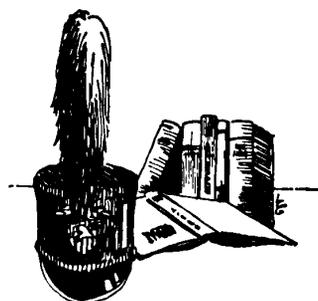
Today, almost two years later, the West Point Memory Book is expanding again. By June Week, there will be seventeen volumes instead of the present eight, necessitated by the increasing awareness of and participation in the memorialization program.

There are many interesting facts concerning the West Point Memory Book which are not apparent to the casual visitor. The earliest graduate memorialized is Sylvanus Thayer, Class of 1808, and the second graduate memorialized is Morris Smith Miller, Class of 1834. The Classes of 1836, 1863, 1865, 1867, 1868, 1870, and 1871 are each represented by one name. Every deceased member of the Classes of 1873, 1902, Nov 1918, 1927 and 1938 is memorialized in the Memory Book.

At the present time, about 160 new names are added to the Memory Book each year. There are now 1,597 graduates, ex-cadets, wives and friends of West Point listed.

Any donation, regardless of amount, will establish a page in the West Point Memory Book. The name of the deceased graduate is handprinted at the top of the page, together with his class and his years of birth and death. Each page is made of heavy parchment, with an attractive border of West Point scenes in color. Everyone who has contributed in the name of the deceased is listed on the page.

Like any other gift, a gift in memory of a deceased graduate, wife, cadet, ex-cadet or friend may remain undesignated, in which case the gift is divided proportionally between the West Point Fund and the Association of Graduates. Also, like other gifts, a gift may be designated for a particular use. Gifts designated simply for the West Point Fund are used to finance projects and programs for the benefit of the Corps of Cadets and the Military Academy for which appropriated funds are not available. Memorial Gifts designated for the Association of Grad-



uates are placed in the Endowment Fund, the principal of which may not be used without the approval of two-thirds of the members of the Association voting at an annual meeting. The income from the Endowment Fund is used to help operate the Association, to increase the principal of the Endowment Fund and to add to the West Point Fund.

If donation is made by check, it should be made payable to "West Point Fund of the Association of Graduates." The individual in whose memory the donation is being made should be indicated and, if the donor desires to designate a purpose, that purpose should be stated either on the check or with the accompanying correspondence. When a memorial contribution is received, the Military Academy sends an acknowledgment to the donor, and the next of kin is also notified that the donor has made a gift in memory of the deceased.

Further information on "In Memoriam" contributions, including answers to any questions on the many West Point Fund Projects and Programs, may be obtained from the Alumni Affairs & Gifts Program Division, West Point, New York 10996, or from the Director of Development, Association of Graduates, West Point, New York 10996.



General Swift

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From 1907 to 1910, Swift served as Director of the Army War College. It was during this period that the Army War College began to be transformed from a staff agency which also trained officers for general staff duties, to a college which studies war.

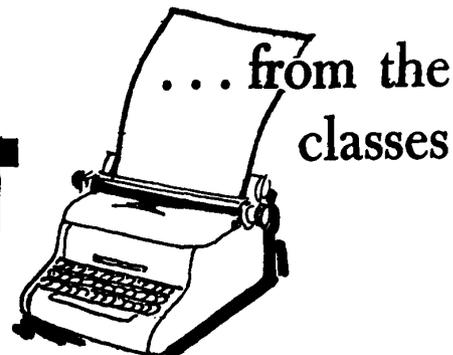
Swift was thus Director of the Army War College as that institution adopted many of the methods he had perfected at Fort Leavenworth. By 1908-1909, the War College curriculum had become so sophisticated that a "preliminary" course of instruction, either at Leavenworth or at the War College, was necessary for most students. These courses emphasized map reading, tactical and strategic map exercises, military history, war-gaming and issuing orders. In a very real sense, Swift helped to create a modern war college.

After his departure from the War College in 1910, Swift served in the Philippines, and then acted as Chief of Staff, Western Department until August 1916. He then served briefly as Commandant, Army Service Schools, Fort Leavenworth, until November 1916. He assumed command of the 2d Cavalry Division on 24 November 1916, and accompanied that organization into Mexico. He commanded the 82nd Division, at Camp Gordon, Georgia, from August to November 1917. In February 1918, he was appointed chief of the American mission to Italy and

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REPORT



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As these notes are written in late March, the celebration of Founders Day is the big news. ASSEMBLY will feature stories of the significance of the Day, and of the celebration in various places. Generally, these stories will relate to the groups assembled in various localities; only in such reports as this, relating to an old-time Class with few surviving members, can the event be recorded on an individual basis.

Strong, as in the past, was deeply involved in the gathering of the Michigan Society at his home-town Orchard Lake Club. During his time as local president, that group attracted many top-rank speakers from West Point. I cannot report on this year's meeting as it is scheduled for 31 March, after this writing.

Brown, chauffeured to the DC meeting at Bolling Field by Holbrook of Nov 18; greeted at the meeting by classmates of Carey Jr., of 1942, and Alston Brown of Jun '43; by Polk of '33, first son of a 1910 father; and by many others; and seated with his adopted Class of '20, was the oldest grad present. As such, he presented the toast to the Corps of Cadets. A memorable occasion—Washington certainly gets one involved with members of many classes.

Chipman presumably attended the celebration in San Antonio; I have not heard from him and cannot give details; however, there must be a large group of graduates there, and a correspondingly fine Founders Day meeting.

Bit by bit, 1910's 70th anniversary draws nearer.

'11

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Information from far off places such as the Eastern States being illusive, this is a 1911 report from northern CA and AK. Telephone chats with and letters from classmates and Class widows give welcome if brief information.

Dorothy Bagby, in the Channing House in Palo Alto where the **Lockwoods** also reside, was enjoying the spring weather and anticipating many family visits. **Marta Cowles**, also down the Peninsula, was bright and chipper when contact was made.

Cherry Lockwood, well recovered from a hip injury last fall, was again driving the family car, which was more than Ben or I could do. And a cheerful note came from **Ollie McCleary** down in Carmel, where he keeps track of the stock market while **Elizabeth** does the home work. In Jan he wrote:

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

the September issue by — 30 Jun 79
the December issue by — 30 Sept 79

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

“Our grandson was with us a few days after finishing at Boston U., and our granddaughter Susan stopped by en route to the San Carlos Indian Reservation to teach the Apaches proper nutrition!”

Gerry Stanton called in late Mar from her home in St. Paul's Towers in Oakland. No overseas trips were planned at that time but she was about to take off for spring visits with the family in AZ. And, **Helen Shekerjian**, over on Broadway a few blocks from our Jackson Tower, was well and busy when we last gossiped.

A letter from **Virginia Talley**, at Anchor Point, AK, told of their flying to AK on 2 Mar in response to requests for their help on the relocation of the State Capital from its present site at Juneau, which is somewhat isolated and far south of modern development in the state.

On 16 Mar, in San Fran at the Presidio Officers Club, Bay Area West Pointers, families and guests gathered for the 1979 Founders Day dinner, over 350 attending. Your scribe, the oldest grad present, in a short talk memorialized **GEN Louis M. Nuttman** and gave the present locations of the 6 surviving members of '11, including the oldest, **John E. Hatch** in San Ant, whose 92d birthday it was. Tribute was also paid to 1911's own **Paul Sorg Reinecke**, the author of *Alma Mater*.

'13

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I have no news for this issue. We are getting older and it is hard to get news, but I did cross my 91st birthday as of 15 Feb—in good health—and I hope to go on for a few more years. Never had a serious illness!!

Of the Class of '13 we have left: **Colhoun, Craig, Crittenberger, Davidson, Ferguson, Lyman, Nelson, Rosevear, Row, Duvall, and Viner**. Not bad as all are 85 to 90.

General Howard Davidson wrote me a letter the last of 1978 which not only gives some of our early history but also picks up the football season of last year. Navy would love to see this in print??

“I will try to give you a running account of my activities during 1978. In Mar, I visited my daughter Julia and her husband, **John Cheshire**, at Panama City, FL, where John is trying to raise shrimp commercially. He has been having a desperate struggle but now has hope of breaking even this year due to help from the U. of Houston and Texas A&M. Those 2 schools began wondering how mosquitoes could lay their eggs in the fall, have them frozen in the ice all winter and then hatch out the first warm days of spring and produce a healthy crop of mosquitoes. Through the research of those 2 universities, a method was developed for freezing the eggs of shrimp with liquid nitrogen and then thawing the eggs at a convenient time and hatch them on a schedule that would permit the shrimp farmers to have a more or less continuous schedule for planting the shrimp. In the past, the shrimp company had to plant the shrimp at the seasons convenient to the mother shrimp, but now they can plant the eggs at seasons convenient to the farmer.

“From Panama City, FL, we went to Wharton, TX, to visit relatives. There we were treated royally and among other things visited the **Pierce Ranch** which is about 6 miles from Wharton. **Shanghai Pierce** was a Conn. Yankee who had the foresight to go to TX after the Civil War and buy large herds of cattle and ship them to eastern markets. They would drive the cattle north over the **Chisholm Trail** to railheads in KS, such as **Dodge City**, where they would be shipped by rail to cities in need of beef. The drive up the **Chisholm Trail** took several months and since there were no towns along the route, **Shanghai Pierce** would not pay the 40 or 50 cowboys under him until they arrived at **Dodge City**. **Pierce** built a town, **Pierce Station**, about 6 miles from Wharton and among other things built a church for the town. A visiting friend asked him, ‘Do you belong to that church?’ and he replied, ‘Hell no, the church belongs to me.’

“This letter is getting long so I will skip down to the Army-Navy football game of 2 Dec. I bought 8 tickets to the game and went to Reading, PA, to visit my daughter **Frances** and her husband, **Richard Bortz**, and their family. The weather was rainy Thurs and Fri but on Sat, 2 Dec, it was perfect for football with sunny skies and a mild temperature. From the record Army had made during the season I didn't expect much of the team and they didn't disappoint me. The crowd was not as large as it used to be but about 80,000 showed up along with 4400 cadets and 4400 midshipmen all as enthusiastic as ever. The Navy had finished its season with 3 losses and I was hoping they would be flat on 2 Dec, but the Army was the flat one. However, with a little luck the game could have been close for the Army quarterback threw several forward

passes to cadets in the end zone who caught the ball and then dropped it for an incomplete pass. And then to add insult to injury the Navy had the ball on the Army 35 yard line with long yardage to gain and tried a field goal. The center threw the ball over the quarterback's head for a fumble but he retrieved it and threw a long forward pass for a touchdown.

"In a crowd of 80,000 the only person I knew was Pookie Crittenberger and her good looking son Dale.

"I live alone in my house at Tulip Hill but have a wonderful housekeeper, Sarah Rodriguez, and we can put up any members of 1913 that happen to be passing through.—Howard."

'15

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DOLOR: Carl Bank died at his home, Redlands, 20 Jan. Services were held in Emerson-Bartlett Mortuary, Redlands, with interment at Forest Lawn, Glendale, 24 Jan. Full military honors were provided by 63d MAW, Norton AFB. He is survived by 2 brothers, Fred C. of Denver and Martin L. of Lighthouse Point, FL; 2 sisters, Mrs. H.J. Drane of St. Louis and Mrs. F.E. Stringer of Donnellson, IA; a nephew, whose name and address we do not have, and a grandnephew, Dr. Richard Wolfe of San Rafael, CA. Carl was the Class Patriarch and **Doc White**, who inherits that honor, wrote us, in part, as follows: "It is too bad that so many are not familiar with the wonderful improvements contributed by Carl to the planning, methods, and execution of artillery fire and support. As a result, Field Arty was never before as effective and prompt as it was during WWII."

The Class is deeply indebted to MG Perry G. Griffith, USAF, Ret., (USMA '34) a neighbor and close friend of Carl's who, in the absence of relatives, took care of the many arrangements.

TEMPUS FUGIT: Birthdays, 1st Qtr 79: Jan, **Donnelly** and **Davidson**; Feb, **Bradley** and **Gillette**; Mar, **Ellis** and **Van Fleet**. All are over 39.

SOCIAL CHIT CHAT: 8 Jan came the Joint Class Luncheon at Distaff. Signing chits were gals: **Atkins**, **Benedict**, **Davison**, **Gesler**, **Graves**, **Harris** and **Wallington**. Cash customers **Ellis**, **Gillette** and **Harris** represented the male chauvinists. A grand time was had according to authoritative reports. Both Feb luncheons were cancelled due to weather. In Mar **Evans**, **Gillette** and **Harris** were indisposed, or something, and **Ellis** emulated Daniel of Lion Den fame and broke bread at Distaff with dolls: **Atkins**, **Benedict**, **Davison**, **Gesler**, **Leonard** and **Wallington**. As to Det's check, deponent sayeth not.

GLEANINGS: **Squire Taylor** has a complete file of ASSEMBLY for the last 10 years and seeks disposal. Any takers? . . . **Henry Aurand** writes that he and Betty had a few tilts with illness—after New Year's but were now on the upgrade. Dutch plans on attending Founders Day dinner, San Diego, with son Henry Jr. . . Letter from **Joe Swing** mentioned licking a mild case of sniffles and concluded with the remark, "since the sun was out guess [he'd] stagger around the golf course" so must be in full orbit. . . Det **Ellis** had been trying to decide when to trade in his ancient Plymouth. While returning home one Feb eve-

ning (hour not mentioned) things happened in the following order: a patch of ice; a skid; an argument with a light pole; a totalled car; a damaged proboscis; a few days in a nearby Naval Med Ctr; return to duty. (There must be an easier way to reach a decision!) Det is now en route to SC to visit kin and friends. News therefrom in next issue.

CODA: As you will note, 1979 Class news is in short supply. So long 'til next summer.

'16

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Tully's son Bob (Class of '46), employed by the Bell Helicopter Co. in Iran during the recent turmoil there, was practically the last American to get out safely with his family. He is now in Athens awaiting developments in Iran.

Joan Newgarden plans to visit her son, George Jr., and his family in Corpus Christi in early Apr. She plans to visit her sister in DC in May. Next fall she plans to move to Morningside Manor, a nursing home in San Ant.

In Feb, **Nell Whitson** had a light stroke which put her in Brooke GH for 3 weeks. Returning home by ambulance she developed pneumonia and was returned the next day to the hospital. Progress is slow but we wish her good health soon.

Feb was a rough month in DC. A snowfall of 3 feet kept us all snowbound in our homes for a week and caused the cancellation of our regular monthly Class meeting at the Army-Navy Club.

The wives of the Class of '16 met in the Army-Navy Club in DC for the monthly luncheon in Mar. They reported the following activities:

Anne Maguire visited her daughter, Nancy Gray, at Hobe Sound, FL for 10 days.

Sevilla Bliss announced a record report of 3 great-grandchildren born last summer. (Mar, May, Jun.)

Bobbie O'Hare enjoys season tickets to the ballet, theater and symphony at Kennedy Ctr.

Peggy Prickett and **Fay** celebrated her birthday and their 62d anniv on 10 Mar with their 3 children and their husbands at dinner in the home of **Peggy Miller**, the senior daughter.

Mary Scott and **Stan** will go to Dallas the last of Mar to celebrate with grandchildren and families—the 86th birthday of **Stan**.

Marjory DeWitt had nothing to report.

Marian Scofield enjoyed a delightful 3 weeks Caribbean cruise on the **Stella Solaris** with Adm and Mrs. **Ralph Wilson**.

Britton is really excited over the arrival of his 1st great-grandson. They are planning to enter the boy in the USMA 2000 class.

Walsh and **Prickett** attended the WP Founders Day dinner at Bolling AFB on 16 Mar and were surprised to find only 2 senior to them.

Helen Gallagher has been in and out of the Walter Reed Hospital but at present is enjoying her own home. **Ferdie** is managing fine he says.

The **Pricketts** announced the arrival of their 21st great-grandchild, **Julia Gayle Cage**, daughter of **Jon Cage**, USMA '72.

Madeleine Sharrer had an exhibit of her paintings at the **John Slade Ely House** in New Haven, CT, from 4 Feb through the

24th. We are proud to have this distinguished artist in our Class. Her paintings have been exhibited in New York, San Fran, New Haven, New Britain, Hartford and Silvermine. She has received many top quality awards for her work. Congratulations Madeleine on your outstanding work.

The WP Society of L.A. was founded by **Willie Wilson** and his wife many years ago. The Society is making a contribution to the WP Society in their honor.

Marian Robb and her daughter **Ellie** spent 2 weeks in Dec using the rental property of her daughter, **Janice Robb Anderson**, in Carmel Valley. Mr. Anderson and his wife **Janice** headed a party of Smithsonian members on a 2½ week trip to Red China last Apr. Mr. Anderson, Chairman of the Board of National Cash Register, is also Chairman of Smithsonian Associates.

Babe Weyand's son **Sandy** was recently promoted to permanent MG. **Babe** is fighting arthritis but is looking forward to seeing the Class of '16 at our 65th Reunion. Let us all plan to join him there in 1981.

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'17

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In a recent letter to **Fred & Vivian Irving**, **Clarke Fales** wrote that his and **Jessie's** daughter **Joan** had recently spent 2 weeks with them and also that they are fortunate in having their granddaughter and her Navy husband living only 2 miles from them.

After a 2d cataract operation, **Louie Ford** is doing well. Both **Fred Irving** and I were pleased to note that on the phone **Louie** sounded cheerful and optimistic. Incidentally, both **Fred** and **Vivian** are fine.

On 13 Dec we lost another classmate, **Walter W. Warner**. After his ret. he and **Almira** settled in their "Hudson Valley home near West Point," in Barrytown, NY; and for many years he represented the Class at classmates' funerals when time or distance prevented other classmates from being there.

Joe Collins, **Fred Irving** and I attended the Founders Day dinner in Mar and found ourselves at the #1 table, along with members of the Classes of '10, '13, '16 and Aug '17.

A U G

'17

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Red Warner's vigil over **Dorothy** ended in Jan. After services here, **Red** took her to the Presidio where **Mary** is also resting. After the interment, **Red** was able to visit both his son and daughter. Now, alone in a big house, **Red** plans to emigrate to Sun City, AZ. There he will be near his daughter and will not have to drive any long distance. We here will miss him but we wish him luck.

Word from **Lark Gilland** is that **Corinne** has trouble with her short-term memory; otherwise, she is OK. **Louise Paca** wrote in glowing terms about her new home in Hokesson, DE. **Pete Kuby** sent a lovely letter. Says that **Peggy Moore**, her mother, seldom gets out, her legs give up on her. Good days and bad but still the same old



AUG '17: Ely, age 83, skiing at Snowshoe, WV, Dec 78. How about that?



AUG '17: "Biff" Jones accepts Ben Castle Award presented by the West Point Society of DC in recognition of his contributions to athletic success at the Military Academy and to the standards of intercollegiate athletics in the Nation.



AUG '17: Chapman

Peggy. It was nice to hear from Maria Reyes, our only P.I. resident.

Biff Jones is doing well, with family close by; Barbara and Grady in the same apartment with him, and Larry now at Ft Meade. Biff had a fine letter from Florence Johnson who had just completed an interesting trip around the world (earth?). On Founders Day Biff received the Ben Castle Award.

Leo & Miriam Conner, both able to enjoy life, are spending a month in Scottsdale, AZ. Bob & Marjorie Hasbrouck aren't traveling or going to parties any more but they rejoice in a marvelous housekeeper and don't complain. Loessa Coffey's hip is healed and she was brisk enough to file her income tax return in mid-Mar. May Heavey is having a very bad time, round the clock nurse. Young Jack is wonderful to her.

Hi Ely phoned the other night from Hawkwood: he had spent a couple of months in Tampa with daughter, Hope, and her husband, Cockie Cochrane '41. Girard Troland, our most faithful correspondent, checked in with a note from Lexington.

Dorothe Matlack is another who has her family within striking distance. She went to the '45 St. Patrick's Day party, expecting to stay until 2:30 a.m. Lois Stamps doesn't dash about as much as that but she could if she would. Your Scribe cherishes her as a phone correspondent: a chat with her is a delight. Tiny & Margaret Bellinger survived the snow but got water in the cellar when the snow was melting. They're recovered from that.

Doc Faust wrote most interestingly from Beaulieu: he explained the viewpoint of the French in their enthusiastic welcome to Nixon. Your Scribe called his old friends, Teddy & Mary Beuchler, and enjoyed a fine chat. It was 13 below in Grand Is at the time. Teddy is pretty much housebound: Mary is still lively.

Charley & Anne Hart had a gorgeous month in HI but came back just in time for the heaviest snowfall since '22. They found Ruth Leavey blooming but Ed not so good. They will be going to Charley's 55th in Jun.

After over 40 years in the same house, Georgie Graham is planning to buy into a ret. community in Sept. Her letter was, like her, beautiful.

Hottest news was a phone call from the Wagners. Back in Athens after wintering at La Coquille Club, they yearn to come up, not for the cherry blossoms but for the lilacs and tulips. Your Scribe and his Little Chickadee are delighted by the prospect.



AUG '17: Founders Day, Los Angeles: Hea.



JUN '18: Axelson

JUN '18

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Scip Axelson had a short stay at the Ft Ord hospital last Feb. A bit of pump trouble but I am glad to report that he is well on the mend.

Mary Barth tells of the worst winter of 22 years, almost catastrophic. Made ours seem a bit warmer, maybe a whole degree Celsius.

The Caseys are back in VT after basking in southern FL sunshine while winter winds plagued the North.

Squire Foster and Julia celebrate their birthday on the same day, a not-at-all unlucky Mar 13th. Squire rates a 2.8 on penmanship.

Grandpa Mike Grenata is thrilled that another grandson, Jim McIntyre, will enter WP next Jul. He'll be the 4th in the family. Mike hopes to see him graduate in 83 after our 65th Reunion!

Charley Hoffman has his seeds ready for his garden. Few apartment dwellers have a garden and few arthritics would even want one.

Alice Kramer, being near the San Fran airport, is able to see her son on his frequent stops at the airport. And also many friends. Alice, at San Mateo, is in the sunny section of the Bay area. She and Millie Pichel get together quite often. Alice did not mention a hoped-for trip to the Far East but she was excited about a 2-day fling in Reno with her son.

The McKees stopped by to see the Axelsons while in the Monterey area for a visit with their daughter. Dick is still talking about the 60th.

Bud Miley has quoted Dick's wonderful words about our 60th: "Like Jimmy Carter, a born-again Baptist, I am a born-again West Pointer. I was overwhelmed with admiration for the present generation at WP." Adds Bud: "I am sure this is still the opinion of the entire alumni."

Sun-seeker Sylvia Shattuck sent a post card from Tucson showing the beautiful pool of the Hacienda del Sol. But the small print on the card lists a "heated pool?"

A recent TIME article on Maui makes clear why Bee Rundell spent such a delightful month there last winter, sailing on a catamaran with its gaily colored sails. Her daughter Bobbie, and her husband, were with her.

The Nixons enjoyed a Caribbean cruise on the Stella Solaris. Saw the Panama Canal for the first time.

Many glowing reports on CBS' "Women at West Point." There is an item about how it was made on page 28 of the Mar '79 issue of ASSEMBLY.

Savvy Cruse died on 24 Mar. Interment at Ft. Bliss. He is survived by his widow Frances, and one son, Philip. **Chesty Ward** died on 3 Jan. Interment was at WP. **Marjorie Clay**, Sylvia, Steve and I attended. He is survived by his widow Bunny, a daughter, Mrs. Pamela De Moulin of Concord, CA, and 6 grandchildren. **Margaret Whitaker** died on 25 Dec last. Interment was at Arlington. She is survived by a sister, 2 step-daughters, 4 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. The sympathy of the Class is extended to the survivors.

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'18

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We are still trying to locate our one and only missing classmate, **Claude Desha Anderson**. We wish someone could give us a clue as to his possible whereabouts.

On the 15th of Jan 79 **Jack Curtis** while on a visit to WP died from a heart attack and was buried a few days later in Milwaukee, WI. He had been a highly respected citizen of Darien, CT for many years. He loved WP where he was a very frequent visitor attending many, many athletic events.

After many months of intermittent hospitalization, **Doswell Gullatt** died on 15 Feb 79 while a patient in the Bethesda Naval Hospital in Washington. Babe was buried in Arlington on the 23d of Feb with **Canan, Hastings, Holbrook, Norman, Valentine, Wanamaker** and **Whelchel** as honorary pallbearers. Nell expects to keep her apartment for a while at least.

Then on the 15th of Mar 79 **Frank E. Huston** collapsed suddenly and died at his home in Tucson, AZ. He had not been in the best of health for the past year.

On 21 Mar 79, **Dave Taylor** had a sudden heart attack at his home in East Bradenton, FL, and died there. Ruth and son John brought him to Arlington for burial on 26 Mar. Daughter Mary, Mrs. Robert Noce, (COL '49) came down from Ottawa, Canada, where Bob is on duty.

Betty & Gerry Trichel have had to live quietly since the new year to adjust to the arctic environment of MI. **Bob York** sent greetings to all classmates. As he lives alone in a large house and is hard of hearing, he is often hard to reach on the phone. **Eleanor Dickson** had a banner year in her real estate business of just under 2 million dollars. The sale of her Devon house and move into a delightful townhouse in Paoli was a lot to handle. Then her cousin, **Marguerite Allen**, 94, died in VT and as next-of-kin she had to clear the property, a 12-room house with basement, garage and loft crammed full, an exhausting task. **Hugh & Dot Palmer** whose home has been in Hancock, NH, for many years, wintered in San Rafael, CA, with daughter Alice and a granddaughter. The **Fitzpatricks** spent Feb and Mar in Daytona Beach. **Dad Miller** is thinking of ret. from his active practice of Pediatrics, maybe on Xmas day when he will be 85½. **Muriel Searby** is boning up on England where she and a friend expect to rent a car during Sept and drive all over. **Gerry Trichel** who keeps in close touch with all classmates and widows in the NE had fine cards from **Don**

Horsey, Ken Leslie, Corrine Sexton and Kathryn Elleman, all of whom are quite well.

While it's difficult for **Buddha Groves** to walk she makes the best of it and is happy with son Dick ('45) and his family nearby in DC. **Valentines** spent Apr in FL as is their custom, and then off to ME for the summer. **Edith Griffiths** had a good trip to Greece in Mar and **Ethel Conrad** a good 2 weeks in Egypt in Jan. But immediately on **Ethel's** return it was gall bladder surgery for her. And **Laura Belle Badger** must have cataracts removed. The classmates who attended the Founders Day dinner at Bolling AFB—**Canan, Hastings, Holbrook, Valentine** and **Wanamaker**—had only praise for the splendid program. **Frances Twitchell** had to be in NY for several weeks with her brother, aged 90, and none too well. **Tip Hatch** avoided the heavy DC winter by being in FL the entire season.

Jim & Carolyn Christiansen are happy over the arrival of their 7th great-grandchild, a boy. Notes came to Jim from **Dave Ross** and **Margaret Clayton** and **Kit Baker**. Generally all are well but eyes give them problems. The **Bakers** sold their long standing home in Signal Mtn and bought a condominium in Clearwater, FL. **Eric & Puss Molitor** change little, they are happy and quite well in their home in Hendersonville, NC.

It's hard to believe that **Hal & Barbara Cocks** would complain about the weather in Houston, but with icicles all over they had the right. **Chris & Janie Knudsen** became great-grandparents to a little girl born on **Janie's** birthday. **Alex MacKenzie** is put out because he can no longer drive his car as the result of a light stroke, but he walks a little and managed the spring clean-up. **John Fonvielle** feels that we octogenarians are fast becoming an endangered species and there's nothing we can do about it, just stay in there and pitch (not bitch). In Mar **Jim Styron** was hoping for weather which would let him get out of town on a little trip. He says he feels as good as one of his age and past habits might expect. **Bernice Keasler** says the best medicine for staying well is to keep busy, so she does.

Bob & Tiny Schow learned that son **Skipper** (Bob Jr. '59) takes the Naval War College course starting this summer but don't think he'll transfer to the Navy in spite of them naming him Skipper. Bob had word from **Betty Babbitt, Reed Yeager** and **Art Pulsifer** with all upset a little even about the FL weather, but they are doing well healthwise.

Elmer Barnes who watches over the Class in the NW and Central States, where not too many are resident, expected to be the Oldest Living Grad at the Seattle Founders Day dinner. **Cornie Hahn** made it in Denver and made his little speech there. **Elmer** has fully recovered from a fall which fractured a vertebra. **Bill Blair** said the winter was very hard on the ranchers like him who had to use a lot of ingenuity as in frontier days. **Chief Brimmer**, whose great interest is fishing in his home area of WY, felt the severe season was good for the fish. **Ethel Gambil** who lives near Reno is appalled at classmates celebrating their 60th wedding anniversaries, it just doesn't happen there. **Gray** came by his nickname of **Bum-Bum** from his granddaughter's baby effort to say "Grandpa." He prefers it to some others. He is trying to clean out a house he has lived in for many years and now believes in the old saying, "no one who can read, can really clean out an attic."

Dick Ericson who keeps an eye on the boys in the San Fran area says **Al Miller** is making good progress and gained a little weight. **Mike Gillespie** had a tumble which hospitalized him but he's fully recovered. **Count Gorlinski** feels the distance from Sacramento to The Presidio has increased so he couldn't drive it for Founders Day. **Mac Monroe's** yard has been a riot of color with his over-a-thousand bulbs in full bloom. **Lark Gilland** was concerned over **Corinne's** health and after many tests found that her limitations in walking and balance were just a part of the aging process we all suffer. **Marian Stokes** had 10 days following surgery in the Stanford Hospital for a badly shattered left elbow following a fall. She was looking forward to the next surgery to remove some of the hardware with a favorable prognosis.

On 26 Apr **Charlie Gildart** received an award for his article on "George Washington's Secret Weapon" from Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge. **Chuck** was also elected Governor of the San Diego County Colony of the Society of Mayflower Descendants. He and **Isabel** enjoy so much their home in "Seven Oaks," a ret. community in the northern limits of San Diego. **Dean Dickey** recently moved into "Oaks North," nearby and also a ret. community. **Dean** is in rugged good health. **Murry Carter** made the Riverside Press Enterprise in an interview on the Riverside, "Posy Wranglers" which also showed one of her creations, a modern Madonna and Child standing in a garden of purple clematis.

'19

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Herb Jones was the lone rep of our Class at the DC Founders Day dinner on 16 Mar. At least 400 people attended; 5 or 6 from the class ahead of us and 8 or 10 from the class behind us. The Joint Service Color Gd from Ft Myer and Bolling AFB functioned; the USA Chorus entertained. Remarks were made by the guest of honor, **Amb John H. Holdridge '45**, and the youngest grad, **LT R.L. Scheffler '78**. **Herb's** brother **Biff** (Lawrence M., Aug '17), received the Benjamin F. Castle Memorial Award, a most coveted one, given to the grad who has lived most according to the motto "Duty, Honor, Country." He was a very popular choice and was roundly applauded. Our Class shares your pride, **Herb**.

Paul Miller is now in Ward 8, VA Hosp in Columbia, SC, 29200. He would appreciate a letter or card which would say "Hello." Impaired spinal discs hamper **Duke Daniel** to some extent, but he and **Anne** send best wishes for the 60th Reunion. **Helen & Virgil Shaw** are visiting thir son **Douglas** in Tampa, FL, this Mar. Last Dec **Bill Kean** had a serious operation and is now in a nursing home. **Katharine** is now nearly recovered from her broken hip and is managing well. She would welcome hearing from old friends. The Founders Day dinner was held 8 Mar at the Ramada Inn South in St. Petersburg, FL. **BG Charles W. Bagnal** addressed the gathering, spoke of the situation and on-going problems at WP.

Our condolence to **Rhoda & Bob Springer**; they flew to Las Vegas and became "reborn losers." "It had happened before," says **Bob**. Managed by the WP Soc of S. TX, the Founders Day dinner was held in the vast dining room of the USAA. The "unsinkable"

Chic Noble and his bride, Melba, seated at the speaker's table, represented our Class. Chic had founded the Soc years ago, and he spoke briefly on this and the need for the Soc. The principal speaker was GEN Bernard W. Rogers, CSA. Bob says that everyone thinks that Chick's new wife is lovely. "She is," he adds. The class extends to Melba Noble a very warm welcome and wishes lasting happiness and the best of everything to her and Chic. Mildred Stearley, "... healthy, happy and well-liked by all her neighbors..." still lives in AF Village on the outskirts of San Ant. Alex Bennett is engaged in a forestry project: he cuts down trees in his yard and studies them. On his way from WA back to Ft Huachuca recently, Bruce Gard, younger son of Bobby and Whitey, stopped in San Ant to see his mother in the hosp. Surprise, surprise! Whitey walked right out of the hosp, to home, to airport and, fully recovered, met Bruce there. And although Bobby has an incipient cataract, he saw well enough to breeze thru his driver's test recently, wearing heavy-duty sunglasses, which he had forgotten to remove. Ay, these Tejanos! Caramba! Bob says that a conversation with Peewee Collier is an uplifting experience; on the phone one gets the same old alertness, the friendly tone of voice, the same quick responses of Cadet Collier. To Lib's delight he visits her twice a day in her nearby nursing home, where he has hired extra nurses to assure that she is properly cared for. And he still has a mission in life: to take care of Lib. To Peewee's astonishment, dau Peggy in Austin is engaged in welding artistry. A freakish wind blew Archie Cooley and his umbrella into the air, dropped him sharply on his left shoulder. After wearing a sling for 8 weeks he is beginning to use his arm again, but "still takes his exercise vicariously, watching Verlie manipulate the garden."

George Elms reports that the El Paso Founders Day dinner was held 14 Mar at old Biggs AFB. Invitees came to nearly 500 and included GEN of the Army Omar Bradley, grads of USNA and USAFA, and foreign officers. George is piping his trip to the 60th, will visit his dau and grandson Paul at Allendale, NJ, plans to attend graduation of granddau, Kristen Larsen, at Rutgers U.

Effe May & Bill Isaacs enjoyed the recent visit of Deborah Nichols in their Tucson ranch. Bill, 80 on 31 Mar, feels better than he has for a long time; son Willard Jr. hopes to enter med sch at Georgetown U; Effe May visited him recently in CA, then her granddau at March AFB.

Roly McNamee reports that Joe Holly, after several stays in the hosp, is now on the mend. Fred & Lynne Marlow plan to drive thru VT and NH to Quebec after attending our 60th. Margaret Jackson plans to visit Palo Alto in May. John Denny, Bob Scullin and Davis Hale report that all is well with them. Mary Dickinson, Russ Nelson's widow, expects to drive east to Columbia, MO, Pittsburgh, PA, DC, then down the east coast, returning home thru the southern states. Mary Bassett dined recently with Roly and Emily, and most of the talk concerned the 60th. Mary and Bobby Broberg are going to the Reunion together.

Jack Vance's latest med checkup negated the need for surgery, but he and Betty will miss the Reunion; the doctors vetoed long trips for Jack. They will certainly be missed there. Despite the "wild, rainy night," about 300 attended the Founders Day dinner at the Off Club at the Presidio of San Fran, 16 Mar. MG Raymond P. Murphy, Dir of Ath,



1919: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Mrs. H.C. Jones.

USMA, gave the principal address; and BG Harold F. Nichols '11, the oldest grad, and a young man from '78, youngest grad, gave short talks. '19 was represented by Louise Paquet, Betty & Jack Vance, Ruth & Babe Ruth. Bart Kerr '45, son of Rosalina and Virgil, told Jack that Bart Jr. had been named 1st CPT of the ROTC Bn at UC Berkeley, and would get an RA cmsn on graduation. The Class is proud of Bart Jr.

Omitted from the report on Linc Dillaway's marriage in the Mar ASSEMBLY: the bride, Constance McMahan, had been a widow before her marriage to Linc; she and Linc had known each other for some time before their marriage; and they drove over to Carson City, NV, for their 23 Oct wedding there. They hope to attend the 60th, and visit relatives of Linc in MA, and his son in VA. The Class extends a very warm welcome to Connie Dillaway, and best wishes for lasting happiness to her and Linc; and we hope that they make the Reunion.

Dorothy Ferenbaugh is on a trip (Mar) to CA to visit her brother, George Van Way '33, in Carmel.

Felicia Jones, widow of Henry C., suffered a heart attack in Mar, is in the Palms of Pasadena Hosp in St. Petersburg, FL, but is doing very well. A quick recovery is expected.

Last summer Elaine McFarland, on a "grab-bag voyage," ("we don't know where we're going, when we'll get there, or when we'll be back") sailed from Seattle, past the Aleutians and Japan to Taiwan. Then 2 weeks in Djakarta, Java, a polluted city, but including a flight to Bali with its volcanoes and charming people. To clean, beautiful Singapore, and a Russian ship afire; to Karachi, Pakistan, not clean, not beautiful, but fascinating; Cochin, India, then Madras on India's east coast; the island of Penang, Elaine's favorite place on this trip; and Singapore again. To Balawan, Java, with its unique and spectacularly efficient cargo-handling; a change of routing to visit Manila, joyful news to the passengers; then to San Pedro, CA, where Elaine debarked, flew home to Scottsdale after a really great trip. She gained only 11 pounds in 3 mos.

How about taking the time to write a letter or 2 to some of our people who have been confined, sometimes for long periods, thru illness or injury? It doesn't take long, and many would get genuine pleasure hearing

from those of us who are lucky enough to be more mobile.

ADDRESSES

Louise Paquet, change apt 401 to apt 6-K; Herb Jones, change to 4000 Massachusetts Ave, NW, but zip and phone number are unchanged; Bill Isaacs, change phone number to (602) 743-0636; add the names of Melba Noble and Constance Dillaway to your Class roster.

DEATH

John H. McAuliffe, 55, son of Helen & Tony McAuliffe, died of cancer at his mother's home on 22 Feb 1979. He was born in Monterey, CA, attended Georgetown U, served as a LT in Europe in WWII, and got his bachelor's degree from George Washington U. after leaving the Army in 49. He then lived in CA, returning to DC in 66, and lived in Silver Spring. He is survived by his mother and a sister, Patricia. He had had cancer for 6 years but was able to live an almost normal life for most of this time. He was a great help to his father during Tony's 2 years of illness, and then to Helen and Patricia. "He was a wonderful son and brother," says Patricia.

VITAL STATS

Living, 98; Missing, 2; Deceased, 184; Widows, 89.

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Sadly, I report Ed Ryan, PD Rush and Jack Cassidy have died.

Ed Ryan died 29 Jan 79 in Green Valley, AZ, Nursing Home, of heart failure. He had been ill for several years after stroke 5 years ago. He was buried in Arlington. Attending with Ed's family members were Burns, Denson, the Farrells, the Holles, Lemnitzer, Loupret, John Mitchell, Rehm, Seybold and Stratton. Ed had resd in 22 but returned for WWII to become COL and earn CR and BSM in ETO. Our deepest sympathies go to his widow Helen, son Michael (MAJ AF Ret), dau Maureen (wife of Dr. Steinbach of DC's Georgetown U.) and 7 grandchildren. A contribution to the AOG Endowment Fund was made by special donation from DC area classmates, a long-standing custom of providing either flowers or this contribution for classmates buried at Arlington.

PD Rush's death 1 Feb 79 in the YMCA Gymnasium of Clearwater, FL, is described



1920: West, daughter Marie Parmly, Charlie Jr. with his daughters, Susan and Carolina, at Founders Day dinner St. Augustine, FL.



1920: Rehm '20 (left), Holbrook Nov '18 (5th from left) and Waters '31 (7th from left) and former members of Troop F 3d Cav, celebrating 93d birthday of CPT Moffitt (4th from left) who was Troop F's 1st Sgt 1922-34

by Ret USAF LTG Robert H. Warren '40, who wrote me: "Speedy was my close friend for 38 yrs. I commanded a Heavy Bomb Cp in his Wing in ETO... We had just finished a racquetball game (which we played regularly) and were outside the court talking when he collapsed and never recovered consciousness... He was in excellent health and had been living a happy and vigorous life since ret in 51..." PD became Speedy when he trfd from Inf to USAF (DSM-SS-LM-DFC-4AM). John McNulty was among those at the funeral services. As Speedy wished, he was cremated and his ashes scattered from the air. Our deepest sympathies go to his widow Carol, daug, Joy Crocker and Jeralyn and 3 grandchildren.

Jack Cassidy died 28 Mar 79 at Walter Reed AH after prolonged illness of over 2 years. He was buried in Arlington. Among those attending with family members were the Burns, Densons, Farrells, Fisher, the Hinds, Hines, Holles, Lemnitzer, Loupret, the John Mitchells, Rehms, Routheaus, Samouces, Seybold, the Shattucks and Strattons. Honorary pall bearers were Mr. George Watson, Mr. Arthur Keefe, LTC Alonzo P. Fox, COL Stanley Steele and classmates. Jack, a WWI vet, also served with distinction in WWII (2LM-BSM-CR) in T-AME. Our deepest sympathies go to his widow "B" and sons John Jr. and James.

The Mar 79 ASSEMBLY also carried late word (after Class Notes were mailed) of Art McCullough's death 6 Jan 79. Art had been failing for the past 2 yrs when he was moved to the Nursing Wing of AF Village in San Ant, and we began missing his annual visits to DC on his way to summer home at Twin Lakes, PA, and son and dau on Long Is. Art had resd in 28 to pursue an illustrious career with PanAm and returned in WWII to become BG USAF Res after distinguished svc in CBI (LM-BSM-2AM). His wife Marge died in 70. Our heartfelt condolences go to his son Willard ('52-LTC NY Air NG), dau Robin Kadlec and 4 grandchildren.

The 20 Jan quarterly meeting of the WP Soc of DC at Patton Hall in Ft Myer was attended by Denson, Farrell, Hinds, Holle, John Mitchell, Rehm, Seybold and Stratton.

On hand for the Founders Day dinner at the Bolling AFB Officers Club 16 Mar were Carey Brown ('10, Hon '20), Burns, Denson, Hinds, Holle, Lemnitzer, Loupret, John Mitchell, Samouce and Stratton. Carey Brown gave Oldest Grad talk. Among the 600 grads



1920: Carey Brown '10 with Hinds and Loupret at Founders Day dinner Bolling AFB.

present, 1920 was seated at Table #2 which is too damn close to #1.

Crump Garvin has been the lone '20 for Founders Day in Atlanta for the last 10 yrs.

Charlie West and John McNulty sent news of the Founders Day dinner of the FL West Coast WP Soc 8 Mar at St. Petersburg's Ramada Inn South. Attending were the Dan-

iels, Lichtenwalters, McNultys, Chuck Smiths, Leland Smiths and West with dau Marie (widow of Parmly '46). Dan Daniels did the honors as Oldest Grad.

Charlie was also the lone '20 and Oldest Grad 16 Mar at Founders Day in St. Augustine, FL, where fellow scribe Harry Haas '22 snapped Charlie's fine 3-generation family group. Charlie writes: "Dau Marie is off to Spain for the birth of her 5th grandchild. I'll miss her but will manage to make out since I've been feeling so fine."

Wally Ford sent a letter to the editor of the NY Times. It appeared in its 16 Mar issue. Wally speaks of the continual sniping at Pres Carter from all directions: Stop inflation (but let someone else carry the burden); create jobs (but don't increase the Fed deficit); get upstart nations in line (but don't go to war about it); have a strong military posture (but keep defense budget low); solve the energy crisis (but w/o rationing or increased fuel cost). He believes neither this nor any future Pres can deliver on this. He says it is our "damnable ever-rising expectations" that are the cause of our country's ills now. "This is the American way... If there is inflation we expect a rise in dollar income... and beyond that a rise in real income as well, year after year... But there is no way to achieve... (this)... with diminishing natural resources and a rising population... With any given GNP there is continuous infighting among our various power groups" (from business, labor... to welfare) "for a disproportionate share of the national swag... every greedy lot of them willing to bring the economy to a screeching halt if necessary to gain its selfish ends..." He offers solutions to our worst problems—inflation (wage and price controls) and energy (rationing). As to the greater problem of greed he hopes "eventually we shall come to feel that a high material standard of living is not everything; that we could... give up, say, a fourth of it, if thereby we could achieve full employment, clean cities... pure water, clean air and release from... crime which our present life style creates."

On 28 Jan, Lou Hasbrouck had recovered from her hip replacement opn and was walking again after 2 wks in hosp and 3 wks convalescing. The last word from Sherm was that he was digging out from heavy snows.

Your scribe had 2 vicious bouts with flu. Early Mar, the Samouces had a happy visit



1920: Loupret, Lemnitzer, Burns, Stratton, Holle, Denson, John Mitchell, Hinds and Carey Brown '10 (Honorary '20) at Founders Day dinner Bolling AFB.



1920: Samouce with great-nephew Alec McAusland.

from son Dr. Hunter and his family of Charlottesville, VA. They then turned about and, with the Densons, enjoyed a stay at Charlottesville's Farmington CC. Duke and Elton are also happy to see Duke's great-nephew Alec McAusland of Seattle who is in DC interning in IA Congressman Bedell's office pending entering college next fall. He came East to visit Dartmouth, Harvard and Princeton to which he had applied. His parents had visited in Apr 78 and sister Jamie in May 76. Alec is the grandson of Duke's sister Helen and the late COL Fred B. Inglis '16.

The Hinds chose a fine time to visit HI—during DC area's worst blizzard since '22. Gina wrote, "Found Mom just fine and had visits with niece Martha Crosby and grand-dau Holly Hinds Grob."

Last Oct the Singers attended the annual 3-day seminar (Dick's 18th) of the National Bldg Owners & Mgrs Assn in Houston. They expect to attend the next one in Apr in Austin. For Xmas they broke in their new Mercury Grand Marquis with a trip thru Mexico, highlighted by a stay at the Villa Montaña in the ancient city of Morales (founded 1541), capital of the State of Michoacan. The Villa furnishes a hand-written description with hand-drawn illustrations of its hostelry and cuisine and the mountain city's picturesque cathedrals, markets and fishing delights, all on a sheet a yard long by 5" wide so you can "write a ream" on the back and fold into a letter. "From Morelia we came back via Manzanillo on the Pacific, Guadalajara, Zacatecas, Saltillo and Monterey... Roads very good to excellent... Between Zacatecas and Saltillo we hit 85 mph, mile after mile, but some roads mountainous and winding and 35 mph advisable... Most recent motels very excellent but maintenance lousy... Cathedrals magnificent. There will never be another church built like the Spaniards built in the early 1700's. It is worth the trip just to see them all over Mexico, the beautiful stone and masonry architecture and sculpturing, so elaborate and beyond imagination."

Dick also says: "The Piersons entertained about 40 friends in Nov with a cocktail party at their home and a luscious roast beef and wine dinner at the Old San Fran Steak House... Millard is in excellent health but Phyllis had bad times lately."

On 2 Feb Pierson wrote: "Returned last night from the MOWW midwinter Gen Staff Conference at HI's Hale Koa... Bumped

into the Garvins who had been in HI for a while..." And Crump Garvin wrote later that he and Ollie had hoisted a few with the Goffs before they left HI. It's a small world—the Hinds were there, too, at the time. Didn't any of you bump into them?

Millard also wrote 12 Feb: "Dick & Nena Singer had a large party at the Ft Sam Houston Officers Club celebrating Dick's 80th birthday. The OR Johnstons and Phyllis and I were there but the Jimmy Walkers are not in physical condition to go out. I don't know where Al Perwein is—haven't seen him or heard from him for a long long time..."

With much of the country in Old Man Winter's tight grip, Jack Goff wrote 12 Jan from Yuma, AZ, and English Village on Lake Havasy: "Good golf and good hot polo here now... and the London Bridge, too!!!"

Frances Wahl tells us: "JF's speech hasn't yet returned... Still going to speech clinic and is hopeful... JF Jr. just visited from Champaign, IL, and dau from Jacksonville, FL, will be here next month. Also my brother from Sacramento... and JF's niece and family will stop over on way to HI."

Early Jan, the Planks visited friends in Tacoma but found the weather bad.

Bill Bartlett says: "Ruth and I golf regularly. Her team of 4 won 1st place at the Bonder Creek Invl in Nov... Idling is unusual around here..." That show-place of yours must demand tremendous care when spring bursts forth, Bill.

The annual "Doolittle Doings 78" begins with reminiscences of the 58 issue, the year of the hoola hoop: "Jeannette & Donald Ingram and the boys spent a week at the cabin in CO where we saw hoola hooping at its best... but hooping efforts of Grandma and Grandpa had to be written off... Rosalie's garden activities accelerating. She's now regl dir of the American Rose Soc... Conducted rose workshop at State Garden Club meeting. Won 2 ARS silver medals and made speaking trips around state... We saw WP-Rice game in Houston—hanging on the ropes until Army won with long pass in last 60" (58 was Red Blaik's 'Lonesome End' year)."

And now to 78 (after Rosalie had acquired numerous American and Intl Rose Soc medals and honors and had been the Society's Pres a number of yrs): "Rosalie created 3 new gardens in our new home. Everyone says, 'How does she do it?' However, every-



1920: Howard, Bartlett and Reuter

thing wasn't roses. She developed cancer... radiation treatments... surgery last Jun... Results excellent but has bad days... Spent Thanksgiving with family of dau Jeannette Ingram in L.A... Xmas with son Jim's family at beautiful ranch in Watrous, NM... George stopped by George Jr's family in Portland, OR, but Rosalie couldn't go—we expect to remedy that come Jun or Jul... Now have 12 grandchildren and 6 greats... They would all be spoiled rotten if we saw them as often as we'd like..."

The caption I put on that 1919 Summer Camp snapshot in the Mar 79 ASSEMBLY has developed controversy. Denny Denson says he's not the one on the left despite arm-twisting by several of us. And Carl Engelhart swears the one on the right is PD Fisher and not Hammy Ellis. Well, PD is adamant it isn't he and he's also not amenable to arm-twisting. Help!

PD says: "Those were the days. And was it tough!—one-third of the Class was 'found' that first Xmas and more kept falling by the wayside as we went along. When Johnny Davidson got his sheepskin, the first thing he wanted to do was go bury it somewhere before anyone tried to take it away from him. And when I got mine I felt I could look a lion in the eye without blinking!"

'21-'22

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On 2 Feb I received the following letter from William Manchester, author of *American Caesar*: "Dear COL Haas: Thank you for your informative letter. I shall have it before me when I revise the text. Faithfully, Wm. Manchester." I had hoped I would pass on to you Manchester's apology, but I imagine he is like Woody Hayes—he doesn't apologize for his mistakes. I now have his home address. It is: 329 Wesleyan Station, Middletown, CT 06457.

The Oriole Winter Reunion (OWR) could hardly be called a reunion. Other than the usual residents in southern FL your scribe and his bride were the only "forriners" present. Those attending were: Granger & Lucile Anderson, Frank & Clare Cray, Harry & Hazel Haas, Johnny & Edna Johnson, Bob Murphy, and Jim & Helen O'Connell. What we lacked in numbers we made up in having a most enjoyable get-together. Fri 9 Mar we attended the races at Hialeah, which is always exciting particularly when you win the daily double which I did and collected \$22.60. Then Sat evening Granger and Lucile gave a cocktail and dinner party at their Deerfield Beach CC, followed by dancing. Sun evening we had cocktails and songs at Johnny's and Edna's beautiful home, followed by dinner at the Indian Creek CC. This was especially exciting because this was Las Vegas night at the club, with roulette wheels, crap tables, black jack and all the other forms of gambling—all for beautiful prizes. We are grateful to the Andersons and Johnsons for their kind and generous hospitality. I know I express the thoughts of every one present at the OWR in saying many many thanks for a most enjoyable visit.

The following sent their regrets and in some cases the reason why they could not attend: Al Price (more about Al follows), Mark McClure, Max Taylor, Numa Watson had house guests; Carroll Sullivan, whose new address is 2140 Santa Cruz Ave, Menlo Park, CA 94025; Mona Tyler's health would



1921-22: OWR dinner party, Indian Creek (clockwise): Crary, Helen O'Connell, Haas, Murphy, Lucile Anderson, Johnson, Hazel Haas, O'Connell, Clare Crary, Anderson and Edna Johnson.

not permit; Gus Nelson had been to a Battle of the Bulge reunion in Germany and had to rest up a bit; Bill & Dorothy Kyle left for HI for a visit with their children; Hebe Kicklen didn't like the idea of coming alone; Nell Sue Branham; Beverly (Kane) Ellsworth; PD Lynch (we had hoped that PD would attend and bring his bride, the latest addition to the Class but other plans prevented); Sarah McDavid is under doctor's care and restricted to her home, George Olmsted—annual reports, stockholders meetings, etc.; the Slator Millers' grandchildren were expected from HI; Art & Ginny Klein attended a family reunion in TX; Jimmy Spry; Dolly Hisgen; Anne Bodine; Harry Stout; Orval Cook; Harold & Margarita Conway were on a cruise in the Caribbean; Milo Cary was snuggled in the deep snow that prevented them from leaving; Oscar Beal was also snowed in; Glen Wilhide also complained about the snow in Newton Square, PA; Freddie Hein; Al Kastner; Babe Wilson—a big annual meeting prevented Babe and Patti from attending but he didn't say what the meeting was all about; and Shelley Gibson.

Al Price spent time in the hospital last year from Sept to Nov, first with a case of colitis and then with a mild heart attack. Here's hoping Al is fully recovered. Al's daughter is married to BG Leslie R. Forney Jr. (Ret.) and they live in Port Orange, FL, where GEN Forney is City Mgr.

Meps Smith reports that Perry Jr. has his star and is stationed in Germany. Perry Jr. is the first son of a classmate that has attained the rank of general. Congratulations.

Mark McClure reported that the Jan luncheon at the Army-Navy Club was very well attended, only one absentee and all looked to be in pretty good shape. The McClures went to Athens, GA, to spend Xmas with their daughter and her family. There was no meeting in Feb due to the snow storm that paralyzed DC, but there was 100% attendance in Mar. I had sent a copy of the letter that I had received from Wm. Manchester to Max Taylor and he read it at the luncheon. All agreed that it was most unsatisfactory. Amen.

Blanche Stephens gave up her home in Sacramento and is living with her daughter Jean. Blanche has heart trouble. Her new address is: c/o Mrs. H.R. Odom, 3070 25th Ave, San Francisco, CA 94132.

Bob Murphy spent Xmas with May at Fall River, MA, but returned to Miami in time to take his granddaughter to the Orange Bowl Game. About the time you read this Bob and May will be entertaining 2 Irish colleens at their home in Fall River. Then in Jul Bob plans to take his daughter Patsy and her 11-year-old daughter Nancy to visit the USAFA at Colo Spgs. Nancy wants to go to the USAFA. Bob can't you persuade her to go to WP? Then on his way back to Miami in Aug he stops off at the Rsch Ctr in Baltimore for his annual phys exam. This is the outfit that is trying to determine why people get old. Bob is one of the guinea pigs.

Johnny Johnson has expected Wes & Lillian Yale to come to the OWR and stay at his home, but something came up and Wes called Johnny at the last minute and it prevented them from coming. I have no late news about Wes' new book.



1921-22: "Oh, Benny Havens Oh," OWR Trio: O'Connell, Johnson, Haas.

It is with deep regret to report that DeWitt McLallen died on 20 Jan. Fern wrote me that DeWitt's health had been failing for 2 yrs prior to his death. He is survived by his wife Fern, a son DeWitt Jr. of Houston, TX, and 2 grandchildren. On behalf of the Class I extend to Fern and her family our sincere sympathy.

Harry Stout, while having ret. several years ago, is still very much involved in the copper industry. He and Maxine get around a lot attending meetings. They visited Kansas City, Ft Wayne and New Orleans on separate occasions. They saw Bourbon St. in New Orleans and had lunch at Antoine's at a price of \$42.50 plus gratuity (they must have ordered goldfish). In Dec the Stouts spent a week in DC baby sitting while their son and his wife went on a trip to Europe. Harry wrote that he had to exercise a certain amount of authority at times when necessary, but survived the inevitable accusation that he was imposing too much mil discipline. In Jan they went to El Paso where they visited Ft Bliss; also Juarez across the border. In Mar it was Atlanta and San Fran in May. So you see there is never a dull moment in the Stout family. Harry has a heart pacer and it is about due for replacement.

Eddie Clark visited the Stouts last Thanksgiving and Harry stated that Eddie's health has improved considerably over the past year. That is good news.

Hartley Caldwell wrote Andy Anderson that he was sorry not to be able to attend the OWR. In the letter he reminisced about his plebe year at the Acad and the part he played with Charlie Barrett in the 100th Night show. He enclosed \$30.00 to buy some CA wine to be served at one of the dinners, but instead the money was sent to our Treas, Bill Lawton with a word of thanks and appreciation to Hartley.

Hank Reed wrote that he sent more Xmas cards to the officers of the German 11th Panzer Div than he does to his classmates. Several of the German officers have visited the Reeds in VA and Hank has gone to Germany too. Hank, if you lost your addresses of classmates I would be glad to send you a replacement.

Ilamary Svihra had suffered a stroke last Aug and was hospitalized until Dec. She is at home but has help around the clock. This is sad news. We sincerely hope that by now she has improved and is up and around again.

Helen (Taylor) Towner and Milton '27 have been doing a lot of traveling. As she put it: "We travel as much as we can while we can." Last Nov they visited their 3 children and 10 grandchildren in CA.

Glenn Wilhide expressed great pleasure with the change in the Army football coach at the Acad. Glenn's wife Jim had a mild heart attack last year and Glenn had a prostate gland operation. Both are doing very well now and as Glenn put it: "No problem."

I would still like to receive some family biographies.



Dear Classmates: I wish to preface these notes with acknowledgment of the assistance of Esther & Lee Shafer and Dorothy Kehm in their preparation at a time when my physical difficulties would have made that impossible.

SAD NOTES

Bill Carraway died 23 Jan and was buried 27 Jan at Goldsboro, NC.

It is with sadness that we also have to report the death of the Class Godson, LTC Richard Carnes, Class of '45, son of our classmate Jim & Naomi Carnes.

GENERAL NEWS

Fritz Breidster has been honored by selection as the 69th entrant to WI's Athletic Hall of Fame. Enshrinement ceremonies will be held at NECCA 17 May, during Armed Forces Week. Your Classmates are proud of you, as ever, Fritz!

Charley Lawrence writes that he is still struggling with his emphysema. He also brings us the news that Clyde & Mary Rich are nicely settled in a new home in San Ant.

Al Johnson writes that he is looking forward to a week of dove and duck shooting in Cuba in Jan.

Deke Stone reports that on 9 Oct 1978 grandchild No. 13 arrived—"a neat, sweet gal name Anne Louise Fowler."

P. Roy Dwyer writes: "Dot & Don Tredennick are very happy that their son Bill, Class of '65 USMA has received orders to attend C&GSC for 79-80 class. His tour as a Bn Exec at Ft Sill has been extended to permit his departure to Ft Leavenworth in Jul."

Howard Serig was happy to read in ASSEMBLY of the naming of a mountain in AK after John Noyes. Howard had roomed with John Noyes and Lincoln Peoples and had high respect for both of them. He regrets they both met such tragic ends.

Mary & Roy Dwyer, in addition to attending the Founders Day dinner at Carlisle Bks, also attended the dinner in Philly. Roy made the Oldest Graduate talk. We hear it was well received.

NEWS FROM CALIFORNIA

Pink Palmer writes that the Founders Day dinner, held at the Presidio of San Fran, was co-educational. Those attending included: Eleanor & Mike Buckley Jr., Jazz Harmony, Pink Palmer, Mary & Roy Pierce, Ruth & O. Carlton Smith, J.H. & Alice White and Virginia Post. Palmer has volunteered to serve as message center to establish communication among those of the Class who may attend the Army-Stanford football game this fall. He may be able to provide some local information useful for that occasion. Other than the game, activities will be what you want—group or individual.

Einar Gjelsteen writes that James E. Drummond, son of our classmate Garrett, has been nominated to be a BG. He is Class of '55 and at present is one of the dept heads at the FAS.

The Rosenbergs were in HI for almost a month over Xmas. They go there every year but this is their longest stay.

W.G. & Ruth Johnson were to stop over in San Fran to attend the Founders Day dinner but on 8 Mar Wendell was knocked over by a huge wave from the broad Pacific on the shore of Maui and broke his left femur in a fancy spiral fashion. A letter from Wendell to Jazz Harmony, who had expected to host them in San Fran brought



1923: The Molinaros and Dwyers.

word that after an undetermined period of hospitalization at Tripler General, Wendell is due to be med-evac'd to Walter Reed soon, and Ruth will fly back East more or less simultaneously, but Wendell can expect a couple of months hospitalization because of that upset. We all hope the healing process will go smoothly.

NEWS FROM THE DC AREA

Tim & Gin Timberman are looking forward to their 50th wedding anniv. Helping celebrate will be daughter Dooley (Mrs. John Callaghan). Annandale, VA, a son Tom Timberman, Oslo, Norway, and sister Berenice Fiske, Chevy Chase, MD.

Damon & Helen Gunn are wintering in FL.

Santiago Guervera is recovering nicely from a cataract operation.

Dottie Torrence has just returned from wintering in Palm Springs, CA.

Helen & Jim Fry seem to be continuously travelling or planning future trips. Jim reports they joined one of the TROA Charter trips to Frankfurt, Germany, last Sept and spent a month driving about, including Heidelberg, Vienna, Berchtesgaden, Chiemsee, Munich, Garmish, thru Switzerland, Neuchatel, and then north across France to Metz and Strasbourg where they caught a tour ship down the Rhine for 2 days. Helen's daughter, Mrs. William Sendt from McCall, ID, accompanied them. They plan a trip by ship thru the Panama Canal, arriving in San Fran on 16 May, and finally to McCall, ID, for the wedding of one of Helen's granddaughters on 2 June.

Charles & Elizabeth Bromley were driving a brand new car and hit an icy spot on the road to the Army-Navy CC and the car went out of control and collided with a concrete abutment. It totally wrecked the car and Charles and Elizabeth wound up in Walter Reed with multiple bruises and broken bones. They were fortunately able to go home after about 3 days in the hospital.

We were represented at Founders Day dinner at Bolling AFB by Joe Smith and Jim Fry.

Adams' financial report credits us with an estimated \$2,573.00 at the end of March 79.

I regret that I find it necessary to hand over the pen of Class Scribe. It has been a most interesting experience, made so by the hearty cooperation of so many classmates who have not hesitated to give me the bird when they felt I had it coming and have given me full and helpful cooperation when they felt that was in order. Whatever good results have been achieved were due primarily to the cooperation from Fritz and

our other permanent Class officers, especially our Washington Group officers, the area Class Reps who have been particularly cooperative.

I am delighted to find that Tredennick has agreed to carry on this task. First of all he is a fellow P.D., and 2d, he has a special interest in WP, demonstrated by his regular visits there and by his outstanding success in getting good men to become cadets and keeping in touch with them after they "don the kaydet grey."

I'm sure he will serve our Class interests with credit and I believe you will give him the support I know he will earn.

Please send your notes for the Sept issue to him. They should reach him about 10 Jun 79. His address is: COL Donald C. Tredennick, 1305 Farr Rd, Reading, PA 19602.

Be seeing you, Baron.

The principal speaker at the Founders Day dinner at the Bolling AFB Officers Club in DC on 16 Mar was Amb John H. Holdridge. The ambassador is a member of the Class of 1945 who resigned from the Army in 1948 and has been with the Foreign Service ever since. Most of his assignments have been in the Far East and he has become an expert on China. He accompanied Dr. Kissinger to Peking in 1971 and later served as the dpy chief of the U.S. LNO in that city. The subject of his talk was the Peoples' Republic of China. He explained the present policies of the Admin toward Mainland China and Taiwan in a most articulate manner and left no doubt among his listeners that he was well informed. He strongly supported the normalization of this country's relations with the Peoples' Republic and the arrangements for the continued economic and mil support of the Taiwan govt. He reinforced his arguments by citing the history of U.S. diplomacy in that area during the postwar period to the present. Although some may differ with his views, all would agree that his speech was exceptionally well presented and received. Classmates attending the dinner included Beurket, Glasgow, Hill, Hincke, Trudeau, and Vogel.

At the winter luncheon of the WP Soc of DC on 23 Jan 79, the large group in attendance was privileged to hear encouraging comments from MG Ray Murphy, USA (Ret.), USMA '42, Dir of Ath, USMA, and Lou Saban, the new head football coach.

The general emphasized his concept of the USMA athletic program—to contribute to the overall mission of WP in the development of dedicated and well trained young people for a professional Army career. He stated that the kingpin of the program, without which all else is of lesser importance, is a winning football team. The needs of the program are increased recruiting of promising material. He says that the DC area does the best job in this respect, but more effort in other geographical areas is needed. He cited the need for increased favorable publicity but acknowledged that this will come only as a result of successful performance on the gridiron. He called attention to an irritating problem for which there is no ready solution—the requirement of the Federal Govt that per capita expenditures for men and women athletes be the same. He spoke highly of the splendid



1924: Palmer and the Harts in Honolulu.

women athletes and their extensive program. Yet he has difficulty in matching expenditures for a woman volley ball player with those required to maintain a Corps football player.

Mr. Saban spoke of his plans to recruit a top coaching staff from his wealth of friends and acquaintances made during his years of coaching. He made a favorable impression, as did GEN Murphy.

Classmates at the luncheon included Beurket, Erskine, Jim Moore and Van Way.

On the matrimonial front it is a pleasure to report that Peter Hains was married to Mrs. Cesar Jordan Bertheau on 11 Dec in Annapolis. The bride, nee Bernard (Bunny) Montgomery, is the daughter of the late COL John Carter Montgomery, USMA '03. Her late husband died 2 yrs ago. Bunny was a very close friend of Ada's, and Peter has known her for many years. The couple spent the winter in VT after which they returned to Peter's place on Gibson Is.

On Saturday, 10 Mar, the Alamo Chapter of the Thundering Herd held a brunch at the Ft Sam Houston Officers Club. The chapter pres, Dillon McHugh, announced the officers for the coming year. Marcus Stokes is to be the Pres, Jaggs Eyerly—VP, and Joe Massaro—Secy-Treas. Those enjoying the creamed chicken, orange ham, etc., were Marcus & Agnes Stokes, Dave & Peg Bradford, George & Irma Wrockloff, Dillon & Becky McHugh, and Dillon's sisters, Betty Jane and Harriet McHugh. Also Tom & Roma Binford who came over from New Braunfels, TX, where they had spent the winter. Also present were Chick Darling, Tip Bigelow, Hannah Hawkins, Jen Jennings, Helene Liebel, Maria de la Rosa, Gerry Gibbs, Margaret Hames, Joe & Nugie Massaro, Dorothy Griffin, Betty Gibson, and VAdm Short and Ann, USNA '24. The chapter includes a few who don't always feel up to par but it still manages to get a good crowd together.

Armin Linn's description of what he and Lorna are doing leaves no doubt that they are keeping busy. Their insurance business is doing well and includes several security guard agencies among its clients. Armin manages their 91-acre country estate and concerns himself with many civic activities. These include co-chairmanship of his District Service Academy Selection Bd. Lorna supervises the operation and maintenance of their 13 room house, tends the garden, raises a lot of flowers, puts in one day per week at their Chapel gift shop, and one or 2 afternoons per week playing bridge. Then during the summer they swim in the large creek on the property, and hike and play winter sports in winter. For relaxation, Armin belongs to several bike clubs which conduct 10, 20 and 30 mile rides. He graciously invites any classmates to stop over

with them on the way to or from WP for the reunion.

Phil & Estelle Garges celebrated their 50th wedding anniv in Mar of last year at a party arranged by their daughter Jarene and her husband, COL Thomas T. Jones (Ret.), USMA '48, at their home in Annandale, VA. About 65 guests, including 12 grandchildren and 4 greats, were present. Then in Jul, Phil and Estelle with Philip Jr. moved from Charleston to an apartment in Annandale in order to be near their children. Son Dan, USAF (Ret.), USNA '56, lives across the river in Rockville, MD. Phil has been having trouble with his eyesight for at least 3 yrs and his activities are limited.

The Johnnie Johnsons report continued good health, but nothing else new in FL. Johnnie has been helping son, W.L. Jr., build a house in Coral Gables. He checks in the materials and acts as asst supe of construction while junior goes about his main activity as supervising engr for the FL Power and Light Co. The house is about 8 months along and beginning to look pretty good.

The Sam Stroeckers are still getting along in Seattle and Sam wishes they were able to take part in more of the Class functions.



1924: Chazals, Founders Day St. Augustine.

The Clarence Raymonds expect to be at the reunion next Jun. Ray has just been nominated to permanent hon membership on the Bd of Dir of the San Diego unit of the American Cancer Society. Jim & Kathleen Willis lead a quiet existence. The rich food at parties on Thanksgiving, Xmas and New Year's was too much for Jim so he had to have his gall bladder removed. Now he is ready for the next Thanksgiving, Xmas and New Year's. The Logan Berrys are another couple of travellers, visiting the Greek Is on the cruise ship "Stella Solaris" last spring. Walker Holler is a house builder, a townhouse, smaller but big enough, and no lawn to mow. Ted Schrader reports health bad, completely shut in, emphysema.

We were glad to learn in Sept that Melba Strother had fully recovered from emergency surgery of a serious nature in mid-Aug—so well in fact that she finished a successful term as ticket chmn for a benefit performance of the L. A. Philharmonic. Their son-in-law has been transferred to the Embassy at Kuala Lumpur. Jo and the children expect to join him after son Robert finishes high school and is accepted for college.

Nye Elward has become active in the unique role of volunteer toy maker for the children of the Mesa (AZ) Sch for Retarded and Physically Handicapped Children. His works range from the quasi-sophisticated to the super-simple, and include such things as a large wooden locomotive, which provides motivation and physical therapy to a child

pushing it along a track. Another toy for infants consists only of a wooden peg to be inserted in a hole in another block of wood, thus promoting curiosity and a sense of accomplishment. Many of Nye's ideas have been successfully tested on the children and some have been patented. Nye also reports the birth of a great-granddaughter.

Steve (Rev.) Ackerman writes that after serious illness last year for himself and Polly, they are now fully recovered. Younger son Scott and his bride Suzanne (of 10 yrs) are following in his father's footsteps. Scott has been called back as a teacher at his Alma Mater, Westminster Schools of Atlanta, and personal advisor to the pres. He is also studying for his PhD. Suzanne is being considered for one of their churches in Atlanta as minister in charge of Christian education. She also is a graduate of Episcopal Theological Sch, 2 yrs earlier than Scott.

John Smith has joined the staff of Dean Witter Reynolds, Brokers, in Minot, ND, as an acct exec. After ret. from the Army, he worked for Reynolds Securities in San Fran until 71. He has gone back to stockbrokering because he says he likes to make money for other people. An optimistic altruist.

Harry McHugh reports as the most important event of the past year, or for many years past, his marriage on 15 Apr 78 to the former Becky Van Houten. The big event took place in Cheraw, SC, where Becky's daughter and son-in-law live in ret. Mac's daughter flew in from S. America to make sure that everything went well. Becky is well known to many in the Class, having dated several as a teenager at Ft Benning. She later served with others when she was the wife of GEN John G. Van Houten.

In Jan of last year, Ed & Anne Hart journeyed to FL via the auto train for a month's stay at Fiesta Key. Just prior to their departure from McLean, VA, it was discovered through a physical exam that Ed had an abdominal aortic aneurysm. He underwent surgery at Walter Reed AMC shortly after their return from FL. Everything went well, enabling Ed and Anne to make a 5000 mile motor trip in Jul and Aug to TX, NM, CO, IL and back to VA. While in TX they visited Anne's grandson Jerry Minor and family, and Ed's daughter, Byrd Moore, and her husband. Other stopping places along the way included Las Cruces, NM, where Anne's family was having a reunion, 150 strong; Colo Spgs where Ed once had his headquarters; and Ft Sheridan, IL, with Ed's daughter, Sally Adams, and family. Ed reports the trip most enjoyable although a little bit strenuous for persons of our age.

Dorothy Griffin's travels have been somewhat restricted but she did manage a short



1924: Van Wyk, French and Malin.

cruise with son Carroll Jr., COL, USAF (Ret.), USNA '50, PhD in electronics, now with the Applied Science Lab of the Air Rsch Ctr in Austin, TX. Elder son George is with Vought Aero Space in Arlington, TX. A grandson is with Union Oil in Okla City, one married granddaughter is in CA, and 2 others married and living in Arlington. Dorothy has had a standing offer of a \$5000 bond for the first great-grandchild but so far there have been no competitors. As of the time of her writing there was not even one in sight. Dorothy hoped to spend Jan and Feb in Marbella, Spain, where she has a 3-bedroom apt on the Costa del Sol.

Pete & Bobbie Lee sold their house outside of Williamsburg, VA last year and moved into a town house on the golf course at Kingsmill, a newly developed area on the James River. Their son, Robert V. Jr., COL (Ret.), USMA '46 also lives there. Pete got tired of the outdoor work and maintenance connected with owning a house and lot.

Mark A.H. Smith received a resolution of thanks from the Bd of Dir of the institution with which he had been associated since his ret. from the Army in 57, the Burke and Herbert Bank & Trust Co., the oldest bank in VA. His successor as VP and Trust Officer is Robert E. Lee IV, great-grandson of GEN Robert E. Lee. Mark was not well last summer but says that now things are looking better.

Ray & Betty Beurket had a round of concentrated sight-seeing in the Mediterranean last spring. After several days in Athens for the Acropolis, they took a land tour of Greece with an excellent driver and guide. Then a week's cruise to the Greek islands with shore excursions and a ride on mules up and down the 500 terraced steps of Santorini. Then to Istanbul to see the Blue Mosque, Sophia Church, and Topkapi Palace, and on to Cairo for the Sphinx and the pyramids, all of which they describe as a fabulous 3 wks trip.

On 3 Jun 78 **Bill & Martha Renn** were joined by about 100 of their PA friends for cocktails and dinner at the Huntington Valley CC, to celebrate their 50th wedding anniv. They spent the summer at their Buck Hill Falls house, returning to Jenkintown the day after Labor Day.

Tom & Lucille Holmes visited daughter DeVe and husband in CA last year, and also spent some time in San Ant where Tom's first station was at Ft Sam with the 12th FA. His principal activity now is handling the national distribution of his Bayou Cook Book, 60,000 copies printed, which Tom describes as fantastic.

The **Frank Gillettes** crossed to England in Aug on the **Queen Elizabeth II**, and toured England, Scotland and Wales. They enjoyed the countryside and saw **The Tempest** by the Royal Shakespeare Co. at Stratford-on-Avon. Also visited the Scottish Highlands and Loch Lomond, and Loch Ness without the monster. They wintered again in HI.

Mary White received a correspondence in Feb from Washington, DC, which reads as follows:

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
honors the memory of
EDWARD H. WHITE

This certificate is awarded by a grateful nation in recognition of devoted and selfless consecration to the service of our Country in the Armed Forces of the United States.

(signed) **JIMMY CARTER**
President of the U. S.

Hardy Dillard advises that on 6 Feb, after 9 yrs, he was rotated off the World Court and has resumed his stateside address in Charlottesville, VA.

We have learned that **Kess Kessinger** entered the hospital on New Year's Day in Anniston, AL, for diagnosis of a malignant tumor in the bladder. It was removed by surgery on 5 Jan and subsequent pathology indicated all traces of cancer have been eliminated. Kess recuperated at his daughter's home in suburban Anniston, was soon feeling fine, and is expecting to attend the reunion in May.

Zero Wilson suffered a couple of strokes last year. It has been necessary for him to enter a nursing home in Houston where he is fortunate in having available skillful and compassionate nurses. Betty regrets that they will not be able to attend the reunion but sent a check to the Class to be included in the contribution to the West Point Fund to be presented in Jun. Their son Joe, USMA '53, and his family are at Ft Sam. Daughter Liz and her son live in Houston. Gail's widow and her family have moved to FL but keep in close touch with Zero and Betty.

Walter French had a rather severe heart attack in late Dec and was confined at Ft Ord Hospital until 18 Jan. After convalescing at his daughter's home he has returned to La Selva Beach.

Since publication of the last issue of the ASSEMBLY, word has been received of the following deaths:

Frank Lawrence Lazarus has passed on but we have no information about the date or circumstances.

Peyton Fentrell McLamb died on 31 Jan after a brief hospitalization. Burial at WP on 7 Feb was attended by **Denis & Betsy Mulligan, Tad & Margaret Tasker, Don Storck** and **Gerry Sullivan**, as well as many family members and friends.

Onto Price Bragan died in Sacramento on 2 Feb after a brief illness related to a rather extended period of indisposition. After private services on 4 Feb, burial beside Maxine at Pacific Grove was planned for a later date. Correspondence should be addressed to their daughter, Mrs. Arthur C. Williams, 1209 Nevis Court, Sacramento, CA 95822.

James Somers Stowell died on 23 Dec in FL. Burial at WP on 16 Jan was attended by the following classmates: **Denis & Betsy Mulligan, George Smith** and **Gerry Sullivan**.

Helen Pyne died suddenly on 18 Feb at her home in Linwood, MD. After services on the 20th, interment in the Arlington National Cemetery was planned for sometime in the spring. Memorial contributions should be made to the Church of the Ascension Building Fund, 23 N. Court St, Westminster, MD 21157.

Theodore Frank Schrader passed away on 19 Feb at Encino, CA, on his 77th birthday, from emphysema.

Robert Edward Cullen died in hospital in Springfield, MA, on 13 Mar after an extended illness. Burial was in that city. The family asks that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

union is in order. Our indefatigable treas, **Hoppie Hopkins**, has been in phone touch with **Pres Charlie Saltzman** on the subject. As a place to start, for planning purposes, **Hoppie** suggested this notice here:

"There will be a Reunion (less programmed than the 50th) at WP in 80. No details yet, but when you pay your Class dues (no inflation, still \$5) to the treas (**Armand Hopkins**, 21 Ocean View, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971) please let him know whether or not, God willing, you hope to attend the 1980 Reunion."

For some of us it will be our last chance to swap reminiscences of Cadet Gray days before we join the Long Gray Line. I'm setting up a piggy bank escrow account for the occasion, so "God willing" I'll see you there. The scene near French Monument is changed, the elm trees are gone, but countless memories linger around.

Like the time, early in Plebe year, when I just made the 2 minute bell inspection at supper time as **Kraft** ('24) was inspecting **Harold Wiley** nearby. When **Kraft** found an unbuttoned button under **Harold's** front braid I heard him say, "Do you want that button, **Mistuh Wiley**?"

When **Harold** said, "Yes sir," **Kraft** yanked it off and handed it to him.

So when **Kraft** found a similar derelict button under my braid, I replied, "No sir!" Whereupon he pulled it off and threw it away—because there is no right answer when a Plebe is wrong. It is esoteric memories like that which need discussion at Reunions—so you-all hurry up, and plan to be there for our 55th in 1980.

News from overseas: **Hoppie** received a postcard from **Johnny Haskell** saying he and **Paulette** expect to be in DC in Apr or May. The reverse side of the card showed a beautiful picture of their home, **Figolive**, near Nice.

A letter from **Bud (Milton T.) Hankins** (Le President, 14 Rue Blanc, 06400 Cannes, France) says that he and **Marcelle** continue in good health, dividing time between their home in Paris and apartment in Cannes. They also take yearly trips to Germany and Spain for medical check ups and supplies. **Bud**



1925: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Newman—oldest grad present.

'25

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When you read this ASSEMBLY it will be 58 years since we signed in at the table under the old elm trees near French Monument. That means June 1980 will be the 55th anniv of our graduation—thus a re-



1925: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Cleland, the Linkswillers, Duna-ways, Woods', Newmans and Kerns.

says any classmate would be a welcome guest, either at Cannes or Paris.

A nice note from Anne Fowikes includes, "I am staying at the same address (since Ben passed away), and would love to hear from or see any of 1925. I love you all!" It is a big help she says that their daughter Nancy Allen, and family live nearby in Salisbury.

A newsy interesting letter from "Johnny, E.L." (Edwin L.) Johnson lists his address as: Air Force Village, The Alamo City, In The Great State of TX (the REGISTER of Graduates is a little more specific). Johnny stands out strongly in memory—especially his clear sharp-voiced signals when quarterbacking the Army football team, and quiet gentlemanly presence when escorting his lovely Genevieve to cadet hops.

He reports Air Force Village is on SE corner of San Ant, 15 miles from downtown, and says: "Jack McCormick was cmdr at Lackland AF Tng Ctr when the Wilford Hall USAF Med Ctr was being built—and uses its facilities now. So does Dave Bradford, and so do we—thus our paths cross sometimes.

"We also drive to Kerryville every couple of months and see John Dansby in a modern convalescent home, near a fine Veterans Hospital—and near one of his married daughters."

Johnny's family news: "Our year made brighter when younger son (Class of '59) returned to U.S. after 8 yrs with NATO branch hqs in several excellent positions: located in Heidelberg, then Vicenza (near Venice) and back to Germany (Mannheim). Now in Minneapolis-St Paul on advisory staff for Readiness units in MN, WI, IA and IL.

"Our older son (Class of '56) AF, ret. several years ago after a heart attack while Dir/Sci at AFA—then signed on with Texas Instruments Co. (Dallas). He also helped establish first computer courses at WP, while his younger brother was an instructor there."

Johnny had a serious bout with diabetes, including hospitalization, last Apr and May (following low level diabetes since 64), and is now on insulin for the duration.

Founders Day dinner in the DC area was at Bolling Field, with 6 '25ers present: Bailey, Barnett, Cole, Dunford, Hopkins, and Van Brunt. Unfortunately both Jerry Galloway and Diz Barnes were not well enough to attend.

Founders Day dinner for FL West Coast was held in St. Petersburg, where '25 was

represented by Liz & Bill Wood, Dorothy & Link Linkswiler, Florence Cleland, Charlotte Roberts, Dorothy & Red Newman, Harriet & Finis Dunaway, and Bill Kerns.

A note from Russ Finn reports the local Founders Day dinner in San Diego was a bit out of the ordinary—the speaker was an admiral. Also, while the entree was being served, the proceedings were interrupted by a bomb scare.

Miscellaneous notes by Hoppie from his Xmas mail:

From Peg Robertson: High praise for the small hospital (Christian Health Care Center) where Robbie has been for several years—but he was on the waiting list 3 yrs.

From Peg Weiffle: This was the first Xmas without Paul in 50 yrs—but, fortunately, their son and family live nearby.

From Gillmores: Fishing, golfing and loafing keep them fit.

From Nicholases: To Boston in May for wedding of eldest granddaughter Francie (just out of Yale). In Aug family reunion with bride and groom plus grandson Edward (Yale sr) and youngest granddaughter Mary Kay (Skidmore freshman—or freshperson, maybe?). Excuse it Nic, but when Army played Yale at Yale you said, "The band played a stirring march when the Supe entered the Bowl."

From the Meyers: Daughter and family joined them at Louise's sister's in Tampa at Xmas to celebrate the Meyers' 50th wedding anniv.

From the DC area Hubert Cole reports usual luncheon attendance of the faithful few there. A new addition to the area is Nettie Black, who moved into Distaff Hall several months ago. Hubert also heard from Mrs. Anne Foret, Jim Deery's stepdaughter.



1925: L-R: Newman, Charlotte Roberts, Bessie Clarke and Clarke.

She said they moved Jim from a nursing home in San Ant to Covington, LA. He is only a mile from their home, so they can more easily bring him over to their house.

As to our local Sarasota area, Bessie & Bruce Clarke passed through on a visit to relatives in Ft Lauderdale. My Dorothy asked Charlotte Roberts in to join us for dinner—Litt had been IG for Bruce in Seventh Army, and they shared pleasant memories. See the accompanying picture, as your Scribe (former CS to Bruce at USCONARC, Circa 1958-60) and his former CG discuss the past and prognosticate the future.

Unavoidably, news of classmates and their loved ones must sometimes include sad items. On 11 Feb 79 in the hospital at Ft Hood, TX, Adeline Wood Robinson passed away. She was the widow of Nicholas J. "Nic" Robinson, and sister of William H. "Bill" Wood (who lives in Bradenton near us). Adeline was laid to rest in Arlington thus rejoining husband Nic and son William Wood Robinson there.

A "good news and bad news" report just arrived via phone from Liz Wood. The bad news: Charlotte Roberts, widow of Litt Roberts was operated on for cataracts in Bradenton, where she lives. The good news: everything worked out fine.

Your scribe and his Dorothy were privileged to enjoy a cocktail hour on the poolside patio in the beautiful home of Clare Jones, widow of our classmate Edward K. Jones. Others present were Johnny Roosma ('26, originally '25) with wife Marge, and Harris Scherer ('19, brother of our late classmate Louis Scherer) and wife Gretchen.

All '25ers owe so much to Ed Jones for the many years he was Class Treas—who we liked personally, and respected for the man he was. Ed started as office boy with the great firm of Weaver Brothers in DC and moved up to become pres for many years and, finally, Advisory Chmn of the Bd.

His 2 brothers also had outstanding careers. Lawrence McCeney "Biff" Jones (Aug '17) was with the Tac Dept in our day (also asst Football Coach) and Head Coach at USMA 26-29; then at LSU, OK, and NEU; returned to active duty in WWII, was Grad Mgr Ath USMA, and Ret. COL 48; Football Hall of Fame 54, and Helms Hall of Fame 64.

Herbert Maury Jones (Nov '18) had a distinguished mil career, ret. in 58 as MG, The Adj Gen, U.S. Army.

What a wonderful family! As we sipped our poolside toddies Clare let us see color pictures of their great-grandson, Jason Andrew Diehl (4 Mar 79) who, unfortunately, Ed did not live to see.

A fine letter from Harold Wiley, who lives in a comfortable condominium in Westlake Village, 40 miles from downtown L.A. They have 4 children and 9 grandchildren, one of them Pre-Med at UCLA.

Harold says, "I am a member of the WP Soc of L.A. but most meetings are 50 miles away—and I no longer drive the freeways at night. So do not know how Rupert and Wiley T. Moore are getting along. Was in the hospital during the 50th Reunion, after making Air reservations in advance. Hence, so my plans for the 55th Reunion in 1980 will not be jinxed, I'll take it in stride until the last moment."

Last minute news from Carmel, CA: Bobby Howze reports Stan Babcock passed away rather suddenly of a heart attack in mid-March—our heartfelt sympathy to Jaddie in her loss, which we share.

It has been a pleasure to hear from old friends as your scribe—but the need for news is a continuing one. That goes for pictures too.

'26

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From Monterey, CA: Gen & Spud (E.J.) Murphy report enjoying a wonderful week in Feb 79 visiting son Jerry & family in Miami Spgs. They then departed on a Caribbean cruise, stopping in Santo Domingo, St. Thomas and Nassau before returning home.

From ID: Mac (J.A.) McFarland sent "Christmas & New Years greetings from Kay & Mac." He also forwarded a clipping, sent to him by Bill (W.H.) Mills from the Walla Walla, WA, Union Bulletin, 4 Dec 78. Excerpts follow: Ferd Nessell 75, of 30 S. Clinton St, Walla Walla, died Sat at Walla Walla General Hospital. Interment will be in the Masonic section of Mountain View Cemetery. Nessell was born in Marion, IN. He attended school in Marion and attended WP. He graduated from INU. Nessell is survived by his wife Mildred, at home, and by 2 daughters. Note by Scribe: Records indicate that Ferdie Nessell entered USMA with the Class of '26 and was discharged Jan 23 for academic reasons.

Tommy (T.E.) de Shazo reports: "We are comfortably settled in our new Garden Apt., very similar to the setup Gen and Spud have at Park Lane in Monterey!"

From PREZ Heiberg: "Vald enthusiastically reports on the AOG cruise in Feb thru the Panama Canal. He and Evelyn were delighted to have Marjorie Brady as a member of the WP contingent. Like all journeys at sea, food was delectable, service was great and accommodations were way above average. The biggest plus of the cruise, however, was the large number of friends on board, many of whom Evelyn and Vald had not seen for many years. The frequent opportunities to get together and reminisce made the voyage especially enjoyable. Vald also reported on the Founders Day dinner in St. Petersburg last Mar. Present were Marge & Johnny Roosma, Katherine & Mac McDaniel and the Heibergs.

All hands were looking fit and Johnny's fine tenor voice could be heard above the chorus as the old grads sang the Alma Mater. The youngest grad present needled the older grads when he said, All of you who served more than 5 tours on the area, put up your hands. Many hands went up. Then he said,



1926: Hamilton, Black and Murphy.



1926: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Roosmas, Heibergs, and McDaniels.

Keep your hands up if you served more than 10. Quite a few hands went down. Then, more than 20, 50, 100. During the count-down, fewer and fewer hands were up. But, at the end, old Vald still had his hand in the air. The evil that men do lives after them—LONG after!

Vald further reports that he and Evelyn have reservations for a direct flight, Tampa to Frankfurt, in late May to visit their kinder—all of whom are stationed in Germany. He will report on this trip after they make it.

From Tucson way: Pancho (F.F.) Miter reports that the El Paso Miter kids, Brad, Aven, Mark 15, Denise 12, and the Golstons, Diana, Webb, and Roxanne 13, all came for Thanksgiving. All doing fine. He adds that while visiting daughter Diana, husband Webb and Roxanne (budding teen-ager) after Xmas in Denton, TX, he was notified that his house had been burglarized in his absence. He went back home to survey the damage and loss of priceless belongings. He spent several hours of several days at the task. Finally he sent in a claim to his insurance co. who agreed with Frank's estimate of the value of his loss. So, after deducting \$100.00, they sent him a check for \$9.01—he was grateful?? He thinks the job was done by some juveniles. His big loss was an unopened bottle of Bushmills Irish Whiskey.

Hope to see you, Frank, at the 55th. And bring your uke.

Bud (P.J.) Black reports that he and Margaret spent the Xmas holidays very pleasantly at Rancho Santa Fe, near San Diego. However, he does want to refute the scurrilous imputation that appeared in the Class Notes of Dec 78. He says he does so remember WHY. Scribe, at once, looked into Bud's complaint. It was determined that last sentence of para upper left column, page 50, Class Notes, Dec 78, beginning with phrase, "From the distant past" contained the word (can't) which was in error. The last sentence should have read: "Today he does so remember WHY." The error is regretted. We are still looking for a new copy editor.

Big & Bob (R.S.) Nourse report they will, as they have for several years, attend the annual Rotary Intl Convention in Jun. This year it will be held in Rome. Prior to the meeting, they will tour Morocco and Spain. After 19 yrs as Secy of the San Rafael

Rotary Club, Bob has resigned in order to become the District Governor's rep for the 5 Rotary Clubs of Marin County.

Betsy & Hal (H.M.) Forde report: "After the high point of a 50th wedding anniv last year, we anticipated a let-down for 78. Altho not a 'vintage' year, it has had its high points. For travel: A 2-week Caribbean Cruise in Apr; a reunion of Betsy's family (and a wedding) in Aug; a Sept trip for Hal to National Parks in UT and AZ. Family: The Jolleys arrived in Jul (Ann, John, Duffy, Kendall, and Sheba, [a St. Bernard]) and are in their home about 1½ miles away. Betsy has abandoned golf (arthritis) and Hal is spasmodic in his playing. Church work still is important to us both."

Pablo (P.L.) Carroll has resumed his vigorous tennis game. He took time off in Mar to check up on his grandsons in TX.

Ada & Pick (S.P.) Collins report: "In Mar Ada and Pick flew out to CA to visit their daughter, Anna Belle, and her husband, Stephen Almy, who live near Los Gatos, CA, on a ranch (horses, chickens, pigs, rabbits, a dog and a cat) for a few days. They then flew to HI for a week at the Hale Koa Hotel (Ft De Russy). While there, they had lunch with an old friend dating back to prep-school days, George Helmick and his wife, Bea (Holland). George was married to Jessie, Don Booth's sister who died several years ago. Returning to Los Gatos they (the Collins) went over to Monterey for lunch with Gen & Spud Murphy. They found the Murphys looking great and enjoying CA life. Pick didn't see any other classmates but did call Don Booth, his old roommate, for a pleasant chat on the phone.

Oka (J.O.) reports from the deep South: Oka writes with a bit of nostalgia, saying that Jessie and he envy others who live in centers of USMA retirees affording opportunities to make or renew old Class of '26 friendships. He also says, when talking to relatives and others he points up their enjoyment of the quiet, easy life of the small town; if pushed, he will mention "it's easy to get to the Post Office, to church and to the courthouse to pay taxes and buy auto plates." Oka reports also that Jessie and he flew to HI the last week of Sept for a 2-week visit with daughter Janie, her husband and 3 grandsons (14, 10½, 7½). They enjoyed a few parties hosted by colleagues of their son-in-law, a Prof at UHI, Honolulu. They were



1926: Founders Day Charleston: Mrs. Talant '28, the Burns' and Williams '24.

spectators, also, at some soccer matches played by teams from the local league. Jessie and Oka also report flying up to Virginia Beach, VA, to enjoy the Xmas season 78 with daughter Ellen and her family. Oka says neither Jessie or he enjoyed the A&N game broadcast.

Paul (Red) Hamilton and wife Eleanore are reported to always have something interesting on the back burner. Their daughter Ann, and son-in-law, BG John Hudacheck '54 are still in Saudi Arabia. Two of their daughters are in school in Rome, and will visit Russia this spring as part of their school program. Another daughter is a student at Mary Washington U in Fredericksburg, VA. Son Michael is a yearling at WP. (Note: Our reporter says he has never been able to say COW.) Michael will visit the Hamiltons in Mar for 10 days. Next year, all 3 girls will be students at Mary Washington U.

Marge (Brookner) Brady returned home from the Service Academies Joint Cruise in the Caribbean with high praise for the ship, (the Stella Solaris) and crew. She enjoyed the lazy, luxurious days on deck, and excursions ashore, especially Yucatan. Crossing the Isthmus, one way by bus and return by ship was a novel way to see Panama. The Heibergs were the only classmate shipmates. Met many other friends of other classes. Her son Brookner returns soon from San Fran to AK for the beginning of the fishing season.

From the illustrious SQUIRE of Home Plate on the Hudson: Red Reeder says: "... this insidious Guillam-Barre Syndrome is slow. I'm in 3d year and I hear the average to recover is 5. I go to... VA Hospital, 30 miles north about twice a week in quest of a new leg... I met a fine looking man at the hospital sentenced to life in a wheelchair. He said 'I'm glad I'm not like most of these wheelchair patients, they have to be helped out of the chair into bed.'" Red says, "I walked a little better to my car... just enjoyed a Lowenbrau and feel better." Red received a note from a man offering a large sum of money for letters written by our Honorary Classmate, Marty Maher. The National Archives are being researched. Red's latest fixed opinion—"If Army can hold out until our grandson arrives in Michie Stadium, we will play better."

From Scribe: Late 20 Dec 78, Lucile and I cleared Dulles Intl Apt on a heading toward Rome, Italy, landing there at Rome Intl Apt mid-morning on 21 Dec. Son Robert and daughter-in-law, Kiki, met us at customs, then drove us to our hotel. Objective: To enjoy the Xmas and New Year festivities with Robert, Kiki, granddaughter Lynne—down from her job in London, grandson Robert Jr. down from Bologna, Italy, exchange student (3d year at Dickinson Col-

lege, Carlisle, PA) since summer of 78 at U. of Bologna. Granddaughter Stephanie, 9, granddaughter Jennifer, 6, still at home. It was great. Much chatter, wine tasting, pastas, parties and music. St. Peter's is still there, window-shopping and ristoranti wonderful, Roman driving is terrifying. By 2 Jan 79 it was time to leave. Lucile is addicted to travel by rail. So, early 3 Jan 79 our kinder helped us aboard the "fast" Intl Express heading for Vienna. Cold and clear en route, snow everywhere, scenic, and the dining car menu was superb. Arrived Vienna at midnight. Cold and snowy. People were still walking and window-shopping up the "Walking Street" (main street from St. Stephan Square down to Stadt Opera House). We stayed in Vienna 4 days. The Danube was actually blue, one day. Vienna Woods are still there, listened to opera one night, tested Slivovitz martinis, supper at the Sacher after opera (a must). Departed Vienna, Orient Express, up the Danube 9 Jan for Munich. Again, very cold and snowy. Arrived Munich mid-afternoon. Snowing, with snow piled up everywhere. We did, saw, ate and heard much that Munich is noted for. It was all great. We had to cancel rail reservations, Munich to London via Hoek, Holland—N. Sea Ferry to Harwich—rail to London. Blizzards, heavy seas, port workers and engine drivers were striking, so we took a flight (BAL) Munich to London, 13 Jan. Did the usual thing in London—we like London. We left Heathrow Apt on a non-stop flight to Dulles 18 Jan and arrived home, bushed, a bit worn, happy and broke. Daughter Ann and husband Ralph from Langley AFB surprised us by meeting us at Dulles, loaded us with luggage in their car and wound up staying with us at home where we celebrated everything over the weekend. SELAH.

Scribe: We regret to report the death of Bill (Wm. E.) House at the Med Cen Hospital, Largo, FL, of heart failure, on 10 Mar 79. Special services were held at 14 Mar 79, at the Old Chapel, Ft Myer, VA. They were followed by graveside services in Arlington. Full mil honors were rendered. We extend our deepest sympathy to Evelyn and her family in this time of pain and anguish for their great loss of husband and father.

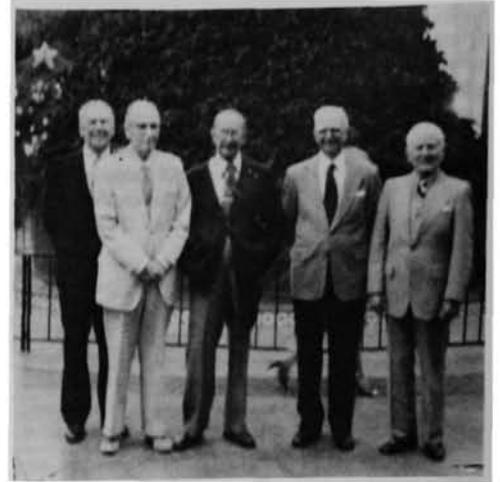
It is with regret that we report the death of Lou Heidner, wife of Al (COL Alvin A.) Heidner, 15 Mar 79 at her home, Carlisle, PA. Interment was at the West Point Cemetery, Tues, 21 Mar 79. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Al and his family in this time of grief and anguish for their great loss of a wife and mother.

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Surely all were pleased and surprised to receive in late Mar that exceptionally fine Bulletin No. 1, 55th Reunion, from Woody! It was a swell job, and it should set us all up to planning, and hoping, for that event. In the meantime, as you read this you can toast our 52d which is just about to occur, and regret that we cannot be together for it. And next month, on that 2 Jul, all of us can cheer for that 56th anniversary of our initial assembly at the Point. My, how time is passing these days!

It is sadly necessary to report that Margaret McLamb, widow of Nathan McLamb, who had moved from San Fran to MO, died



1927: San Antonio Luncheon: Lepping, Griffith, Nelson, Aloe and Williams.



1927: Burgess exhibiting AZ's two-fisted joy to Californians Davidson and McManus.



1927: Fooks



1927: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Garlands.



1927: St. Francis Yacht Club: Back row: the McManuses, Jane Pierce, Berrigan, Betty Hocker, Pachynski, Verone Davidson, Hocker, Davidson; Front row: Jan Douglas, Holland, Mary Berrigan, Betty Pachynski and Donnie Holland.

there of a stroke on 29 Dec. She was buried alongside Nathan in Golden Gate Natl Cemetery. Word has also come of the death of Tierra, the wife of Bill Whelchel, also in Dec, but further information has not been received. To all survivors go the deepest sympathy of the Class.

Perhaps you saw in "Last Roll Call" in the Dec ASSEMBLY the report of the death of our ex-member, LTC Chauncey S. Johnstone, on 23 Oct 78 at the VA Hosp, Bay Pines, FL. Interment was in Lexington Cemetery, Lexington, KY, his original state. He is survived by his wife, Nell Farmer Johnstone; a son, Ben F. Johnstone; a daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Macnair; a stepmother; 2 sisters; and 8 grandchildren. Class sympathy is extended, if belatedly, to the survivors.

Another sad note is that of the death of Gladys Naylor, beloved wife of our Bob, in Apr 78, resulting from an initial stroke, a fall and broken hip, and 7 subsequent weeks in hospital prior to her sudden death from a progressive stroke. She was buried in her home town of Monticello, WI. Bob continues busily adjusting to his new life, visiting occasionally with his daughter Valerie of Tucson and son, MAJ Bob, with DIA, Arlington Hall. Again, late but sincere, the condolences of the Class is extended to Bob and the others. Both of these last 2 items were unintentionally omitted from the last ASSEMBLY notes.



1927: The Aloes, San Antonio Founders Day.



1927: At the Davidsons (Standing): Burgess, Berrigan, Verone Davidson, McManus; (Seated): Jean Burgess, Marg McManus, Davidson and Mary Berrigan.

Elsewhere in ASSEMBLY is the full report, with group picture, on the Service Academics' Caribbean Cruise, the 12-day voyage of the ship *Stella Solaris*, from 21 Jan to 2 Feb. Our Class was represented by Dottie & Blair Garland and by Jean & Mac Miller. Mac offered the observation that it "was a most pleasant trip, particularly as a major portion of the passenger complement consisted of Army and Navy service personnel—a very congenial group." Many friends from other classes were among the "enjoyable people." The photo shows the smiling Garlands and Millers aboard ship. This first Academy cruise seems thus to have been a very pleasing one, and may well set off an annual voyage.

The WP Soc of DC held its pleasant Winter Luncheon, 23 Jan, at Ft Myer—"The best turnout ever for a Jan lunch." The oldest grad present was Carey Brown '10. Army athletics was the subject, splendidly covered in detail by MG Ray Murphy '42, Dir of Ath, and supplemented well by Lou Saban, the then but newly confirmed head coach for football. All Army athletics seem generally very good to excellent, but football is to be the target for definite improvement to enhance the "Academy image as a winner," since that sport gets such exceptionally wide national publicity, and winning an important

game encourages many youths to try for the Point. Present from '27 were Asensio, Collins, Lowe, Trappnell, and Lillard.

The WP Soc of DC Founders Day dinner was at Bolling AFB, 16 Mar. The guest of honor and principal speaker was Amb John H. Holdridge '45, a veteran of over 30 years with the Foreign Service, who discussed informatively the People's Republic of China. The annual Benj. F. Castle Award, given to the graduate whose service best exemplifies "Duty, Honor, Country," was made to Biff Jones, Aug '17, a most popular presentation indeed. Carey Brown '10, was again the oldest grad present. Attending from '27 were Asensio, Matthews, Miller, and Zwicker.

In early Jan, Chris Nelson sent a snap of the San Ant Group at a recent monthly luncheon gathering, the 5 then being all that "were left in town." Then in Feb, Bob Aloe sent in a letter, including statement that the Group had elected Chris as Pres, and that subsequently Bob had made, as a surprise gift for Chris, a desk plate "showing his exalted rank," reading "El Presidente 1978," presented at the Jan luncheon. The snap shows Chris apparently ready to take over. Then Chris again wrote just to beat the deadline by minutes with a report of late doings. The Founders Day dinner was held at the USAA for the 2d year, with the ladies again present, seeming to establish their participation as the custom in San Ant. Present from '27 were Bob & Natalie Aloe and Chris. Von Kaylor, who has been troubled as previously reported with a heart problem, is "coming along," if somewhat slowly. Chris hopes to "make Homecoming" this fall. So endeth the summary of events by El Presidente Nelson. More power to the San Antone Group!

Paul Berrigan did a noble job of reporting on visiting classmates coming into the San Fran Area in the last few months. His pictures accompanying this column go to illuminate 2 such fine visits. The picture of that smiling 8-some depicts the Davidson party just the day after Xmas when Woody & Jean Burgess dropped in from AZ. The other picture of 14 was taken at the Berrigans' Class gathering at the St. Francis Yacht Club when Dutch & Donnie Holland came through en route to Oahu. All the pictures imply that those of '27 who reach the Bay Area should not neglect to get in touch with the gang out there, and they further serve to prove that the group can throw fine parties for the visitors. Whoopie! Let's go!

Hutch Hutchison sent in a good snapshot commemorating Dutch & Donnie Hollands' visit to Honolulu in late Jan, when Dutch as a former CINC attended the Midwinter Staff Mtg of the MOWW held at the Hale Koa Hotel. Hutch reported that son, LTC Joseph E., has moved from command of a Pershing Missile Bn in Germany to a desk in DCSOPS in the Pentagon and a home in Springfield, VA. Undoubtedly this change will



1927: San Francisco Belles: Mary Berrigan, Verone Davidson, Betty Pachynski, Jane Pierce, and Marg McManus.



1927: In Arizona: Burgess, Mary Wood, Peggy White, Bea Luebberman, White, Wood, and Jean Burgess.



1927: On the Southern Cruise: the Millers and Garlands.



1927: On Oahu: Hutchison, Martin, Holland.



1927: San Antonio's Presidente Nelson

see Esther and Hutch more frequent visitors in the DC Area. Hooray! In late Feb the Retiree Council which Hutch chairs "hosted the Western Region Conference of Council Chmn and Ret. Service Officers, from AK to So. CA. Very productive seminars." So the Hawaiian Council keeps at it!

Willis & Jean Matthews did their annual tour away from Chevy Chase to the south and west. They had a good trip, although "weather was not bright and cheery" much of the time. It seems that they saw a few classmates, including Hal Jordan at Cocoa Beach, Jack & Grace Griffith at San Ant, and Woody & Jean Burgess at Green Valley, AZ. This trip, furthermore, certainly spared them the unusual rigors of this DC Area winter.

Stu Wood followed up on the mention of his and Mary's visiting around AZ Xmas with the photo of the Burgess party. It shows a frolicsome gathering, all happy, and Woody apparently exceptionally so! Stu reported that "Jean's arm is doing fine and she beat out some lovely organ music for the gang." The next day the Woods had lunch with Bea Luebberman at her home with its "gorgeous view of Tucson and distant mountains. It is absolutely fabulous. Exquisitely furnished, it has also Henri's marvelous animal trophies tastefully in evidence." Incidentally, Stu observed, "Bea went on 9 safaris with Henri, but she only scared the beasts with her camera." Following the AZ session, Stu and Mary flew back to CO, and the Burgesses headed west for CA and that snapshot at the Davidsons.

From Ray Bell came 2 reports for this issue of his travel sightings of classmates. He had seen Ty Cobb, who says he is "still able to put one foot in front of the other without complaints." Ray also met with Alton Williams, ex-'27, "up to his ears in AL politics and evidently a big wheel in them." Ray commented that Alton still has time, however, to be "very interested in all of our activities." On his speedy return to the Hudson in early Mar, Ray did get to meet with Willis & Jean Matthews and Mac & Jean Miller of Chevy Chase, MD. He also reported his having seen Stu & Mary Wood, missed the Peggs, and talked by phone with Fred Day and the Dickersons. So Ray keeps up his contacts!

Over the years, Bill & Bert Pence had

been interested in the Washington Cathedral, where Bert continues to serve on the Altar Guild. Recently the Cathedral Altar Guild published *Homage to Flowers*, a handbook on flower arranging, and Bert assisted in writing several of the chapters. Then in Feb she attended an Intl Design Symposium and Flower Show in Bermuda, representing the Garden Club of America, and was there awarded a blue ribbon for her design. The theme of the flower show was *The Tempest* of Shakespeare, and the windy, wet weather there matched, Bert commented. However, Bermuda weather did not interfere with Bert's "enjoyment of seeing again the Governor and his Lady and the reps from Great Britain, S., Central, and N. America, and missing the snow at home." Thus does capable Bert keep active!

Ev Bixel, always moving about, got in a fine Xmas visit to L.A. and then "a great cruise on the *Love Boat*" to Mexico. She had fun!

Well, have a fine summer! Please continue, or start, to send to the eager scribe some sort of report of your doings, goings, and comings, with snaps, if you can! We all want to hear from everybody!

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A note from Ralph & Ruth Butchers reports that they had been royally welcomed in San Ant by the '28 contingent there. They were expecting to leave on 2 Jan for Ajijic, Jalisco, Mex. for a month or so.

On her Xmas card to Skip, Cornelia Tarrant reported that she had signed up for the Alumni Cruise through the Panama Canal along with the Luke Finlays, the Webb Andersons and the Dunc Somervilles. Hope you all had a great time.

Skip Seeman spent the Xmas holidays with his daughters in GA and TX. Skip is a great-grandfather now as his oldest granddaughter had twins, no less, last Aug.

Now your scribe is just a young grandfather. Ruth and I have just visited our 2d, and youngest, grandson (1 year old on 7 Feb) and the rest of his family in Nurnberg, Germany. His father is W. D. Jr., Class of



1928: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Kissner, Bredens, Spiveys, Bunkers, Adams, Mrs. Shuck and Trents.



1928: Hinrichs and Sherburne

'63. We took off on 15 Feb, stayed in Nurnberg for a couple of weeks, then on to Spain for a visit with our Spanish friends in Madrid and a soaking up of the sunshine on the Costa Del Sol, returning to Silver Spring on 19 Mar.

Our losses have been heavy since my last report. Ann Fritzsche passed away on 25 Jan and was laid to rest in Arlington. I extend the sympathies of the Class to her children and their families.

Paul Gavan died on 1 Feb at Walter Reed. After services at the Ft Myer Chapel with the Washington Class Contingent among those present, Paul was buried in Arlington with appropriate honors. Paul has done so much for the Class throughout the years and we sure are missing him. So we join Anne and son Bill and his family in grief at his passing.

Buster Briggs passed away in late Feb and was laid to rest in the cemetery at the Air Force Academy after services there and with the honors due a past Supt. Bill Henning, of Colo Spgs, represented the Class. To Kay and the family of James E. Jr., I extend the most heartfelt sympathies of the Class.

Ray Raymond has taken over the duties of Class Treas. From him I have a report on our Class gift segment of the West Point Fund as follows: Balance 1 Apr 78—\$25,205.89; Contributions—\$3,182.75; Disbursements—\$20,965.00; Balance 30 Sept 78—\$7,423.64.

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In this month and year of our 50th Reunion, it seems fitting to recognize the devoted service rendered the Class by our newly elected pres: Jupe Lindsey. For the past 17 yrs he has served not only as Exec VP, but also as Chmn, and hardest working member of the Class Coordinating Cmte. The successes of our reunions and of the Class Fifty Year Gift to the Corps are due in large measure to his untiring efforts. A standing vote of thanks to Jupe.

The annual Founders Day dinner of the WP Soc of S. TX was held Sat, 10 Mar at "Pentagon West." General Bernard W. Rogers, CS, US Army, was the distinguished speaker. It was minutely planned, expertly MC'd, and a thoroughly delightful evening. '29ers present were: Tiny & Caroline Jark, Jack & Virginia Horton (from Austin), Marilou Hammack, Billy & Helen Greear, Roy Cuno, and Bill Vestal.

Freddie & Martha Smith were kept away by minor health problems; they are scheduled for a Tack Tour of eastern Canada in

Aug. The Jarks will do a bit of visiting along the east coast after the reunion. Also touring after the reunion are Roy & Josie Cuno who will be making a Rhine trip beginning the 12th of Jul. At this time, the plans of the Greears are uncertain because of planned eye surgery for Helen.

Hunt & Anita Bassett, and Don & Martha Jean Keirn report good health and no travel plans. Zeke & Libby Napier enjoyed the visit of Bill & Kitty Bowyers to A.F. Village. The latter went on their way to FL before returning to Annapolis.

Bill Vestal plans a petrol trip to CA in late Jun to attend 3 first generation birthday parties and let 5 second generationers meet their "Texas grandpa." Vivi mans the farm while firming her plans to be chauffeured to NASA and the French Quarter.

Among our travelers were Amy & DeeDee Armstrong who took the 12 day AOG sponsored cruise on the Stella Solaris to the Caribbean. They found it to be most delightful, and heartily recommend consideration of any future trips planned by AOG. On the trip were 35 USMA, 30 USNA, and one from the USCG. Other '29ers were: George & Miriam Keeler and Roy & Lola Keyes. Pinky & Mary Jo Conner headed for FL just in time to get tangled up in the farmers motorcade. Took 'em some 3 hours just to get out of DC. After out-racing a storm to FL, they embarked on the cruise ship Cunard "Princess." Evelyn Denton, widow of Alton Denton ('33), joined them on the cruise. Although the "Princess" was crippled by the loss of 2 of her 4 engines, they enjoyed themselves (and the refund of \$150 because one port was omitted).

The San Fran Bay Area group held their annual lunch at the Presidio on 2 Feb. Attending were: Dave & Charm Angluin, Charmain Brownlee, George & Lois Carey, George & Gerry Coolidge, Ducky & Martha Hail, Ernie & Davie Heidland, Mary Lou Lapage Murray, Johnny & Gracie Theimer, and Glenn Williamson. The last named is "into" hot air ballooning and recommends it for all; also he had managed to enjoy a ride in a Wright Bros. type plane. Somebody suggested a bikini contest at the 50th—thereby touching off a lively discussion. The Coolidges passed out a basket of lemons from their tree while all sang "Lemon tree mighty pretty" in appreciation.

Johnny & Gracie Theimer represented '29 at their Founders Day dinner. Gene Forrester, Sixth Army CG, brought Bull Kendall (remember: "On Guard; Don't stand there, DO something"?). Nichols ('11) was



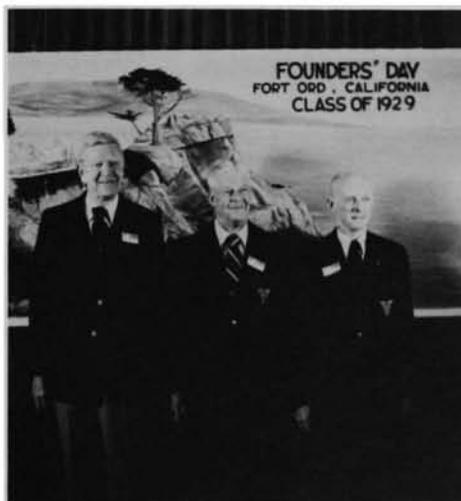
1929: Founders Day San Antonio: Vestal and Nelson '27.



1929: Founders Day DC: Lindsey and Sykes.



1929: Founders Day DC: Thompson, Nichols and McKee.



1929: Kraus, Freeman and Carns.



1929: Founders Day San Antonio: Marilou Hammack



1929: Founders Day Ft Meade: Hubbard—oldest grad present.

the oldest grad present and stole the show with accounts of bridge with GEN Nuttman (oldest grad till last year) and survivors of his class (6). One of them isn't permitted to vote on class matters because he will not be 90 until Aug.

Founders Day dinner of the WP Soc of DC on 16 Mar found these '29ers in attendance: Chaffee, Lindsey, McKee, KD Nichols, Reilly, Strauss, Sykes, WJ Thompson, Vittrup. A most pleasant time was had. The DC Cmte met 27 Mar to wrap up any loose ends on the 50th. (Says the scribe: never fear, there will still be a blip or two.)

Marion McDonald writes that their older son, Thomas B. III, was graduated from USMA in '57 as was Thomas A. Adcock, son of our late classmate. Two from '29 with the same surname graduating the same year: a first? unique? Both are now colonels. Kit (?) Adcock remarried (David Lancaster) and has been widowed a 2d time. She lives in Winter Park, FL. She also reports that the first reunion of the McDonald Clan ('29 ranch) occurred Dec 26th and 27th in Montgomery, AL, at the home of their AF son who is attending the Air WC. Randy and his wife Mary were their hosts, assisted by their almost-7 Susan who added the special joy of a child to the Xmas scene. Tommy and his wife Karen and daughters Tracy (18) in college, Teri (14) and Karen (13) rounded out the reunion group. A joyous, memorable time indeed.

The WP Soc of Central FL had its annual Founders Day dinner in the Jade Room at the Commissioned Officers Mess, Naval Training Center, Orlando, on Tues eve, 27 Mar. Only half of the '29 contingent made it. Tom & Marion McDonald were absent due to recent surgery on Tom. Tommie Dubose reports that Tom currently is doing well. Mary Cook was unable to attend because of dental problems, but Bob ably upheld the family banner. Tommie & Rose Dubose enjoyed the evening immensely.

COL Farrell ('56), Prof of the Dept of Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences, USMA, covered academics, tactics, and sports in an interesting way and was well received. In attendance were 18 new cadets and their families from Central FL; in the group

were 3 young ladies—Tommie finds it hard to believe.

On a more personal note, Tommie is happy with the progress of their son Winston as No. 1 goalie of the Tampa Bay Raiders soccer team. He is working hard to be the best goalie in the NASL in 79.

In memoriam: Word has been received via Sam Silver of the death of George McAneny on Thanksgiving day last year. Dick Parient died of a heart attack during a golf tournament in FL in Dec last year. Polly Cooper died the 25th of Feb this year. Johnny Theimer writes that she was buried with Chick in Skylawn, San Mateo, CA.

On a more cheerful note—Bat Carns had surgery at Letterman in Feb. Results and prognosis happily both good.

As this issue coincides with our 50th Reunion, it seems fitting to record the significant features of our Fifty Year Gift to the Corps. There are 2 major elements: the Class of 1929 Art Gallery in Eisenhower Hall, and an Endowment Grant to the Cadet Fine Arts Forum.

The Gallery was completed in time for the US Bicentennial Celebration in 76, and was used by the Cadet Fine Arts Forum to present a selective exhibition of the works of Robert W. Weir (1803-1889), the distinguished American artist and painter, who was Prof of Drawing, USMA, from 1846 to 1876. This exhibition, entitled *Robert Weir: Artist and Teacher of West Point*, and the catalogue raisonné of Weir's works were made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and by funds provided by the Class of '29.

The Frederic Remington Exhibition in the Gallery was arranged by the Cadet Fine Arts Forum and the Class of '79 to mark the formal 1979 dedication of the Gallery to the Corps. This selection of the works of Frederic Remington (1861-1909), the American illustrator, painter, and sculptor, and the publication of the exhibition catalogue were made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and by funds provided by the Class of '29. The catalogue is dedicated by the Class of '29 to the Class of '79.

The Endowment Grant to the Cadet Fine Arts Forum is an unrestricted gift of \$60,000, the interest from which will be used, in perpetuity, to assist in bringing entertainment, recreational, and supplementary and enriching educational features to future members of the Corps of Cadets. The published programs for cadet activities so assisted will give credit to the Class of '29 for its financial assistance. The Endowment Grant and the Class of '29 Art Gallery in Eisenhower Hall constitute a perpetual memorial gift to the Corps of Cadets and to the Military Academy from the Class of 1929.

Don Graul died peaceably in his sleep on the 3d of Apr. Funeral services were held in Albuquerque and interment was at West Point. He is survived by his widow, Sterlyn; a daughter, Margie Kendrick of Scottsdale, AZ; a son, Philip H. of Ft Worth, TX; a step-daughter, Blynnelle Galles of Albuquerque, and 6 grandchildren. Ward Abbott arranged for flowers for the service on behalf of the Class.



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1930: Founders Day St. Petersburg: the Lindquists.

'31

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Here it is the end of Mar and almost Apr Fool's Day and I have to write another column. It would appear that a lot of our classmates did a bit of semi-ret. during the winter months. The amount of mail delivered at my house, except for the stuff from the Franklin Mint, didn't do too much to increase the profit the postal system said that it made recently. Anyway here is what I have.

A note from Gus Heiss that he has changed his address and is now at 2004 Columbia Pike #227 in Arlington. Percy & Margaret



1931: Haircut Acapulco style.



1931: Rothrock, Sullivan, the Carlsons, Densford, Ruth Marnane, the Greenes, Marge Stroker.

Lash, for the winter in Orlando, were visited by Don & Kelly Little who were traveling south and southeast of Macon seeing relatives, classmates and friends. Also included in the sojourn were Bill & Helen Cassidy and Betty Allen Roeser (1930) before the Littles took off to see O.Z. Tyler in Jacksonville. Jack Barclay enjoyed the lunch he had here with the DC group in Jan although he had to come from Walter Reed to be there. After his stay here he went back south and he and Gwen took a cruise through the Caribbean, through the Canal and up the west coast to L.A. They stopped at Acapulco and found Ockie & Doris Krueger lolling in the shade of their nipa shack. I have also heard from Ockie and have the picture of the 4 of them. And I got a picture of a haircut, Acapulco style.

Herb & Vesta Mansfield write that Ernie & Nancy Easterbrook are traveling to China in Mar and Bill & Charlotte Train are in Switzerland for their annual round of skiing. Herb and Bill Chandler still get a round of golf or two a week on the Presidio course, mostly enjoying the exercise and fellowship and hoping that the scores don't go too far up. Those of you who receive the *Retired Officers* magazine may have noticed the let-



1931: Gwen Barclay seated with the Kruegers and Barclay standing.



1931: The Hutchinsons



1931: Standing: Barr, Stroker, Betty Chandler, Gordon, the McGees, Dolly Peters, Cora Densford, Flo Sullivan, the Rothrocks, Densford, Greene; Seated: Gordon, Marnane, Sullivan, Carlson and Ruth Marnane.

ter in the Jan issue from Maggie Weber. There are some of us besides the ones just mentioned who still get around. I received a card from Dean & Martha Herman written from "down under and outback." They are on a trip to HI, Guam, Hong Kong and then a tour of Australia and New Zealand. Dean says that they are doing it one day at a time and enjoying all that they see.

Dick Danek while visiting his daughter, Linda Lawhorn, at Lackland came to see Charlie & Cora Densford at Pipe Creek. Dick helped Charlie toss the five bales of hay for the cows down from the hay mow. This is quite a strenuous job, but they both seem to have recovered. Johnny & Norma Barr were also around at Pipe Creek for a dinner. It now seems that we have to set things straight. A letter from Johnny tells about his house down there. His house is in Bandera, next to Pipe Creek, and the only thing on it now is a 12x16 lean-to. Johnny says that he will have to find someone who wants to buy his house in AL, before he can do the house in TX. He also states that Charlie can invite anyone to the housewarming, but it won't take place until Charlie furnishes the steer for the barbecue. Jerry & Helen Rodenhauer wrote to let us know that they are still around and kicking. They were in San Ant around the Xmas holidays and tried to phone a few people but found that most of them were away. Jerry sent me a clipping from a Trenton newspaper about their son Karl, who is a pilot in MAC from McGuire. Karl participated in the airlift from Guyana to Dover. To quote an expression from the newspaper, Karl said that the airlift left him "absolutely numb."

A note from Ruth Stayton from Colo Spgs says that things are going along well out there. Jayne Elegar writes that George was buried at WP where he started his mil career. Ted & Nina Parker are doing well now that Nina has recovered from her knee operation and is now back in the kitchen, much to the delight of Ted's appetite. As I noted before, we here in DC had a luncheon meeting in Jan and had a very good turnout with 24 at the meeting. Just to fill out the column, here are the attendees: Trick Troxel, Bill Hardick, Ockie Krueger, Chet



1931: Founders Day Ft Bragg: Speidel—oldest grad present.

Young, Johnny Hauck, Johnny Davis, Bill Dick, Charlie McNair, Roger Moore, Fred Warren, Louis Guenther, Gus Heiss, Benny Krueger, Jack Barclay, Clyde McBride, Bill Hall, Pas Pasarella, Gordon Singles, Ted Decker, Johnny Waters, Curly Wilson, Warren Hoover, Earle Cook, and me. Those of you who read this column may remember that in the last 2 columns there has been a report of a party in San Ant at the Barrs' house. And now we have a picture of the event. Unfortunately, 2 people are not in the picture, Norma Barr was looking for her camera and Jimmy Stroker is behind Johnny Barr and not very apparent in the picture. There is another picture and I hope that someone at the ASSEMBLY will figure out what to do with the 2 or put the 2 in. I had a couple of letters from Doc Patterson in Atlanta. He seems to be doing well. He and Peggy are enjoying life, their children and the grandchildren.

A bit of sad news. As you may have noticed in the ASSEMBLY, Jiggs Mahoney died in Bloomfield on 18 Jan. I have no other news of the death. Betsy Peyton, Ham's wife, died in Carmel in Jan. As many of you have known, she had been quite ill for some time.

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For some reason, no doubt inadvertently, Ken Zitzman's contribution was omitted from last ASSEMBLY although his copy together with photo of Dwight Beach was mailed with mine as usual. This is not a criticism of ASSEMBLY's staff since they have been most cooperative through the years.

Strong recommendation from the Jamisons, Hardys, and Williams to embark on the Assn of Graduates trip to the Caribbean. The first pilgrimage in Jan included Don & Marion Hardy and Charley & Alice Williams followed by Frank & Claire Jamison on the Feb journey. The picture was taken on the STELLA SALARIS. Jamisons' trip included Jamaica, Cartagena, Cristobal, the Canal Zone and the Yucatan Peninsula where they viewed the ruins. Mary Bowers, widow

of Rollo, accompanied the Jamisons. Mary also lost Art Blair, killed in the Battle of the Bulge, and now lives in Colo Spgs. Don Hardy wrote "the weather was perfect, company thoroughly congenial, and the food only added inches to already ample girth."

After 14 yrs Bobbie Sundt regrets that in Apr she will no longer play the organ at Army Distaff Hall for Sun services. Her announcement brought tears from many of the chapel members. If you have never heard Bobbie play in her home you've missed something special... she is a real professional. However, lack of stamina plus the 2 hr trip has proven a little too much. Bobbie is to be complimented on her loyalty throughout the yrs. Danny was not at home when I called—he was in TX helping son Chuck build an extension on his home. This brings up a sad event. Danny attended the funeral of George Power who was buried the 20th of Mar at Ft Bliss. George had partially recovered from heart surgery—hopes were high but he had a complete relapse. Condolences go to Carol and family. Another tragedy... healthy Horace Bigelow died suddenly 14 Dec at his home in Cape Coral, FL, after choking on a piece of food as was reported in the Washington POST. The irony is that if a First Aid expert had been present, it could have been avoided. Al Gerhardt, at a luncheon at Ft Myer, demonstrated the procedure which seems quite simple. The same process has been shown on TV... standing behind victim with arms encircling body at waistline with hands clasped with thumb of one fist pressing inward and upward just under ribs in higher abdomen usually causes obstruction to eject itself. Helen Hunt once experienced such a frightening experience. Horace first ret. in 64 and shortly after returned to duty until 66 serving at Aberdeen. He is survived by 2d wife, Marjorie, 2 daughters, Louise Kupec of Burke, VA, and Judith Tritz, of Ft Knox, KY, 3 sisters and 5 grandchildren. This news came too late to include in last issue so the expression of sympathy from Class is delayed.

In a call to Dick Hunt I learned that he and Danny Sinclair were the only ones at the annual Founders Day dinner in this area. Part reason is that unless you are a member of the WP Assn there is no announcement. As Frank Besson said at WP, "No Excuse." Dick reported that a ret. COL Holdridge '45, now member of the State Dept and former Ambassador, gave the principal speech. Modest Dick finally admitted that son Larry is now a Lt Cdr in the regular Navy, serving on the EISENHOWER, a new nuclear carrier only 2 yrs old. This is its first deployment in the Mediterranean. On 10 Mar Evelyn Iseley surprised Marv with a party—Frank Besson, Adm & Mrs. Katz and the Tuffy Horners and Davidsons were present. The hors d'oeuvres were plentiful and delicious. Evelyn entered Suburban Hospital for scheduled major surgery the following week and is now at home recuperating.

Recently we attended a large and delightful party at Dale & Phil Brambles' home in Arlington. Dale was the widow of Lin Jordan '42 and we had enjoyed their friendship in Fontainebleau 20 yrs ago. Phil was with Trans Corps. Among the guests was Bill Ennis, a LTC who had been a TAC at WP when we were cadets. In a corner of the sunporch, we covered the Tactical Dept from "Nellie" Richardson down to include George Conrad ("Pete Nubie"), Pop Goode, Don De Bardeleben and others. We quoted



1932: Hardy, the Williams' and Marian Hardy aboard Stella Solaris.



1932: The Sinclairs and Helen Lyon at Oct Dinner.



1932: The Gillettes and Gerhardt at Oct Dinner.



1932: D'Orsa, Birdie Huggins, Ruth McCawley and the Gavins at Oct Dinner.



1932: Edith Gill and the Schraders at Oct Dinner.

Pop's salutation, "You lose," De Bardeleben's unfortunate resignation in the Philippines together with his recovery and long service with the CIA. After ret., Pop died of a heart attack in Grand Central Station. It was like old times to bring back those memories of long ago. Mrs. Ennis speaks French well—a diversion that many of you know I enjoy.

A recent letter from Gale Hall told of a reunion with Mary & Fred Young on New Year's Day after enjoying the Orange Bowl parade and game in Miami. Peggy Nelson was there visiting Barney & Rita Bunch. Peggy lives in Leisure World, Laguna Hills, CA, and Halls had not seen her since 46 when they left Manila. Peggy, like Mary Young, is an enthusiastic golfer and says she hopes to be on hand for our 50th. Gary working full time at HS and their son Frank will represent the family at the Centennial celebration of her Grandfather Gale's class on 7 May. They were expecting their WP family during spring break which will be their last visit before going to Saudi Arabia this summer. The news of Gordon Seaward is that he looks great and he and Kit are looking forward to a trip to Chicago—another one of their jaunts with the N.S. Power Sq. She also wrote that Sue Menoher had sold her home on Merritt Is and moved to 2201 Stanton Rd, Kinston, NC 28501 to be near her daughter Kathy. The next day we received a letter from Sue saying she has recovered from her initial numbness after Bill's death. She is happily ensconced in a large secluded apt on the 2d floor of Kathy & Larry Matthews' home and enjoying her youngest grandchild, Sarah Anne. She can "bed down" 1 to 5 people and would love to see any and all. Sue is planning a trip to visit her sister in PA and hopes to attend any DC area functions on her return trip.

A letter from the Couatts in Feb was exuberant about enjoying all that fluffy white stuff they had missed all those years in CA!! (Probably didn't cost \$25 to have drive-



1932:: Betsy Bloxam (guest) and Joslin Morris at Oct Dinner.



1932: Birdie Huggins and Nora Gerhardt at Oct Dinner.

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1932: The Hansens at Oct Dinner.



1932: The D'Orsas at Oct Dinner.

way shoveled as it did here in Fairfax.) Mary writes they are still sitting "contemplating their navels" and waiting for a clap of thunder from on high to tell them what to do. They missed by 2 days the capital tax break on the sale of their house so they may be working for IRS!

Joslin Morris is leaving 27 Mar to visit the Duncans in Atlanta after just returning on 12 Mar from a 2-wks visit with old friends in Fresno, CA. Dossi could not go along at this time even though she did not have a broken toe to handicap her as Joslin had after a mishap in CA. Mary Cain is nursing a broken index finger after stumbling into some broken cement in her parking lot area. Not serious but inconvenient accidents. Eleanor McCormack is feeling much better after a series of bouts with surgery, strokes and hospitalization at WR; a nursing home, and Infirmary at Distaff Hall. The last stroke left her with a speech problem but with therapy Eleanor is doing quite well. In between her battles she helped out with the gang at Mary Cain's getting off correspondence for the Class and took some photos of the "chain gang."

Our fund for our contribution to WP on our 50th approaches \$30,000. The selection is still in the air. The popular Gazebo idea is fading away due to the inappropriate locale selected by WP authorities. Frank



Besson is working hard at it with the thought of selecting 4 or 5 recommendations for selections by Class vote.

Ken Zitzman has not sent anything this time but will in the future. (Ed Note: Sorry we lost Ken's notes intended for the March ASSEMBLY.)

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Those of us who knew Dan Hine in our earlier years together may remember that at Graduation his fiancee, Twyla, was with us. Some will recall that later, as sometimes happens, they went their separate ways; Dan married an Army girl, Eleanor; they had a daughter and two sons. After Eleanor's death, Dan and Twyla met again and some 3½ years ago were married. Following his ret. from teaching they moved from OH to Sun City, AZ (last Notes), and there on 6 Feb 79 Dan died following surgery; he was buried in his family plot at Huron, OH.

"Both of us were so glad that we made the 45th," writes Twyla. "Dan spoke of the great feeling of being back with the Corps. We talked about it as recently as the last week of his life. And (now) it is comforting to realize that Dan's Class really cares... Jake Messersmith has been a real friend... Please convey the entire Hine family's thanks for the flowers from the Class. The Army Mutual Aid check was here (Sun City) when I returned. My Survivor Assistance Officer from Ft Huachuca was here for 2 days getting things set right for me. I had no idea that there was to be so much assistance... It is dreadfully lonesome without Dan..."

In this especially poignant loss, Twyla, the Class extends its deep sympathy to you and to all of the Hine family.

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From Palm Springs, CA, comes a voice not heard among us for many years: Signing herself "Egypt," as many of us remember her, Mrs. Natalie Darby Beasley, having learned "that Bill Baumer is gathering material for a book on Billy," says, "If there's anything (pictures, etc.) I can contribute, I'll be glad to..."

"Bet you didn't know that I have a daughter named Darby. I married 4 years after Billy's untimely death and have 2 beautiful daughters, Melodie and Darby (who is very proud of her name and is a credit to it)."

To Bing Downing come kudos from Ed Ehlen: "This long overdue letter is to express heartfelt appreciation to those classmates who conceived, designed and made available the Class pendant/pin. Dottie wears it constantly and never ceases to receive compliments, sometimes from total strangers! As for me, I'm much impressed with the simple, yet forceful and appealing design, and grateful for the pleasure it has given my A.O.A." Thanks, Ed—and how about your O.A.O.?

Steve Fuqua, by request, writes of his cruise, which was sponsored by the AOG:

"It was quite a cruise, sailing from Galveston to Montego Bay; to Cartagena to Panama Canal (double transit); to San Andres Is; to Grand Cayman Is; to Playa del Carmen (Mayan ruins, Yucatan); and back to Galveston. There were about 75 USMA-affiliated passengers (alumni, widows and families) and 50 in a similar group of USNA. We sailed on the "Stella Solaris," 21 Jan-2



1933: Memorial at Sills Field, Schofield Barracks: Sills, Andrews, Hallock, Doleman, Darnell.

Feb. We (AOC) plan to sponsor more tours—probably one this summer (Aug or Sept) uniquely USMA, and a 2d joint (w/Navy) venture next Jan or Feb. Everyone aboard was enthusiastic, what with a 1st Class ship, terrific foods, gala entertainment, interesting ports of call and excursions, and—most important—a great bunch of service people mingling with the other (about 500) congenial cruisers. This photo of '33's mini-reunion was taken in the Lewis' cabin, where Lillian and Jack hosted a lively cocktail party."

"Ned and I have had a fine winter here in Vero Beach," postcardulates Gladys Gee. "Being near Red & Sue White had been wonderful. We're Dodger fans and go to all the games together. . . . Have seen the Kaessers, Charlie Chase, the Elys, Douglasses and Summerfelts; the last joining us on Sun for the Atlanta game. . . . We plan to go to Founders Day dinner at Patrick AFB and en route home soon after. See you there!"

"Like many others I'm very much upset," explodes Pat Guiney, "Over the terrible book 'Dress Gray' by Lucian K. Truscott IV ('69). Obscene and inaccurate, it is a real low blow at West Point. . . ."

"I retired on 30 Dec after 22½ years of teaching math in the Highland Falls High School. . . . Dtr Margie w/ husband Ken Hopper '72 and children visited us at Thanksgiving. Ken has finished med coll at UOK; his 1st asgmt is as radiologist at Fitzsimons (Denver); the Broshous' will help them lo-



1933: Leydeckers and the Flybridge, friends below.



1933: Match: "Battle of the Generals"

cate. Son Patrick III, a Jr at Dartmouth, spent Xmas holidays skiing at Grenoble (FR). Rita is fine, we're well and happy. SYAF!"

Pat also does the Class proud, from time to time, by publishing in the New York Times some outstanding Letters-to-the-Editor in behalf of our national defense and in castigation of its more myopic detractors. In this effort he has enlisted a new personage known to us all but whose cover must remain inviolate. (Ed)

By courtesy of King Henderson's son George '61 and bro Walter '53 we've come into possession of a few nostalgic pics (saved for later Notes) and other memorabilia, incl unused ticket to Harvard Game 5 Nov 32 which your scribe will pass to Hurlbut for a door prize.

—And speaking of the devil, Hurly's sins momentarily caught up with him: "A note (17 Mar) to let you know I'm still in Tripler, where I've been since Valentine's Day—they yanked my gall bladder out from under me and for no extra charge let me have a heart attack (unbeknownst to me as it happened in Intensive Care while I was still under sedation). I've made good progress but am being held up from going home by unexpected temperature: I need one of Bill Ryan's best Irish blessings!

"Neely's swapped houses with Ripples '36 (who like to ski Sun Valley), but I saw little of them. Hoebekes and Disosways were here in Jan before I disintegrated, so I did see them—Gabe looking great after his heart attack last year. Darnells, Hallocks and Dolemans all fine—Eddie, believe it or not, jogs several miles a day. Roy Reynolds will be through early in Apr en route home from the Far East—hopefully I'll be out to greet him.

"This turn of events is keeping me from taking Dunc Hallock's money on the golf course, but at least it hasn't caused Polly to miss too many ladies' days.

"My info comes from my erstwhile pigeon, pore ole Charlie Carver, who I hear spends all his hours practicing putting indoors. . . . ALOHA!" (Ed: All that from a '33er still in hosp with fever! Get well, Hurly; we'll see you in May, DV.)

"NOW HEAR THIS," says Charlie Leydecker, "After over 2 years of trying to 'horse trade' some property for a boat, Hilda and I gave up and bought our first craft, a 32' Pacemaker Sedan Cruiser. In the picture we've just finished brunch at Punta Gorda Isles Yacht Club and are ready to cast off for a cruise on Charlotte Harbor. We hope some classmates will come this way to enjoy a cruise with us on the 'Rainbow's End.'"

Word of Sam Mundell reaches us from Soapy Watters, who says Sam is still working for the county and helping people out in Scottsdale, AZ, and "doing fine." (Soapy himself was visiting his dtr in nearby Paradise Valley.)

"We reached Honolulu just in time for the removal of Hurly's gall-bladder," says Posie Neely. "While there we saw the Hallocks, Darnells and Dolemans of '33, we having exchanged houses with the Ripples '36, who took over our 2 black Labradors; we in turn got their dog, cat and Mynah bird, 'Nelson,' who talked constantly. Among other accomplishments he imitates the doorbell and kept me busy answering until I wised up. . . . Both our sons are in Saudi Arabia, up in the desert to the north, on the site of the King Khalid Military City. Tom is Recreation Dir, and John is the Postal Sys. (Verbatim, Posie) All well here. Our house flunked its screen test, but Bob passed his and is off being an extra in a TV movie." (Ed: These hirsute guys. . .)

Rugmaker Ivan Parr, recently elected Pres of the WP Soc of N. TX (Dallas) says, "As one of the few '33-ers in this area I'm flattered, hope to deliver an active year. I keep busy also with the Ret. Activities Gp at Carswell AFB and have recently visited Hood for info about their Council. Hoebekes, very active as State Cmdr of the MOWW, is in HI for a visit. Haven't seen Gabe Disosway for some time, but hope to see him Founders Day. My son Kurt is in the insurance business (Ft Worth); Son Ivan III (LTC) is moving from dy at Ft Gillem with Readiness Gp to FORSCOM."

From Jack Rudolph: "Leora and I just back from Yucatan, where we visited the Maya ruins. . . as well as spending a couple of weird days at Spectacular Hotel Sol Caribe on Cozumel. Very impressive, but I forewent climbing the pyramids. . . . We liked the Yucatecans—a gentle people, cheerful, courteous and with much dignity. My free lance writing is off to a good start, with major articles to American Heritage and American History Illustrated; and assignments for 5 or 6 more. Hope to expand



1933: Turner family: Mary, Bob, Marguerite (cap), Paul, Ann, Mike.

Heritage piece (steamboat race between the Natchez and Robert E. Lee) into a book."

"My story," sez Oscar Senter, "Is about the annual NAPLES SENIORS INVITATIONAL GOLF TOURNAMENT, held this year 15-20 Jan (Naples, FL); it is match play, better ball of pair. For years I've played this tournament with Dudley Hale (MG USAF Ret) as my partner. Sim Whipple has played it the last 2 years; and this time his partner was none other than Bill Ely. But, wait! After qualifying for the Exec Flight (playing at scratch), who should Hale and I be pitted against for our first match but Whipple and Ely! We gave them a good match, but needless to say these former WP Golf Team lettermen were too much for us. (Our match, by the way, was billed as "The Battle of the Generals.") When taking the pic I was accused of wanting 'hats off' because I have more hair; another was taken 'hats on'; I send both. . ."

The dedication of SILLS FIELD at Schofield was reported in the Mar Notes; now thanks to Class Project Officer Duncan Hallock, here's the pic. For those decrepit '33-ers who can't read the fine print, the plaque says:

SILLS FIELD
Named in honor of
WILLIAM GRAY SILLS
1911-1936
1st Lieut 27th Infantry
USMA 1933
Erected by His Classmates

Now, as if you didn't know from the broad hint of 3 months ago: Our good Bob Thompson and Margaret Ellen Kolls were married 6 Jan 79 and took off smartly for 10-week honeymoon in the Largo-Clearwater-Harbor Bluffs area (FL), where they saw, communed with and were entertained by a galaxy of friends well known to readers of these here Notes: Don & Molly Cubbison, Barbara Scoville Brown and husband Dale,



1933: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Montgomerys and Douglasses.

Frank & Mary Lou Britton '32, Charlie & Ruby Murray '32, Buck & Kitty Wiley '28, Bob & Midge Ward '29, Wayne & Cookie Zimmerman '19, Kai & Emma Rasmussen '29 (he who taught Japanese with a Scandinavian accent in WWII); and not forgetting Frank & Helen Proctor, and many others. . .

Bob reports also having seen our classmate Dave Jellett, out of touch with whom we have been for many years. So, Bob, well done and thanks; and Margaret, welcome to a great gang!

"The snapshot of the Turner family," Bob says, "was taken at (dtr) Marguerite's graduation (with distinction) from UVA; she's now a VISTA volunteer with MD Bd of Probation/Parole in St. Louis. Paul (in back), is at Geo Mason U., interested in Law Enforcement; Mike (USNA '80) rows with the Varsity. Ann (between Marguerite and Mike) sports her '33 FF pin. My sister Mary (left) came from LA to be with us. At my b-day (Jan), Dorothea & Johnny Lane gave me a sweatshirt with "70" on the back; I assume the XL sizes come marked that way! I retire from academia in Jun, after 15 yrs with Geo Mason U."

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ADDENDA/LATE ARRIVALS

Grandson Dept. Two Carver progeny are now cadets: Michael Schneider ('80) at USMA; Allen Schneider in his first year at



1933: At sea but not awash: Lewises, Fuquas, Moormans.

Citadel—both being sons of Carver dtr Barbara and her husband (BC) Wm H. Schneider. Barbara is shopping for XL headgear for our classmate. . .

Bing Downing bangs away: "On finishing my tour as Commodore of the Annapolis Yacht Club, took Bimbi on our 5th and best cruise, this time mostly in the Gulf, on the Southward (Norwegian Carib Lines) which we can heartily recommend. Visited Cozumel Is (off Yucatan), then SE to Grand Cayman, Ocho Rios (delightful) on N. Coast of Jamaica; Grand Stirrup Cay (Bahamas) and back to Miami. Most ports still unspoiled—we plan to return to Grand Cayman next year. What with winter gone, the season is upon us: spring races; Annapolis-to-Newport Race in Jun; Summer Regatta. . . 'SAILORS HAVE MORE FUN' say the posters; Bimbi and I have our share. . . Try it, you'll like it. . . Phil & Janie Pope tempt us to visit Cape Cod. We counter with their meeting us at Newport. . . Dtr Lynn lives near us with her 3 girls; son Donn in San Fran, not satisfied with his successful art gallery, is branching into Restaurant-Inn business. . . The older I get the more I shudder at the temerity of the young—but on hindsight, we took chances too. . . Our latch-string's out to '33: the bar's open, and BUMPHY IV is tugging impatiently at her moorings!"

Golfer Ely's after-action report on the



1933: Corys, Osmanskis '35, and Henley.

Naples Tournament is more subdued than Senter's: "Sim Whipple and I were partners; Peggy and Helen shopped better than we played. . . Visited Evelyn Denton in Pompano Beach; she's doing well following Al's death, says that letters and visits from friends have helped the most. . . Stayed and golfed with Senter in Tequesta; Carolyn was away and sorely missed, but we can recommend Oscar's cooking. . . Two great evenings with Whites and Gees in Vero Beach. All those named are enjoying the FL sun and it is doubtful whether any will sample our northern winters again; nor will we: After watching the snow accumulate on our Arlington balcony on our return we flew back to Quail Ridge Golf Club (near West Palm Beach) and signed up for a condominium! So henceforth we'll ring an annual Ely triangle: Double Dam-to-Quail Ridge-to-DC."

"My prescient Gracie," reports Harry King, "Left DC for St. Croix at 10 a.m. 18 Feb; 2 hrs later it started to snow, and by morning I couldn't get beyond the path I'd shoveled to the road. She came back 11 days later after swimming, attempted snorkeling and picking exotic flowers; by then most of the snow had melted. Our maid Carrie (82) whose g-parents were slaves in SC, took care of me to include my martinis (straight gin, since we couldn't find the vermouth). Leila (my mother) had her 97th birthday last month; she enjoys life at the nursing center, where her "boy friend" is 108-yr-old Mr. Blackstone. We plan to head north to Bailey Is in Jun. Posie Neely writes she may visit us there in Aug. Also Bert & June Sparrow. Latch string's out."

Thanks to VP Charlie Carver we have the following on President Abe: "ABE LINCOLN, Lone '33 Tournament Entrant, Wins Again at Golf. In a 'FL Tournament' type meet at A-N CC, Abe's foursome (2 ladies,



1933: Harrell, Meals, Van Way, and Leslie.

2 men) won low gross, and Abe won closest-to-the-pin on the par 3 8th hole. Although only one team win and one individual win were allowed, Abe's team also scored 'minimum putts'; on top of that, Abe also was closest to the marked Center Line on his drive on No. 1. Kudos!"

From Longboat Keyman, **Dick Montgomery**, "A hurried note just before your deadline. For my deelite, on entering I found Bob "Killer" Douglas and his lively wife Jane, who had popped in for the WP Soc FL West Coast dinner. It was great to see them and brought back wonderful memories of our times at WP. Bob fit and vigorous—I still wouldn't want to cross sticks with him on the Lacrosse field... We had a mild winter, though I still had to carry my 25 orchid plants into the garage from their usual places (hanging in the trees) 4 times... but they and I are now in great shape."

"Janie & I rented an apt N. of Key Largo and spent the better part of 2 months there and in Naples," writes **Phil Pope**, our Treas. "Played Bay Hills Course in Orlando, and Sea Pines in Hilton Head with **Sim Whipple** and **Eddie Bastion**. Took a short trip to Bahamas without my clubs. Then en route home stopped at Bragg, played Club Course better than I did in 55-56." (Ed: In golfing vernacular, you had a nice lie, Phil.)

Bill Quinn promises to regale us with a trenchant Goldwater story involving himself, Ft. Huachuca, and a character named **Dave Gibbs**. Today's postman having come without it, deadline at hand, it must wait....

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SCRIBENOTES

1. **Casualties**. With no levity intended, the word seems to be that we're no longer being selected from "below the zone"; we're in it.

. So, when one or another of us is called away, his family should know that the Class is not only interested but may sometimes be quite helpful. **Dan Hine's** passing is a case in point, for Twyla was understandably not acquainted with all the ways in which "the Army takes care of its own." But thanks to the **Messersmiths** being in touch during Dan's illness and when he died: the Class was promptly informed, flowers were sent, Army Mutual Aid was alerted and sent a check, a Survivor Assistance Officer was dispatched from Ft Huachuca, and other interested classmates were notified. Granted that none of these actions could assuage the grief of the family, still they were tangible reassurance that "somebody cared." Such evidence of friendship and esteem give reason to be proud of the special qualities of our military profession, and of our Class.

2. **Submissions to these Notes; Pictures**. To the extent these quarterly columns may arouse interest, it is because they mirror interesting people—your words, your humor, your experiences. Many of us are finding these ret. years a new and exciting experi-

ence which should be shared. Pictures help. Color photos are OK; they don't have to be black and white.

3. **New Veep**. **Bill Ely** having proven so peripatetic, but having served (when present) faithfully and well, has been ret. on half pay. To replace him, a reluctantly acquiescent candidate, **Charle Carver**, was nominated and swept into office by acclamation.

4. Next deadline: 24 Jun.

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By the time you read this, **Johnnie Diefendorf** should be starting work as our newly elected Class Secy-Scribe-Hist. Be sure to send him NEWS & PICS of your activities and those of classmates. As a reminder, his deadline is 30 Jun. My hearty thanks to all of you who contributed so much to this column over the past 2 yrs—it has been a delight to hear from so many, by voice and letter and photo. Now, don't forget the "Dutchman," 'cause he can and will do us a marvelous job! His address is 112 Copse Way, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

The big event for the DC Bunch, the massive 2 ft snowfall in Feb, thankfully is a thing of the past. It did, however, tend to guide much of our lives. **Bob & Nancy Fuller** timed it just right as they managed to be in St. Croix, Virgin I. when the 3 storms struck. On the other hand, **Dan & Betty Anne Cheston** and **Hal & Faith Edson** departed in Jan and managed to return in time to "enjoy" all 3 big snows. The Chestons and the Edsons had one of their very best trips, this time on the Norwegian Cruise Ship "Sun Viking" for 2 wks, stopping at 8 ports in the Caribbean. Sitting around that beautiful sun-drenched swimming pool, we came up with the observation that: "Never

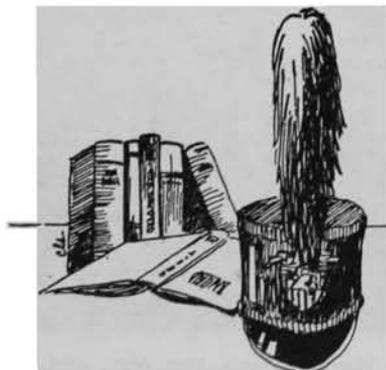


1934: Johnson and Hanley

have so many bulges and curves of both sexes been so inadequately concealed." **Johnnie & Francie Stevens** departed for FL after the "3 big storms" and **Johnnie** reports: Enjoyed a respite from the record DC area snow of 19 Feb by taking off to the south, stopping in NC to visit with **Johnny's** cousins, en route to FL. On a stopover with **Harry & Eddrea Hillyard** in Indiatlantic, they learned all the kids were doing fine; that **Bob & Jane Adams** are moving to WA state; and that **Jim & Louise Snee** are taking Louise's sisters on a trip to the Gulf Coast. During their week at Vero Beach the Stevens missed seeing **Fred & Rosa Barnes**, who were touring the Holy Land, but compensated for this loss by seeing the **Ned Gees** and **Red Whites ('33)** and **Red & Lois Miner ('35)**. A bonus was realized when **Johnnie** ran into one of his bn cmdrs from the 38th ADA Bde days in Korea. From Vero Beach they drove south for a fun visit with **Bill & Peggy Craig**, **Johnnie's** roommate of 4 yrs. **Bill** made **Johnnie** at home with his jazzy stereo music and old **Craig** spirit; he kept him disciplined with reveille and soupy bugle



1934: Chestons, Walker, Mrs. Sievers, O'Haras' and Edsons at Walker's birthday party.





1934: The Edsons, Stevens', O'Haras and Donovans.

calls next morning. The Craig kids are all doing fine. The Stevens' then drove across FL south of Okeechobee for a visit at Naples with Johnnie's cousin, Burt Stevens. Johnnie couldn't make contact when he telephoned Bob Baker and also stopped at his house. Proceeding north, the Stevens spent the night with George Gerhart in their condominium at Largo. George was fine and active with his organ, boat and his lapidary work, giving Francie earrings and Johnnie a keychain as evidence of his proficiency. Continuing north, the Stevens' spent a delightful time with Francie's sister in Quincy, FL, a stopover in Savannah and again in New Bern, NC, before returning to Falls Church 3 weeks later. While George Gerhart was entertaining the Stevens', wife Salye was visiting her family in PA and their 2 dau in VA.

Our Class Treas, PS Brown, sends "thanks" for the splendid response to the dues notice; however, he does add there are still 38 classmates who have not paid on the 78-79 dues and 10 more who have not paid on the 79-80 dues. You may have missed the notice as it was enclosed with Jim O'Hara's last reunion bulletin. Please give another check on this item so we can remain "solvent." The Browns are also among those who have children in the DC area. Connie is married to F. Sherwood Lewis, a lawyer living in Great Falls, VA; and Sylvia is married to Robert D. Shuey, USMA '62, with the Library of Congress. They live in Arlington near your scribe; there are 5 grandchildren in all.

We were saddened to learn from Axle Waugh that Eleanor Winn died 25 Jan 79 in El Paso, TX. A lovely service was held followed by burial with Jim at the Ft Bliss Cemetery. Classmates attending included Elliotts, Hubbards, Moormans, Waughs and Stuart. The Winns' dau can be contacted at: Mrs. Laura Frazier, Box 9, Packwood, WA 98361. We also belatedly received word from Jack Renfro that Harry Lardin's second wife, Mona, died last Jul in HI.

The WP Soc of DC had 2 "affairs" this quarter. A luncheon was held at Ft Myer on 23 Jan with Ray Murphy, the Athletic Director, introducing the new football coach, Lou Saban. He has fine credentials and

sounded good—here's hoping for a better record this coming season. In attendance at the Ft Myer Club were Barton, Bruce, Corrigan, Donovan, Kern, Lewis, Luehman, O'Hara, Stevens and Walsh. Founders Day dinner was held 16 Mar at Bolling Club with the following classmates attending: Bruce, Cheston, Corrigan, Edson, Lewis, O'Hara, Tyson and Walsh. Lawrence M. (Biff) Jones, Class of Aug '17, was awarded the Benjamin F. Castle Award presented annually by the DC Chapter to a deserving alumnus whose service exemplifies "Duty, Honor, Country." The dinner speaker at Bolling that evening was Amb John H. Holdridge, Class of '45, who gave a very illuminating account of the recently announced recognition of Red China. Your scribe and others were most happy to have a good talk with Bob Higgins, Class of '58. He is now a LTC on duty in the Pentagon with Army R&D; his sister Pat is married to an AF CPT living in FL. He tells me of 2 others: Harry J. Hubbard III, Class of '58, is a LTC on duty with the CAA; and Bernard M. (Mike) Duvall, also '58, rtd as LTC in 77 and is living in MD. We in the DC area often see Jean Jenna on her visits to her mother, Mrs. John S. Sullivan, her brother John Jr., Class of '44 and sister Eleanor. The Jenna's son, Russell Jr., Class of '66, first served as an Inf Officer in Vietnam, then entered med sch. He is now a MAJ and is assigned as a radiologist at the Army hospital at Ft Sam Houston, TX. The Jenna's dau, Steva, is married to LTC William Kaltenberger now serving in Germany. Jean paid them a long visit last year and had a delightful trip throughout Europe.

In the Chesapeake Bay area Pete & Evelyn Ward tell of recent gatherings of Charley & Susan Hill, up from LA, Dave & Helen Routh, Jerry & Muff Blair and Johnnie & Janet Diefendorf. On a very beautiful and warm day in early Mar, Larry Sievers, whose husband was Class of '36 and an ex '34, had a delightful birthday luncheon in Oxford, MD for Johnnie Walker, ex '34, with the Chestons, Edsons and O'Haras plus many local friends attending.

Our Williamsburg reporter, soon to be scribe, sent in the following: "Beware the

ides of Mar." So spoke some knowledgeable soothsayer some 2000 years ago, yet Julius Caesar, being concerned with more mundane things, paid no heed and as a result, soon thereafter, fell victim to the evil ways of Jack-The-Knife. In the beautiful State of VA, however, which has just about everything naturally, it is a far different story, for there and for those who travel in the right circles, one hears in voices melodious to discriminating ears, "Behold the 6th of Mar," a day which made history just 36 years ago, when from inside Williamsburg's famous Bruton Parish Church, those in attendance heard Ralph say, "I, Ralph, take thee Ruth," and vice versa, thus beginning what is now known as the Bucknams' annual pilgrimage to VA's first capital. There it took no effort upon the part of the entourage consisting of Ruth & Jack Renfro, Tete & Charlie Brown and Janet & Johnnie Diefendorf to get Ruth & Ralph to the church on time. And what a time it was, especially for Ruth & Ralph, who once again had the opportunity to relive those never-to-be-forgotten moments when they tied the nuptial knot which has now bound them together for threescore years and six. In keeping with what has now become custom, the entire group then dispersed and reformed (better late than never) at the Diefendorfs' for the purpose of toasting and well-wishing the bride and the groom. As in the past, this contingent of rugged pioneers, now fortified with the true spirits of VA Gentlemen, made their way through wind and rain to rendezvous at the Williamsburg Inn, there to relish and enjoy the Inn's exquisite cuisine in an atmosphere of colonial splendor. Needless to say, it was another memorable occasion and everyone of us hopes we shall live on for many more in the years which lie ahead. Long live Ruth & Ralph. Give a rouse!"

The Bucknams continued south staying en route with the Renfroes in their new home in Asheville, NC. On the return to NY, they stopped in at Carlisle, PA to visit with Ace & Kathleen Brookhart. Ace is having problems recovering from his stroke and both he and Kathleen would deeply appreciate a note.

Faith and I keep up a pretty good running correspondence with Carol Ice who lives just 35 miles from WP, and who often send us clippings from local papers, particularly the Middletown Times-Herald. I can't say they're always very complimentary to WP—more like a good "scandal-sheet," but, it is news!



1934: The Northams with USMA 34 license.



1934: Brown, Tyson, Wright '30, and Edson at S.A.R. luncheon in Kilmarnock.

Sue Smaller Stevenson visited with the Chestons in Baltimore in Feb while her husband was in Johns Hopkins for a check-up.

Our West Coast reporter, Hal Browning, has really had some problems. You may recall I mentioned wife Teeny had been handling his mail because of a fractured right arm and a few ribs. The break was rather severe, necessitating pins in the elbow and wrist followed by 4 months of wearing a cast plus 5 weeks of therapy. He is now just getting back to normal. To compound family affairs, you may have noted in the recent Class of '28 news, his brother Bill died in HI after a long period of surgery and medical care. Hal goes on to say he picked up additional class news at the recent Founders Day dinner at the Presidio. Johnny & Dottie Franklin had a pleasant trip to Spain last May, visiting a cousin who is a neighbor of Moose & Peggy Donovan, located on a beautiful lake 50 miles out of Madrid. Bill & Peggy Neal are "planning" a solar house on their Novato Ranch, but are somewhat stymied on finances. They recently stopped in to see the Hanleys and CE Johnsons in Carmel. Peggy Neal has now returned to school taking an art course. Bob Erlenkotter plans a return to Ft Robinson, NE to attend his 50th Hi Sch Reunion. Joe & Jeanellen Killian are really into square dancing for fun and exercise. Have recently enjoyed a visit of dau Marjorie and 2 grandchildren from St. Louis. The Killians are now looking forward to the marriage of youngest son, an AF CPT, in Terrajon, at Madrid this summer.

Received a real Chamber of Commerce type letter from Moor Northam with a "pic" shown herewith: "Finally got a snapshot of the Outstanding License Plate in FL and perhaps the nation displayed by Nancy and friend. We're off tomorrow morning for 3 wks in HI. Aloha."

On an absolutely spring-like weekend in mid Mar, your scribe & wife were house guests of Bob & Lil Tyson at "Lucy's Find," Whitestone, VA. On Sat, Charley & Tete Brown drove down from Reedville for dinner and a very relaxing evening of chit-chat covering everything, past, present and future, people, politics and the fun we had and still expect. On Sun, we attended services at Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock where Bob was a real theologically professional lay reader. After a pleasant lunch at the Indian Creek Club, Bob & Lil gave us the grand tour of the beautifully maintained old Christ Church completed in 1732 by a wealthy and influential Virginian land owner, "King" Carter. Later we toured Irvington and the very "pleasing and comfortable" Tides Inn. Incidentally, this Inn is where Tammy Weber Purcell was recreational dir for many years. In the evening Sterling & Tilly Wright ('30) had us over

for cocktails. I must add that both Bob and Sterling are real craftsmen. Bob's rocking chair and Sterling's buffet, which I have closely examined, are beautiful and truly professional pieces of workmanship. On Mon at Bob's invitation, I was the guest speaker for the Richard Henry Lee Chapter of the VA Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at their luncheon in Kilmarnock. We met with a most interesting group of individuals. At least 15 out of the 38 attendees were ret. mil. Coincidentally, there were 6 from the Class of '34, including 2 from USNA, 1 from VMI and 3 from USMA, Bob Tyson, the 1st VP of the SAR Chapter, Charley Brown and myself. The subject was one I've been selling for years—"Maintaining our Freedom through Participation in Politics"—and to lend emphasis, I gave a quote from Plato: "The punishment of wise men who refuse to take part in the affairs of govt is to live under the govt of unwise men." The Tysons are also among those classmates who have children in the DC area. Son Rob and wife Carol have 2 children, while son Bill is still leading the care-free life of a bachelor. Bob & Lil plan to visit dau Lucy & husband Dick Huffman in NY this Apr.

Just before putting this issue to bed, I received a note from Pete Ward in San Diego saying he and Evalyn flew out to take care of 1 busy lawyer, Nat Jr., 2 very active grandsons, 1 somnolent cat and 1 dynamic dog, while Nat's wife Diane had a "short-notice-flight" to spend 3 wks in Buenos Aires as a member of an audit team for the accounting firm of Arthur Anderson.

Was delighted to receive a note from Jack White from whom I had not heard in years. Jack was recently appointed by TX Gov Dolph Briscoe to a 6-yr term on the Nueces River Authority Bd of Directors. Coincidentally, Jack's brother-in-law is LTC Joe Smith '23, who was one of my bosses for 8 years as Exec VP of NAUS.

As a result of picking up 5 cancellations and some real scurrying around Charley White, dau Lucy, her husband, MAJ Bill Rasco, and 2 cousins had a 2-wk trip to China in Mar, but could not be contacted before this issue went to press.

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As you must have noticed from the last page of Carmon Rogers' Feb letter to you all, we lost Charley Hoy on 15 Feb. He had a stroke a few days before, and then another



1935: Founders Day Charleston: Mrs. Henley '33, Coles and Rich.



1935: Founders Day, St. Augustine: the Howells.

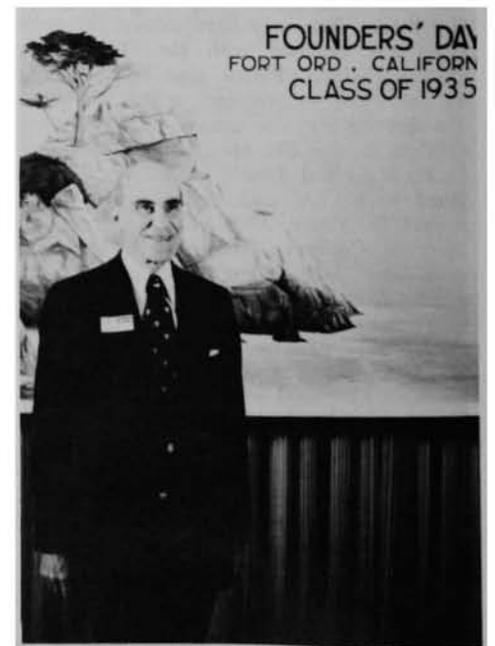
took him, in the Hilton Head hospital. A service was held at The Citadel in Charleston and he was buried in the national cemetery at Beaufort, SC.

Tiger Beall had serious back surgery in Feb and he and Ruth do not expect to be able to be with us in Seattle.

Jim Alger wrote from Honolulu early in Jan to say that he and Consuelo were going on out to Manila but before leaving had a mini-reunion with the Boyles, the Clarkins, and the Marouns. My mention of the "Brydes" in the last issue of ASSEMBLY was from misreading Jim's scribble on a Xmas card. His later transmission is type-written so I do a lot better in reading it. Also the photograph helps!

Jack Rhoades wrote early in Jan to say his boy Rick and family had visited with him and Leah for a week last summer on the way to C&GS, and that they expect to see his daughter Sudi and her family and the other son, Stan, in San Diego on the way up to our NW Roundup.

Ed Ferris wrote a lengthy letter to relate that son Danny and his lovely wife Pati had their 2d son at Madigan GH, Ft Lewis. This makes 10 grandchildren for Ed and Marie, but the amazing part, which Ed thinks is a "first," is that one of Danny's classmates made the delivery. He is now CPT (doctor) Gary Nickel. Ed also wishes to "withdraw" the news he gave me for the last ASSEMBLY



1935: Maroun



1935: Founders Day, San Antonio: Top row—Walter Corrigan, USNA '45; Stillman, Marie Ferris, Russ, Brant '37 (ex-'35), Haines; Middle row—the Hawkins', Frances Russ, Mim Ruhlen, Sally Haines; Bottom row—Ferris, Ruhlen, and Laura Riemenschneider.



1935: Founders Day dinner Bolling AFB: Robbins and Fiore in front backed by Boyle, Simpson, Wheeler, Schlanser, Rumsey and Hill.

about Earl & Betty Jane Barr moving to San Ant. Although they had been visiting in the area it was another family by that name that bought into the complex near Laura Riemenschneider. Earl says he can't get away from his law practice in OK for another year or so.

The '35 luncheon in DC on 1 Feb produced only 15 attendees including Breakefield down from PA, but the "coed" luncheon on 2 Mar drew 40 including Fred & Rusty Hall from Richmond, and Chuck & Ann Symroski from Williamsburg. We always get more than double the turnout when we invite the girls.

Milt & Irene Taylor got back from a trip to HI a day or so too late to make that one. Frank & Marge Fiore's daughter Sandy is with her husband, J. Stapleton Roy, and their 3 little boys in Peking, China, where Roy is dpty to the ambassador. He was

involved in the negotiations leading to the opening of the embassy and was the ranking officer of the State Dept at the time of the opening ceremony. Roy says the per capita workload of that office is the heaviest in the entire U.S. service, since they have just one staff member for every 25 million Chinese. That may account for Sandy having been drafted into helping prepare English language lessons for the Chinese. She is a Vassar grad with post-grad degree in linguistics. Frank and Marge are going for a visit in May with return early Jun, so will not be able to make the Roundup but send best regards to all.

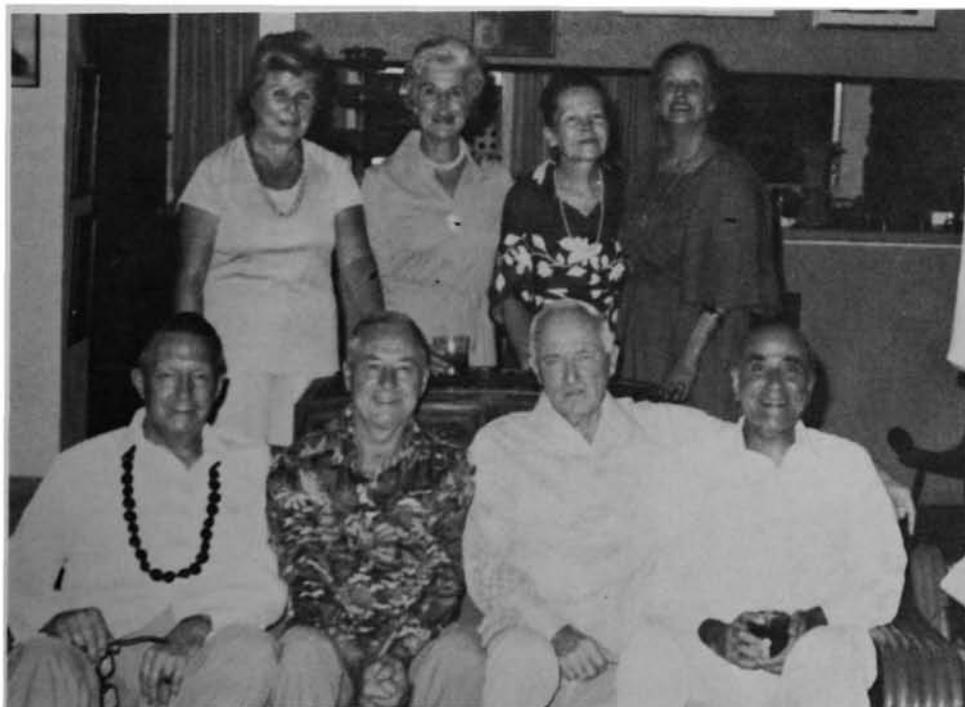
Bud Russ reports that the Founders Day dinner in San Ant was held in the USAA banquet hall on 10 Mar "with about 500 grads with wives attending," and classes from '09 to '78 were represented. The guest speaker was the CS, GEN Bernard W. Rogers, who gave an inspirational talk. Ralph Haines gave the invocation and benediction in his usual stimulating way. The Class of '35 was represented by Ed & Marie Ferris, Russ & Ruth Hawkins, George & Mim Ruhlen, Bud & Frances Russ, Laura Riemenschneider, and Bob Stillman. Bud also reports that Maggie Lang from CA was visiting Suzanne Cherry and on 20 Mar Ralph & Sally Haines had the Class to a delightful dinner party in her honor. Glenn Thompson from Austin was also there.

Al & Jean Robbins' son Andy, who has been a doctor in a hospital in Roanoke, has been selected for a fellowship in pulmonary studies at UV, so he and his wife and baby daughter will be in Charlottesville, much closer to doting grandparents.

We are indebted to Harry Haas '22 for the accompanying photo of Jack & Arlene Howell taken at the Founders Day dinner held on 16 Mar at the Ponce de Leon Lodge and Country Club in St. Augustine, FL.

Our DC area Founders Day dinner was also held on 16 Mar at Bolling AFB Club. We had 8 present.

When you read this our NW Roundup will be history and we will be looking to fall of '80.



1935: Standing: Rosemary Clarkin, Elaine Boyle, Consuelo Alger, Amy Maroun; Seated: Alger, Boyle, Clarkin and Maroun.

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Hoorah! that cold, energy consuming, and inflation exacerbating winter has! Now, for more pleasant days of spring and summer, and reflections and communication with the great ones of '36.

Ward Ryan loaned us a beautifully done brochure on his Class of '38 40th reunion gift to the Academy. They presented a memorial which consisted of "the overlook" of the gorgeous Hudson on the site of the Old Hotel. Our Class' "statue of the American soldier(s)" is still in the design-approval stage. But there's no doubt that Billingslea's brain child (soldier) will be a reality. I refrain not from passing along a small suggestion that you-all would do well to start fattening up your wallets!

One day in Feb, Dick Carmichael emoted (with a 2-page typewritten missive) in a fashion never before by me experienced. The occasion was a scenario, and a history, and an effusion on one seldom seen, perhaps legendary, Russell Dolmar Janzan. As I read the novel-like picture from Richard, the Class may have in its midst yet another



1936: McElhenys, Madsens, Klocks.



1936: Founders Day Charleston: Partridges, Mrs. Connor, McCarty.

first: a movie hero type! I really can't relate anything about the letter because Russ is still very elusive, and anything I mentioned would make you unhappy (with envy!).

The Chappellears called and said they had not gone to Scotland, but that in Apr they were coming east—at least to Nashville—to ride on the Dorlands' new houseboat. Roy & Nancy Cole wrote that they're getting settled in their new Santa Fe home and looking forward to another Class reunion; they mostly prefer WP meetings, however. Cecil Combs wrote that he'd had a little intestinal discomfort, but hoped we'd get together again soon. Dawalt, a very active Class VP and consummate correspondent (with your scribe), tells me that by about the time you're reading this you may have a pic of "the statue" (if approved) from a model about quarter size. The statue cmte will be the sender. Ken also said that Illig had a Las Vegas Caper that was interesting. And at this writing I may be accurate in saying that the Dawalts are enjoying a super Hawaiian caper—golf on all? the islands plus visits at the most attractive and fascinating places, like Jim & Kay Landrums. Bob Fergusson called and said he goes down to L.A. several times a month and puts in a little consulting work for Dart Industries (former place of business). He said he'd read "Dress Grey" which reminded him of the scurrilous and scurvy "Tin Soldier" of our time (1934).

Pete Garland left us on 11 Jan after staging a courageous battle against cancer. He was buried at Arlington and the Class who were able to express their concern and fondness were Dawalt, Estes, Layne, O'Brien, Pack, and Safford. Jo Garland greatly appreciated the mutual affection displayed by '36 for her long loved companion. Sadly, a repeat of our loss occurred in FL on 3 Feb

when Carl (Goldie) Goldenberg passed on. At his bedside were his 3 children, one of whom, Sally (Eutlich) was our Class guide and aide at the 40th Reunion. Goldie was buried beside his dear Sarah, Frank Gillespie's sister, at San Ant National Cemetery. Nearby til the last, were close friend classmates, Hosmer, True, and Sibert.

As long expected, Tommy Hayes relinquished his position as pres of Intl Engr Co. and moved up to Chairman of Bd and Chief Exec. More work?—probably. But congratulations Tommy and plan a vacation whenever we have a reunion. o.k.? Helen Hess wrote that she was elated that her daughter Beth was moving back to PA, near mommy. In early Mar Liz and I enjoyed an unusually pleasant experience when we had lunch with Michael & Margie Kelly (J.R.'s son). He was here for a business meeting with the firm for which he works out of Savannah. The day we met was also the date he was being admitted to the FL State U. Athletic Hall of Fame; you see he was a great runner and a tremendous athlete. But so he doesn't receive all the bouquets, we thought his blonde Margie was a knockout. We're looking forward to seeing them with Bee Kelly (Suarez) when we go to Ben Evans' reunion in 80. Speaking of Class chil-

dren, within a half mile of this house live 2 of our siblings: Ralph Williams on the south and quite recently Diana Jacoby (Day) to the north. I don't understand this, but I assume it flatteringly.

In Jan the McElhenys were in town and the weather was out-of-this-world lousy. But the situation vastly improved when I drove my "submarine" out to their motel where warm hearts, mellow spirits, and fond memories cheered otherwise damp and cold bodies. They were here for a wedding. Fran sent me a good pic of them on a sunnier day, and it included the first Madsen photo I've seen for decades. Bill Meany wrote that he's going up to the Point in Jun and hopes he'll see some of us. During last year he and Vegas have been visited by Illigs, Bob McCabes, Hiesters, Kimballs and his flying school roommate, T.C. Rogers. Maybe we ought to have a reunion out there! Bill was in Paris last Sept and ran into Woody Stromberg '37, who later visited in NV.

Letters from Don & Eve Noake lost since last summer, announced they had moved from VA to VT—and misplaced things in process. It seems to me the Kieffers, the Drains, the Burnetts, and others have tried the rigors of snowshoe sites only to change direction (south) later. Anyway, their address now is Box 336, RFD 2, Springfield, VT 05156. I'm supposed to know something about the Class, but Eve surprised me when she said that she has been the Class Secy for Smith College '34; I didn't know there were 2 of us nosy newsgatherers in our



1936: Founders Day Charleston: Mrs. McCants and the Chiles'.



1936: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Klocks, Catos, and Stokes.



1936: Thanksgiving at Eve and Don Noakes'.



1936: The Hays and the Normans

group. Bruce Palmer wrote that he and Kay visited Ft. Walton, FL at Xmas and were joined by 2 children and Bruce's brother. In Nov Bruce joined the CIA as a member of a review panel. As of early this year "Badger Bud" I.W. Rogers has become a partner in the lapidary biz—another first for '36. Anyway, he collects stones, cuts 'em, buys and sells same, art crafts jewelry, teaches the science, and wins prizes and exhibitions for fine gem-craft. Bud suggests that he may be a "rockaholic," but he says the challenge is to mine some brand new "discovery." Well, I hope I've described what you do—somewhat like it is, Bud. Howie & Lo Snyder moved from their attractive large house to a smaller one. The new one is at 1659 Carter Ave, Columbus, GA 31906. In Feb, Patty & Wort Williams favored Atlanta with a visit. The Gages and Kellys spent time with them, but on one evening the Gages lost their courage to go out on a "storm watch" evening to the Kellys. Wort said that Charlie Stewart is even more accomplished than I knew. Charlie not only plays music, he is now composing it. The Williams' also went to Hilton Head and visited the Holderness'.

Have a nice summer.

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Frank Harrison called from San Ant with the sad news of Sunny Gray's death on 16 Mar from cancer that surfaced shortly before the Houston Reunion last Oct. Sunny and Louise attended several parties at that time but couldn't travel to Houston because of his treatments. While Frank was in the hospital with his own problems he was able to see Sunny and reports that he never lost his optimism and good spirits. He and Louise joined classmates on many social

occasions in spite of his ailment and he will be greatly missed by his many friends and classmates. He was buried in the national cemetery at Ft Sam on 20 Mar. Louise, originally from Dallas and his mate for the last five years, will remain in San Ant.

An early morning call from Kimbrell advised that Juanita (Red, as she was affectionately known) Hipps died suddenly, the day before on Sun, 25 Feb, at home in St. Pete. She was buried in Arlington after services in the old Ft Myer Chapel attended by her many friends and our classmates and wives. Juanita became an Army nurse in 36 and was one of 8 nurses evacuated to Australia just before the surrender of the Philippines. GEN Wainwright called her the Angel of Bataan. Her book, "I Served on Bataan" became a best seller in 43 and was made into a movie, "So Proudly We Hail." She was one of the first nurses to earn her golden wings and assisted in establishing the Army Air Corps Flight Nurse program. She was retired for physical disability in 46 but continued to serve in a number of volunteer activities until her death. She was dearly loved and respected by all of us who were privileged to know her and her marvelous sense of humor. The chaplain, a long time friend of the Hipps, related many incidents in her life of caring for others, not the least of which was that her share of proceeds from her book and movie went to charities for underprivileged children. Bill and Juanita were married early in the war and have a son, Bill Jr. Bill plans to remain in St. Pete but will probably move to a smaller place in Kim's neighborhood.

At the Founders Day dinner I learned from Powell '41, her next door Annapolis neighbor, that Fran Ostrander died of pneumonia at the Bethesda Naval Hosp 7 Mar after a brief illness, and was buried in Arlington 9 Mar. This news came as a shock since I had just about a week before talked to her on the phone about her trip in Nov to Houston to visit her son, Don Jr. His address is 6718, Apt 66, in case any of you who were close to the family wish to contact him. There are also 2 daughters, Mary Frances Ostrander in PA, and Sally Ann Scott in NY.

Phil Brant braved our Arctic weather in Jan to pay us a visit after spending a week with his dau Virginia and 5 grandchildren at the Chesapeake Ranch Club near Solomons, MD. Her husband works at the Calvert Cliffs Atomic Power Plant nearby. Along with the Lemmons and Fraziers, we partied

with them and Phil at his brother's place at Ft Washington overlooking the Potomac. Brother Clark and his wife Virginia were gracious hosts. Then after a short visit with us, Phil visited with the Ungers in Charlottesville and thence home to TX stopping over with various classmates and friends on the way.

Ann & Scott Hall escaped to FL about the same time where he visited Chief & Claudine Evans. The Chief is still with the Cross FL Canal Authority and Claudine was about to have her first one-person art show. Scott thinks her portraits are truly remarkable and he should know after years of cohabiting with artist Ann. They also visited big brother Bill '29 in Melbourne, FL, where they found him in excellent shape and enjoying his boat. After a week with friends on St John, VI, they returned to their home in Chevy Chase.

In fact, the weather here was so atrocious that even the Shives fled to San Diego, the official excuse being to check up on Fran's elderly aunt, a Navy widow. While there, the Fraziers picked us up and took us to lunch in La Jolla along with his sister Lydia, Pat's aunt, Ruth Cooper and Kelly Lemmon's brother Jay. Lydia and Jay are La Jolla residents and Ruth is from Capistrano Beach. I chatted by phone with Jack Worcester who is enjoying his new home in La Jolla. Shirli's mother is with them. Poor planning found us at Dulles Airport at 6 a.m. after the big snow with no way to get home, so we hitched a ride to our daughter's apt in Bethesda where we stayed until the kids could shovel their way out of the house and rescue us. Spent the rest of the week chipping ice off the roof, drying out the den and am still restoring the living room ceiling. We should have stayed out there with the Fraziers who just returned today, 26 Mar, to nice spring weather. John and Pat spent their time visiting son Doug and wife north of San Fran, Aunt Ruth in Capistrano Beach and then back to San Fran to take in Founders Day dinner before coming home via Denver where dau Suzie is PR with Frontier Airlines. The Mercados were other birds who flew the coop to San Juan where they were guests of Rene & Ada Lopez-Duprey in their villa. They also visited Nick Fuller and family in their hotel in Antigua where they had a memorable experience.

I missed the Jan and Feb luncheons but caught the one in Mar which was well attended by Brett, Diercks, Hartnett (just recovered from an operation), Lemmon, Mercado, Oden, Prentiss, Unger, Wilhoyt (who



1937: Eleanor Horrigan, the Fellows, Horrigan, the Gurneys and Magoffin at 40th Reunion Flying School Vandenberg AFB.



1937: Founders Day St. Petersburg: O'Malley, Williams, the Sawyers, Hipps, Palmers and Pfeffers.

has had several visits to Walter Reed) and Whittemore (due for a cataract operation soon). We had 2 distinguished visitors—McDowell was an overnight guest of the Justice Dept to testify for Uncle Sam on a patent infringement suit by virtue of his experience in computer technology during AF service, and Stan Connelly who was on a business trip from Detroit where he is Dir of Development for a civic group, Focus: Hope. He is the picture of jolly good health (a marathoner yet) and entertained us with his usual lively wit. Choppy outdid himself by presenting us to royalty in the person of the charming Geraldine Apponyi, who was Queen to King Zog of Hungary and is the Queen Mother of the exiled King Leka of Albania.

Kimbrell, who had a long siege in the Bay Pines VA Hosp is now at home in St. Pete and sounded fully recovered when I talked to him recently. I also heard that Benny Workizer is in the Athens VA Hosp but is completely "out of it."

Encountered in "American Caesar," an absorbingly interesting biog of GEN MacArthur, on p. 232, "CPT Godfrey R. Ames saw the General at a topside battery 'standing tall and never taking the field glasses from his eyes' as a formation of strafing zeroes came in low. Ames urged him to take cover. . . ." Roly, my WP roommate, was on the Death March, was POW for the duration, survived 2 prison ship sinkings when the Japs tried to evacuate them to Japan, was put on a 3d vessel and, according to official records, reached Kyushu where he succumbed to disease resulting from his ordeal. Roly kept meticulous notes in his diary which is now in the archives at AWC. Several years ago I did quit a bit of rsch in the matter and talked with a number of POW's who were with him, then some scoundrel swiped my brief case with all my notes in it. Some day I hope to start over again because Roly deserves to be heard.

Founders Day Round-up. McDowell brought word of an early one held in San Ant which he attended along with the Chester Johnsons, Cheals, Davissons, Burtons, Swede with Peggy Vincent, Brant, and Homer Uglow's attractive dau who recently established contact with the Class. A note from Bob Palmer who traveled from Orlando to St. Pete to visit Chuck & Babs Pfeffer and attend the dinner there, reports that Stu O'Malley is pres of that WP Soc. Others

attending were: the Sawyers, Williams, and Bill Hipps. Willie elaborated further in a letter. Bill Hipps picked up Hugh & Polly Sawyer and Willie (Maggie couldn't make it) and went to the Pfeffers where they joined the Palmers for a few before going down to Ramada Inn South. Stu had to sit at the head table but they all got together afterwards for pictures and a few snorts. Kim couldn't make it because he is on a strict diet. Chuck Pfeffer has recovered nicely from throat surgery of 3 yrs ago. Willie, a misplaced Bethesdan and an unreconstructed rebel, couldn't resist telling me about their 70-80 degree weather down there during our blizzard. A note from Luke Elkins said that he was busy coordinating plans for theirs in Tucson where the Com was to be guest speaker and also to meet with candidates for the Class of '83 and parents prior to the dinner. Jim Pearsall, on a visit to his mother-in-law in Hilton Head, took in the Founders Day dinner there with the Hyzers and Ollie Connors. Pony Scherrer stayed home to nurse Joyce who was indisposed. Jim found it a real pleasure to run into many old WP hands whom he hadn't seen for a long time. Andy Goodpaster, the speaker at Charleston, attracted some classmates from the general area, Day Surles for one. Jim also visited Randy & Marge Hines in Charleston and Helen Rumph and her 2 daughters. Her son Bob '73 is stationed in the DC area. Randy had just returned from a skiing trip to CO where a son and dau are living. He is still teaching on Navy cruises. At the Presidio of San Fran, the Founders Day dinner was attended by the Youngs (Maggie is a ret. WAC LTC), Comptons (Lois has recovered), Buck Forney (Enid home with the flu), Smalleys, Fraziers and about 400 others. And now for the Head Shed. The dinner at Bolling AFB, with a full house of 600, was a well planned and executed affair. As customary because of the huge population, it was stag except for one cute gal, ex-Class of '81 who succeeded in establishing her equal rights. Ann Mckinley Waters almost made it but we couldn't talk her into staying for dinner. She looked great and we enjoyed our brief visit with her during the cocktail hour. Our Class was represented by Gildart, Hall, Diercks, Lutes, Maliszewski, Oden, Prentiss, Shive, Teeter and Wilhoit, and out of place alphabetically because he got there just in time for dessert, Lee Martin (car trouble).

Received from Dick Fellows, too late for

last ASSEMBLY, a pic of 40th Reunion Flying School class of '38C at Vandenberg AFB on 5 Oct 78 with a blast on the bad timing for the DC goats who set up the Mini-R at the same time. He claims us Army types still never think of the fly boys until we get into deep trouble. It was our loss. You were missed but Swede made up for it. Dick recited the names of those in the photo "in case age had wrought some changes or otherwise dimmed our memories." We would recognize you characters anytime, but it is a real treat to see you guys and gals looking so sassy and well. You must be doing something right. Mort's gal couldn't come—busy working to keep him in the style to which he has become accustomed. On the links, Dick tries to teach him the Fellow's bunch and lunge sys. Dick gets together with Hoot occasionally and both are thankful for Proposition 13 saving them from having to move into tents. Bill Amos drags the coast line in his Air Stream trailer from Seattle to San Diego about Xmas time and back to Seattle for spring. Dick hopes to catch him on his way back for an A Co. reunion with Bryan Arnold and Bill Andrews who are both in that general area.

Trixie Zehner is in Belgium visiting her dau Chrissie whose husband works for a U.S. firm there. Jerrie (her son Harry '72 says it should be Jerry but I don't believe it) Stumpf will be off to England on a garden tour in May and then to Germany to visit Harry and family. A flash from Clark in El Paso—Effective 1 July Phyllis takes over as Dean of Intl Educ at UCA in San Diego. She finished 7 yrs as Dir of Intl Student Svs at UTX and was due for a PCS. Their address will be Box 2303, La Jolla, CA 92038. Correct your list. In the meantime they head north 1 Apr, taking in FL and the east coast to New Engl and thence back to Charleston and on to Europe.

Ed Lee spent a week in town with his brother and mother in Fairfax City. Unfortunately, he was one week late for the luncheon and our Founders Day. He has just become a Dir on the board of the WP Soc of Puget Sound. Ed has been a real estate broker since ret. from White Motors. He sees Big John Erickson and Bill Travis at WP affairs and says that John is working his way into real estate since ret. from Boeing. Ed's brother is personnel director with Fairfax County sch sys.

And finally—the Honolulu Reunion seems to be getting off to a fast start. The following indicated to me that they have already sent in their reservations and some have already been confirmed: Amos, Clark, Compton, Frazier, Harrison, Mercado, Oden, Palmer,



1937: Founders Day Charleston: The Surles and Eubank.

Prentiss and there must be many more because this information was incidental to other news. Phil Sterling wrote for info. Apparently his flyer went astray. Get in your applications ASAP because of possible policy changes at Hale Koa. If you have any problems, contact Ken Wade or Bill Chase.

Hold the press! The letter from Compton I had been waiting for just arrived and is included almost entirely hereunder.

Maggie Young looked to be in excellent health, so I presume she has fully recovered from her recent surgery. Peg Smalley was resplendent in a rose and violet gown with gold embroidery, reminiscent of the Far East. There was a mixup in the seating arrangements, so Lois and I sat with the Classes of '32-'33, with no chance to visit until after dinner. Having driven 60 miles in the rain, we arrived just in time to stand in the doorway while the toasts were made to The Corps, the ladies, and other important groups. After the picture taking, Charlie Young and Maggie & Buck Forney ducked out in a hurry, so we got a table in the bar with the Smalleys and Fraziers and tried to catch up on each other and the local classmates. I had hoped to have more present so as to recruit for the mini-reunion in HI next 24-27 Jan. Smalleys and Comptons have already applied for reservations at Hale Koa, and Howie's have been confirmed. We may have talked Pat Frazier into accepting the inevitability of flying and into attending. By the time this is printed, I hope all have been apprised of it, as reservations seem to be needed well in advance.

Meyer Edwards has been ill since last fall and was hospitalized for some time. He has a blood problem, and as he describes it he is allergic to himself. But he has returned to work at Lockheed on a half-time basis and meanwhile sees the medics regularly. He was featured in a write-up in the Letterman Hosp "Foghorn" recently in a description of their cell exchanger. Both he and Mary have naught but good to say of Letterman and its staff. We had brunch with them Sun the 11th at a local restaurant and did a lot of catching up. Ordinarily the 2 of us celebrate our joint Feb birthdate together, but this year Lois and I were carrying such lungful of germs that we forewent it in the interests of the health of all concerned.

Saw the Barkos, June and Jimmy, at a wedding recently. Jim says he is fully ret. now, and will be coming out to more class functions, but something must have interfered with 16 Mar. They are both looking great, enjoying life. Ginny Ressegieu was at the same wedding, bubbling along as she always does. She travels a good bit between here, Montreal (son Jimmy) and WI (family).

Stanford plays Army in Palo Alto on 22 Sept, and Howie Smalley and I were making general plans for some kind of Class party in the vicinity after the game. I doubt that we'll see such a shellacking as the 69-13 (?) drubbing they gave us a couple of years ago, when they were still passing in the final qtr. Anyway, this is an open invitation to all who may come this way at that time to save the date for the party even if you don't like football. The weather is bound to be good, and the company is better.

Does anyone know what happened to Chapman? Saw him at Founders Day a year ago, then he dropped out of sight with no word to anyone. Phone no. has been re-assigned, house sold, alles Kaput! End of news. Hope to see all at PA in the fall or III in Jan. Regards. Tom

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1938: Long, Henderson, Brennan and Harvey.

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By the time this reaches you in Jun, I should be the proud possessor of a new right knee, courtesy of the orthopedists at Bethesda Naval Hospital. The present knee, result of a 4-hr operation at WP Sta Hosp in 36 has served me well for 43 yrs., including 3 football seasons, 2 yrs of walking over N. Africa, Sicily, Italy and S. France in WW II and until recently supporting a fair game of tennis, is now obviously out of the warranty period. New mechanical knees are a recent development following the "Arthur Godfrey" hips of Joe Connell and Mike Hayes. Altho the doctor offers me no warranty I hope it will get me to the 42½ reunion in HI. Apropos of this event, the following are excerpts of letters from Carter Duncan, Clance Kelley and Gus Broberg. A by-product of Carter's letter is first knowledge to me that he and Pat are married and more sadly the death of "Spike" Spicer in 78. Very welcome is first word from Isbells, a thought for a 47½ yr reunion in AK, but not in the winter. Carter Duncan's letter reads in part—"The sad news is the death of P.M. Spicer, my roommate at Randolph and Kelly Fields—24 Nov 78—of a heart attack. I received a short note from his wife Lucille, only recently. After the 40th, I had dinner with Tony Chanco and family in San Fran and a wk later repeated in Honolulu. New Yrs Eve, he was back in San Fran and Pat and I spent New Yrs Eve, as well as several other evenings with him and Dimps and his son and daughter. Last week, Jim Isbell and Ginny called me from Kona (on this island) and I drove down from my aerie to Kohala to spend a couple of days with them, a promise to come to Hawi for a visit before they return to AK. I have thought all these years that HI is God's Country, but received it on Jim's authority that AK claims that honor. Jim is little changed in appearance, despite the 40 yrs that have passed since I last saw him: lean, slim, still straight as an arrow, crowned with a silver mane that gives him that distinguished look. He is burning up the local golf courses in HI. I also received from Ward Ryan the 40th book and join the rest of the Class in congratulations to him and his staff on a job well done. How he managed to match all those faces with the right names, I'll never know.

"After the monsoons here all of Dec, Jan, and Feb, the balmy weather of HI is back. We had 60" of rain here since 1 Jan and 22" in one 24-hr period. We even had the dubious honor of being declared a dis-

aster area, by the Gov. If any other classmates come to HI (the Big Is) I would be most pleased if they would call me at the Stillman Ranch in Hawi (my phone is unlisted)—Carter." Another letter to Ward Ryan from Gus & Kay Broberg—"We want to thank you for the book—it's perfect and a fine reminder of a very memorable week. Our congratulations to you for a job well done. We just returned from a week at the Hale Koa in HI with Louise & Jim Hatch. Gus thought he should check on arrangements for the mini-reunion. Ben has things well under control. Had lunch with Elsie and Ben and saw the Tracy Harringtons who were also staying at the hotel. It was miserable coming back to 7' of snow in Chicago. So miserable we are going to FL the middle of Mar for 10 days. Randy & Marge Hinze expect to join us there—Gus and Kay." Mel Brown writes Ward, "Louise joins me in thanking you for the 40th Reunion Album. Congratulations on a splendid piece of work which I am sure will bring back many happy memoirs to members of our Class and their families. The inclusion of an up-to-date Class Roster is a most thoughtful and helpful addendum—Mel Brown." A note to Ward from Hal Kelley goes as follows—"My copy of the 40th Reunion Yr Bk just received and it is great! You did a wonderful job in selecting the pictures to go into it—all are so good and clear. We are back in HI for our 6-mo stint and the weather has been straightened out so that it seems like HI. For a while, with all the rain it seemed more like OR—Clance." Ward says that 43 copies of this treasured volume are available from him at \$26.00 per copy. Further demands should certainly warrant a reprint. The descriptive details of our Class memorial alone would justify the price. Of course the model for this effort is the 25th yearbook so masterfully produced by Harrington & associates. In the past few years I have been soliciting biographical and family data for this column from the Class with excellent results, which should supplement the magnificent color pictures and also provide motivation for future contributions. Dutch Williams writes to correct his phone no. and it should read as: 704-963-5792 as he wouldn't care to miss a call from any of the classmates. The Harringtons (Tracy and Dottie) went to HI in mid-Jan for 6 wks thus missing all of the DC area cold and snow. Tracy got to do his walking in the sand, they watched the superteams at Hawaiian Village, revisited the "old Hawaii" of Molokai, and went to the Hawaiian Open. Oahu had some rain but the floods were on the other islands, chiefly the Big Is. While there Ben Sternberg rounded up other classmates for a cocktail get-together at the Hale Koa. Hal Kelly and Mary, Chuck Jackson and Dottie, Ben



1938: Founders Day Charleston: Mrs. Eubank '37, the Sundins, Mrs. Hines '37, and Harlingen '39.

& Elsie Sternberg and Harringtons had a fine visit and discussed plans for the "mini-reunion." Gus Broberg was at the Hale Koa for a wk with Kay and another couple. They said they were refugees from the Chicago blizzards.

Corrections to be made: Ken Schmidt, 6904 Manatee Ave, W 61-D, Bradenton, FL 33505. Sinnreich's address: 973 Hickory Ridge Rd, Macon, GA 31204. Jane Clarke lives at 2 Beechwood Dr, Asheville, NC 28805 (Tel 704-298-4605. Chuck Young—P.O. Box 340, Helena, AR 72342 (Tel 501-338-3154). In attributing credit for the 20th Album much praise is due my old roommate Mrazek. After all at least 80% of the worth of the book is in the truly excellent color photographs and Jim starred in this field for yrs. Art Collins and Frank Glace contributed most of the eloquent words that correlate the complete work. I am particularly grateful to Art since practically all of the descriptive passages were generated by him for me in this column, where he more than compensated for my absence.

Finally, a note from Dick Stilwell to all hands: "Because our 40th Reunion was such a rewarding experience, the 90 plus classmates in attendance concluded we ought not wait 5 yrs to re-assemble. This led to a proposal that we shoot for a Class mini-reunion roughly half way to Jun 83 (that would be the 1st wk of Dec 80 which would, of course, crowd the Xmas season). HI was suggested as a site; we looked to Ben Sternberg; and that worthy comrade volunteered to reconnoiter and report back. We have Ben's outline plan. Here's the essence: The Army operated Hale Koa Hotel to be the locus of activity. Attendees to check in on Wed, 5 Feb 81. The Reunion proper to be held on Thurs-Fri, 6-7 Feb. (It is anticipated that the Hawaiian Open Golf Tournament will be played that weekend). All hotel reservations to be made through Ben in order to insure that everyone gets accommodations. This is essential because new rules are in effect to prevent ret. domination of hotel space. Specifically, no ret. request for reservations will be honored if submitted more than 1 yr in advance. Therefore we need a proxy (Ben) to funnel applications/deposits in at exactly D-365, if this procedure turns out to be acceptable to management. While 2 days seems appropriate for scheduled reunion events, it is realized that virtually all attendees will wish to spend a longer time in the Is. Some will plan to remain at the Hale Koa for the maximum time authorized (2 wks). Others may be interested in excursions to Kauai, Maui or the Big Is. In due course, Ben will pull together data on tours, fares, etc. Consider this a first notice. I'll get a letter out to all classmates later in the yr after we have a firm fix on how best to insure billets and have consulted with Dick Bromiley, and Harvey Bernard on chartering possibilities (which is probably too complicated)." My thanks to all of you who have sent in items.

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Report on the Class project by project mgr Julian Ewell follows:

By the time you read this our Class project will have been completed and dedicated during the 40th Reunion. We will render a final report in the next class letter for those



1939: Founders Day Ft Rucker: Lasche.

who were unable to attend. Here is our status as of the end of Mar publication deadline. As you may recall we are restoring 2 adjoining rooms in the old 1st Div (all that remains of those 18 Divs in old Central Bks) which were occupied for years by the Cadet First Captains, including Generals Pershing and MacArthur. The actual restoration period will be 1886 when Pershing was a cadet. The rooms will show how cadets lived in those days and will permit visitors to observe the rooms and furnishings and listen to a taped commentary. The rooms are dedicated to the Corps of Cadets by our Class with an appropriate plaque.

The furnishings and fixtures are being done by a team of professional restorers and the carpentry, painting, etc. by a contractor who has worked on similar restoration projects. The total cost, including a cushion for incidentals and overruns, is estimated at \$59,000. We have collected \$62,000 which should cover with room to spare. It is hoped that these rooms will impress on the Corps (and visitors to WP) that the Long Gray Line does stretch way back and inspire them to carry on in their footsteps.

The following is also from Julian: Sam Samuels, our Class Pres, is working on a class constitution for consideration by the Class at the reunion. It formalizes a class structure and procedure which resembles our informal operation since graduation. This constitution will enable setting up a tax-free class admin fund for gifts and class admin. This fund is a Class fund, (not a part of the funds we donated to the AOG or WP Fund) and is designated for the Class project. However, any remainder after we no longer have a class need, would pass to the AOG.

The AOG probably will have to wait a long time until there is no need for funds for Class affairs. For instance Bob Sears lost his father—the oldest officer in combat in WWII—last Jan. At the time of his death he was 94 years old, the 7th to oldest living grad, Class of '09, and believe it or not was still doing hand stands up to a year before his death.

For the record and for those who were unable to make this biggest ever Class reunion, here is the schedule: Wed, 30 May, Buffet supper at Stewart Field. Thurs, dedication of class 1st Div project, class luncheon at the Golf Club, and in the evening Alumni Dinner-Dance in Washington Hall preceded by cocktails for the Class at Dossie's and Supt Andy Goodpaster's quarters. Fri, Alumni P-rade followed by the alumni luncheon in Wash Hall with, for the first time, wives in attendance; afternoon tour of the post with a class dinner-dance at Thayer Hotel as the last scheduled event.

Last Jan, Grace & Ed Hamilton made the FL scene. En route they stopped for an evening with Lucille & Geo Winton and Howard St. Clair in Columbia, SC; had dinner with Bill Breckenridge, '28, who was our French-P; a visit in Homestead with Phyllis & Bernie Teeters who rounded up the Haffas, Kaplans and June Cain for a dinner party. Len Kaplan told how he and Singer '38 were instrumental in starting Jewish services at USMA. Len is now heavily involved raising funds for the Jewish chapel which will be located between the Cadet Chapel and the Catholic Chapel. In Ft Lauderdale the Hamiltons had dinner with the Kurtz'.

Janet & Scot Kurtz spent 7 weeks of the winter at their place overlooking the ocean at Ft Lauderdale. Well, Scott didn't relax the whole 7 weeks. Through some tough luck and a freak twist he crushed a vertebra in his lower back. As a result he had some close company in the Homestead hosp because Ken Scott was there undergoing treatment for a herniated disc.

Last Jan 2 more joined the ranks of the unemployed. Bill Bailey ret. from the GAO and Bill Banning from NSA. In Apr the Baileys rented a motor home and started



1939: Wood, Mulcahy and Pavick



1939: Founders Day Ft Benning: Wisdoms and Schroeders.



1939: Walton, daughters and friends.



1939: Alfaro and Goodpasters



1939: Founders Day Los Angeles: Isabel Worcester, Zethren, Kristin Schick, McGowans and Cassidys.

touring the South looking for a place to settle. As this is written don't know if they found a place they want to live in or even if they could get enough gas to keep that house on wheels going. They sort of expected they would settle for the Beaufort, SC area. After all, he is not going to settle for any place too far from water where he can tie up that 30-plus-foot boat of his that he enjoys so much. The Bannings stick around the DC area. DC did lose another couple—Dina & Bill Smith packed up on 23 Feb and took off, PCS, for San Ant. DC will miss these 2 departing families. Just got the word that over a year and a half ago Moe Boylan, in HI, had a rough go with a ruptured aortal aneurism. After a long year of TLC and using his pool to develop his legs, he reports steady improvement. So much so that he started back to work as a real estate broker. Abby also has a license and sells real estate from the same office.

Every once in a while Sam Kail rounds up some information on almost lost but not forgotten classmates such as Burrell Helton who ret. in 45. He is a professor at SWTX State College in San Marcos. He has a PhD; a son, a professor at AZ State U., also with a PhD; one daughter, an art director in Austin, and his younger daughter a doctor, having just graduated from med sch this year.

Anybody in the market for diamonds? Ralph Hanchin is able to take care of your needs. His import firm has opened up to take on this merchandise. In this game deal only with a very reliable source.

Time to renew your subscription to ASSEMBLY and REGISTER. If you don't have your subscription blank Mike Krisman can take care of you for a check for \$13.00 for both publications, \$8.00 each for ASSEMBLY or REGISTER only. If all grads would support Mike with these publications then he could keep the price down. Surely he needs and deserves 100% support from this Class for the great job he is doing.

Look over several past issues of this column. They are really pretty boring and very restricted in hard, interesting news of the class. One problem has been trying to expand the very limited, available news to make something readable. Throughout every quarter some classmate(s) writes to another classmate and passes on information of interest to many more than just the addressee. If only somehow all, much, some of this information were available how much more interesting this column could be. Please writers and addressees pass a copy, an extract, a censored copy or even the whole old letter if you are going to toss it—to the scribe and give him an opportunity to get out a more interesting column.

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Frankie Devlin made the formation on time at the DC area Founders Day dinner on 16 Mar. This was just as well, since he was doing double duty, being obligated also to celebrate the advent of St. Patrick. More than that, though, Frank announced that night with obvious good cheer that it is now confirmed that the Class of '40 will have the use of the Ladycliff College facilities for our upcoming 40th Reunion. The Ladycliff academic schedule for 79-80 has been modified so that it now matches the slightly earlier graduation schedule that will be established for USMA in '80. In short, starting

in '80, June Week will be in May. So, mark off the dates 21 through 24 May on your calendars. 'tis then that the Class will be housed in Spellman Hall, the new dormitory wing of Ladycliff College, with the overflow going to a couple of nearby motels.

If you haven't done so already, drop a line to Frank Devlin, Kermit Dyke, or Mayo himself as to your tentative plans for attending the reunion.

Tony Wermuth, your historian, offers greetings and comments, "As you may recall, at the time of the recent election of Class officers, I said I'd bow to a 'draft' but, because of working full time, would not do anything constructive (such as assembling a 40-yr book) by 80—although for 90, yes.

"As my years of rsch activity extend and as 80 draws near, however, I reflect on a number of things: a number of those present in 80 won't make it to 90; by 90, a portion will be even more crochety and so more likely to fail to respond; there are special features to the 80 occasion, such as "Forty plus Forty," that merit special recognition; and others.

"So, I have started accumulating items for a questionnaire, partly routine and partly innovative, thoughtful, and provocative. I have written to the alumni offices of Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and USMA. Harvard, Yale, and USMA have responded helpfully; Princeton remains silent. I may try a few others."

Tony concludes this letter with a proposed schedule that, with lots of sweat and a little bit of luck, would distribute questionnaires to members of the Class later this year for immediate and fervent completion and return for incorporation in a 40-yr book that would be printed and distributed in the spring of 80. Your Class officers are going over this schedule with Tony to find ways to make it work out.

Meanwhile, Dick Abbey and George Mayo are planning an update of the Class address list that Hank Brewerton and Dick put together as of 1 Mar 76 in the aftermath of our 35th Reunion. To help us in this endeavor, we'd be delighted to have any information you can give us of recent changes in addresses. In particular, we'd like any lead that you can give to us or the Association of Graduates on the locations of the following classmates who are still carried on the missing list: L.L. Clarke, R.L. Colligan, R.J. Delaney, R.I. Dice, R.R. Dodderidge, J.F. Kreitzer, and J.W. Leedom.

At the aforementioned WP Soc of DC Founders Day dinner, present from the Class were Dick Abbey, Frank Devlin, Kermit Dyke, Larry Fuller, Vic Hobson, Dick Kent, George Mayo, Earl McFarland, John McLean, George Mueller (the recently transplanted Muenchener, of whom more later), Thad Nosek, Stub Oseth, Ray Renola, Mel Rosen, and Woodie Vaughan.

Paul & Rita Phillips have gone and done it again. Paul ret. once again in late Feb, this time as Dpty Asst SA for Manpower and Res Affairs, a job that Paul's held since Jun 71, serving under 5 SA's. To cap that, Paul & Rita have abandoned the DC area completely, moving to that condominium in CO they've been supervising from DC for some yrs. They can be reached at Unit 5, Court 17, Meadow Ridge Condominiums, Winter Park, CO 80482. That's at 8800 ft; now Paul can spend his time worrying whether to build another place on the lot he's acquired at 9200 ft.

Ray Millican reports from Los Altos, CA, that after gradually reducing his work time

with SRI from full-time to 80% to 50%, he's now quasi-ret. He says, "I'm still doing some consulting on mil opns rsch (at the moment, I'm working on a laser-guided bomb vulnerability study). The balance of my time is devoted to 'managing' our portfolio, resurrecting my golf, and doing some hunting and fishing. Peppy teaches upholstery for the Palo Alto adult education program, working 2 days a week for precious little—and loving it.

"Over the past 5 yrs, this part time arrangement has permitted some interesting travels: Greece in 73, the south of France in 76, Britain in 77, and Spain in 78. We take about 6 wks for one of these trips, avoid tours, and enjoy renting a car and wandering in a vaguely planned pattern. This year, partly because of the drooping dollar, but mostly because of nostalgia, we'll drive through the US Southwest to see classmates in El Paso, San Ant, OK, and Colo Spgs.

Ray ended, "The only classmate I see frequently is Sam Webster. I watch from the bench while he wheels and deals as a very successful real estate broker, specializing in setting up limited partnerships to buy—typically—business properties."

George & Fran Mueller suddenly came to our attention in the wilds of the Catoctin Mts. You will recall that they have been living in Munich for the past 8 yrs, ever since George chose that as his ret. residence. Fran, who had been holding down a Civil Service job in Munich, ended up transferring to the PAO, 7th Sig Cmd, Rt Richie, MD 21719. George came, too. He writes, "We finally made it back to the States, but it wasn't easy leaving Munich. We've bought a little house just across the Mason-Dixon line, 2 mi from Ft Richie's gate, in Blue Ridge Summit, PA. We live just off the Appalachian Trail and not far from Cp David."

Early in the year, Woodie & Beth Vaughan drove through the Southwest as far out as Phoenix, looking for sun and classmates. Woodie reports that there was very little sun, but a lot of other contacts. In San Ant, he says, they "...dined with Pete Kramer, who has stopped his high school teaching job—he wasn't too old or tired to teach, but he was both too old and too tired to continue chaperoning the Jr-Sr Prom. Pete was in the midst of constructing a period doll house (Gerry & Marie Brown please note) for a granddaughter—and looks well. We didn't have time to see other classmates, but we have a number in the San Ant area. Understand Les Schockner has a ranch where he devlops special feed and is still flying. Shoss is still teaching.

"In El Paso, we saw Dick Cassidy and Roy Shoemaker—both working and looking good. Dick is in real estate development (and can place any extra cash you might have) and lives in a lovely condo, managed by Lanny Witt's company, one of the largest property mgmt outfits in El Paso. Roy Shoemaker is adm off for his bank, is the new pres of Rotary, has been active in several civic projects, and is going to the World Rotarian conference in Rome this year.

"We spent a week in Phoenix with Howard & Midge Penney. Howard hasn't forgotten the Missouri National; he prayed for rain while we were there—and got it. We played golf in the rain, played tennis 3 times in the cool damp, and watched a rain-shortened 3-day Phoenix Open. Howard feels good and is now working part-time (although perhaps more than he had planned) for George Bush '45, who has a real estate development

firm. Howard still manages to play tennis almost every day. Both Midge and he like Phoenix and are healthy and happy."

Woodie concluded his narrative by noting that Beth and he had managed to time their return to the DC area so that they arrived simultaneously with the full impact of the blizzard of 79. So much for the search for sun.

Otis Ulm writes from Gulfport, FL, that he ret. this past Dec as a math teacher at St. Petersburg Jr. Coll, although Steve Morrissey perseveres there at teaching English. Otis says that Larry & Pat Klar have pursued their search for housing in the area to the point of buying a new home in St. Petersburg. Larry is most active in the Little Theater there—the Ulms and Morrisseys recently enjoyed one of his productions.

It also turned out that Bill & Mary Stoddard provided the Ulms extra instruction before the section took boards: they served a sukiyaki dinner in preparation for Otis' & Maggie's trip to the Far East in May.

From Ambler, PA (just north of Phila), Steve Silvasy reports that after more than 8 yrs of teaching math to jr high "monsters," he's now made his 2d ret. Steve cites limited news of nearby classmates, but reports Bill & Kathryn Bennett also living in the Phila suburbs, Ford & Peg Fuller not too far away in Newark, DE, as well as Luther & Midge Arnold in nearby Atlantic City. Steve continued, "Ann and I went to the Far East last summer for 6 wks (Korea, Japan, Taiwan, and Hong Kong), mostly to visit our son, Steve Jr. '63, a LTC on duty now in UNC J3 Plans (where I served in 61) after a 19-month tour as Bn CO with the 2d Inf Div on the DMZ. He and his family (Judie and 4 children ranging from 3 to 14 yrs) will go to the AWC for the 79-80 course and then, I'm sure, on to the Pentagon. So it appears that, God willing, not only will I see my classmates at WP for our 40th Reunion, but also those in the DC area, where we later expect to visit frequently to check out the next 2 generations of the Silvasy clan. We also have 2 married daughters: Geraldine in Houston with 2 girls and Jan in a nearby suburb with one daughter—neither with a mil connection."

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In CO, when you see your first chipmunk, you know its springtime in the Rockies—even if the little bastard is wearing his apres ski boots! The date: 23 Mar, Kay's birthday. We were digging out from under a 18" delivery which, a week earlier would have wiped out Colo Spgs Founders Day.

We had a max turn out—Andrus, Carroll, Chapman, Corbin, Gauvreau, McIntyre, Spiller and Troup plus all of our beautiful brides except Harrie Spiller. The program at the AFA Club was extremely well done. The Cadet Chorale from the Junior Academy which is already celebrating its 25th anniv set the tone with songs that brought lumps in throats and memories of similar voices singing in the sallyport after a choir trip. The Com, BG John C. Bard '54, gave an excellent talk on the care and feeding of modern cadets which left us with a comfortable feeling about the great rebuilding job Andy Goodpaster is doing.

Skip Brown is proudly wearing her grandmother's badge. Katherine Calhoun, already known as "KC" Brown, arrived on 3 Feb in



1941: Founders Day Charleston: Mrs. Linnell and the Averys.

Albuquerque at 6# 8oz. Skip reports, "She looks like her dad, Dudley, and is blond and beautiful. After Sue's graduation from W&M on 13 May we will go out to see her and help Dudley and his wife finish their adobe hacienda."

The Sec of the AF recently announced that George Brown will be the recipient of the Thomas D. White Award, the highest award given annually by the Dept of the AF to the citizen, civ or mil who has contributed most significantly to the national defense and security of the U.S. The award will be presented at the Academy later this year to Skip and it will mean that George will take his place with such personages as Sen John Stennis, Jimmy Doolittle, Bob Hope, Barry Goldwater and Carl Vinson.

Wire Coakley, the irrepressible Co. Clerk of D Co, after effort "above and beyond" finally elicited a note from Joe Silk confirming his address to be 139 Point Circle, Tequesta, FL 33458. Wire quoted Joe's note: "The only classmate I've seen in many years is Ed Kisiel, my roommate... Having ret. from the USAF and working in industry since 65, I have been out of touch and lost interest in alumni activities." Wire's p.s., "And so another lamb is no longer lost—but found!" I fired off a note and copy of the Xmas letter but apparently failed to awaken Joe's interest in "alumni activities."

News releases report Horace Brown elected VP of Wachovia Bank and Trust Co. of Asheville, NC. Chest up, Horace! And Pappy Callaway had the distinction of having a tree planted in his honor on the Ft McPherson golf course in recognition of his service as post cmdr 68-71. Shown inspecting the job is John Elliott Callaway, grandson of the guy who can still roll you in the aisles with "watch Dodo do th' high dive."

From Santiago, with a stamp showing \$13.00 postage, came an invitation to the wedding of Patricia O'Connor and Oscar Morel. Written entirely, and quite logically in Spanish the only thing I could make out was the date, 25 Feb. Rod's very cordial note, in Ingles, reports a gala ceremony with a wedding breakfast at the Donegal Farm, near Pucon. The groom is a Chilean chemist, who is getting his MS in Ecology at Penn State. Rod and Gabby will be back in DC in May.

And our other classmate living south of the border, Dick Travis, reports receiving the O'Connor invitation (having spent 9 yrs at beautiful Lake Chapala, Dick knew how to read it). He met Ken Kennedy for a round of golf recently. In a follow-on note written on engraved paper which proclaimed,

"Aboard Air Force One," Dick sent directions on how to find his idyllic spot and added, "Bring the Corbins and the Hayduks."

Jim Strain reports: "One of my extracurricular activities here is reviewing books for the local Sunday paper." He enclosed 2 clippings he had authored recently; one is **Peer deSilva's** outstanding **Sub Rosa**. The other I refuse to mention and Jim will understand why. He and Terry are hoping to make the CO mini-teaching schedule permitting.

Paul Skowronek, having departed Iran just before the Communist victory, paid a brief visit to Scottsdale but couldn't come by for any CO skiing. Said he, "I'm on the way to some serious R&R in Majorca before trying for more 'hardship' in Mideast."

Wray White sent a clipping from VA Beach headlined, "2 Officers Commended for Rescues." Officer Wray S. Boswell, #3 son of Hank & Kathy, and another off-duty police officer, saved the lives of 2 duck hunters whose car flipped into icy water. A note at the bottom of the clipping by Cathy said, "Thought you might be interested in what your namesake's been up to!"

Got a bouncy letter from Mike Greene with the good news that he and Eileen will be at the Broadmoor for the annual meeting of the Assn of Legal Adm types from 2 to 6 May. We're delighted! He also sent along several addresses which will be welcome interpolations to your Class directory which accompanied the Xmas Letter. Are you ready to copy? [Waitt] Mrs. V.H. Betty Shearer, 3442 Stratford Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30342. [Tyler] Mrs. J.C. Judy Hay, 624 Stickney Point Rd #104, Sarasota, FL 33581—Ph: 812 922-7120. [Woodward] Mrs. J.T. Petey Gordon, 3723 Twisted Oaks, San Antonio, TX 78217. Mrs. Dori Kercheval, 24970 Hatton Rd, Carmel, CA 93921. Mrs. Jack R. Anderson, 165 Howell St, Canandaigua, NY 14424. Mrs. Wm. K. Cummins, 3115 Twig Lane, Bowie, MD 20715. He also produced: LTC M.P. Longino, 437 N. Manchester, Arlington, VA 22203; Ed McGrane 7106 Purdue Pl, McLean, VA 22101; H.W. Norton 413 Riggs Ave, Severna Pk, MD 21146; and Walt Singles c/o COL Gordon Singles, 912 W. Braddock Rd, Alexandria, VA 22302, although he acknowledged that they never respond to any of the DC invitations.

Having sent Mike Krisman a copy of the Class Directory so that he could update his address file, he answered with annotations showing discrepancies in addresses plus an indication of those who do not subscribe to ASSEMBLY. It is a rather disappointing list, although he says that '41 is "above average." The facts are that 137 of the living members of the Class and widows who remain in touch do not see fit to subscribe to ASSEMBLY, the primary and almost only communications link with our Alma Mater. This is 40% of the gang. I'm not talking



1941: Founders Day Charleston: Clocks ('40), Vaughns and Linnell.



1941: Celmer

about the junk that I pump out of this typewriter, I'm concerned that our Alma Mater is still under intense pressure from inspired and scurrilous sources. Our support is urgently needed.

The local chapter was hoping to recruit a couple of new members but after a brief visit last year our snow deterred and Harry & Beth Ellis moved to Dallas: 7502 Hundley Blvd, 75231. Their phone is not in at this writing. And Benita Theisen's address should read 239 Edge Ave, Valparaiso, FL 32580.

Got a nice note from Chuck Schilling telling me that he is already planning for 81 and that he is sending me a large envelope of stuff from his Class files. He reports that the Homer Smith incident, among others, is still causing trauma but that he and Martha are fine.

Autovoned Mike Greene re Founders and learned that Irene Laney passed away and was buried at Arlington on 29 Mar. There was a good class turn out according to Mike. Jim can be reached at Box 154, Cove Pt Beach, Lusby, MD 20657. He said that the Founders Day mustered only 12 classmates (out of about 60) but the stalwarts fell in for a neat picture. The good news is that Mike has agreed to take over again as the DC area coordinator. Call him at 703-360-3305.

Will Vaughan reported the Charleston Founders featured Frank Linnell and Bob Clark as well as the clean livin' kid himself who has even given up his beloved Bavarian pipe. Cocky Cochran was unable to make Founders because of an Angina problem which has caused them to cancel the CO Mini, however he sounded great and said that he was getting good report cards from the doctors. Swampy Marsh said the San Antone Founders was great at the USAA building—Bernie Rogers was the speaker and the Marshes were joined by the Crows, Millers, Detwilers and itinerants Greg & Mickey McKee. Bob Kramer was golfing when I called, but Jo said they missed Founders due to a Golf tournament but that the local gang was fine. And your old Jack Christensen said that 6 classmates made Founders and that Ray Murphy was the speaker. He went on to report that Bill Gurnee is making a good recovery (back to work at 1/2 pace) from some serious surgery and that Felix & Doris Gerace, back from Teheran, are fine and thinking of going back! Fred Ascani and Kay

returned recently from Ft Lauderdale where they attended the wedding of their baby, 2LT David and bride Ann. David has just reported into Lubbock, TX, for pilot training to follow in the footsteps of the Thompson Trophy winner.

"Outstanding and getting better"—that is the battle cry of Joe Reed whose home refurbishing business is flourishing. Mike Greene said Joe had just redone their living room and didn't even get any paint on his beard! He is about to finish "Potopeake" their hide-away at the junction of the Potomac and Chesapeake Bay. Joe and Maurine are excited at the prospects of becoming grandparents in Jul.

Thanks to Fred Ascani's suggestion that led me to Kwajalein last summer USC has alerted me for another Pacific stint this fall. I will have finished the 25th Year Pictorial History of the USAFA (which, incidentally, is selling extremely well) by late Aug, so Kay and I are dreaming of a tropical Xmas. Have decided to give this very interesting program top priority and heed Fred's advice to press on for the PhD. Since this means typing for dissertation not poop sheets for ASSEMBLY, I have decided to take a sabbatical and happily have found Ben Spiller ready to give you some refreshing new input while he continues to head up the Journalism dept for CUCS. So send your poop to 2524 Pine Bluff Rd, Colo Spgs, CO 80909, and I'll see you when next the chipmunks scramble out of hibernation.

'42

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Didn't I tell you last issue that spring would come—and didn't it? And for those of us in Yankeeland, wasn't it fun to put away the heavy coats and long johns and feel the breezes on the body! (Hush up, you Floridians. We read the papers and know that you didn't spend the entire winter in a tee shirt!)

The best news of all is that the burden of supporting Richard Martin Scott has been shifted from the good burghers of Lancaster to all citizens of the Commonwealth of PA! Ec Sutler was the thoughtful one who sent a clipping from a Philly paper announcing that the ex-fighter pilot and dpty asst to the SECDEF was moving onward and upward from the Mayor's office to become the PA AG. I hope you hadn't tossed the old uniforms, Dick, and that they fit! Heh, heh! Sincere congratulations to you and Flo.

Ec wrote in mid-Jan that they were hav-



1942: Parfitts (Jun '43) and Bakers.



1942: Murphy, Dilworth, Finney and Furey.

ing a ball with his 2-ton bobsled on the glare ice. When seen in Feb, he and Ginger were both being more civilized, drinking and dining at the Thayer!

Cleanings from the holidays:

Horridges had all the tribe for the holidays except for Nicki and family; son-in-law Bob Seeger was winging through from Saudi Arabia so they had a 6-hour layover party with him at JFK. **Barbara Carpenter Hardy** wrote that the restoring of the old house continued unabated, with only a pause to have her family there for a Xmas visit.

Hoziers fled to Phoenix for the sunshine and in search of house #2. Shirley says that AZ land is better than money in the bank so if you have any of those "ranchettes" in the desert, there's your pigeon! They're counting down to the 37% Reunion, along with a heap of others. Requests for the planned poop-sheet keep drifting in.

Hunters' Xmas card featured a picture of Nancy's childhood home, "The Homestead" in Hometown, IL, handsome enough to have been in the family for 5 generations! Al and Nancy had cruised the Gulf on a Russian ship in Feb. A New Orleans departure provided the opportunity for a stay in the French quarter, with sight-seeing guidance from **Pat Timothy** and a dinner at the N.O.C.C. tossed in. The cruise was a success—clean ship, good food, good music and good weather. Underlined by the General was the fact that there was no tipping. Kinda gives the impression that that had a lot to do with all the above "goods!" The stop in Havana was the pits.

Michels had warned that Ted's look-alike brother would be at Marco Is while we holidayed in Naples. With no address and no phone number, no contact! Saw less of **Sissy Shelton** than usual because she spent a good bit of time with the family in AR, but we doubled up and caught up on her return. Because of a couple of days of what it never does in FL in Dec, son-in-law **Roger** and I were sent home while the gals stayed for the following week of sunshine. The very next day after **Roger** and I left, the phone rang, and there were the **Gernerts**. They'd paid young **Bill** a visit and decided to put Naples on their itinerary. Old **Bill** appreciated our departure and the consequent reduction in the size of the luncheon check!

Ted and **Joan** made it to **Usmay** for the annual insurance presentation to the **Firsties**. **Kathy Flanagan** was in on some of the festivities, **Murphys**, too, and the latter treated me to dinner in hopes that I would help inspire the basketball team against **St. Johns**. No luck but at least **St. Johns** has

made the close battle we saw look good by their progress in the NCAA playoffs. **Murph** had been here in late Jan to introduce **Lou Saban** at the **WP Soc of DC** luncheon. Both acquitted themselves well, and I was quite impressed with the new coach when we 3 and **John Sheffey** had **Happy Hour** together.

Shedds may or may not be recovering from **Mardi Gras** by now. They seem to be mad about their new home—but judging by their travel itinerary, I don't see that they've been in it long enough to know—and to have all the company they've had! **Billy** was out of the Army and job hunting, other offspring well-accounted for. The **O'Neals** were the latest recorded visitors, and timed their sojourn to miss our great snow.

The **Stanns** had been to TX to see **Jeanne's** son wed and should as of this writing be madly engaged in plans for her daughter **Jame's** Apr marriage. **Betty Williams** reports that **Pat** continues to chug along, thumbing his nose at his various afflictions. Son **Mark** is a full-fledged broker at **Hutton**, their tiger **Scott** at the **USAFA** is counting the days until he can stop hazing upper-classmen and start hazing plebes!

Chickie Hardaway not only sent a monetary contribution for the Xmas Newsletter



1942: Founders Day Charleston: Warrens and the Marks.

but also lots of family news. She is regularly employed at the P.O. but recently had an unexpected vacation when her 17-year-old dog nipped her. The hand became infected and she wound up with 2 bouts with the surgeons and 2 weeks in the hospital. The kids are fine, diversely employed and widely scattered.

Tom Rienzi will be hanging up his suit on 31 Jul. **Claire** would be of little help at the moment as she is wearing a cast on an arm broken when they both slipped on the ice and the General fell on the softest thing available—**Claire!** The **Sittersons** were other locals who timed a visit to **Key Largo** and **Naples** to avoid the blizzard of 79.

The **Lows** had a FL vacation, highlighted by a visit with **George & Jean Hughes** who rounded up **Shirley Sheffey**, **Johnnie Zimmerman**, the **Rowlands** and the **Scofields** for a wing-ding. And speaking of the **Lows**, a recent **Pentagram News** had an article on **Vint Hill Farms Station** which dates back to 1772. The article states that after the War between the States, "**Andrew Low** and his wife took up residence in an old ramshackle house that dated back to the days when the property was first settled and began construction on the two-and-a-half story brick mansion which now houses the **Officers' Club**. Had you known about the first Mrs. **Low** before, **Helen?**"

Andy Weigel's check for \$3.00 dues came in the amount of \$5.00 with the old, familiar,

"The \$2.00 is for beer." Presumably he'll never find out that it went for a martini!

Jeff Davis came by with a slightly obscene cartoon which has earned a place of honor "behind the Green Door" at my home away from home. **Bobbie Offley's** mother is here slaving for her son-in-law during his busy season. She accompanied us on a recent trip to the **Kennedy Ctr**, and when we ducked into the cheap restaurant for a quick bite, whom did we find ahead of us in line but the **Hamiltons**. As the 3 of us were seated and eating, **Bill** and **Gloria** were still waiting with 2 friends in line, while **Bill** muttered about dum-dums who seated couples in booths for 4 and left the parties of 4 to cool their heels! **Bill Ford's** stepfather died in OR in early Mar and **Bill** was off to put the pieces together. Deepest sympathy from all **Bill**.

At the 10 Feb Dinner-Dance, **Carl Ul-saker** was pried loose from the chair upon the election of **Rip Young**. Among **Rip's** planks was no more pregnancies among the 42 wives, whereupon the gals elected him by acclamation—and I didn't even know they had a vote! **Bill Ford** is our #2, **George Allin** retains the dirty end of the stick as **Secy**, **John Sheffey** continues to fund his skiing vacation as **Treas**, **Jeff Davis** is taking over the job of keeping our social life alive, **Westy Westenhoff** takes over as honcho for the monthly lunches and this old grinder will continue to grind any input you provide.

Jeff's first act is to charge me with reminding all that the Class outing will be at the **Cockrills** on 18 Aug. Contact him—at his home address—if you want him to send you a flier, and get your bid in to your local friends/classmates for housing! Which also reminds that the notices regarding the mini-reunion on 28-30 Sept went out on 1 Apr. If you've had 2d thoughts about joining the fun, write to **George Allin**—at home—for a copy...and hope you're not too late! He and **Ec** have been handling things. Surprising how well they've done without a cmt!!

Charlotte Robinson garnered herself a picture and a lot of fine recognition in the local press. Furnishing part of the background in the photo was a fellow named **Carter**. The occasion was the presentation of awards by the **Women's Caucus** for art in the oval office. Few of us have been aware of **Chardy's** contributions to the recognition of women in art. We knew that she had worked and taught in the **N. VA Art League**, teaches in the **Washington Women's Art Center** and had been to **Houston** in conjunction with the **Intl Women's Year**, but had no idea of her labors to arrange shows, open doors and politics—with a capital P! Heartiest congratulations, **Charlotte**.

From a more glamorous clime comes a series of articles about our own **Kickapoo Logan**, along with pictures from the recep-



1942: Founders Day Charleston: Standishes and the Munns.

tion following his wedding to Sandra Sheridan. With apologies to Sandy, the most telling remark in the articles was the comment, "He went to the S. Pacific with Naval Intel." That he did! Kickapoo is still painting, singing and enjoying—and wants to know when '42 will be together again!

Miz Shelton made the mistake of coming to our area for a wedding in Feb. Of course she ended up in the middle of our worst weather and found herself at the working end of a snow shovel. We managed to talk her into a couple of days with us, but she could hardly wait to get back to F-L-A.

COL Judge Plott found himself busting out all over in a very personal region and gave up golf long enough to have the hernia repaired. By mid-Feb he was fit enough for him and Bette Lou to join the Offleys, Bobbie's mother, Bobbie's co-worker and the Hansts for a weekend at the Greenbrier. Beautiful accommodations, great food, dancing, 2 tables of bridge, tennis, shopping and very extended Happy Hours made for a great time. I did notice that with each meal the management sat us farther and farther in the background! The big snow reached us there on Sun, and if ever a place was designed to look gorgeous in the snow, it's the Greenbrier. The trip home was a piece of cake—until we got home. Barbara and I hiked 3/4's of a mile in snow up to our knees; Offleys made it to the front gate of Watergate before their big car bellied down!

Betty & Lu Clay have finally declared the AF equivalent of "Damn the torpedoes, etc.," have the house here on the market and have a contract to build in Colo Spgs. In my mind, the question has never been "whether" but "when," and now the when is set for around the oneth of Jun. Their CO State son Colin is going through a painful recovery from a bad accident in which he broke his back and many attendant parts. Fortunately, he suffered no nerve damage. Colin was rappelling when he ran out of rope before he ran out of mountain and then fell as he was trying to climb down the last 30 feet.

A couple of kind souls recognized the fact that when you are reading your latest ASSEMBLY, I am facing a deadline shortly thereafter. Jack Barnes didn't wait for their Founders Day dinner but wrote that day to advise that his father Elmer E. of Nov '18 would be the oldest grad at the Puget Sound bash. Perhaps his folks just wanted to see what goes on in the hot tub at the Barnesyard! Jack was licensed as a real estate broker in Feb and is now looking for clients with money and in need of investment advice!

Joe Canon had help representing '42 at the San Fran Founders Day dinner from Jack & Betty Crowley, Jack & Lee Colladay and Skip & Grace Young. Joe's apology for the 50% representation for the Class will be withdrawn after he reads of the DC performance! Ray Murphy was in the barrel. Joe has 2 of the sons in residence, one new-ish-wed in Stockton, one in college at Humboldt State and one awaiting USAF orders for a year's tour in Turkey.

The DC affair was held at Bolling, and the Club did an excellent job for us. The speaker, Amb John H. Holdridge of '45 is an experienced China watcher. With reference to our recognition of Communist China, he explained in considerable detail why the timing was right for us to take the bull by the tail and look the situation straight in the face, but it was kinda like a Chinese dinner; an hour later I felt unsatisfied! If Bob Clagett, Crittenberger, Ely, Ford, Mizell,

Sheffey, Sitterson, Terry, Ulsaker, Vogel or Watson wish to give you a different interpretation, let them write the column! A good show, from the initial toast offered by Carey Brown of '10, our Carey's father, to the singing of the Alma Mater. Lu Clay's absence was especially noted. Over an après-affair drink last year, he bitched and moaned over the absence of the AF colors. I assured the General that his thoughts would be conveyed. This year we had the AF colors—and no Lu!

The Mar issue of the magazine Family which you find in your friendly commissary provided evidence of John Sheffey's effort to publicize NAUS by picturing him and listing the NAUS legislative priorities.

Last gasp. At the Mar luncheon, Rip Young presented Ray Murphy's latest on the Class gift, scaled down without the fountain but supposedly within budget. The vote was a unanimous let's get on with it. Maybe we can dedicate at the 37 1/2! Corky Corcoran was back from Puerto Rico for a few days at the right time to join us. Andy Low's apparent ill-health was merely a left-over from a trip he and Helen made to the USAFA and an overnight with the Gernerts and a bottle of bourbon. The bottle of bourbon obviously died a gallant death. Andy Weigel and the Garvins were witnesses to at least a part of the scene!

J'ai fini, et je suis fini. Have a good summer and shoot for the mini.

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'43

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As may be observed in the photographs which accompany this column, there were a number of celebrations of the 36th anniv of our Jun-in-Jan graduation around the country on the weekend of 19 Jan. Bill Neale advised me from the Centennial State that all of the CO contingent (except Chuck Lenfest, who was otherwise engaged) assembled at Phil/Jessie Bischoffs' home in Colo Spgs for an evening of wining, dining, and reminiscing. The roster of those present-and-accounted-for included the Bischoffs, Fishers, and Neales (all of whom live within 1,000 yards of each other in the Rockrimmon



Jan '43: Barbara Fiss (center) receives award with (R-L) Alan Campbell (chairman), Ersa Poston (Commissioner), Jule Sugarman and Bob Fiss.



Jan '43: Jun-in-Jan reunion: Benson, the Hacklers and Nancy Benson.

community where Bill is the Gen Mgr of the Homeowners Assn and Phil and Lowell are engaged in community projects); the Stolls, Dworaks, and Phyl Berry (also from Colo Spgs); the Ruyffelaeres from Boulder; and the Bestervelts, Hahns, and Pete Thaler from Denver. According to Bill Neale, Moe Dworak operates his own real estate appraisal company, while Ray Ruyffelaere and Pat Stoll are grad students—Ray at the UCO in Boulder and Pat at the same university, but in Colo Spgs. Also involved in the college environment is Jim Bestervelt, who is Dean of the Sch of Engr Tech at Metropolitan State Coll in Denver, while Bill Hahn is the lay asst to the Lutheran Bishop in Denver. Bill Neale closed his fine report with an invitation to all of us to join our CO contingent for a "victory party" this fall when Army beats the AF in football.

Meanwhile, our capable "Prez" and VP (Joe Benson and Ben Edwards, respectively), with the 110% cooperation of the Jim Hacklers, arranged an East Coast Jun-in-Jan reunion at the Hacklers' Caravelle Resort Motel in Myrtle Beach, SC. Those in attendance at this gala affair included the Dee Armstrongs, Ed Bennetts, Joe Bensons, Frank Camms, Ben Edwards, Bob Fisses, Jim Frankoskys, Bob Harringtons, Gregg Henrys, Suzanne (Kramer) Reed, and the Jack Woods from the immediate DC area; the John Buckners (from Jacksonville, TX), Charlie Burrs (from Columbia, SC), Bill Cuculos (from Suffern, NY), Joe Dovers (from Melbourne, FL), Fly Flanagans (from Beaufort, SC), Tut Frakes (from Greenville, AL), Les Hardings (from Atlanta, GA), Burt Hoods (from Charleston, SC), Ralph Hofmanns (from Columbia, SC), Art Hurrs (from Fayetteville, NC), Lee Jameses (from Huntsville, AL), Bob Kurtzes (from St. Andrews Rectory in Princess Ann, MD), Brad Lundbergs (from Cocoa Beach, FL), Danny Moores (from Deland, FL), Henry Saylers (from St. Petersburg, FL), John Van Duyns (from Charlotte, NC), and Bill Wades (from Columbia, SC). Despite the weather, which Jim Hackler warned might be "brisk and damp," the reunion was "off to a fast start" with wining and dining at the Caravelle on Fri eve, 19 Jan—which also marked the wedding anniversaries of a number of those present. However, as Jim advised everyone prior to arrival, "the motel foundations have been strengthened, the constabulary warned, and the stocks of beverages replenished" for the occasion. On Sat, some 14 intrepid classmates and 3 wives (i.e., Dottie Bennett, Ginny Harrington, and Skippy Moore) braced the elements for a stirring round of golf,



Jan '43: Jun-in-Jan reunion in Colo Spgs: Thaler, the Bischoffs, Carlie Stoll and the Bes-tervelts (seated); the Hahns, Ruyffelaere, Dworak, Hannah Ruyffelaere, the Fishers (middle row); Pat Stoll, Phyl Berry, Elaine Dworak, and the Neales (back row).

while the Dee Armstrongs, Fly Flanagans, and Ralph Hofmanns tried a set or 2 of tennis, and the stalwart Greg Henry jogged along the beach. The winner of the mens' golf tournament was none other than Johnnie Buckner, while the ladies claim that their match was a 3-way tie. That evening, the clan "warmed up" at the Hacklers before moving on for a rousing low country "shrimp-eroo" (i.e., cocktails, dinner, dancing, singing, and reminiscing) at the Pro's Table which, incidentally, is owned and operated by the Hacklers' son. Suffice to say, the reunion at Myrtle Beach was in no way dampened by what Jim Hackler described as "brisk and damp" weather. As a matter of fact, Jan Stanley, the organist at the Caravelle, wrote a note saying that it was one of the most enjoyable times that he had had—and when he "called it a night," Barbara Fiss took over for the "late show." Then, after it was all over and the dust had settled, Jim Hackler announced that he had sold the Caravelle and moved on to "do some other things." Maybe the foundation settled after all.

George Sykes, Pres of the WP Soc of S. TX this past year, reports heavy Class representation at the Society's annual Founders Day dinner on 10 Mar. This was a really gala affair with close to 500 grads, wives and WP friends present to honor the Academy and hear GEN Bernie Rogers (Jun '43), Army Chief and soon-to-be Supreme Cmr of NATO forces in Europe, make the main address. The dinner was held at the USAA Bldg in San Ant where Bob McDermott's staff and Tim Brown, chmn of the arrangements cmte, handled things in fine style. Tim Brown also serves USMA as Regl Rep for S. TX. Our deepest sympathy to Tim on the loss of his brother, GEN George Brown

(Class of '41), former Chmn of the Joint Chiefs. Also, our best wishes to Bill Starnes on his 2d ret., this time from USAA. Bill plans to remain in San Ant and become an engr consultant.

Attending the Founders Day dinner were: Bill & Mary Dee Starnes, McD & Alice McDermott, Jack & Myrl Daye, George & Kay Sykes, Bill & Marilyn Stewart, Dana & Betty Stewart, Bod Hillman, Billy Hovde, Tim Brown, Mitch & Helen Goldenthal, and Gene & Irma June Wink.

In random news from here and there:

- Pete Grimm advised me that Jack Wheeler, whom he sees quite often at APG, has left the Army Materiel Sys Anal Agcy at APG to join the AAI Corp in Cockeysville, MD, where he is conducting the test program for the Army's High Survivability Test Vehicle Light-Weight (HSTVL). Pete, who is with Sys Planning Corp, is providing staff support for the HSTVL program to OCSA. Meanwhile, Pete is keeping in "fighting trim" for the renewal of his tennis competition with Bob Beightler during our 40th Reunion at USMA in 83. It seems that they initiated this competition in 47 and would have played another match during our 35th Reunion, but Bob sprained an ankle.

- The traveling Fisses enjoyed several weeks in HI with those of us here in the DC area were manning snow shovels and dodging potholes. With the coming of spring, they'll be off for Rome, where Bob will be attending a NATO meeting and Barbara will be shopping. Congratulations are in order for Barbara, who was the recent recipient of the highest award granted by the Civil Service Commission (i.e., the Commissioner's Award for Distinguished Service) for developing the text and supporting materials for the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 along with Reorganization Plan No. 2. This Act and Plan represent the most comprehensive and sweeping reforms within the CSC since its inception in 1883.

- Eddie & Romaine McGough report that it was a "weird winter" in NM too—lots of bad weather which disrupted Eddie's golfing activities. However, they will be leaving the sagebrush and whooping cranes behind in Mar when they depart for a 2-month vacation to their "old haunts" in Spain, where they'll also be visiting their No. 1 daughter, Sara (not No. 1 son as reported in our last column), who is stationed with



Jan '43: The Kurtz', Dee Armstrong and the Moores at Myrtle Beach.



Jan '43: Golfers at Myrtle Beach (seated): Ginny Harrington, Dottie Bennett, Skippy Moore, Bennett, Moore and Harrington; (standing): Frakes, Hurr, Benson and Van Duyn.



Jan '43: The Burrs, Hofmann and the Har- dings celebrate at Myrtle Beach.



Jan '43: Buckner, Saylor (kneeling); Hurr, Wood, Wade and Frakes (standing) at Myrtle Beach reunion.



Jan '43: Sayers, Buckners and Dovers at Myrtle Beach with Jo Hackler and Arlene Camm in background.



Jan '43: Sykes, President of WP Society of South Texas, Founders Day.

her husband (AF CPT Dennis Lenzion) at Torrejon AFB.

- **Stew Meyer**, Mgr of the Ballistic Msl Def (BMD) Program, appeared before the Senate Armed Services Cmte to present the Army's case for the continued funding of the msl def program in light of the vigorous BMD program being pursued by the Soviets.

- **The Bill Knowltons** enjoyed their visit with their son Davis in Sri Lanka, where he is with the U.S. Embassy—but it was much too short. The Knowltons (accordian included) have promised to be with us for our 40th Reunion in 1983.

- According to **Donnie Griffen** in Honolulu, **Bob Walling** dropped in for a visit, but almost dropped in the ocean instead. It seems that Bob was ferrying a Beechcraft airplane from CA to Honolulu when he lost all of his navigational aids and landed with only 15 minutes of fuel remaining. However, keeping his "cool," Bob didn't even dump his CA wine overboard. Meanwhile, Donnie is encouraging his wife Dagmar to visit her relatives and family homestead in Bierzgliin, Poland, which her sisters say is "in beautiful shape, but is now the district hqs for a farming collective."

- **Bill Starnes** announced his ret. as Sr VP for Admin of the USAA, effective 31 Mar 79. According to Bill, he and Mary Dee will continue to reside in San Ant, where they have so many friends and relatives, and he will continue to work as a consulting Professional Engr in the engr and constr fields. Both of them will remain active in civic and community projects of San Ant.

- **Ted & Marge Seith** were elated over the arrival of their fifth grandchild, Kristin—the daughter of **Jim & Alberta Seith** in Las Vegas, NV. "Grandmother" was on hand for the happy event and subsequently joined "grandfather" in CA on matters of business and pleasure. According to Ted, **Vic Cherbak** and Vic's brother are now land developers in Cucamonga, CA.

- We are pleased that **Don Thompson** is recovering so well from his recent eye surgery. As a matter of fact, he even looks a bit like Masha Dyan with his black patch.

- **Johnnie Ross** felt well enough to put his cane aside and enjoy a 51-day round-the-world trip by land, sea, and air.

- As wife of the "Class Prez," **Nancy Benson** has taken the initiative in organizing a DC area wives' auxiliary, which will meet quarterly for social purposes. The next meeting is being organized by **Alice Ross** and will include a luncheon cruise down the Potomac to Mount Vernon.

In closing, the members of the Class bow their heads in mourning over the untimely passing of the following 3 members of its clan:



Jan '43: Doyle, Cobb, MacVeigh, Dannacher, and Cook during 35th reunion at USMA.



Jan '43: The Bensons, Edwards and Kay Armstrong at Myrtle Beach.

- **John Moses**, who died of a congestive heart failure at Walter Reed on 1 Feb and was laid to rest with some 15 of his classmates in attendance at Arlington Cemetery;

- **Ed Murray**, who died of a heart attack at his home in Rancho Bernardo (San Diego), CA, on 2 Feb; and

- **Duke Windsor**, who also died of a heart attack at his home in Melbourne Beach, FL, on 5 Mar.

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SMALL WORLD DEPARTMENT. In my United Way business I tool around town in my compact and just awhile back I noticed in my rear view mirror an automobile that seemed glued to the tail of my car. Since it was broad daylight I wasn't worried, just curious. My "tail" followed me up onto the parking deck of my bank and just as I dismounted (cavalry term) a young G.I. in uniform accosted me. "Saw your USMA 43 license plate," quoth he, "and I believe my father is a classmate of yours." The fog cleared and a quick exchange of ID ensued. Young man is none other than 2LT Frank Saul Jr., USMA '77, with the 2d AD Arty at Ft Hood. Our Frank, as many know, was ret. in 46 because of War II wounds and has been an assoc prof at Cornell U. since 59. Other son, George, is USMA '73.

BEAT THE DRUM SLOWLY On my return home from that youthful encounter I was greeted with a brief letter from **Norm Keefer** who reports that **Steve Sherrill** passed away in early Feb. Funeral services and interment were at El Camino Memorial Park, just north of San Diego, with full mil honors rendered by the 15th AF. Local classmates in attendance were the **Easleys, Dickinsons, Galas, Wheelers, Sheas, Ruth Pehrson and Keefer**. A wreath in USMA colors was presented on behalf of the Class. Steve is survived by his wife, **Bernie**, of Rancho La Costa, CA, his mother, **Mrs Stephen H. Sherrill Sr.**, 2 sons, **Steve III**, of Clearwater, FL, and **Taylor** of Palm Springs, CA, and a daughter, **Stephanie**, who lives with her mother. Our deepest sympathy to them all.

The last edition of **ASSEMBLY** carried a one line entry that **Thomas H. Brown** had joined the long gray line and I've only just gotten a brief note from his wife, **Boots**, with the following details: After Tom was ret. in 65 from loss of a leg in an air accident at Travis AFB, he went to work for **Ampex and Systron-Donner Corporations** as a sr sys analyst. His death was caused by cancer. Tom leaves his wife of 35 years, **Elvira**



Jun '43: Brand X (Sullivans) spring 1940.



Jun '43: Rogers addressing Class' 35th Reunion.

"Boots" Brown, and one son, Thomas Jr., who is a neuro-scientist at Stanford. One other son, James Gary, had been killed earlier in a tragic accident. Although there were no classmates on hand Boots said that many close friends from other classes were in attendance at the funeral on 30 Jan 79. Our thoughts will be with you.

UNIFORMLY SPEAKING: By the time you read this it will be absolutely no surprise that our favorite Army CS, **Bernie Rogers**, will be headed for Europe in Jun for a new intl asgmt as SACEUR. The White House and other DC news commentators are in agreement that he was the only qualified officer for the asgmt. Just further indications of greatness in the man. A tip of the hat to you, Bernie, from all of us. You and Ann will be missed on the local scene.

No less a personage than **Hal Aaron** has decided to hang it up after almost 41 years a commissioned officer. Hal who has been deep in the intelligence community has been so involved in top secret things that he can't write a job resumé. All kidding aside, the country is indebted to you, for a job well done. Hal's career spans War II, Korea, CO 5th Special Forces in Nam, Army G2 and Dpty Dir of Def Intel. Hal will go to work for TRW and like other retirees will be available to serve on volunteer cmtes, babysit grandchildren and the like.

Another DC news item lists **Jack Morris**, who will be our only active duty Pentagonite when the dust settles, as opining that the CE is lending their expertise to several for-

eign countries to help them with their waterways problems. Among those listed was Qatar, which if my Middle East geography serves me right, is the home of the Rub al Khali (or Empty Quarter)—as desolate a piece of ground as exists. I am sure that Jack is aware that there are lots of environmentalists and plain "good 'ol boys" who'd much rather have the CE there than fooling around in their backyards. To show you that Jack is held in high esteem he has just been elected to the Natl Academy of Engineering, said to be the highest prof distinction that can be conferred on an engr. Somewhere you'll see a picture of **Charlie Reed**, our resident Downeaster, doing the uniform bit in his capacity as Dpty AG and BG in the ME NG. The trophy presenter is LTG Jeffrey Smith, CG First Army, and my guess is that the Minute Man Trophy is for something athletic. Charlie, with tongue in cheek, avers it is for his bowling several 300 games and running a 4-minute mile. However, it has been rumored he gets dizzy from one full turn of his swivel chair. By the bye, Charlie, your picture mate, Smith, and I were charter members of the original

Mickey Mouse Club of El Paso, lo these many years past.

ONCE AROUND THE PLAIN: Steve Gordy reports, complete with evidence, that he and some 44 others of WP's elite jock set returned to USMA last fall for a tribute to Coach Earl Blaik during the Army-Washington game. Classmates still looking mean enough not to be tangled with are Gordy, Rip Collins, Ralph Hill, and Sy Sylvester. Most don't know that Earl the Red is a grad of the Basic Equitation Cse of The Cavalry School in 22. I was there.

SIGNALS FROM ALL OVER: Both the Fishbacks and Ken Smith were nice enough to note my accession to scribe and wish me well. Along with Jesse's note was a complete, row by row, line-up of those in the class picture at reunion (See ASSEMBLY, Sept 78). It is complete with arrows pointing thisaway and thataway and one cryptic note simply stating, "from bottom looking up." Jesse opines that collaboration with the Bells, Moes, Olivers and Streets produced it therefore any complaints will have to be settled by a class action suit. If any attendees want a copy of this roster for posterity I will be happy to reproduce it and send it along if you'll write and send me some news. Newlyweds Ken & Nancy Conard Smith report that since their marriage they haven't seen much of home in Columbus, GA, what with visiting all the relatives that had to be seen. To top it off both Ken's and



Jun '43: The Blanks



Jun '43: The Biddys, Proctors, Romaneks, Rogers and the Atkinsons.



Jun '43: Beanie Millards Cram School 1939.

Nancy's mothers and Ken's son came down with severe cases of botulism which fortunately had happy results. However since these people didn't live in the same place the Smiths lived out of suitcases for several months while commuting between Bennington, Boston and Kansas City. This spring and summer they are forecasting travel, travel, travel: first to see son David B. Conard, Jr. (anybody with initials DBC can't be all bad), then to Germany and some of Europe followed by a New England visit. Thanks, happy families, and keep in touch.

Willie Cover keeps me posted on what is going on in the nation's capital and forwards bags of mail intended for inclusion in this column. The latest of these dispatches is from the Bob Rookers down Rancho Murieta way in CA. Along with their new home goes the inevitable lawn building and landscaping. Unfortunately with the move Bob has had a breakdown of the total hip replacement job he had done in 76. This will entail an undesirable rebuilding program for him to arrive at a point of ease and comfort again. Many will be happy to know that his Bette is mending well after last year's surgery although she is still plagued with high blood



Jun '43: Reed receiving award from LTG Smith, CG First Army.

pressure. You other Californians look in on them and give us a periodic update.

Don Spiece sending from Tucson, AZ, tells us that daughter Sue, who is married in the Army, is following her service husband to Hal Parfitt's Canal Zone, while son, Donald Jr, USMA '76 writes home from the 8th Div Arty in Europe and youngest son, Steve, has announced his intentions for a service career via USMA if he can hack the academics. Don's main lament is that wife Lee has become a tennis bum (his words, Lee!).

Willie is the source of the following bit about Pete (the Weird Beard) Langstaff: Seems Pete breezed through N. VA in late Jan and came to lunch at Tyson's Corners with the following '43ers who mustered together for the formation: Les Hardy, Alan Jones, Bill Naylor (a name from the past), Hank Schroeder, Bill Scott, Art Rasper and Dutch Umlauf. Pete regaled the city-bound with tales of the Appalachian Trail and the Bicentennial transcontinental horseback ride in which all his maps and march graphs were confiscated by a lady trail boss. Ah, the code of the trail is hard. There were bits of teeth enamel in the envelope as Willie gritted his choppers in thoughts of being associated with a horse for so long. They say horses are coming back, old Pony Express rider. Will closed with some mush about an arctic campaign medal being awarded for the DC Blizzard of 79.

A one-liner in the Army Times lists our Bob Mathe as Pres of Engr Consultants, Inc., Washington, DC.

Norm Keefer, as dir. of the Mercedes Gull Wing Car Club (of CA?) has attended the Historic Car Races at Laguna Seca, Monterey, and later at the Concours de Elegance at Pebble Beach. Still later the club's convention was held at the Las Vegas Sahara Hotel with attendees from Europe, S. America and Japan as well as the U.S. The feature was 35 Mercedes 300 SL's in the banquet room. Apparently no parking in front of the hotel. A later communique has him going to a wedding in Lompoc and while there planning to stay with the Jon Vordermarks in their lovely home on a golf course. He relates that Jon's family is fully integrated in the Army: Son Jon Jr, is Chief Resident in urology at Madison AMC, but will transfer to Ft Hood in summer; daughter Stephanie is an officer in security at Ft Bliss; son

Jeff will be a Distinguished Mil Grad from VMI in May and will accept an RA FA commission; wife, Jeffie, a former Army nurse is head of nursing at the hospital in Solvang. Jon, who is out of uniform, is a math teacher in the local high school. What say, V-marks?

FOUNDERS DAY REPORTS: Bolling AFB hosted the DC Area dinner which honored R.C. Grady's father-in-law, former Army football coach Biff Jones. Bernie Rogers drew applause when introduced as they announced he had chosen to sit with his classmates. In addition to Bernie and Will there were Alan Jones, Dick McAdam, Grady, Hank Schroeder, Les Hardy and Bill Malone. Your scribe attended the doings at Bergstrom AFB hosted by the WP Soc of Austin and found we had kindred spirits in John & Mayme Cobb. I contacted Bud Bolling and Ralph "Carlos" Young in the Big D area and found that everybody was out of town at the time of the dinner.

Bud was in Honduras doing business for Commercial Wood Corp of which he is Exec VP. He said he will be changing horses the first of May to become Pres of Physicians Corp, a new business designed to relieve doctors of myriad chores and admin duties (I almost said relieve them of money) like running their business, leasing cars and boats, whipping up group malpractice insurance and the like. Bud had a vague idea where his house and office were in Dallas but he knew to the tenth of a mile just how far the first tee was from his front door. He contacted Howie Coffman for me and found he had been in Puerta Vallarta, Mejico where he ran into the vacationing Harvey Shorts. Carlos Young is up to his ears in the export-import business which he said is great right now. As for the San Ant conclave I was unable to raise anyone the times I tried.

THERE WILL BE ANOTHER RE-UNION: We are still counting on Class input to Hogan, Hardy or Cullinane for ideas for a Class gift to be presented at our (get this) 40th in 83. Don't dally, men. Willie says Hank Romanek is trying to promote a 37½ Reunion on a Caribbean Cruise in Jan 81. All you with sealegs and wanderlust sign up. Meanwhile if you have any mementoes of class life, either at WP during those trying days or later as we grew older and wiser together in the service, gather them together. If you don't want the bother, send them to me; I have several old footlockers, can store them and make them available at Reunion. For example I have a pad of Form 1's, my dance qualification card from Mrs Roberts, some old messhall chinaware, etc. Finally, the Temple Lions Club premier production of Superman goes on this week-end with you-know-who as Lois Lane. Try and catch it



Jun '43: Red Blaik's Homecoming: Gordy, Collins, Hill and Sylvester.

when it makes Broadway. Thanks for listening. Dan'l Flannel

FLASH Two reporting stations on Founders Day. Pete (mentioned elsewhere) Langstaff says he and the Andersons, McGees, Van Aukens, Wrights and Tomlinsons gathered together in St Augustine with others of the West Point Soc of No. Florida. And the Pres of the Chicago WP Society sent along a photo of the Jonas Blanks our only Rep in that area. Gotta Go...

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Fate served a cruel ration in the cold winter just past: Timothy, 17 year old son of Tom & Trudy Tarpley, died on 26 Jan from a tragic shooting accident at the hand of a good friend in which "the gun wasn't loaded." Tim was a 12th grader, football star and outstanding young man. Fred Kiefer reports the Class flowers were beautiful and appreciated by the family.

Smokey Wilhite succumbed to cancer on 24 Feb after a series of operations and setbacks. Mac McKeever and the Orlando gang were able to have Smokey at Mac's house for a party for the Myslinskis down from Pittsburgh for the Tangerine Bowl a week before Xmas. Bonnie plans to remain in Winter Park, FL. Mac and crew represented the Class in ceremonies.

On 3 Mar, en route to Salt Lake City from CA, Van & Rene Nealon lost their lives in the crash of their twin-engine plane in the Ruby Mts near Elko, Nevada. Accompanied by a couple who also perished, Van reported losing engine power in a violent snow storm, diverted to an alternate airport for emergency landing, lost the 2d engine and crashed near Secret Pass at the 6,800' level. Van and Rene were both licensed commercial pilots. They are survived by their 4 daughters.

We express for all classmates and friends deepest sympathy to the families.

Bud Cabell wrote that he's been flying helicopters in the Appalachian area. Bud's now at 201 E. Franklin St, Wytheville, VA 24328.

On 24 Jan, the Class luncheon brought 34 classmates together at the Army Mess. Although I was out of town, the names which stand out as rare, seldom or new include Grace, Ott, and Jack Peterson. George Blanchard dropped by.

Delayed report: Phil McAuliffe was at AWC last fall where he was hosted by the Dpty Cmdt Frank Cash. Frank is looking forward to another posting after his tour at Carlisle. Phil finds Panama quiet, cooperative and encouraging and believes the new treaties will serve U.S. interests well.



1944: The Andersons



1944: Wallis, Rodden, Ingram, Pugh, Mitchell, Carley, LaNarre.

A hardy band stood for us at Founders Day Bolling AFB DC: Connell, Czapar, DeArment, Eiler, Maish, Ott, Schardt and Sullivan.

Bill Peugh and Bob Schardt pulled a swifty and took a trip to FL in Feb where they joined Jack Elliot to figure out how the folks "back up No'th" should handle all that Big Snow our 2 heroes had contrived to miss. That's a good way to get to sleep on the back porch around here.

Although delayed, ITT reports that Ken Cooper, who ret. in late summer last, has taken a position as Group Gen Mgr of ITT Telecom and Electronics Group-N. America; Hq is Nutley, NJ. (Thanks to Marty Brewer '45.)

The Pres has approved Hennessey's ret. in grade come 1 Aug.

On 5 Feb, Tom & Natalie Mahoney's dinner party in Honolulu inspired Fair-B to load his camera with black & white. WP & Beth Anderson were "vacationing from

Hilton Head" for a couple of months after WP's heart surgery. ("So that's what Hilton folks do, I surmise!")

Johnny & Carol Werner were vacationing from San Diego (Heureux!). Bill Fairbrother working for HI Legislature again this year, and struggles home to Pat on Waikiki (Tres content). Joe & Susie Shelton off to Hong Kong to run a hotel there for a year while the Halekulani on Waikiki is being re-modeled awaiting their return (Ebullient!). The Mahoneys are toughing it out in their Honolulu digs "for the tax season" (See cut!) till time to return to their houseboat on the canals of Europe.

Breakthrough! Founders Day, ordinarily the dullest event ever conceived by mind of man, got a good injection of life in the form of the FIRST '44 West Coast Fiesta weekend held at Carmel, CA, just after the Ides of Mar.

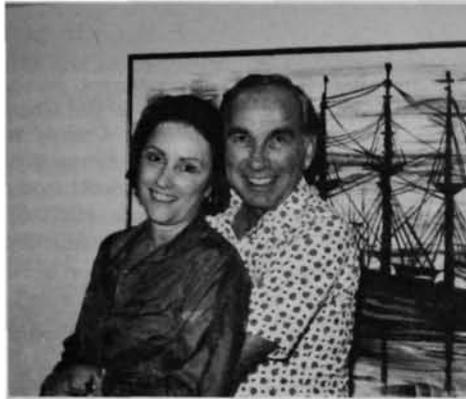
Undismayed by "threatening weather" (probably a stray con-trail!), burnt offerings



1944: First West Coast Fiesta: Row 1: Emerson, Jenks, Marshall, Cupper, Erlenkotter, Glab, Gervais, Carley, Wallis, Lynch; Row 2: Dorothy Jenks, Adele Emerson, Pat Marshall, Rosemary Cupper, Betty Erlenkotter, Dobbie Gervais, Ulli Carley, Loretta Handley, Kathy Wallis, Shirley Lynch; Row 3: The Mitchells, Pappas', Betty Rodden, Jeanette Ingram, Nancy Stowell, Mary Fowler, Jackie Hammond, Barbara Martin, Dorothy Reeves, Pat O'Donnell, the LaMarres, Dolores Stahl; Row 4: Clayton, Rodden, Ingram, Stowell, Fowler, Hammond, the Hemplemans, Reeves, O'Donnell, Martin, Handley, Forthoffer.



1944: Eaters and watchers at Mullers'.



1944: The Werners



1944: The Sheltons



1944: The Mahoneys

wafting from Pappas' pipe, unscrapped since San Juan Hill, restored the expectable Carmel clime of spring as First Call blew post-lunch Fri, 16 Mar. By mid-p.m. most of the 52 players had arrived. This full deck was dealt out to a local winery on tour and to a Hospitality Room and terrace at the La-Playa Hotel. Late arrivals got 3 demerits. Cocktail time was divided from dinner by a serious moment as the party paused to toast Rene & Van Nealon who, but for their tragic crash, would have been aboard.

Yes, Founders Day exacted its melancholy toll! The oldest and youngest grads were dragooned to speak—Forthoffer and Carley; Middle East culture was the theme and a well-equipped belly dancer appropriately departed with several packets of folding dollars tucked strategically and tactfully by "Class volunteers." There's a plus.

Saturday's golf, handicapped in Mitchell-math, produced a brace of net-65s at the Ord course, (no Pebble Beach??) with Dick Fowler's low net winning a jug of Bathtub Gin. Jeannette Ingram won the ladies golf, Dorothy Jenks took the ladies' tennis prize and Hal Emerson garnered the Cheap Vodka in men's tennis.

Non-jocks stayed busy: the Hammonds walked the beach, several took in the shops and the 17-mile scenic tour, and Dutch Glab toured Monterey—which will recover in time. Assembly for cocktails was timed to welcome Bill Peugh, in from DC to take the travel prize.

After dinner, '44 Graduation Hop cards with miniature FD buttons, gold covers and black cords were tributes and mementos for pro drags present. Word hath it that tales of derring do and why the Army (AF, Govt and Industry) has gone to hell, were well exercised.

Sun morning saw numbers of Sat nite heros creep quietly, very quietly, away; others brunchted at Pebble Beach Club. A few (sober, I wonder) stayed for Founders Day dinner at Ft Ord. Oh, no!!

Stowell's questionnaire responses, computerized and statistically regressed, will predict probabilities for next year. Less exact opinions give it a "barn-burner" rating. Look at the photo—that says it all. To top it off, the gang sent a transfusion to our Class fund. Super!

Ulli Carley, Hildegard Mitchell, Pat Pappas, Betty Rodden and their room-mates get the Tony award for a great first act of "Same Time Next Year," I hope to join; it would be a perfect 36.

D.O.W.S.E.R. (Dept of Wild, Strange & Egregious Requests) is established for the hobbyists and nuts among us. The bell-wether is from George Pappas: he has a collection of over 6000 distinctive insignia "crests" from Army and AF units—and is looking for more. (I'm more than ever convinced Pat has a reward beyond!)

Hope all of you had a good time at Reunion 35. I'll try to capture some highlights for reading in the fall. GSOYP, A!

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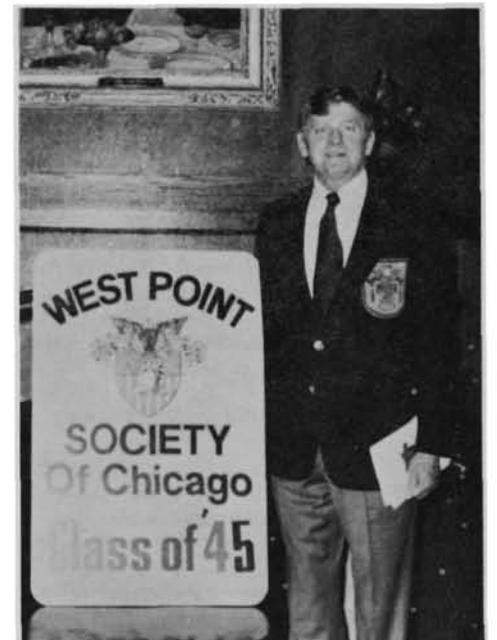
It is now only 11 months until our 35th Class Reunion during May Week 80. Here's a review of plans that are made so far: Reunion will be held from 21 May thru 24 May 80. (Graduation of the Class of '80 will be on 28 May.) Accommodations will



1945: The Gudgels and grandchildren.

be arranged at a place not yet selected but near the Academy and where we can all be together. (Thayer and Ladycliff are not available to us in 80.) The estimated cost is about \$130 per couple plus transportation and accommodations. The first reunion bulletin was sent out by our reunion chmn, Jim Herbert, in Oct 78. As of 1 Mar Jim has not received very many replies to his request to all of us to respond to his questionnaire which will tell him who plans to attend. If you haven't done so, write Jim at Box 1145, Ft Myer, VA 22211. Tell him whether you plan to attend and how many are in your party. Include wife's first name. Enclose \$25 reservation fee payable to "35th Reunion, Class of 1945." This will be applied to your account. (It's refundable if you are forced to change your plans.)

Here is the status of our memorial gift to WP: The architectural firm of Abramovitz, Harris, and Kingsland has been contacted to provide plans. Sketches of the facade of Eisenhower Hall with proposed crest—either USMA or a bust of GEN Eisenhower—and of the terrace showing location of benches and planters are to be in the Class Bd of Govs' hands in late Mar 79. Only about 1/4 of the Class has responded to the fund solicitation letters. Please respond to this request as soon as possible so that our Board will know how much money they can expect.



1945: Dallman



1945: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Marks '44, Guthries, Parkers, Craigs, Burkes.

Again this year, the DC area Class members plan to decorate the graves on Memorial Day of those classmates who are buried in Arlington. Jim Elkey tells me we have had 120 classmates die since graduation. He will be glad to provide information on any of the 90 that he has details about to those who would like to decorate graves on Memorial Day in any other area. For that reason or if you would like information on any deceased member, write Jim at Box 1145, Ft Myer.

Bob Erlenkotter ('34) wrote me that our classmate and his brother David Erlenkotter died on 15 Feb in Honolulu. Bob was visiting him on 1 Feb and said he appeared to be in excellent health, but apparently died of a sudden stroke. Dave's remains were cremated and scattered in the Pacific where he spent many happy days as a yachtsman. We are all saddened by Dave's sudden death.

The DC-area class group had the annual Washington's Birthday Brunch at Ft Belvoir on Sun, 18 Feb. Attending were: Hap & Jane Argo, Al & Eileen Bailey, George & Barbara Benson, Bob & Alice Burgess, Bates & Shirley Burnell, Lynn & Pat Cummings, Chuck Curtis & fiancée, Tom & Peggy Curtis, George & Lucy Daoust, Ernie & Fran Davis, Jim & Lillian Elkey, John & Pat Fitzpatrick, Toby & Barbara Gandy, Jeanne Gelini, Jim & Louise Graham, Art Greene, Dick & Pat Groves, Bob & Bunny Hall, Jim & Alice Herbert, Doc & Ellen Hesse, Rolfe & Calista Hillman, Jim & Ann Holcomb, Hank & Barbara Hughes, Bob & Gene Ives, Sam Lessey & date, Hoty & Peggy Lohn, Bob & Rachel McDaniel, Bill & Dorothy Millman, Keith & Peg Nusbaum, Bill & Betty Ochs, Wil & Agnes Rogers, Bill & Zigi Stewart, Bob Wallace, Aus Yerks, Bill & Betty Zook. A great party as usual!

In case any of you are in the DC area during the rest of '79, here's the schedule of monthly men's luncheons held in the SA Mess in the Pentagon—Rm 3C664. Refreshments are at noon followed by lunch at 12:30. Call Hap Argo for details at his office (533-8877) or his home (780-5895). Dates are: 11 Jul, 16 Aug, 12 Sept, 10 Oct, 8 Nov, 5 Dec.

Here's some bits of news all around the country distilled from mail around last Xmas' holidays. Don & Jane Rehm have built a house on the beach in NC. Hal & Julie Moore are enjoying CO where Hal particularly enjoyed being a working ski bum this past winter. Chuck Curtis is back in VA after having been in NJ since ret. Bates Burnell has been spending a good bit of time TDY to the Mideast. He and Shirley have qtrs at Ft Myer and enjoy their condo at Aspen whenever they can. Chuck & Becki Knudsen still have 12-year-old Barney at home in Titusville, FL. Son Jerry will be back from Germany duty this summer. Son Chip is going great with his photography—

his pic became a full-page color ad in a recent SURF magazine, and he also covered the races in Daytona. Les Ayres is coordinating an effort to stop the building of Warm Springs and Auburn Dams in CA. Lee & Jim Morris spent 3 weeks in Oct with son, LT Jimmy ('77) in Berlin. Jim keeps busy teaching, flying sporadically, and dabbling with real estate. He now owns an airplane! John Carley says his junk business (rebuilt auto starters and alternators) continues to grow and is fast becoming a pain in the neck with 33 people to pay every Fri and sometimes little left over for Lolly and him. Terry will graduate from law sch this summer. Chris, an Army CPT, is stationed in Atlanta. DA & Hank Hankins are still looking for non-metro areas between DC area and TX for a permanent home. Hank continues as a consultant to the Commerce Dept and GSA. (Hmmm.) George & Skip Hoge have more cattle but fewer pigs on their farm in KS. Lucian Truscott notes that the year he was 31 he made \$5273.67 taxable income. Son Lucian IV with his book "Dress Gray" and an advance on a 2d book that he is writing is already a millionaire at age 31. Joe McCarthy is still working in the Carlisle area while Nancy is in the real estate sales million dollar club. Daughter Nancy Jean is happily married (2 sons) and Tina works for NSA at Ft Meade. Joe (18) is attending a local college, skiing, and working part time. Bart Kerr is working hard on his book concerning a part of WWII in the Pacific. Tom & CB Maertens had all their family members home for the holidays—Tommy and Karen from grad sch at UTN; Buddy, Nancy and boys from AK; and Alice from Clemson. Ed & Jackie Pickett had all their kids home for holidays and enjoy Los Gatos. Martha & Jim Rasmussen spent Thanksgiving in Maui. Bob & Lei Fye are in Colo Spgs for the 3d time where Bob is CS of NORAD. They have bought a ranch style home in Scottsdale, AZ, which has a 46-ft patio overlooking the golf course.



1945: Marriotts and Pulliams



1945: Sargent, Brown and Root.

Pops McNeil sent me a clipping telling about Dallas' emergency office. Eventually this office will be able to operate like a war room, but in early Jan, only partially ready, it had trouble coping with the big ice storm in big D. Jim Maris is the plans and operations officer for this activity. Pops had dinner with Peg & Joe McCaddon and Bob Mackinnon on 1 and 3 Jan. Bob is managing dir of Bell Helicopter Intl, and Joe is managing dir of Rockwell Intl. They're back from Teheran o.k. Nancy Mackinnon didn't arrive until 4 Jan, however, and was on the TODAY show describing the wild evacuation. Maura McNiel was the subject of an extensive profile in the Dallas Times-Herald Sun Mag complete with picture of her and Pops on the cover. The extensive article detailed Maura's contributions to Dallas and her life with Pops.

Dot Gudgel writes that their special claim to fame is 9 grandchildren—8 girls and 1 boy. 6 of them along with daughters Nancy and Betty were with Ed and Dot for 3 months waiting to join overseas husbands (Nancy's in Germany, and Betty's in Korea). Son Gerry is with IBM and Bob is on staff of their Palm Bay Community Ctr. Ed is in 3d year of work as off-campus grad program dir for FL Inst of Tech. (George Jones and Herb McCrystal also work for F.I.T.) They're all planning to attend Founders Day on 28 Mar and hope to see the Ray Clarks and Tom & Joan Gleason.

The picture of '45 LTs in the Mar issue of ASSEMBLY was a reunion held at Mose Wright's quarters in Russelshheim, Germany. It was late 46 or early 47. Those in the picture: Ryan, Fuqua, Wright, Landrith, T.J. Nichols, Cross, Dworshak, Guthrie, Kane, Marben, W.M. Nichols, J.M. Morris, John Bennett, McChrystal, Nunn, Muehlke, Johnson, Brownell, Summer, and Roger Miller. Al



1945: Founders Day Los Angeles: Rousellot (speaker), Whitcrafts and Knolles.

Muehlke called to contribute the names he knew and did identify the one that Mose Wright couldn't remember. Al lives on the Olympic peninsula, northwest of Seattle but on the side of the mountains where they get very little rain—a beautiful spot he says. He fishes and plays golf and is active with the VFW. Also in the Pacific NW are John Forbes near Ft Lewis where he sells homes, and Faye Worthington who is in the Tacoma area also.

Bette Root wrote that she was having her right hand operated on in Feb (Dupretan's Contractions). She was to be wrapped up in wood and plaster for 6 weeks. She and Jim and daughter planned a trip this past May for a week in Maui and a week in Wahoo where they planned to see the McMurdos.

Here in the Nashville area we are facing our annual crisis. The Middle TN WP Soc performs one function a year—a Founders Day get-together. There's always a mad scramble at the last minute to get organized. This year the committee sent out a flyer saying "Save Mar 23d—details soon." The next flyer said "Forget about Mar 23, let's try for Apr 21." Here at home Mary Jane has become itchy. We've been in this same house for over 6 yrs and no PCS! So—we're



1945: de la Guardias and McAuliffes '44.

wallpapering all the bedrooms (previously painted) to get our own change of scene. MJ says she now much better understands the expression: "Busier than a one-armed paper-hanger."

Have a good summer. And don't forget to let Jim Herbert know if you can make it to our 35th!

'46

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(130) For the first time ever, I attended a Founders Day dinner. The fact that GEN Bob Shoemaker was the guest speaker at WP on 15 Mar 79 influenced my decision to go. Bob's talk was great. He first made us all laugh while he kidded himself about his high school athletic abilities. He also advised our new football coach Lou Saban, who was present for the festivities, that maybe Bob's plays as the team quarterback might be useful this fall. His talk was also short, but he did discuss the serious duties he faces as FORSCOM chief. As old company mates, I told Bob afterwards that it was very typical Shoemaker, concise, yet interesting and also amusing.



1946: Founders Day Charleston: Mrs. Stanfield and the Simpsons.



1946: Greenes, Richmonds, Barlows and Mattoxos.



1946: Founders Day: Murphys, Mileys and Butler.



1946: Founders Day Los Angeles: The Hamiltons, Feibelman, Frank Hamilton, the Browns and Papajohn.



1946: The Venters, Bookes, Rogers, Cramers and Webers.

The affair was co-ed, so Ethel and I were able to visit with Jack & Betty Barth, Bob & Miriam Lamb and Tony & Clare Cucolo. We all had a good time and also learned that there is now a Dpty Supe position presently held by BG Bagnal '56.

To the family of MG Bert David I wish to express the heartfelt sympathies of the Class. I was not aware of his death until I saw the latest ASSEMBLY. Bert had ret. in 77 and to my knowledge Shirley is still in Camp Hill, PA.

The new Dir, Readiness, HQ DARCOM, is MG George Patton, effective 14 Feb 79. George and Joanne left Europe and can now be reached at 5945 Searl Terrace, NW, Wash, DC 20016.

Our Far East travelers, Harl & Judy Koch, report in from Kweilin as of 28 Jan 79. They had been to Canton and Nanking. While in Kweilin, Harl ran a 10 km race with 550 Chinese and 2 Dutchmen. He received the prize as the oldest competitor!

The Class is well represented in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, by Ben & Elli Boyd (Box 18, APO NY 09697), Jack & Alice Becker and Pat & Anita Pendergrass. Ben, who wrote the letter, is with the Parsons Co, an engr constr firm from Pasadena, CA, and he is managing the construction of a large indl complex at Yanbu. Jack is with the Constr Div of the CE. Pat has arrived recently from Omaha and is representing his company which is designing a new university hospital in Jeddah. Last Nov, Ben and Elli



1946: Founders Day Charleston: The Duncans and Stanfield.

went on R&R to Athens to visit with MC Dick & Rae Bresnahan. Dick is Chief of the JUSMAG in Greece. The 2 couples made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and were thrilled with their experiences. While in Athens they met Jack Gilham, who was in on a business trip. The 3 men enjoyed a round of golf, with Ben the big winner.

A group of 4 classmates and wives assembled in early Mar at the home of Betty & Bryon Greene, Hartsville, SC. The out-of-towners were: JoAnne & Ken Barlow, Columbus, GA, who sent the info; Betty & Bobby Richmond, Staunton, VA, where he is a high school math teacher; and Betty & Stan Mattox, Easton, PA. Ken also has seen Jack Gilham recently, as Jack flew home to Columbia, SC, where he and Ann live. Jack does consultation work and was there for 2 days business at Ft Benning. Ken says Jim McGarity, who teaches at a college in Naples, FL, is very happy in that community.

'47

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As I assemble this issue, the Dec one has not arrived yet. Hoping that you receive this issue in time, please remember to get in your Founders Day activities. If you didn't attend a formal Founders Day event, write in anyway.

Late Xmas cards arrived from: Dells who report that the L.A. contingent of Flatterys, Pierces, Levenbacks, Littlestones, Davis', Sargents and Greenbergs are all happy and in good health. Gloria, Dell's dau, is in DC and will be married in May. Robbs in DC are enjoying ret. Joan & Dick Allen in Deerfield, IL, stay busy: Joan is teaching and Dick perks along with the Haynes Corp. Dau Patty is a Freshman at Spring Hill Coll in Mobile, AL. Harriet & Glenn Davis report that Tom Rogers visited with them for several days while Tom recruited football players.

News from classmates in the great SW dribbled in during Jan: Nancy & Bill Munroe continue to stay very active skiing and

playing tennis again. They had a chance to visit with Pat & Al Haig who were in Tucson early Jan; Al, to address a civic organization. Munroes escorted Pat around the UAZ campus. At the same time, Mockie & Mike Maloney were at a guest ranch attending an IBM function. The next day when the Munroes took them in their van on a tour of the hillsides around Tucson, Mike was very upset to learn that they had missed seeing the Haigs. Bill says that the Tucson area has received a lot of rain this year; his swimming pool is still overflowing!!

In a birthday card to Bobbi, Mary Lou & Jim Edington passed the following: Tom Benson on a business trip to Honolulu pushing electric cars for the Dept of Trans, visited them for dinner one night. They also had a good visit with Jill & Jack Faith who were in HI in Feb. Mary Lou and Jim have a new granddau, Jennifer Bolger, born to dau Lacy at Tripler AMC. Jennifer, I believe, is the 3d generation Edington to be born there!! Edingtons say that they are going to Kauai in May and to the mainland in Oct. We expect a visit in Oct!

A short note from the Burners state that they are developing cabin fever in MI with all the bad weather. They hope to get to a Founders Day and see classmates.

Jane & John Mastin, on their way to Herkimer, NY, for the marriage of their son Wayne to Kim Whalen on 12 Jan, visited and passed the following: Bunty & Pete Karter are all alone now with all 4 of their children having flown the nest. The Karters, from Old Lyme, CT, attended the wedding too. Louise & Hal Richardson visited the Virgin Is in Feb. Peggy & Mel Le Blanc were flood victims last spring when heavy rains came to New Orleans. Their dau Michele is graduating from Loyola this spring in Accounting. Mary Ann & Bob Gossett are enjoying So. CA. Ruth & George Harrington remain in the DC area where George has joined Beech Aircraft. Posy & Tom Rogers, on one of their many recruiting trips for USMA, spent 3 days with Gibby Perkins in San Ant. Gibby is selling real estate. Anne & Buster Little should have their home built now about 100 meters north of the SC border at Carolina Shores. Their kids live in TX: son Bob and wife Suzi, in Laredo; son Bud and wife Linda in Ft. Worth. Jeanne & George Levenback are very happy in L.A. Their dau Paula has a big



1947: Robertson and Scowcroft



1947: The Gardners, Adele Schneer, Bland, De Gils and Kennedys.

contract with Universal Studios. Kay & Jim Johnson find life at Governors Is is more relaxing than at Belvoir. Bill West is still working for Pillsbury in Minneapolis. Althea & Ken Hatch, rock hounds like the Mastins, say there are 2 great rock shows in Eugene, OR, each year. Bonnie & Bob McNeil are ret. and enjoying their 8½ acres at Barrowood Acres, Custer, SD. Elaine & Ed Greene have no statistics to relate. All is well with them in MD.

Faithful correspondent Pat Haskin, sent a Happy Valentine's Day letter from which I shall extract: "Willis Knipe is teaching math in a Kokomo HS; Dorothy is going into the 10th year at Branch Bank as head teller; dau Kathy is in Ft Collins, CO, where her husband is practicing law. They are expecting their 2d child in Mar; dau Julie is a social case worker with a welfare agcy and living at home. Culins are extremely happy. They love the home they built themselves in Carmel Valley, CA. John's grapes are about ready for the first wine crush. Friends with big feet are standing by. Bobbie walks miles each day with her dogs which she is grooming for a show. Bob Baer was in town attending a meeting at Ft Bliss and came out for dinner. We hadn't

seen him since our DC tour 10 yrs ago and he looked the same. Tom Rogers called from the airport 2 weeks ago. He had been stranded at Midland." The Haskins remain busy as always: Doc still attending ETEP at El Paso for his master's and from time to time hitting 78 on the golf course. 20 years ago I can remember we hit a 100! Pat talks to all the kids on a programmable telephone that son Tom has.

Marie & Kermit Reel sent a wonderfully long letter relating their trip last year (see last column) and mentioning that 2 yrs ago they traveled 11,000 miles in 10 wks, including a moose and caribou hunt in British Columbia. They are leaving again for FL in mid-Mar for a week or so of fishing. But their BIG trip will be for Jun through Aug when they go to AK by way of motor van for camping and fishing. They hope to see Gerry & Bill Goghill in Anchorage. Harry Ball is working on his PhD in Hist at UVA, Charlottesville. Reels don't see Harry as much as they would like, but Marie gets together with Helen for lunch frequently. "Charlottesville is a great town in a great location."

The DC contingent must have had a terrific party on 2 Mar 79. All of the notes, most of them illegible and incomprehensible, were enclosed in an envelope to Bobbie and Al somewhere in Lubbock, TX, from Bunny & Bill Nairn. The postmaster is to be commended in being able to complete his duty. Maybe we need more Class parties on a quarterly basis to get the news in! Anyway, here goes: Anne Baer reports that she has 3 "great" grandchildren. Bev Rosen says that Barb & Frank Boerger heard Al Haig speak in San Fran; Bev met Bob (who is on civ TDY in Frisco) in Chicago. Elise & Bob Haldane went to Europe in Jan as CS Seventh Army and USAREUR. Bea & Len Staszak are happily settled in a beautiful house in Phoenix, AZ. Jack Coyne has been doing an outstanding job for AMS on the Phoenix Msl program at Hughes... Herb Pinkerton has been running a real estate training program in Vienna, VA. A

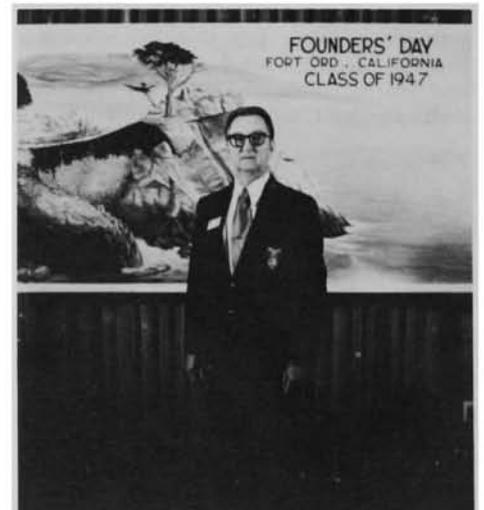


1947: Founders Day Los Angeles: The Littlestones, Sargents and Greenbergs.

newspaper clipping states: "Gen Alexander M. Haig Jr., Supreme Allied Commander, Europe has been named to receive the James Forrestal Memorial Award of the Natl Security Indl Assn. Haig will accept the award and address the dinner meeting of the group in DC on 15 Mar." Reckmyers are "expecting" 3 more grandchildren for a total of 7. Snyder's son Alan married Sandy Harris on 3 Mar in College Park, MD. McAdoo's son Mike and wife had a baby boy born 12 Feb. The gloom period party was held at a Hungarian restaurant in Fairfax, VA, and attended by an average count of 33 people. An unimpeachable source reports that Ed Cottongim, who did not submit any info of his own, was very conspicuous at the party by virtue of exceptionally attractive companionship.

As I was going to press, 3 last letters arrived: Jane & John Mastin have been roaming the SW for 3 wks. They stopped in El Paso where John represented '47 at Founders Day dinner. They visited the Haskins and then Gibby Perkins in San Ant. Gibby is always anxious to see any classmates that come to San Ant. Betty & Pete Boergers' dau Judy had a baby girl on 6 Feb. Faithful correspondent and predecessor scribe, Bob Rosen, relates that since Labor Day he has been essentially commuting between San Fran and Chicago with an occasional stop-over in DC to renew acquaintances with his family. Bob has seen Mary & John Delistraty at their home in Diablo; and Bob Koch at Ghiradelli Square one evening by accident. Muriel & Bill Webb are now on their first asgmt to DC. We can't figure out how Bill managed not to be assigned there. He is Asst DCSPER. Bob spent a day with Barb & Frank Boerger in San Anselmo. "Frank is still consulting, but has some interesting sidelines. He is a member of a Citizens Advisory Comm for the Natl Park Service and has been quite active in the establishment of the Golden Gate Natl Recreation Area. This spring he will be chairing a series of hearings to be held in Las Vegas and L.A. on what to do about the wild burros in the Grand Canyon."

Ed Robertson reports that as far as he knows, Cecil Fox and he are the last 2 of the Class still on AD in the USAF. Cecil commands Oklahoma City Air Log Ctr and Ed, Chanute Tech Tng Ctr. They are planning a small reunion with Perry Gainey in San Ant, TX, on 21 Mar. The distinguished enclosed photo shows Brent Scowcroft and Ed taken at an Officers Dining-Out held at Chanute on 16 Feb. "Brent was the guest



1947: Perry

speaker and gave a brilliant talk on our current foreign policy situation." They both look as trim as plebes.

Well, gang, keep the news flowing and have a good summer!

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A wedding in the Kiernan family is upcoming, and it is a most pleasing prospect. Joe III, a Phi Beta Kappa and magna cum laude grad of Williams College, and presently a med student at the UVA, will marry Sharon Coyle, also of Williams, cum laude, and a med student at the Medical Coll of VA, in Jul. Congratulations to them both, and Marianne can be properly proud of her firstborn. By the way, the picture of Sharon in the Post, along with Joe, is beautiful.

Bob Finnegan sent a welcome note which carried with it a clipping from the Sacramento Bee. It was a letter to the editor and mentioned my name a couple of times with respect to some immigration matters. My sins follow me. Bob is with the state govt in Sacramento and enjoys life there. They now have 5 grandchildren, and one of their daughters is getting married this May. Great to hear from you, Bob. It has been too long since our paths have crossed—Ft Riley, as I recall.

Audrey Kastris wrote a piece in the Star about Jan. She used to find it a dull month, but now sees it as a welcome R&R after the Xmas season. It is a charming article, quite up to her usual standard of excellence. Now, in the last issue, there was to have been a picture of Audrey's and Jack's new dog, who was standing on its hind feet at their kitchen sink. It looked all the world like a black bear. Subsequent to my filing the column, Audrey wrote telling me she had entered the picture in a contest, and the picture could not have been published before. Hence, the quick withdrawal of it, without changing the text, however. Hope that clears the matter up.

Jim Allen sent this picture of him receiving the L'Ordre Natuonal Du Merite from France's Ambassador to NATO, Mr. Jaques Tine. Assisting in the ceremony was LTG P. Larrart, the French Mil Mission Chief to SACEUR. Heartiest congratulations, Jim. We all are very proud of you. Jim and Kitty see Bob & Carol Pomeroy regularly. Bob and Carol will ret. to the DC area this summer. Jim and Kitty report that son Jeffrey is now a CPT in the Army JAG, stationed at Ft Stewart, GA. Jeff graduated from the UVA, and received his law degree last year from the U. Richmond. He and his wife, Cindi, are well settled in Savannah. Jeff's



1948: Mr. Jaques Tine, Jim Allen and LTG P. Larrart.



1948: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Carters and Clarkes.

sister Kathy is also married, to Rick Costanzo, a standout tackle at NE and drafted by the Cowboys. Unfortunately, a knee injury prevented his playing pro ball. They reside in Ridgefield Park, NJ.

Charlotte Webber sent along a shot of her handsome grandson, Craig, aged 18 months. His parents, Karen and Rick, let grandmother baby-sit quite often. Charlotte and son Kenny drove his new Toyota Land Cruiser from FL to his station in Panama last summer—4,000 miles. They had a great time. She flew back through Guatemala City to see the ruins at Tikal. Not content to be a homebody, Charlotte and her mother recently visited Morocco. Jun will see Kurt graduate from USMA, and Charlotte may stop by DC on her way home to see the group. Her address, by the way, is Villa 198, Imperial Southgate Villas, Lakeland, FL 33803.

Alice Cockerham recently returned from FL where her mother lives, and brings news. She spent a weekend with Les & Ginnie Carter in St. Petersburg. They live on a deep water canal in a lovely home complete with swimming pool and sailboat. Larry & Dottie Hoyt were there at the same time. Dottie's quite a fisherman (person?), and caught 3 casting off Les' dock. The Carters would enjoy seeing any and all, and their address is 2001 Carolina Ave, NE, St Pete. One intriguing feature of their home is an indoor-outdoor bathroom. I'll have to get more details from Alice. Larry and Dottie are considering relocating to FL, and were scouting the situation. While with the Carters the entire throng went to Stub & Sug Clarkes' magnificent home north of St Pete on a golf course. Alice reports meeting both Clarke offspring—Chip, who is a junior at Wake Forest, and Julie, 16, who is one of the most beautiful and poised 16-year-olds Alice has ever met. Takes after her mother, obviously. As to the Cockerhams, Sam is now with I.D.A., their son, John, is a 3d year med student at UVA—look up Joe Kiernan, John (and, as Alice parenthetically remarks, a middle class mother's dream: "My son, the doctor."); and Taylor, John's sister, will graduate from Mary Baldwin Coll in May. She plans grad studies in architecture. Alice received her bachelor's degree in Jan, and urges those wives who might be toying with the idea of returning to school to do it!

Ann Hooker sends news of Bill Burrows' ret. ceremony on 19 Jan. Bill received the DSM from GEN James Hill, commander of the ADC, and Pat was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation. Bill and Pat have moved to Seattle. The Ken Barbers were also in

attendance. Ann reports that Jim's mother passed away the day before last Thanksgiving. Our sincere condolences, Jim. Ann also reminds all of the Army-AF game in Nov and the big Class party afterwards at Chez Hooker.

The annual bash, complete with a dance band, was held over the long weekend in Feb. From the north country were the Sheffields, Hugh Perrys, Cushings, and Wilhides. From the environs, as we say, came the Doyles, Schmidts, Bernetts, and Starrys. It is entirely possible that I have overlooked some—so, let me hear about it, please. The next day Marianne Kiernan and Joe & Louise Bratton hosted a spectacular brunch at the latter's lovely new home in North Arlington. Then, the snow started, and prudent people began to make tracks toward their homes. Never did hear how Donn and Letty and Bob and Judy made out. As you may have read, we got the 2d biggest snowfall on record in the next 24 hours. It was great.

Still waiting to receive news from many of you.

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Sad news once again to open our column. Shortly before Xmas, Dick Wagner was watching a football game on a Sun afternoon, decided to take a nap and never woke up from an apparent heart attack. Dick was one of the few people in the Class that I haven't seen since graduation; somehow, he was able to escape DC asgmt in the past 20 yrs. When you hear a name, there is usually a picture that comes to mind immediately and for me, I'll always remember Dick as the "Spider" with those long arms eating up ground balls as he glided around



1949: The Kesslers and Levings.



1949: The Marleys



1949: Rasmussen, Croonquist, Feir and Norman.

the infield. Dick ret. in HI in 71 and had just been promoted to VP of the Towill Co., a major engr firm in the Is. From Bert Turner's letter "Dick's funeral service and burial was at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Punchbowl and it was indeed a moving ceremony attended by both his mil friends as well as many of his civ associates. Vonnie and I were pleased to represent our Class and pay our respects to Tony and loved ones at this sad time." Dick is survived by Tony and four children: Dick, Steve, Kathryn and Terry, and one grandchild. Tony can be reached at 1673 Walea St., Wahiawa, HI 96786, and our deepest sympathy is offered to all the family.

The Turners hope to be back for the 30th, but run into the complication of having to be back on the mainland several weeks after the Reunion to see their youngest son graduate from Stanford.

Retirements are occurring so rapidly now that it's tough to keep up. George Hoffmaster and Lou Baumann both "hang it up" in Mar as does Chuck Reed. It's difficult to face up to the fact that 30 yrs have passed so swiftly.



1949: Founders Day Los Angeles: Goering, Jamison, Mitchell and Sencay.



1949: Founders Day Charleston: Nelsons and Clear '50.

Someone came up with the calculation that we will have only 25-26 classmates on active duty this summer.

George Sylvester is back in the DC area, as VCmdr, AFSC at Andrews—Harry Griffith returns from Korea in May—haven't heard his asgmt yet. Chick Cleveland moves from HQ USAF to VCdr ATC at Lackland.

D.D. Overton has made a lot of the business magazines and papers with his purchase of Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co. for \$122 million after liabilities. The articles describe D.D. as an industrial developer and builder with operations in the U.S. and abroad. He owns and manages the C&O Development Co. and Systems Controls, a shipping company in Kenly, NC. He also owns industrial parks in Kenly and in Santee, SC, as well as doing business in Dubai in the Arab Emirates. His new acquisition is the 6th largest cigarette producer.

Charlie Cheever made it to our last luncheon in DC—the banking business has kept him young looking. His appearances at the luncheon are about as frequent as Ray "Red Light" Moss, who we finally got to attend after about a 10-yr lapse. Ray immediately got together with old hockey-mates Norby, Milliken and Donohue and arranged a visit to Capitol Arena.

The Reunion plans are going well; in fact, by the time you read this column, our 30th will be a thing of the past—at least I should have a lot more news to deal with than I have for this column.

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With 30 Mar just around the corner (the deadline for another ASSEMBLY column) I'll try to organize the letters that have come since the last issue, and get this off to WP.

I have great news to pass along: Bennie Davis is taking command of the ATC at Randolph AFB, and will get his 4th star, the first in the Class. Congratulations Bennie, on continuing your outstanding service to the country. Credit also goes to Pat, who has been so much a part of that service.

In Jan Clyde Spence called on his way to the AWC at Carlisle Bks, where he was to be a guest speaker. He had pinned on his 2d star the first of the year, which was good to hear. He has a busy life in Heidelberg, but both he and Marilyn seem to find time to do some traveling and shopping. I'd still like to get him back here for some handball games.

Ginny Faurer called in Feb; Linc was here on business, and she decided it would be a good time to catch up on their young people. She had spent a week in CO where Doug lives; Patty graduated from CO State in May 78 and is thinking of attend ParaLegal Sch. Bruce lives in McLean, VA.

Don & Clare Sampson sent a note shortly after the holidays to tell us of their new plans: They are to leave for Saudi Arabia in Jun, where Don will be employed by the Vinnell Corp in a project to strengthen that country's internal security. Mike and Kathy, their 2 oldest, are married. Elizabeth, now 18, is a freshman at American U. but she is looking for a place to pursue a serious study of ballet. Don's and Clare's 2 little girls, Patsy and Julia, are happy and well and helping their parents keep a youthful outlook on life. Don asked me to pass along



1950: AUSA Luncheon Dallas: Briggs, Lougheed, Graham and Hughes.



1950: Price with twin sons Allen (left) and Van, both USMA '77 graduates, at his retirement.



1950: Back row: Pick, Tormey, Romaneski; Front row: Fran Pick, Ann Tormey, and Marilyn Romaneski.



1950: Mathias-Thomas wedding: GG, Sharon, Wes, and Shirley.



1950: Curry-Gaskins wedding: Bill, Chip, Renee, Kevin, Linda and Bettie.

his new address: Mr. D.E. Sampson, Vin-nell Corp. #1, APO NY 09038.

I talked with Bill Clement in Feb when he and Ann were back in DC for a few days. Bill, incidentally, is still the Dir of Opns and Int for USAFE at Ramstein AFB. He reports son Randy is in Law Sch at UFL; Sandy is teaching at the UMD in Germany; Susan is happily settled in Winterhaven, FL, and has 2 children, one boy and one girl. Ann had a chance on this trip to visit Rob in Gainesville, GA, where he is very busy running a firm called Wet Paint.

In early Mar, Mac McMullen called. He is currently working on the space comm program for Western Union, supporting some of the satellite comm work at the Goddard Space Ctr. Unfortunately he is leaving in May, so we won't get a chance to see much of him in this area. Mac and his wife Holly are currently in Crofton, MD, where his particular interest is with TDRSS work for the space shuttle. His oldest son Malcolm, 23, is a furniture designer while John, 19, is working in films in NY. Warren, 6, and Steve, 3, complete the family and keep things lively around the house.

Chuck Graham spoke to the Dallas Chapter of the AUSA in Mar, and at that time saw 3 classmates: Dave Briggs who is a lawyer and has lived in Dallas many years; Bob Hughes, who is Jim Donovan's dpty in the Engr Dist; Jack Lougheed, who has been in business there since 54. Unfortunately, Jim Donovan was tied up and couldn't come to the luncheon. Chuck said that Sam Nicholson joined them for the Founders Day celebration at Ft Hood; Sam ret. from the AF and teaches in the h.s. in Killeen—Sam also commands a N.G. unit in that area, which had recently received much praise for its proficiency during civil defense tests. All the Grahams are enjoying TX!

Sam & Tillie Smithers drove south from DC in Feb on a 2-week vacation, and ran into Volney & Janice Warner in the PX at Bragg—they expect orders this summer. The Smitherses also saw Gladys Maladowitz (Ray was on a trip) and GG & Shirley Thomas;



1950: Founders Day Charleston: Flynns and Blairs.

GG commands the Abn Board at Bragg and loves it. GG told Sam that Joe Love is a law office admin in FL, as is Bill Steinberg in DC (and as is Sam). Sam's reply: "a great ret. job!" Sam and Tillie headed south to Mobile where they spent 3 days with Chuck & Fae Watters, who are enthusiastic about ret. life there. Chuck works for the Mitchell Co. which builds and operates commercial and residential projects throughout the SE U.S.; he's apparently done very well and has been promoted to a CS type job. Son Jimmy is a jr at VPI, in the Navy flight program there—he'll serve 5 years active duty in the reserves after graduation.

Heard from Harry Rushing's son, Harry, in Feb. He and Susan and one year old Aaron are in Vernon Hills, IL. Harry has been with Youth for Christ, is now part of Campus Life, a personal ministry to young people, and he is working on his master's degree. They hope to move to FL before long for a new ministry there. Harry would like to hear from classmates who were friends of his father, who could tell him something about him, "any memories or incidents concerning him—I would be grateful for any help you could give me." His address: Harry Rushing, 337 Mallard Court, Vernon Hills, IL 60061.

Janice Warner wrote a nice note in Jan. She'd had Mono "and 2-3 days a week bed rest doesn't allow me to be very productive." She and Volney had all their family together for Xmas; daughter Vic and her husband Steve left for Korea in Mar for a 2-year tour; Valerie will be married in Jun to a classmate of Jim's and Jerry's; Jim is still at Bragg—he and Volney pass each other in their day-to-day duties; Jerry is with 1/75 Ranger at Ft Stewart. The end of Janice's note read: "Much has been accomplished here at Bragg, but so much more needs to be done for the young soldier's family." The words speak for themselves.

Mary Pharr Love wrote in Feb, says "it's great having all the girls in Jacksonville. Mary Bland passed the bar exam, is now working with a law firm there; Ouida continues in the Volunteers of America House, trains at Pinecastle, is home nearly every weekend; Robin gained a lot from her year in Switzerland—she works in the lab at Jacksonville U., rec'd an honors award in Mar; Lee will be 16 in May, is another 'A' student—she's looking for 'a summer job with horses.' As mentioned above Joe is admin of a law firm there, and really likes it; Mary Pharr keeps on the go with being Admissions Rep for Randolph-Macon for that area; just to be sure she wouldn't have time "hanging heavy," she was food chmn for the annual Cancer Fashion Luncheon in Mar—with 124 cooks organized!

Ross & Lee Franklin had their family together for the holidays; they like it at Ft Benning, periodically see classmates passing through. Lee has become a real estate agent, so that keeps her on the go. . . . Sandy & Ruth Sanderson are "rattling around in this big house in lovely Carlisle Bks" where Sandy is the Dpty Cmdt.

There are a few weddings to report, as you will know by the pictures which should be with this column. Bill & Bettie Curry sent pictures of Chip's wedding on 16 Aug 78 and one of Linda's wedding a month later.

GG & Shirley Thomas had a great time in San Antonio, TX when they went down for son Wesley's wedding to Sharon Elizabeth Mathias on January 6, 1979. Wes' sis-



1950: Founders Day Ft Sill 1979.

ter, Temple was a bridesmaid. Hugh & Ann Holt were there; Chuck & Alice Graham had to cancel at the last minute. Temple is a freshman at FL Southern Coll; in Jan she was asked to become the Freshman Little Sister for the Sigma Chi Fraternity. GG and Shirley are glad to be back at Bragg—"a nice way to end a wonderful life in the Army."

Jim & June Irons' daughter, Constance Ann, was married to Allyn Irvin Richert on 24 Mar 79 in DC. On the same day at WP, Robert Henry Hoisington Jr. and Debra Ann Nytko were married; they left the very next day for Germany! Tom & Betty Lou Austins' daughter, Laura Nell, married Carl William Horn, LT USA, at Ft Dix, NJ on 14 Apr 79. I hope by the time the next deadline arrives (30 Jun—write me right now!) we'll have some pictures taken those happy days.

One really nice event that is pretty regular here in the DC area is a classmates' lunch which we have monthly at the Flagship Restaurant. We have a roster of sorts, and divide up the calling to remind people, and we welcome anyone who happens to be in town to come join us. We usually have from 15 to 25, and tho we like to have you tell us if you'll be there, there's no problem if you have to cancel at the last minute, or if you find you can come at the last minute, when you had previously said no. Give me a call at my home phone if you're interested. We had a get-together last week, and while I was talking to George Lear he mentioned he would like to get an extra HOWITZER (1950). If anyone knows where one is available, write George at 5111 Nahant St, Washington, DC 20016. . . . Reg & Sally Lombard stay busy with activities at Ft McNair. Son Terry is living in their house in Portland, ME, broadcasting on the graveyard shift, part-time. He also works in a produce warehouse. Daughter Kris is in Nursing Sch at Syracuse U.; she pledged the sorority Sally belonged to, and Sally flew up for Kris' initiation as a surprise.



1950: Sparks-Curry wedding: Bill, Linda, Renee, Chip and Bettie.



1950: McCleary and Fern.

In Mar, Andy & Fran Pick flew to Panama and were guests of the Lt Gov, our classmate, Jim Tormey and his wife Ann. Also in Mar, so that their visits overlapped (although neither couple knew about the other when they made their plans), Leo & Marilyn Romaneski flew to Panama and were guests of the Tormeys. From all reports they had a GREAT time. Marilyn is sending a picture which Fran sent her, of the 3 couples. I hope it will get together with his column, so we can see those 6 friends together in that far off place.

A note from Bess Banister in Jan said they love being at Ft Huachuca again. Grady is the Tech Dir-Chief Scientist of the USA Electronic PG—pretty impressive! All 7 of their young people came for Xmas, plus 2 wives and 3 grandchildren—so they had a real family reunion. How our families do grow at this stage in our lives! Bob Gard was at Huachuca in Feb when he was a guest speaker.

Walt & Shirley Adams left Berlin and are now living at Ft Belvoir; he still makes the trek to the Pentagon however, where he is the Dir of Sys integration in OACS Automation and Comm. His past as head of CSC must have caught up with him.

Founders Day at Ft Belvoir was great, the more so because the wives were invited too.

Jim & Patti Kelly were at the head table since he commands Belvoir. Bob Kubby, with Marilyn of course, was the other classmate there on active duty; he's with the Engr Sch. Fred & Helen Hamlin (he's ret. and has joined a number of classmates with BDM) gave us the news of their grandson: Kevin Joseph Hamlin, son of Andy and Mary Hamlin was born on 19 Mar 79 in Aschaffenberg, Ger. A first grandchild is always special! Lynn & Mae Mather (he's with Computer Sciences Corp.) and Robin and I completed the '50 group.

Dave Pettit sent a postcard during his recent trip to the Far East. He spent 4 days in Peking "devoted mostly to palace and temple touring, and of course the Great Wall." A business trip took him to Kuala Lumpur. From there he went to Shanghai where he spent some time in a commune, watched acupuncture, saw a spectacular acrobatic show. Hangchow and Canton were next, "a truly educational and pleasureable tour."

Ding Price's dad sent the fine picture taken of Ding at his ret. party the end of Feb. Ding ret. as chief of Sys & Engr Div, Production Dir, Def Log Agcy at Cameron Sta here in Alexandria.

Have had a couple of fine letters from Ralph & Corinne Detherow. Ralph has had more flexibility in his right hand, and his left arm and leg have been aching, which he hopes is a prelude to feeling. With some return of a sense of balance, and being able to distinguish hot and cold on the left side of his face, that's a lot of improvement! They both, like the rest of us, are glad to have spring at the doorstep. With all the snow we've had this winter, "It's enough, already!"

Mark your calendars to send me a note with your news for the next 2 deadlines: 30 Jun and/or 30 Sept. I need news to have a column. Have a great summer!

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Howie Steele insists that I always mention the Regl Reps at least once in each column. So I will. Where are Y'all?? First time no input! Not like you at all.

As you are aware, the DA staff is being guided along the straight and narrow by the Class of '51 but now even Europe is getting some of our expertise. Ted Atkeson joined the operations man Robbie Robinson on the USAREUR staff as the intel man this year. Congratulations. The word is also out that Sandy Vandenberg is leaving the Air staff as their operations officer for sunny HI this summer.

Sandy Sanderson was overheard lauding the TV program "From Here to Eternity" and commenting that it took place ONLY 40 years ago! Only?? He also took an EST course this past year—his change was that he developed a taste for "spaghetti." Al & Mary Akers are enjoying the country life just outside the DC area. Since they acquired a black baby Labrador—must be 100 pounds now—Al has to count the people in the house to make sure they're all still there each morning. Jim Phillips stopped in to have lunch with the Exec Cmte this past Mar. He saw Jim Rockwell who was visiting Aberdeen on Tri-Tac business the day before. Jim Phillips—who has spent the past decade at Huachuca—will be taking command of the Electr PG at Huachuca this month. He reported that brother David is still at Detroit in TARCUM.

Joyce Milburn made the sports page of the Salt Lake Tribune in Mar and Rocky can be justifiably proud of his family. Joyce won the womens over ? class in Citizens Down and Out Slalom Race at Park City West. Daughter Kathy won the womens 20-29 class race. The Milburns live only 10 miles from the Alta Ski Area at the mouth of the canyon and anyone going to Alta or Snowbird has to pass within a couple of blocks of the Milburn home—so any classmate, drop in and get a free guided tour of the greatest snow on earth!

Note the picture in the column of Barnett DeRamos and Peyton Cook. The picture was taken at Sewanee Academy during Parents Weekend. Barnett and Betsy have two sons, Sterling and David, enrolled. Peyton was Dean of Students there for the past 4 yrs and is now Athletic Dir. For the first time Peyton and Anne are without children at home. Their oldest, Peyton, graduated from the USAFA this May. The 2 younger boys are in the Engr Sch at Duke. George Meighen has a son enrolled at the U. of the South



1951: The Class at Bollings Founders Day 1979.



1951: Crowe and Ryan.



1951: The Buffingtons and Holle at the Canadian Embassy.



1951: Sanderson and Samotis.



1951: Sitting: Mary Foldberg, Nancy Russell, Bradley, Foldberg; Standing: Ann Rockwell, Betty Smith, Libby Peixotto, Dell Bradley, Russell, Sanderson, Claudette Barber and Jean Leffler in Camden, SC.

and the Cooks are waiting for George to come up and visit.

Pete Thorsen ret. from the DA staff this year but I haven't heard what he is doing. Ce Nist and Joe Knittle are both ret. and in Tucson. John Cousins ret. a few months ago and he and Mary have settled in Dublin, OH, where John is working with the State engr. John Ritchie's wife Terry is a student at UAL and just finished her practice teaching course to become a teacher. And Pat Pattillo is still at the UAL as the PMS&T. Red Leffler heard from Danny Foldberg who reported that he and Mary are enjoying ret. in Ponca City, OK, and their daughter is expecting their 3d grandchild. Joe Sites' order from Europe to Carlisle Bks was in the Army Times. Don Zurawski will be returning to the States this summer but he didn't know where at this writing. Bill Crouch commands the Acft Dev Test Acty at Rucker and finds time to display his talents as a technical writer. In an article entitled "RAM/Log Helps in Chinook Modernization," in the Army Research, Development & Acquisition Mag., Bill points out that this Chinook program is the latest to use the Reliability, Availability, Maintainability and



1951: The Psihas'.

logistics data collection system. Supposedly, this is the best method available to the Army today to gain a clear, accurate, comprehensive insight into the RAM/Log aspects of newly developed systems. For complete coverage, see the Nov-Dec issue.

Clint & Liz Granger sent us a lovely Xmas card this Easter which was printed on 100% recycled paper made entirely from reclaimed waste paper with advertising that no trees were destroyed to make the card. As Clint said—he galloped ahead through the alphabet to the best of his ability—and reached the V's for Easter. At least Gerry & Roland Tausch were only a few days later with their New Year's card proudly announcing that daughter Clare became a Sr Regl Dir in Con-Stan Int'l—the youngest person, world-wide, to reach the highest sales mgr level in Con-Stan. Clare is married to Jeremy King Miller, Class of '73. The family held a reunion in Paris this past spring at a company get-together where Gerry taught skin care and makeup techniques to the directors from France, Switzerland, UK, Australia, New Zealand and the U.S. Roland hosted a roast for the pres of the company on their last night in Paris.



1951: Sitting: Missy Webber, Ab's mother Marge, Mary Smith, Mary Jo Prince, Pat Graham; Standing: Webber, Meyer, Smith, Prince and Graham at Houston, TX.

El Birdseye has embarked on a career as a ship's analyst with Information Spectrum Inc. in N. VA. El now spends a lot of time climbing around destroyers (Navy boats). El and Alice report that son Jim is now a CPT at Eustis preparing to leave for Europe and son Don is still with the 82d FA at Bragg. From the Windy City courtesy of the WP Soc came the surprise photo of Harlan Johnson and his wife attending the Founders Day dinner-dance. A finer surprise would be for Harlan to drop me a line! Elsewhere in the column is a photo of the Class attending the DC Founders Day dinner—courtesy of Bob Breaks, Class of '36, who happened to stroll by. As usual it was shocking how many specific detailed stories were remembered from 40 yrs ago. Mostly non-attributable such as the one Dick Ryan told about Paul Niedringhaus in 5th Co. in the field during Beast when a Firstie asked for his rifle and instead received a "Sir, I buried it!" Why? Well, Paul should write in and give his version of that answer. The last thing I heard that nite was Dick saying "... why don't you like me?" Arlie Sherman who is in the Chevrolet business in ME sent in a generous contribution to the Class fund and related that he and Paula have a son in the DC area attending Georgetown Law Sch. Which reminds me to remind you that our goal in the Class fund now is



1951: Atkeson and Dean.

to gain maximum participation. If you haven't gotten around to it yet, take a moment to send something to BG J.L. Fant III, 871 McClelland Dr, MacDill AFB, FL 33621. The first use of our fund has been for the Class of '51 Seminar Series and the first term at WP was clearly a success with students and faculty alike. Course-end comments from the cadets indicated that the seminar series was one of the best aspects of the American Institutions Cse. Guest speakers were made available to the cadets from the military, Congress, military industrial complex, media, science, business and labor.

The Annual Class of '51 Spring Fling was held at beautiful Sea Palms Golf and Racket Club at St. Simons, on Sea Island, GA, 30 Mar to 1 Apr. Attendance included 28 '51ers with 27 wives and friends, coming from TX, AL, NC, SC, KY, GH, VA, MD, FL, and Mexico. Festivities began on Fri with a cocktail party at the expansive and delightful home of Pete & Pat Clay—hosts, organizers and sponsors of the mini-reunion. Subsequent social activities included dinner at Bennie's Rustic Red Barn; disco dancing; sports—golf, tennis, shuffleboard, etc.; tours of Jekyll and Sea Is; games of chance; and a sunset oyster roast at CAPT Hopkins' residence, with big live oaks and Spanish moss on a bluff overlooking the marsh.

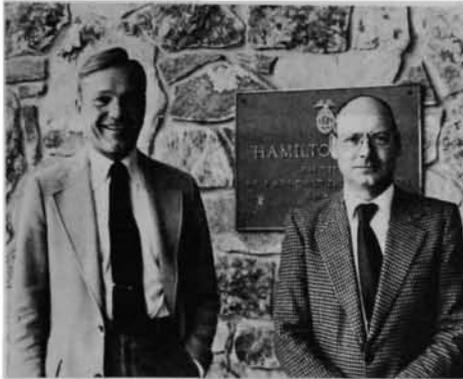
Highlights of the reunion included: Leonor Galligan the big winner at the poker game; Walt Russell narrowly edging out George Meighen in both shuffleboard and the 2-



1951: The Harlan Johnsons.



1951: Peixotto, Leffler, Dr. Butkus, Richardson and Steele.



1951: DeRamos and Cook.

legged race; Ann Meighen acting as tour guide for the Galligans, Dell Bradley, Gardes, Brooks, Martins, Peixottos, Lefflers, and Russells; golf participants included the Keeslings, Sully Johnsons, Bill Bradley, Freddy Sartin, Samotis', and Bill Owens; tennis pair devotees consisted of the Fants, Hank Evans, Clays, Irvings, Stannards, Wardrops, Picados, Barry Harris, Pelouquins, Malouches, Walthours, and Mike Simpson; and disco enthusiasm was generated by Ab Webber, Samotis', Clays, Peixottos, and Walthours.

John & Mary Tatum left early to attend a wedding, and sorely missed due to last-minute cancellations were Missy Webber, Barbers, Cooks, Coughlins, Elders, and Guyers. Incidentally, Dan Foldberg in Ponca City, OK, was very excited and enthusiastic to receive a Sun morning phone call (2 a.m.) from a number of clear-thinking, highly articulate, composed classmates.

As a result of the enthusiasm exhibited by participating classmates, Ernie Peixotto and Red Leffler looked over a possible site at Pawley's Is, SC, for next year's 29th Class reunion. Another location recommended for the 1980 celebration is Lake Lanier, near Atlanta. Sites and volunteer hosts to date are: Pawley's Is—George & Ann Meighen; Atlanta—Walt & Nancy Russell; Sea Is—Pete & Pat Clay.



1951: Holly Vellella, Webber, the Elders and Lynn Johnson.

And just in are congratulations for Bud Hoff on his well-deserved promotion to permanent prof and Head of the Dept of Chem at the Academy.

A SAD NOTE: On 1 Apr 79 at 1530 hours, John McGee Bohem who ret. in 72 passed away at home. With him were his wife, Dolores, 6 children and grandson. Burial was at Arlington with full mil honors. The Class joins in expressing to Dolores and family our heartfelt sympathies and will dearly miss Maggie.

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As I write this, Charlotte and I have just returned from a quick trip to FL where we purchased our ret. home at the above address. While in Melbourne fighting frustration over the rapidly escalating prices of homes, Charlotte and I were fortunate to have the opportunity to renew old friendships with Fern & Bob Woodward, who put us up for the duration and patiently listened to our saga after each unsuccessful day. Success was achieved on the last day allocated for the trip when the agent showed us one last house as an after thought and it was exactly the one we had in mind the whole time. In May I begin my 2d career as Water and Sewer Admin for the City of Melbourne. Fern & Bob Woodward and son Brian are all well and happy. Bob is a gentleman of leisure (having ret. from the AF 4 yrs ago) but manages to stay quite busy around his one acre estate on the outskirts of Melbourne. Charlotte and I had only met Fern once before but are eagerly anticipating making up for lost time in the coming months. In case you didn't know or don't remember, Bob was one of my First Class roommates. Though we didn't have time to look him up, Bob informed me that Don Gray is the only other classmate he knows to be in the immediate vicinity. I believe Don is one of those thought to be missing. His address is 82 Country Club Rd, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931. A glance at the roster of the Space Coast WP Soc showed both Bob's and Don's names but it also showed why Ray Koestner (at ret. age) ended up the jr grad at a Founders Day dinner a few years back. There are lots of names senior to us on the list but only a few junior in the area. Bob tells me that Ray moved to SC a couple of years ago.

Bill Reilly writes that he recognizes that my column comes from the info you all provide me about classmates but that no one from '52 ever comes to MO. Then he proceeded to mention 6 classmates he knew something to say about. So you see that even if you don't feel you have anything to say, saying it anyway is the stuff that columns are built upon. You're all invited to write me, call me (I should have a phone by the time you read this. Just call Melbourne information), or stop by and visit me to poop me up. (I could especially use black and white pictures). Bill says that Pete & Dolly Selleck are pretty close to MO since Pete is Missouri River Div Engr in Omaha. While Bill and Pete haven't gotten together yet, they have talked on the phone and naturally promised to make the "face to face" in 79. Bill also expects in 79 to see the Memphis crowd; Lehmans and Bells at least. In the DC airport a few months ago, Bill stumbled into John Tipton and



1952: The Rileys, Robinsons and Hulleys.

found that he ret. there too. Vicky and Bill moved into a new house in Columbia last May and have out the welcome mat. Bill is still at the construction site of the Callaway nucl power plant and loves it. Bill mentioned Maryanne & Tom Nelsons' relocation which I reported a couple of issues ago and he also reported that Becky & Dayton Pickett have relocated to Centreville, VA. Dayton had a heart attack in Sept but seems to be coming along fine now.

A final Xmas note arrived after my deadline last issue. This one was from Bill Raiford and just said "Hi" and "Thanks," without any info about Chase and himself. I guess I'll have to depend on one of the rest of you to tell me anything new about the Raifords.

Bob Sears noticed the info about Mike Collins and Harry Van Trees in the Boston Marathon and forwarded the inclosed picture of himself finishing the Fiesta Bowl marathon in Phoenix last Dec. It was handed to him in Jan by an unknown man who drove up while he was running in the morning, handed him the print, and dodged back into traffic without losing his place. Someday Bob hopes to find out who the mysterious photographer is. His number in the race, 552, was considered lucky by Bob since it contained our Class digits and he was 52 years old for insurance purposes. The last digit coincided with this being his 2d marathon and was also the last digit of his finishing place in the 50-60 year age group, 12th. He invited all to a reunion following the Boston Marathon on 16 Apr, but you won't be reading this till Jun. "Habits for life" on his T-shirt, is a service mark for a weight loss program which is one of the behavior modification programs available through a corporation started 4 yrs ago by Phyllis and himself. They also have programs for stopping smoking and assertion training. All include methods for increasing cardiovascular fitness.



1952: The McKnights with daughter Marsha and son-in-law, Libhart '72.



1952: The Scamans



1952: The Tanguys

They will soon have a complete program for reduction of heart disease through improving fitness, losing weight, stopping smoking, and handling stress appropriately. They now have some franchises operating and are ready to open more franchises outside the Southwest. If anyone is interested, they can contact Bob at 1130 E. Missouri, Suite 520, Phoenix, AZ 85014; phone (602) 264-5897. It's a particularly good business for retirees.

Barbara & Ed (Mac) McKnights' daughter Marsha was married to CPT Jim Libhart, (USMA '72), on our Class' 26th anniv, 3 Jun 78, at Ft Gordon, GA, while Mac was DCmdt of The Sig Sch. Barbara and Ed have since been reassigned to the 5 Sig Cmd in Worms, Germany. The Libharts, now in CO, will be assigned to Stuttgart, Germany in Jun.

Another wedding: Betty & Al Bracys' son, Ensign Ray Bracy, USNA '78, was married to Evonne Westbrook on 10 Mar at the Fairfax Chapel, Ft Belvoir. Emilia & Otis Moran were there and reported it along with the list of other classmates in attendance: Karen & Al Bracy, Mary & Dan Danford, and Ann & Ed Thompson.

Otis also sent me an article from The Retired Officer, Jan 79, showing that Craig



Alderman "has joined Baird Corp as Intl Mil Products Sales Mgr, Bedford, MA" and that George Tronsrue "is VP, KEMCO, San Diego, CA," and he reported that Jack Pilk is now in Arlington, VA, and Carol & Dave Ahearn are now in Alexandria, VA. Twenty-seven names show up on the list of classmates for whom our Class locator (Otis) has no address. If you know the current address for any of the following, please notify the Association of Graduates and Otis through our Class box, USMA Class of 1952, The Army-Navy Club, Box 52, Washington, DC 20006; Baird, H.H. Jr.; Bergeson, Raymond O.; Broadhurst, Hugh H.; Butler, J. Douglas; Carpenter, Gordon D.; Carroll, K.A. Jr.; Coleman, Richard C.; Custis, Arthur B.; Dickinson, Ronald K.; Dunmire, Thomas; Grafton, Benjamin M. Jr.; Hegberg, Donald E.; Horan, Edwin P.; Jelen, Edward J.; Jess, Raymond C.; Jordan, Joseph L.; Landon, William D.; Mitchell, William L.; Norton, Raymond F.; Palmer, Robert Lansing; Pereyra, Jorge R.; Scalzo, Louis C.; Simon, Joseph S.; Truax, Robert H.; Webster, Sherman L.; Wilson, Harry; and/or Wright, Robert E.

Having reported last issue about seeing Don Weinert's signature as Exec Dir of the Nat'l Soc of Prof Engrs, I then read in the 8 Feb Engineering News-Record an article about the new life that Don is breathing into the society. Don took the position in Sept and has applied his energetic leadership to overcoming a number of developing concerns. I also saw Don's picture on the cover of the Feb 79 Professional Engineer, peering over the shoulder of Pres Jimmy Carter at an Engineers Week event. Congratulations and good luck, Don.

From the Army Engr Officers Wives Club Chit Chat I see that Loup Arnold ret. the end of Jan as Portland DE and he and Ann moved to the New Orleans area where Lou's job was not named. "Ann hopes to find an old house and work on it and then sell junk (antiques)."

From Army Times: Mike Juvenal is DCdr, TECOM, APG, MD; and Jack Gilkey is transferring from Fac Engr, USMA, to an unnamed asgmt in DC.

Bert Stubblebine's byline shows on an article entitled "C3I For Automated Focus on Intel Picture" in the Mar 79 issue of Army. Bert is the Cmdr of the Army Intel Ctr at Ft Huachuca, AZ. Good article, Bert.

Hank Lowder sent me the notice of the 1 Mar Class luncheon but I was unable to attend and I haven't received any info from



1952: Founders Day Ft Benning: The Duries.



1952: Coffman and Elliott.



1952: Sears at finish line, Fiesta Bowl Marathon 9 Dec 78—3:20:36.

it. The next Class event will be our annual party on Sat 30 Jun at the Army-Navy CC, featuring cocktails, dinner, and dancing under the stars. If you can be in DC on that date call ahead to let them know you'll be at the party. I don't have a particular point of contact but any of the Exec Cmte should do. The remaining 2 events for the year will be luncheons at Ft McNair Officers Club on 6 Sept and 6 Dec. In the meantime, keep those cards and letters coming.

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This is the Founders Day column. Notice how it seems to come around faster every year?

Class luncheons were held in Jan, Feb and Mar by the DC contingent. Not much business was done but all had a good time enjoying the company of classmates. Walt Henderson, Larry Davis, Dick Fischer, Russ Groshans, Rocky Ventrella, Cliff Neilson, Bill Sutton, Herm Gilster, Jim Stuart, Doug Waters, Bob Daly, Jerry Goetz, Fred Seibert, Jack Johnson, Bob Barton, Bob Day, Bill Harris, Bill Jolin, Bill Burdeshaw, Ken Sweeney, Don Shaw, Bob Brekenridge, Jim Linka, and Bob Glasgow were among the participants. Joe Volpe and Ed Dinges promised to come to the Apr Luncheon.



1953: Co. L-1 at Reunion: Porter, Andrews, McCarty, Shaw, Laundry, Nave, Dunivant, Parker and Arnhyrn (in front).

A dinner dance was also held by the DC group on 3 Mar. Gary Colonna, Chuck Fiala, Bill Jolin, Graham McIntyre, Jim Miley, Cliff Neilson, Jack Nueberger, Dick Remers, Bob Schroeder, Don Shaw, Ken Sweeney, Doc Viereck and Doug Waters had wives along as drags. Bob Day came solo.

Reunion pictures are still coming in, thanks to Pattie McCarthy. These show the L-1 group. Seems the girls wanted separate but equal exposure.

Founders Day news starts in Chicago. The picture shows Melekos and Laundrys at the Elmhurst CC. At Ft Belvoir, the Fullers, Glasgows, Colonnas, Fialas, Horners and Lawrences enjoyed a coed celebration. On the other side of the country in Portland, OR, Carol Zander reported the Class of '53 represented by Given & John McFaul, Lucy & Bob Crosby, Dot & Leo Morton, and Carol & Denny Zander. All are from the Portland area except Mortons who reside in Carvallis, OR.

Other news starts in Germany. Received a newspaper picture of Vald Heiberg and Jim McCluskey taken during negotiations with the Saarland Economics Minister. Vald reports that Bob Joyce and Tommy Tompkins were respectively dieting and working somewhere that day. Bob Joyce has since gone to be the Dpty AG of the Army and Dpty CG Army AG Ctr in DC. Jim McCluskey and Ann ret. in Jan at Ft Dix. Jim plans to work for THICOHL Chemical in Brigham City, UT.

Bob Daly recently returned from Germany and a visit with Pat & Cary Hutchinson



1953: Founders Day Los Angeles: Arnhyrn and Thompson.

who is Dpty CG of the 32d Army ADC. Jeff and Julie Hutchinson are looking forward to returning to the states, Johnny and Susan are in college in St. Marcos, TX and Steve is in CO working on a water purification project.

Exercises in Germany continue to bring classmates together. Reforger had Otis and Creighton as adversaries. Glen, who is CG of the 1st AD, had the orange team playing the Aggressor's role and known as Orange Crush. Neal is the 1st Inf Div Forward Cmdr who played the friendly blues. Bob Daly also reported Otis's APC's kept him awake at night as he attempted to sleep in a Gasthaus, and that John Oblinger visited the Reforger exercise. John is still the Dpty Cmdt of the ADS at Ft Bliss.

Back here in the states, Keith Born joined Systems Planning Corp. as a contract specialist. Hugh Lacquement is at the Log Ctr at Ft Lee, VA, where Martha & Joe Volpe reside. Joe is the dir of the Petroleum and Field Service Dept. Joe and Ed Dinges recently served together on a promotion board in DC. Still residing in Irvington-on-the-Hudson, NY is Bill Fio Rito.

The last bit of news on classmates is that Dyke McCarty received the Meritorious Civ Service Medal recently in ceremonies at W-P AFB. He teaches on the faculty of AFIT in Sch of Sys and Log. The picture of the McCartys shows son Patrick, who will graduate at WP 6 Jun, and his fiancée.

A bit of business. Seems someone misplaced the address book Ken Sweeney was circulating at the reunion. Anyone knowing of its whereabouts please contact Ken. If any of you would like 11 x 14 copies of the group picture taken at the reunion, send \$8.00 for each copy desired to Mr. Albert T. Murphy Jr., 35 Thompson St, Newburgh, NY 12550. You can telephone Mr. Murphy at 914-565-4752. And just so you can start getting ready, Jack Johnson has volunteered (so they tell me) to be the Chmn of our 30th Reunion Cmte.

The Class fund continues to build. There was \$16,357 on account as of 31 Mar 79. That's an increase of almost \$5,000 since Mar of 78. Make sure you designate your contribution for the '53 segment of the WP Fund. Don Shaw and Class officers encourage increased participation in this worthwhile endeavor.



1953: The Mlekos and Laundrys.



1953: L-1 Ladies at Reunion.



1953: The McCartys with son Patrick and fiancée, Sandy Massie.



1953: Gray receives West Point Society of Los Angeles Award of Distinction from Shaler (left) '56 (President) and Jogel '57.



1954: Front Row: Jessee, Alverson, Jennings. Middle Row: Edice Jessee, Bernice Gilboux, Gretchen Peisinger. Back Row: Peisinger, Deans, Spences, Gilboux, Gilda Alverson, Vipraio.

'54

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Our heartfelt sympathies to Ann W. Rude as son Carl William Rude died at home on 19 Jan 1979. He had been a student at N. Georgia College. He was buried at Harrisburg, IL, next to his father Joseph A. (Jodie) Rude. Ann is teaching school and attending Valdosta State College and her daughter Karen Lynn is a sophomore in college. Ann's address is 2202 Briarcliff Drive, Valdosta, GA 31601.

Star Dust descended on '54 with MG list announcements. Congratulations from your classmates to Robert M. Elton, Thomas F. Healy, John W. Hudacheck, and Louis C. Wagner. Bob is here in DC at MILPER-CEN; Tom is in Europe; John is Prog Mgr for the Saudi Arabian Natl Gd Modernization Prog, living in Saudi Arabia; Lou is with DCSRDA as Dir, Cbt Spt.

Eddie Knoff reports from Hqs, Rdns Rgn II, Ft Dix, that he has a new bride, Carolyn,



1954: Founders Day St. Petersburg: the Buttons.



1954: The La Chances and Griffins.

plus gaining 3 sons in addition to his own 2 children. The Knoffs live at Cherry Hill, NJ, and plan on being at the 25th.

Tex McVeigh reports that there are 14 '54ers in the Alamo city. AF active duty: Al Jennings and Jim Knox with Log Cmd, Kelly AFB; Bill Vipraio with Scty Svs, Kelly; Dave Sugg, Manpower and Per Center at Randolph AFB; Bob Kaiser and Tex McVeigh, ATC at Randolph. Other duty: two lawyers—John Gilboux and Craig Spence. Warren Alverson and Joe Peisinger are with USAA; Bill Thomas is a prof at St Mary's U; John Lohman is with Blackwell Burner Co; Bill Jesse is in the insurance business, and Bill Dean in real estate. Tex and Martha hosted a mini-reunion at their house for the A-N game. Tex states that the camaraderie was a lot better than the score. He suggested that USMA distribute video tapes of a winning game from the good ole days so it can be played on at least one TV in the house.

Ben Schemmer reports via AF Journal that he was one of 10 journalists selected to travel with SecDef Harold Brown on 9-19 Feb to the MidEAST. Ben met John Hudacheck and Newell Vinson in Riyadh at a banquet the Saudi Def Minister hosted for Brown. John has been in Saudi Arabia 20 months and is due back in Jun 79. Newell is head of the

Army Sec for the US Mil Mission in Riyadh and has been in Saudi for 8 months.

Maury Leiser is at Al Batin in Saudi as the Distict Engineer. Ben also says John Pappageorge is working in GEN Al Haig's office in Mons, Belgium.

Fred Qualls visited Picatinny Arsenal and talked to Jack Chesbro, Jim Sloan, and Myron Rose. Jack's and Carolyn's daughter Nancy, a graduate of Radford College, VA, was married to Hobart Rakes, III on 11 Mar 79 in the Post Chapel. Classmates attending the ceremony and reception were Ron & Faith Lemanski, Jim & Joan Sloan. Jack's and Carolyn's son, John Jr. was married to Lari Moesch of Bellview, WA in Oct 78. Jim Sloan has been reassigned to Redstone Arsenal as CS, BMDSCOM. Daughter, Brenda has been accepted by American Airlines for training as a flight attendant. Myron & Pat Rose live in Albuquerque, NM where Myron works for the BDM Corp.

Westinghouse Hanford, Richland, WA announces the appointment of Jim Daughtry as Mgr of Core Physics. Jim's responsibility will be for reactor characterization, fuel and test management and physics operating procedures at the Fast Flux Test Facility (FFTF), a test breeder reactor nearing completion north of Richland.

Founders Day dinner for the DC area was held at Bolling AFB on 16 Mar and was attended by Fred Qualls, Doug Stuart, Bill Clark, Howard Hunter, Glenn Matsumoto, Ed Pawlowski, Jim Williams, Chet Piolunek, Walt Evans, Jim Obendorfer, and John Broumas (honorary class member).

John Bard was able to visit Colo Spgs, Denver, Albuquerque, Tucson, and Ft Riley to give the Founders Day dinner address. At Colo Spgs he was the house guest of Bill Orth, Dean of Faculty of USAFA. In Denver, Lew Mologne was off on a TDY trip but Rose asked all the Class of '54 at the dinner to their quarters afterwards. The Harry Emericks, Ralph Porters and Gus Fryers were there. Also Nancy Shain attended both the dinner and the get-together afterwards. Jack Dennis and Dick Farmer live in the area. A source unknown also sent a postcard with an additional report on Denver. Lew is in charge of surgery at Fitzsimons AMC. Harry is Prof at Colo School of Mines; and Ralph and Gus are with Martin Marietta working on MX Msl Technology. I believe that Dick and Jack are also still with Martin Marietta.

The Tucson dinner was organized by Perin Mawhinney and attended by the Bill Libys,



1954: Nancy Chesbro Rakes

Barron Fredricks, and **Bob Stewart** and his son.

West Point news: **Jim Cooper** is reassigned to Kwajalein this summer; **Lloyd Matthews** to Carlisle Bks as a PCS; **John Bard** to parts unknown in mid-Jun. So it appears that only **Jim Ransome** and **George Storck** will be left to carry on class business at the Academy. Plebe Parent Weekend was attended by **Bill Hilsman**, **Chuck Stodter**, and **Joe Palumbo**. **Chuck** is presently at Ft Devens, **Joe** is retired and with Central TX College just outside of Ft Hood, while **Bill** is CG of Sig Ctr and Sch at Ft Gordon.

Phil and I visited Ft Gordon in Mar for me to attend a C3I Conference which **Hilsman** hosted. I ran into **Howard Gabbert** who will be retiring soon and will be joining Fairchild Corp. in LI, NY. We are looking forward to seeing many old friends at the 25th. **Jerry & Willy Vige** will be flying up from UAL, Birmingham where he is Prof of Chemistry to join **Phil** and me for the drive up to WP. It will be **Willy's** first visit there and **Jerry's** first in 25 years. Now is the time to start planning for the 30th. It would be very convenient if one of you would be the "Supe" during that period.

'55

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The stars continue to fall on the Class of '55. **Del Jacobs** and **John Pickett** were recently selected for promotion to BG in the AF. And once again let me say we are all very proud of you guys.

Jim Drummond will pin his new star on very soon and will remain at Ft Sill as CG of III Corps Arty. He moved into the slot in Mar. **Bob Wiegand** is to be the Attaché to Brazil, and **Joe Skaff** goes to OJCS.

Bob Joseph sent a couple of photographs taken at His Majesty the King's birthday party—the King of Thailand not the **Joseph** household! **Bob** and **Nancy** have everything under control in Bangkok.

Joe & Connie Franklin will return to WP in Jun. **Joe** has been selected to be the next Cmdt of Cadets. He is a tremendous selec-



1955: **Robinson, Peters, Malone and Baker**, roommates.



1955: **Nancy Joseph** and other attache wives.

tion for the job, and our old Alma Mater is most fortunate to have him return as the Com. **Connie** and he will make a great contribution. We are all most happy and extend our heartiest congratulations.

Notes gathered from Xmas cards to **Bob & Pat Strati**: **Tom Weaver** went right into his present job in San Ant, CIBOLO Creek Municipal Authority Gen Mgr, upon ret. fall 78 from the AF. He really likes his job. **Terri & Bob Shaffer** are building their own home in the mountains stone by stone. It's either in CO or NM and where they plan to ret. They are stationed at White Sands right now. **Rich Cardillo** now commands the 3d ACR at Ft Bliss. Young **Rich** was married in Aug and is at Ft Sill and then on to Gemany with his new bride. **Inez and Richie** see a lot of **Paul & Bobbie Parks**. **Paul** has the Tac Dept at Bliss. **Jack & Paula Campbell** are at Ft Sheridan. Their eldest son is at USAFA. **Don & Mary Andrews**, assigned to Oshkosh, WI, went to Europe to visit **Mary's** sister. **Don** expects to be stationed in England this summer if all goes as planned.

It has been suggested that sons and daughters of our Class receive a graduation gift from '55. An engraved, USMA napkin ring from the AOG gift catalogue is proposed "(Cadet name), Presented by the Class of 1955, (Graduation Date)." As you know, cadets no longer use the traditional silver napkin rings, so this would make a very nice memento at a cost of about \$30 each. Several class sons have already graduated, and total number may reach 35-40, so outlays would be about \$200 immediately with a long-term commitment as high as \$1,200 or more.

At present we have about \$2,800 in our class fund, administered by Treas **John Feagin**. (This is not to be confused with the \$425 in our account with the AOG which is explained later in this column.) According to the Class Constitution, Article IV, para 5, members of the Class may petition to withdraw funds for any purpose. The petition must then be voted upon at the annual class meeting, with absentee ballots to be circulated at least 60 days before the meeting. Accordingly, we will mail a proposal to the Class in Jul or Aug reflecting the consensus of all classmates views on the idea of an engraved napkin ring for a gift to class sons and daughters. Your thoughts are hereby solicited as input to the proposal which will be brought to a vote at the annual meeting on Homecoming weekend.

Turning to future events, 25th Reunion comes up next year, and our best intelligence says go with June Week 80, since during Homecoming the junior classes have priority on facilities. There have been some verbal offers of help and useful suggestions for the 25th, but to bring some order to things please drop your ideas to the above address and we will project that an organization will be put together after the annual class meeting Homecoming Weekend. One thing is immediately important for your consideration: a Class gift to the Academy sometime in the future. We presently have a class account with the AOG, and all your contributions should be designated for the Class of 1955 account. This fund has not been growing as it should, probably because many of you are not designating your annual gifts to the account. Hopefully, at the 25th Reunion, we can decide on an appropriate gift and solicit funds to make it a reality at the 30th Reunion. One likely suggestion is a scoreboard for the Field House, and there should be several others in this category of



1955: **Joseph** with Military Attaches from Chile and PRC.



1955: **The Donaldsons and Fikaris'** at Founders Day dinner.



1955: **The Vittys and Robinsons**.



1955: Founders Day Ft Benning: **The Arthurs**.



1955: The Poiriers and Warsowskys.



1955: The Herrins, Ann Gunderson, Graham and Jill Weigand.

functional gifts from which to choose. Think about it.

The DC contingent had a rousing barn burner at the Ft McNair Officers Club in Mar. A total of 27 classmates, plus wives, were in attendance. Bob Newton provided an update on some of our classmates. Bob Carpenter departs for Korea this summer to be the DE in Seoul. John Sloan goes to a new civ job in ACSI. Norm Blahuta is ret. in Jun and goes to work in the DC area. Jim Ryan continues his service to his country by serving on the Bd of Govs of the USO. He has recently returned from a tour of facilities in Europe. Matt Schepps departs soon for an attaché job in Venezuela. Tom West ret. last Nov and now works for the FAA in DC. John Poirier recently arrived in DC for some schooling prior to going to Venezuela as the AF Attaché. Bill Robinson has a RR asgmt at Ft Dix. Bob Strati could not make the party because he was on TDY to Germany, but received a nice round of thanks from everybody for doing a great job in setting the whole thing up.

Start thinking about the 25th Reunion and in the meantime keep those cards and letters rolling in.

'56

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I very much regret having to report that Ed Van Dervort passed away from a heart attack on 12 Feb this year while TDY in Germany. It was Ken Withers' sad duty to escort his remains from Dover AFB, DE to Huntsville, AL. Ed was assigned to the Patriot project office at the Redstone Ars. His widow Barbara intends to remain in the Huntsville area. In addition to Ken, Dirk & Ann Lueders, Gene & Evelyn Fox and Herb Wagenheim also attended the funeral services.

Ken Withers is DE in Baltimore, MD. Dirk Lueders is with the Army MIRADCOM. His handsome face and figure recently appeared in my Co.'s monthly paper, showing him participating in an award ceremony in the S. CA area, to honor TRW for its work on certain Army experiments connected with a Unified Navy Field Test Program.

Ward Le Hardy came through again with a long list of terrific G2 on the Class. His hottest news was that Perry McCoy Smith has made BG in the AF and Zeb Bradford, Mike Conrad, Bob Hammond, Dave Palmer, Scott Smith and John Wall have all made the Army BG list. Our very warmest congratulations to them and their proud families as well as to the AF and Army for making such good choices.

Earlier this year, Mike Conrad was on Exec Seminar tour at the Foreign Service Inst in DC. Zeb Bradford is on the Council of Foreign Relations in NYC. Previously, both Mike and Zeb had held Bde Cmd and CS jobs in the 9th Div and the 5th Div, respectively.

Dave Wall is the DE in Ft Worth, TX. Dave Palmer is G3 of III Corps at Ft Hood, TX. Scott Smith is FORSCOM Engr at Ft McPherson. Bob Hammond is the Dir of Tng Devl at the FAS, Ft Sill, OK. Unfortunately, Perry McCoy Smith's present assignment isn't known.

Ward was at Ft Bragg late last year where Bill Roll commands the 2d Bde, 82d Abn Div, and Le Roy Suddath is the ADC. Le Roy and Ward flew together to Ft Benning to a conference where they saw John Foss, now commanding a bde at Ft Hood, and Jack Nicholson, now the CS of 2d Inf Div in Korea. Jack and Sophie both anticipate their next assignment commencing in summer of 79 will be at REDCOM in Tampa, FL.

Ward also reports that Jim Dozier is CS of the 2d AD, Ft Hood, TX. Dick Keating is still (going on 7 yrs) in DC, currently serving as the unconventional warfare expert on the OJCS. Paul & Nancy Merola are in Austin, TX, where Paul is a counsellor at the UTX. J.J. Waldeck is a dpty bde cmdr in AK. Ernie Cross is in Europe as bde cmdr in the 3d AD. Jim Spires is ret. and doing well in the stock market world in Chicago. Bob Caron left the service for several years during which he flew for Air America, and was one of the last out of Vietnam as it fell. Bob has now rejoined the Army and is flying helicopters at Ft Bragg, NC. Mark Sisinyak is still at Bragg as the Engr of XVIII Abn Corps.

Fred Holmes is on the most recent Colonels list—Congratulations! Gary & Mary Williams will be heading for Venezuela where Gary will be the next AA. They recently spent 5 days in Panama learning and seeing all they could before Gary begins a year's course in DC to prepare for his new duties.

Ward picked up the following tidbits from Xmas cards received in 78. Bob Easton ret. He and Chris are living in Rochester where Bob teaches Engr at the Rochester Inst of Tech. Charlie & Ann Prather are coming home from Europe. Charlie is slated to go to DCSPER in DC. Pat & Ginger Haley are doing well in the roofing business in and around Granger, IN. Ed & Helen Valence are at Ft Sheridan, IL, near Chicago. Pete & Ginger Lash are still at Ft Ord where Pete is CS of the 7th Div. George & Barbara Woods are in Pakistan where George will be the AA until 80. Their mailing address is: USDAO, Islamabad, Dept of State, Washington, DC 20520. Their son, George III, is in the Class of '80 at WP. Another son, Mike, is at the WP Prep Sch. Their youngest son, Steve, is pres of his sr class in Pakistan, while daughter Lisa is pres of her jr class. Their youngest, Eileen, is a JV cheerleader.

Bill & Jan Baxter are in Fairfax, VA,



1956: Cremer and Lash.

where Bill is in consulting work; Jan is active in the Church of the Good Shepherd. Dick & Vicky Tripp live in St. Augustine, FL, where Dick is a reserve units advisor. Jim & Billie Paradise are still in Fairfax, VA, getting ready for daughter Donna's wedding at WP on 9 Jun (23 years to the day since the Paradises were wed). Jim is with the Bechel Co. in the DC area. Phil & Carlisle Farmer are in Dover, NJ. Daughter Susan is at Old Dominion Coll in Norfolk, VA (where Grif McRee teaches) and son Bill is at the Valley Forge MA. Bob Beyer is in Korea now as wing cmdr. Bill & Jan Weihl are still at WP. Son Jamie is at Bowling Green U. (OH). Daughter Kim is at Ladycliff. Their youngest, Mark and Lisa, are at school in Highland Falls. Frank & Bonnie Matthews have moved from Nicaragua where he was the Mil Gp Cmdr. They drove to Panama, spent a month resting, then moved on to DC where Frank will be on the SA's Review Board.

Ward Le Hardy reported the Founders Day dinner in Panama this year was a great success with the Supt (LTG & Mrs. Goodpaster) there as well as over 150 other attendees. It was the largest turnout in years and the last Founders Day dinner in what is now the Canal Zone. As most of you already know, as of 1 October 79 the Canal Zone will be officially dissolved.

Bob & Joan Stein completed a 3-year tour in Morocco where Bob was AirA and decided they weren't ready to go home yet.



1956: DeLeuils and LeHardys.



1956: The Hammonds, Liwskis, Bagnal and the Glenns.

Bob was reassigned to a good job on the USAFE staff at Ramstein AB, Germany. When Bob wrote, he was on convalescent leave from a Dec 78 appendectomy. Since being reassigned, the Steins have traveled through Portugal and western France and are enjoying Germany immensely. Bob has seen Mark Smith, also in USAFE hqs and has talked with Perry Smith, who, at the time was commanding a nearby F15 Wg. Their oldest, Rob, is working in L.A., taking a year off between his frosh and soph years at college. Their other son, Greg, is a high school senior in Waterloo, Belgium, and the only one they get to see once in a while.

The Wilkers were privileged to have Mike Esposito and his latest love, Kathy Johnson, as our house guests for a few short days in Mar. Mike is a Big Wheel with the Dept of Energy and reports that Art Boudreau, who is on his staff, has been on temporary duty touring several other agencies the past several months.

The only other real news from our place this time is that our daughter Carolynn has been accepted at UCA at Davis, her first choice, and is looking forward to a tour of Europe this summer along with approximately 20 other students from her high school. She was elected to the National Honor Society and also the CA Scholarship Federation.



1956: Founders Day Ft Benning: Eastburn, Bagnal and Cross.

'57

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I'll start by congratulating our 6 new Army BG's, all of whom have now been promoted. They are Hank Hatch, Jack Apperson, Tony Albright, Len Wishart, Homer Johnstone, and Dick Kenyon. In case you haven't noticed 2½ are engr. The ½ is Dick Kenyon, who transferred to TC after starting out as an Engr. I've had the pleasure of seeing Hank and Jack with their stars on, and they really look great—and young. Hank's even feeling that way. He got married last Apr (that's April 78—I'm a little slow) in HI, to CPT Shelley Hollister, who took care of food service and supply in his Spt Cmd in the 2d Div. He figured that if she could take care of the 2d Div, she could probably handle him. I guess getting married is one way to improve a hardship tour—and having met Shelley, I must congratulate Hank on his excellent taste. However, I really don't think he should have received credit for an "un-



1957: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Westerfeldts and Gibbs.

accompanied" tour. Hank's daughter Cindy is a frosh at NOVA and Henry Jr. is a jr at Hayfield HS. Jack Apperson is now the Dpty CG at Redstone Ars, AL. We had supper together at Ft Myer—along with some 5-600 others, on Founders Day, and he gave me a few notes. His daughter Amy has just returned from a college sponsored trip to the PRC, and termed the whole experience "incredible." I'll bet it was. Amy is in the Class of '80 at Williams and will be an LBJ scholar in DC this summer, with Rep Sam Hill (TX, I think). Her sister Melissa, who is Class of '80 at Wellesley, will also be working in DC this summer, on a special project with HEW. Jack's son Eric is a HS soph and will have to suffer through the summer at Redstone with mom and dad. Other classmates at the dinner were Jack Gleason, Stan Cass (who kept his record intact by coming late again), Mike McCarthy, Dave Nottingham, and Jerry Patterson. Jerry is graduating from ICAF this summer and will be Chief of the War Reserve Div in ODCSLOG. He said that **Alzheimer** will be assigned to the DAIG, as the Div Chief, Audit and Inspection Compliance Div. Mike McCarthy is still working for Morrison-Knutson, but in a stateside job. This Founders Day dinner was actually an historic event—the first time that a former female cadet was present. Cathy Melin, X-81, sat at our table (her father is '58) and I must admit it improved the overall appearance of the group. There was also a Founders Day dinner at Ft Belvoir, and Hank Hatch and Dave Schorr attended that one. Got a picture of Mal Duffek and wife from the WPS of Chicago, and it should be in the column. Also, got some pictures



1957: Wrights, Meads, Marrellas, DeLanys and Whalens.



1957: The Duffeks

from Len Marrella, who is the Proj Mgr, Div Air Def Gun Sys (DIVADS) in NJ. The pictures were taken at his A-N game party—must have been before the game because they're all smiling. Now for the details. **Bill Wright** is an assoc with Kepner Tregoe, Inc., and is involved in consulting/teaching for decision making and organizational development. As an aside, **Joe Cyler** also works for K-T, Inc. **Dana Mead** is now the Dir of Proj Mgrs with Intl Paper Co., in NYC. He and Nancy have sold their cars and moved into the City—which is really living dangerously. However, they seem to be enjoying their new lifestyle. **Dana Jr.** is a frosh at Lafayette Coll, and is quite a baseball player (so says Len and he knows). Their younger son, **Mark**, is in Prep Sch (Deerfield?) in MA, and plays football. **Dan & Maureen DeLany** are also at Picatinny, and he is the PM, 30MM Ammo, for the Air Assault Helicopter program. Their oldest daughter, **Kathy**, is getting married in May or Jun (is by now) to a lawyer, but is presently a student at St. Mary's Coll in TX, along with her younger sister, **Carolyn**. Carolyn who is on a music scholarship, is a very talented singer. **Don & Nora Whalen** have recently moved up from Redstone, where he was the Lance PM, to Picatinny where Don is now the Cdr of the Large Caliber Lab, ARRADCOM, complete with all its problems—which are many. Their oldest daughter, **Tanya**, is at Penn State and their son **Curt** is working on



1957: The Schumachers

an appt to Annapolis. That will leave them with 2 at home, one of whom is pre-school. As I mentioned, Len is PM, DIVADS, which is a high risk program and one which the Army is trying to bring to fruition in half the normal time. It's the kind of job that has very high visibility (Congress, DOD, DA) and either makes or breaks you; I fully expect to see Len's name on the next BG list. Dee is teaching school at the Wilson School in Mountain Lakes, NJ, where they live. Their oldest daughter is a soph at James Madison U, majoring in 2 areas—Commo Arts and Education. Lani, their 18-year old daughter, is at the Interlocken Academy for Performing Arts, studying acting, voice and dance with the hope of getting into the musical theater in NY. She recently wrote, directed and performed in her own musical production, which sounds like a great start. Robin, their youngest daughter, is a soccer, basketball and softball player in ML HS. What happened to the good old days when boys played sports and girls cheered for them, or weren't they that good? I should have let Len write this column—he sure provided a lot of good poop. Thanks! Got a letter from Les Prichard (without the "t")—his first to the column in 22 years. See, it can be done. Why don't some more of you try?



1957: Founders Day Los Angeles: The Politis' and Ausman.

Les wrote to straighten me out on the twins claim. He has 6-yr-old twin boys, born Jun 73. His oldest is only 7, but he admits to not having married until 69, which may help to explain the young family. He has a "cushy one-man detachment" as the TAC LnO to Albuquerque—which is nice. It's so nice that he's building a "chalet" in Taos Ski Valley in northern NM. He and **Mike Petruno** were the '57 reps at the local Founders Day, which featured **John Bard** (USMA Cmdt and our KOB) as the speaker. Mike left the AF after getting a PhD and now works for Sandia Labs. **Larry Murphy** is also in Albuquerque with the AF TECEN. Got another note from **Bill Seely**, bless his heart—and pen. He said that **Joe Olvera** has recently arrived in Argentina as the head of the MILGROUP Air Section, and that **Don Ley** (Guatemala) and **Jerry Schumacher** (Canal Zone) have both been extended in their jobs. As previously reported, **Chico Stone** is the head of the USA Security Assistance Agcy, Latin America—based in the CZ. Bill expects to be back in DC this summer and we look forward to welcoming him back. **Tom Garigan** was promoted to O6 by GEN Morris, the Chief of Engrs, and had an honor bestowed upon him which is above that normally afforded to Inf officers.



1957: Founders Day Ft Benning: The Scotts and Mortons.

He was made an honorary "Engr," and he promptly gave his wife a pin which said, "A Woman's Place is in the Corps." Congrats, Tom. Got a call from **Bruce Stout**, who is Chief, Plans and Analysis at Redstone Ars, and will soon be working for **Jack Apperson**. Bruce mentioned that **Bret Kohler** is a VP for Computer Sys at SCI. And now for a "can you top this," which will be very hard to top—but it's really great, which is why I've saved it for last. **Peggy & Frank Hannigan** sent a picture of their newest family addition, **Robert Brendon**, born 23 Feb 79 (Class of 2001). Their oldest will be starting college this fall, and the next 3 will fall in right behind her. Now I know 5 children is a good number (after all, we have 5), but I must admit that the spacing is amazing. I know the Class joins me in wishing the very best to the **Hannigans**, who once again have showed that '57 still has it. Frank, by the way, is working for a consulting engr firm in Houston, where they have settled, and is involved in the Tax Mapping of Mexico.

That's it for now. If you will be in the area this summer, let me know and I'll try to give you a list of '57 summer happenings.

'58

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Eleventh column. I've blown my ASSEMBLY suspense, **Jack Bradshaw** blew his suspense to me for the Class Gift poop, the Editor has called again for my column. I am glad that a picture is worth a thousand words. I hope that you all enjoy the continued pictorial coverage of the 20th Re-



1958: The Benjamins and guests.



1958: Gillettes with Deborah '82.

union, the pictures sent in from worldwide Founders Day dinners, pictures from the Army R,D&A magazine, Sports Illustrated, etc. In case you haven't gotten the picture, this column will be short.

More bad news since Reunion. **Fi Faiola** is recovering from a coronary suffered in Nov. He looked great at WP in Oct, but was laid low when he returned home to San Fran. **Van Fleet** has talked to Fi and reports he's recovering well.

Adam Benjamin was the guest speaker at the WP Soc of Chicago Founders Day on 17 Mar. He's probably our first Founders Day speaker since a few of us were tabbed as youngest grads.

That's about it for this time. Longer letter later! My apologies to **Connell, Robertson,**



1958: The Howards in Japan.



1958: Founders Day Naval War College: The Kirkpatricks, Bauchspies', Daleys, and Harvey.



Densford, Waddell, Sigler, Grete, Tirre, Pryor, Reidy, Kusek, Saint, Profflet, Weis, Lawton, May, Trabert, Peters, Price, Phillips, Evans, Stone, and anyone else who gave me poop for this column. For the rest of you, eat your hearts out, the news will appear next time. All of you not mentioned in dispatches will have the opportunity to call, visit (room 3B454 Pentagon) or write before the next deadline . . . 30 Jun. However, do it NOW so you and I can meet the suspense!



1958: 20th Reunion.



'59

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By the time you read this you should have received the first mailing from the hard-working reunion cmte. If not, perhaps you are a sufferer of the outdated-address malaise, as the material was posted in early Apr. At any rate, they are trying very hard to get to everyone, because word has it this will be the "biggie" of all our reunions. I've talked to no one who isn't coming.

Some are admittedly unreachable, either because we have mislaid their addresses, or because they have not kept AOG informed. Please rush us information, if you have any, on any of the following: **Ted Baker, Connie**

Boyle, Bob Burroughs, Bill Bush, Dave Carroll, John Dannell, Tom Gilligan, Torry Harle, John Hyde, Jerry Jervell, Bill Kelly, Pete Keogh, Carl Kinnell, Jerry Lhotak, John McBain, Don McClurg, Dick McPeek, Steve McSweeney, John Milton, Russ Miner, Tom Moorehead, Mike Morales, Joe Moriarty, Larry O'Neill, Jim Patton, Dick Peffenbach, Hugh Renalds, Dick Roberts, Bob Roth, Ron Salter, Dan Schrader (where are you, roomie?), Doug Sefton, Ted Simroe, Tom Soli, Gene Smith, Will Stocker, Dave Tulp, Dan Webster, and Jerry Weisensteel.

The DC contingent from I-2, namely Bill Breen, Art Bair, Cass Mullen, Bill Murry, Chris Thudium, and Joe Todaro deserves special applause for the bash it sponsored at Ft McNair on 10 Feb (100th Night plus 20 yrs). About 10 of our locals attended, including speece, and a strong showing came down from Carlisle. There were tall drinks, tall stories, and a danceband bested only by the dancers. It was, incidentally, a good indication of what the Boston College victory dance on 27 Oct might be like; i.e., some of us older looking guys (and their new wives) had better wear the name tags they're given at the door.

Nobody wrote to me about their Founders Day activities (I'm distrusted as a member of the press, I suppose), so I'll just tell you about the one at Bolling AFB on 16 Mar. It was the usual whingding with dress uniforms, tuxedos, food, reserved parking for the handicapped, etc. The Army Chorus sang our songs right well, and the speaker, Ambassador Holdridge ('45), was excellent on the Peoples Republic of China. The big news of the evening at our table was that Ray Baugh will be going to WP as a regl cmdr. We reminded him of his great responsibility to uphold a certain tradition (he's SC, you see), so he's looking around for a large cudgel and practicing salutes with his fingers spread. The lad's a bit soft-spoken yet, however.



1959: The Bells, Fletchers, Wares and Thomases.



1959: The Larsens and Neals.



1959: The Luthers



1959: The Morrisseys

The others there were Jim Walters, Dick LeClere, Frank Campbell, Ray Beurket, Joe Coreth, Bob Demont, Al Dorris, Jay Madden, and Ed Robinson. A small turnout, considering last year's bonanza, but we did have one fine time!

John Shock writes from San Ant that he is ret. late this summer, and that he has accepted position as prof and Chmn of the Dept of Ophthalmology at the UAR Med Sch in Little Rock. He also reports that Bob Cyr and his family are back safely from Iran. The asgmt is at Ft Sam, but the digs will be in Seguin, TX (78155), at Rte 4, Box 124L.

Jean Engler is Exec VP of the Aircraft Products Div of Teledyne Continental Motors. He and the family are at One Buerger Rd, Mobile, AL 36608. And a PR notice says that Bill Cohen received his PhD in management from Claremont Grad Sch in CA in Feb. As for the rest of you non-communicators, who knows?

'60

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Gloom period in DC is about over and we all seem to have survived the area's largest snowfall in years. Class activities here included a luncheon at the Pentagon on Valentines Day (true love!?) with the following in attendance: Lee Allen, Judd Bierley, Gene Brisach, Jack Burden, Dave Byrnes, Tom Caraballo, Jack Downey, Earl Eubanks, "T" Eubanks, Jim Fairchild, Bob Fairweather, Joe Felber, Mike Hatcher, Ed

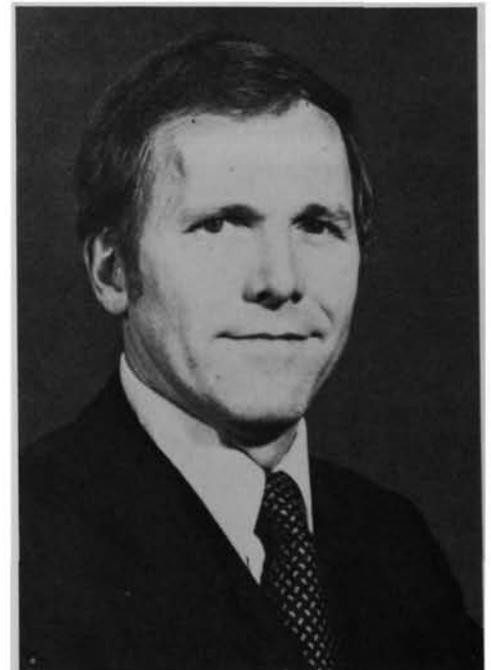
Lawrance, Henry Lee, Jerry Lewis, Dick Nelson, John Nix, Jim O'Connell, John Searles, Phil Walker, Gene Witherspoon. Class luncheons are held the 2d Wed of every other month. Plan to attend! John Searles was in his initial week in the DC area en route to DCSRADA having relinquished command of 3/8 Cav in Germany. Gene Brisach, who moved over to OCE from DCSPER called to say that Dick Gates will be reporting to DCSRADA this summer from Germany where he has been a facil engr. Several classmates journeyed to Annapolis for the Army-Navy basketball game. The Caraballos, "T" Eubanks, Fairchilds, Farrells, Partlows, Walczaks, and Dick Nelson attended the Army-Navy basketball game as a group. After the game, the group gathered at Ed & Kathy Walczaks' (501 Green Dr, Arnold, MD 21012) for fried chicken, drinks, and catching up on classmates.

Swift Martin ret. at the end of Feb with the full blown treatment of the "Old Guard." He is remaining in the DC area doing business as a part-time automation mgmt consultant while completing a MBA at Boston U. after which he hopes to get a PhD in Operations Analysis at American U. Had a note from Edith Bauer at WP. Founders Day was celebrated there at the Officers Club with Dave and she, Chan & Gigi Duryea, Jerry Forbus and date, and Dan & Carol Shimek present.

The Duryeas have orders to Panama following Gigi's graduation from Vassar in May.



1960: Founders Day Charleston: (unknown), Hayes and the Carys.



1960: Albert J. Dunlap



1960: The Coxes

The Bauers return to Vicenza and SETAF. (At last report, Sonny Ash is also there). Darrell Houston has assumed command of the 1st Bn, 1st Inf. Bill & Elizabeth Chamberlain have a new addition, a son. Bill's oldest son is finishing plebe year!

Frank Farrell passed along a newsy letter that he received from John Young (4040 San Felipe, No 202, Houston, TX 77027) on activities in the Houston area.

Tom Noel, the most recent addition to that area, is the Pres of DSI Terminals, Inc.; Fred Plummer is a mgr with Exxon Production Rsch Co.; Paul Swain owns Swain Restoration Co.; "Cal" Calvin owns the Ft Bend Carpet Co.; Steve Waldrop has his own company, Industrial Television Communications. Don Griffith is also in the Houston area. John also said that he had recently seen Jim Pearl, a lawyer in San Ant and Ken King, a lawyer in San Diego. The Houston group is anticipating a max attendance at the 20th Reunion.

Founders Day in the DC area found Bidgood, Brisach, Ello, "T" Eubanks, O'Connell, and Partlow at Bolling AFB. "T" in-



1960: Roberts and Burnell.

sured that the "Old Guard" (joined by the USAF honor guard in a joint color guard) performed impeccably as expected.

Bill Carpenter will command a bde of the 9th Div following graduation from NWC. Frank Partlow is headed for OSD. Norm Kuklinski will follow ICAF with a tour in ARR III.

From Carlisle, Bill Harnagel will go to Ft Gordon; Bob Tozier to DA DCSOPS; Joe Cote to DA DCSLOG.

A recent press release from the American Can Co. announced the naming of Al Dunlap as VP and gen mgr of their Flexible Packaging business. Al is responsible for all flexible packaging, including plastic tubes, plastic films, foils, paper and lamentations. Al and Judith make their home in Ridgefield, CT.

Had a note from Grafton Jung concerning class rings. The "C" store has arranged for L.G. Balfour to supply rings to all classes formerly serviced by Herff-Jones. Replacement orders should be addressed to: Garrett E. Schmeelk, L.G. Balfour Co., 55 Northern



1960: Founders Day Ft Benning: The Belans and Catos.

Boulevard, Greenvale, NY 11548 (Tel: (516) 484-2424).

Finally, it's not too soon to start thinking and planning for our 20th. More about that in the next issue.

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As my last article was put into the mail near the end of Dec to be printed in the Mar ASSEMBLY the postman handed me 2 or 3 Xmas cards with notes in them from classmates. So even though the news may be a little dated—about 6 months old by the time it is printed—I feel that it is still of interest. The Lionettis are at Ramstein Air Base in Germany where Don has been in command of 2/60ADA since Jul 77. They have enjoyed their 4-year tour overseas but will be happy to return to the states this summer. Bobbie Lionetti included a note with a lot of interesting news about their friends and children. Laura will graduate this year from K-Town HS and is busy selecting a college, Don is still in jr high playing a lot of sports and finally Chris is just busy being busy. They heard from Tom & Nan Sherburne in Panama who will be returning soon for the War College. They just had a baby boy on 14 Dec 78, named Mark, who joins sisters Lisa and Amy. Gene Witherspoon wrote from Vicksburg where he is TDY waiting orders to go to Lagos, Nigeria on a Corps of Engrs project. Marty &



1961: Hensell and Conner.

John Sommercamp, with their boys John and Jamie, sent best wishes from CA where they have been for some time.

Bruce Cowan sent a note and the H-I news letter. He and Arlene are enjoying the Pacific NW with their children 6, 4, and 1. Bruce took over the 15EBn at Ft. Lewis, WA in Jun of 78. On his way to WA Bruce was attending the Bn Cmd refresher course at Ft Leavenworth and ran into Millie & Todd Counts. Todd was programed to work on a MBA in Public Admin getting his degree in Jan 79 and then to go to Ft Ben Harrison for school and then to DC and a job in his secondary specialty—compt. Donn Miller reported in from the Nav WC and expects to be assigned to the European Div, Politico-Military Affairs, J-5, JCS. The Class is definitely growing in their rep on the Joint Staff. Russ Phelps is still working at APG. He, Marie, and the kids are all involved in tennis, scouting, and horses. Jack & Linda Raible are still at Carson City, NV. Jack is teaching school and investing in real estate while Linda has taken a position with the Chief Justice of the State Supreme



1961: Rogers (Jun '43) principal speaker, and the Olshanskys.



1961: Founders Day Ft Benning: The Parks, O'Neills and Sawtelles.



1961: Founders Day Los Angeles: Strauss.



1961: Shipleys and Garens.

Court. Good information for you speeders passing through NV. **Butch Robertson** is presently at FORSCOM in Atlanta but should be moving soon if I'm reading the new Cmd List correctly. **Mike Underwood** is now the Chief of the Log and Test Spt Div of the FA Branch at Ft Sill. **Jose Russo** is in his 8th year of teaching Health and Phys Ed at Long Beach Jr High Sch, Brick Town, NJ. **Mike Xenos** completes the information from the H-1 newsletter. Mike is now assigned to the Army Staff PA&E after completing the AWC in Carlisle, PA.

Jim Tedrick sends word from Kailua, HI that **James Lynn** was born at Tripler on 26 Jan 79. Congratulations to **Anne** and **Jim** on their first. That's great.

It's always special when someone is promoted, but when he is picked from a secondary zone to COL that had 1% selection rate, that calls for a special note. Congratulations to **Larry Budge**, **Howard Graves**, **Bruce Holmberg**, **Pete Offringa**, and **Ed Leland** on their selection to the last 06 list.

The Class had a good turnout, thanks to **Dick Buckner**, for the WP Soc of DC winter luncheon on 23 Jan. It was especially interesting as **Lou Saban** and **MG Ray Murphy** laid out Army's football strategy to win in 79. The luncheon was held at the Ft Myer Officers Club and attended by **Bruce Dalglish**, **Bob Dunning**, **George Henderson**, **Bill Williamson**, **Drew Casani**, **Dick Buckner**, **Sam Enfield**, **Dick Yule**, and yours truly.

Congratulations to those on the bn cmd List: besides **Butch Robertson** there were **Al Armstrong**, **Phil Dombrowski**, **Al Vanderbilt**, **J. Olejniczak** and **Gary Hyde**.

To close with, I just received some scattered notes from **Pete Gleichenhaus** and **Tarey Schell** at WP. It may be somewhat disorganized but it's current. **Bo Schultz** is in Foxboro, MA, with an Engr Co., **Dick Cullam** is in HI, **Mack McCormick** is in Corpus Cristi, TX, **Mick Siedel** is with Natomos Co. in San Fran, **Frank Gillespie**

is asst cmdt of USMA Prep Sch at Ft Monmouth, NJ, **Dr. Jim Connolly** is a gynecologist at Brookes AH and **Dr. Bob Protzman** is on orders from Walter Reed to Ft Dix. Bob is now an orthopedic surgeon specializing in bone structure of the hand if anyone has a problem in that area. **Rod Grannemann** is stationed at Camp Bullis near San Ant where he sees **Jim Connolly**; but not on med problems. Rod's wife is now showing dogs professionally. **Pete Boylan's** picture appeared in the background of an article in *Time Magazine* on ethics. He is at the Nav WC and was awake at the lecture! The **Hale** and **Evans** families are enjoying life in Heidelberg. **Bill Tyler** and his wife **Ann** are at Leavenworth where Bill is an instr in the Dept of Tactics. And last but not least **Glenn Peters** has been assigned to OJCJS Planning Spt Staff.

Hope to hear from you (AVN 227-8899) before 30 Jun 79 so the next article will have more information than just your location.

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Happy summer is just around the corner. Your scribe will be visiting the Atlanta area from 12 Jul to 23 Jul at Agnes Scott Coll. **Chuck Ivy** has agreed to "batch" it for a couple of days with me as he practices law from a new address: 501 Cain Tower, Peachtree Ctr, 229 Peachtree St., NE, Atlanta, GA 30303. Here's hoping through **Chuck** we can get a group together for a mini-reunion.

Great letter from the **Lew Browns** in Menlo Park, CA. They announce being still 2 adults,



1961: Carlson, Beverly Blanksant, and the Dombrowskis, Hiemdahls, Kirkpatricks, Legges, Lynchs, and Fritzes.



1962: The Heldmans



1962: Founders Day Ft Benning: Meehan, Butzer, Paxton, Sklar, Helmuth, Thomas and Sprague.



1962: Bondshu



1962: The Baltzes and Kling

2 kids (Garth 7 and Blythe 5), one dalmation dog, 2 cats, 2 domestic doves, one house (large mortgage), one van (old but new engine) one car, 300 new shrubs and 4 trees. Wow Lew is now Div Mgr of Analyzer Sys and Linda continues teaching full time for the U. of Santa Clara Engl Dept.

Jim & Tina Heldman called from their "digs" on the side of the Berkeley hills and complained about your scribe's failure to publish the great picture included in this edition of your ASSEMBLY. Jim just likes to show off his great tennis figure.

Bob Martin caused a small heart attack by sending his 3d or 4th letter in close to 20 yrs. Seems he had to leave Taipei in a hurry and wanted all to know he is either at DCOPS shop in DC or headed for Dept of Soc Sci at WP. Wife Joyce and son Andy should be with him now after their sojourn in Memphis. He hit your scribe for \$5 by being 170 lbs versus his 175% at graduation.

Jim McQuillen and wife, Walt Menning, and Charlie Murray and wife graced the Founders Day dinner/dance at the Elmhurst CC for the WP Soc of Chicago.

Great letter and photo of the Art Brown family who should all be at Ft Bragg in Jun where Art will command the 548th Engr Bn after a great sojourn at Stone Mt, GA with children, Lorianne, 16; Chip, 12; Stephen, 10; and Carrie, 6; and ever busy wife, Karen. The children are all athletic thanks to Pop Brown's coaching.

Tidbits from around the various places indicate the following: an MSM to Tom Faley; Ty Cobb putting on LTC leaves; Command slots to: Burr, Chadbourne, Crowell, Dargle, Dolson, Flint, Kendall, Rowe, Simoneaux, and Starbird; Ellis to Ft McNair to sch; and Phil Costain to a Cbt Log Svc Spt Cmd.

Tom Ostenberg is roughing it at Ft Carson with the 4th Engr Bn while "Susie" Szwarcop is back from over the water to Ft Hood.

Superb penmanship from Art Lovgren says he is TRADOC's rep to the German cannon cocking school on the banks of the Nahe River in Idar Oberstein. He is helped in his endeavors by wife Dagmar and children, Kristel, 11 and Douglas, 8. They recently celebrated their 10th anniv as a couple and look forward to a Stateside return in 80. Art ran in the Boston Marathon several years back and still enjoys the running sport. Art requests that we all put him on our address locator list at APO NY 09322 for he hopes

we'll keep him in mind after their continuous service overseas since 72.

Absolute delight in getting a phone call from Sonny Sloan who is at Bliss with 2/3ACR and the XM1 rebuilt tank. He reports seeing Bob "Rock" Munsch, Don Hard, Larry Caldwell and J.D. Porter. He also indicated that Reforger had given him a chance to link paths with Tom Middaugh, Glen Blumhardt, and Charlie Hertel. He relayed that Bud Reeves is in Korea and that Leavenworth held the likes of Trev DuPuy and Bob Lilley.

Sonny has roots in the Boston Irish area with wife Carol who has aided his cause by adding John, 15; Jeffrey, 11; and Carolyn, 9; to the Sloan household. Indicated in the MA area also was Tom Eccleston who is supposed to be at Marshfield.

Reports also have it that Gerry Lape is kissing snakes in the Canal Zone... Can such a story be true??

O.K. This is my last warning to this Class to get off its "can" and send off some news. I had to scrape together 3 pages this time and the whole crew of you are lucky I didn't use the horrible stuff I made up over a pickle and cheese sandwich 2 nights ago.

And now a word to the wives and sweethearts... you know these guys never could learn to read and write. After all, give a scribe a break—send a card, letter, word of prayer—I promise my wife won't get



1962: The Zenkers



1962: Bob Martin in Taipei.



1962: The McQuillens, Murrays and Menning.

mad—I shall not be embarrassed by these huge columns that form on either side of our Class—NOW GET WITH IT!

'63

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Congratulations are due to the latest slate of LTC Cmd designees. By branch, these are: AD: Gary Q. Coe, Fred Schaum; ARMOR: Bill Coomer, Lionel Ingram, Bob Palmer, Lou Sturbois, Bob Vogel; ENGR: Dale Means, Matt Miller, Bob O'Toole, Galen Yanagihara; FA: Jerry Anderson, Max Barron, Rich Entlich, Don Griffin, Duane Myers, Hal Nelson, Jim Roberts, Phil St. Amant, Ron Steinig; INF: Jeff Dalia, Geoff. Ellerson, Marty Ischinger, Ward Lutz; AVN: Alan Jones; ORD: Brent Pope; SIGC: Mike Barry. (Notice the clever way I got my name at the top of the list by listing names alphabetically by alphabetically listed branch. Just one of those tricks you learn while working on the Army Staff.)

John Dorland is rapidly progressing up the corporate ladder in the Commerce Union Bank of Nashville, TN. Now a sr VP, he has assumed managerial responsibility for the recently combined Operations and Data Svs Gp, which provides data processing, systems and operations support to his organization.

A review of my older notes has Jack Dwyer with the law firm of Carlsmith & Dwyer in HI. Jack's firm has a number of banking clients and an extensive litigation practice. Jack and his wife Barbara have 4 children and live in a beach house not too far away from Sunset Beach in HI. Jack's former roommate, Ralph Drewfs is now employed by the largest company in his hometown, Erie, PA.

Most recently assigned to the DC area is Russ Simonetta who is working in unit training in DCSOPS. Also in the area are Luke Woods who is assigned to the OVCS,



1963: The Gallaghers, Vopateks and Bivens

Army; Sam Davidson, who is working out at the Walter Reed AMC; Gordie Waugh is with Computer Sciences Corp; and Ben Benjamin is keeping an extremely low profile with the law firm of O'Mclveny & Myers. I received a note from John Dunn, who is sales mgr for Hylton Enterprises in Woodbridge, VA. He said that J.B. Wheeler and his wife Georgia are now in the DC area and that Bob Foley will be here by the time this column is published.

The DC area Founders Day dinner this year was at Bolling AFB where tradition was broken. A former member of the Class of '80 became the first woman to attend the DC Founders Day dinner. Beside myself from the Class of '63 were Don Byrne, still trying to make the PO more efficient; Jay Westermeier, still holding the DC crowd together; and Ray Klopotek, who is with the AF, in the area, showing the Navy how to build cruise missiles. Incidentally, Ray said that Frank Cardile is now an O-6 about to command a squadron. It appears that Frank may become the Class's first general officer.

I am expecting orders to Europe this fall and have been interested in some of our Class who are already there. These include: Ralph Mitchell (Schwab.), Glenn Smith (Karlsruhe), Matt Miller (Knielingn), Duane Myers (Gunzburg), Larry Capps (Miesau), Art Swisher (Pirmasens), Dick Kosevich (Potsdam), Curt Esposito (Heidelberg), Karl Beach (Schwetz'g'n), Dale Means (Karlsruhe), Tom Griffin (Berlin), George Moses, Dick Cole and Dave Sallee (Baumholder), Doug Johnson (Frankfurt), Tom Carney (Gonsenheim); Miles Eberts, Dick Goldsmith, and John Waller (Wiesbaden); John Parker (Ansbach), John Counts and Rich Entlich (Aushafenburg), Jim Dickey (Erlangen), Hank Morris (Grafenwöer), Mike Cunningham (Mohringen), Jim Roberts (Neu Ulm), Bill Brown (Schweinfurt), Mike Keaveny (Schweinfurt), Chuck



1963: Kelley, Lujan, Heiden and Anderson.



1963: Reunion: the Coes.

Kinsey (Wurzburg), Jim Dewire (Zirndorf), Bill Smith (Zirndorf), and Hal Nelson (Brussels).

Not too long ago I received an interesting



1963: Reunion: Robbins, Westermeier, and Byrns.



1963: Reunion: the Willsons and Lafond.



1963: The Popelarskis



1963: Reunion: Dwyer and Benton.



1963: Bill, Inge and Billy Smith.

announcement in the mail which I will reproduce for you as follows:

WASHINGTON, D.C.
IN THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER
In the Matter of:

Girl No. 1

LUCILLE WILSON WHITAKER
NOTICE OF NEW DEPOSITION

Comes now (2 weeks early) LUCILLE WILSON WHITAKER under the jurisdiction of the WHITAKER court, on the 10th day of Feb 79, at 10:13 a.m. E.S.T., by the natural childbirth method and in the presence of the undersigned, being 21 inches in length and 7 lbs. 5 oz. in weight, and does hereby depose and say (expletive deleted) loudly. You are invited to attend and cross-examine.

CLAIRE & ALEX WHITAKER
Proud Parents of Record

Of Counsel:

Arthur A. Becker, M.D.
Linda E. Weisband, R.N.

The deadline for the Sept ASSEMBLY column is 30 Jun. I can always use information or pics so keep those cards and letters coming. Other members of the Class are constantly asking about you and often I do not have an adequate answer for them. Pam and I give our best to you all, Gary.

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Greetings from very wet WP. The skiers are not too happy about the warming trend, but those who have long awaited the arrival of spring are rejoicing. This is my last column after 2 yrs as scribe. I am bound for Ft Bliss, TX and will be turning my pen over to Jim Schoonover. I have very much enjoyed these 2 years as scribe and thank

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all those whose letters have contributed to the news in this column.

Congratulations to Mike Amrine, Jim Bigelow, Howie Boone, Tom Cunningham, John Knutzen, Barry McCaffrey, Gary Walk, Hal Winton, and Ernie Oehrlein for their recent selection for battalion command. Hal Winton sent a change of address card reflecting his move from Berlin to the 1st AD where he is now XO of DISCOM. Bruce Sinclair is reassigned from Ft Knox to DC; Dick Dexter from Ft Bragg to DC; Norm Anderson from CGSC to Ft Campbell; Dave Baratto from Ft Bragg to Denver; Jim O'Donnell from USMA to Ft Bragg; Mike Goff from USMA to CGSC; Bill Major from USMA to CENTAG as G3 PlansO.

Joe Simonis wrote a newsy letter to fill us in on his whereabouts. He has been working with Gen Tel in OH for 9 yrs and is now Div Engr and Constr Mgr. Joe and wife and daughter live in Bellevue, OH, between Cleveland and Toledo. He keeps in touch with Ron Cross who is his brother-in-law.

Tom Durfee wrote from Ft Knox where he was serving as Adj of the 194 Arm Bde. During his tenure in that position, the hq building was dedicated to the memory of Bob Serio. Tom sent a photo of the unveiling of the plaque by Bob's parents. The plaque reads, "Serio Hall, named in honor of CPT Robert F. Serio, awarded the SS (19 May 1968) for his gallantry and valor while assigned as Cmdr of A Troop, 1st Sq 4th Cav, 1st Inf Div, RVN." Tom has since been assigned as Bde CEO at Ft Knox.

Terry Covington was presented the DMSM by the SECDEF. He received the award for work he did during his tour with the Def ARPA. Terry now works in the OCSA.

Joyce & Mike Davison sent a card telling what they both have been doing and told of a ski trip to the Tirol. Joyce has been teaching language and reading to our soldiers and has a half day kindergarten. Leon Yourtee wrote from DC and sent along a bunch of pictures from an Army-Navy party. Just got a call from Jim Gantsoudes who is VP of Morgan Stanley in NYC. He lives in New Canaan, CT with wife and children, Geordi, 2 and a half and Alexis, 6 months. His ad-



1964: Bennett, Tetu, Sandi Bennett, Carol Tetu and Goff.



1964: The Burneys and Binneys at Army-Navy game party 2 Dec.



1964: Army-Navy game party 2 Dec 78: Sullivan, Gray, Rosemary Craighill, Brewer, and Craighill.



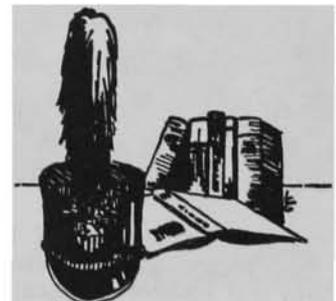
1964: Banovic and Kofalt.

dress is 68 St. John Place, New Canaan, CT 06840.

The annual Founders Day dinner was held at WP on 15 Mar 79. There are a few photos of that affair. Those of you who have photos from your particular Founders Day dinner, please send them in for inclusion in the next issue of ASSEMBLY.

Our Class will celebrate its 15th Reunion in the fall of 79 during the Homecoming festivities. We have 2d priority of all facilities here at WP behind the Class of 1959 so we will have good facilities and accommodations. Bob Tetu and Jim Schoonover are Event Co-Chmn. They asked me to pass along the following information: Our Class' 15th Reunion will be the weekend of 26-28 Oct 79. There will be a Class party on Fri 26 Oct in the evening, a tailgate on Sat morning before the Boston College game, and the Alumni Dinner Dance in the evening. On Sun there will be memorial services followed by a brunch. Specific details, prices and actual schedule will be forthcoming by mail this summer. Set the date on your calendars and plan to attend. Be sure to send Jim Schoonover, c/o Dept of Tac your most recent address so that our mailout will reach as many as possible.

Got a call from Dick Knight in Houston where he works with a big real estate devel-





1964: The McCoys, Cunninghams, Flints and Michelas.



1964: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Serio unveiling plaque naming Serio Hall in honor of their Bob.



1964: Army-Navy game party 2 Dec 78: Russo, Schmeelk, Cathy Buckner, the Schous and Yourtee.



1964: Founders Day Ft Benning: The Pachlers and Murattis.



1964: Murdy and Gesner in Vietnam, 1967.



1964: Army-Navy game party 2 Dec 78: Leila Schou, Yourtee, Binney, Buckner, Sullivan, Gray and Rosemary Craighill.



1964: Army-Navy game party 2 Dec 78: the Freemans and the Adams'.

opment firm. He seems to be doing quite well. John Murray stopped in on a visit from Ft Bragg where he is Asst S-3 of Div Arty, 82d Abn Div.

Thanks again for your support over the past 2 years. The next issue of the ASSEMBLY will be the effort of Jim Schoonover.

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As the last June Week ever fades into history, and a new academic year becomes a permanent reality, the Class of '65 will look forward to enjoying its 15-year reunion during Graduation Week, 1980. Start making your plans now for seeing old friends, spinning tales, and comparing pics of the kids. Let us know where you are—do not think the other family will write; they never do. Let's get in touch with as many classmates as possible and plan a joyful festival.

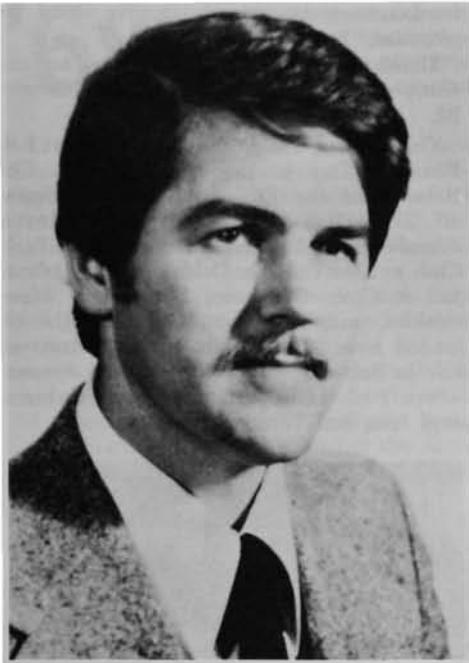
Speaking of happiness, the first contingent of Strength and Drive will be accepting battalion guidons in the near future. We salute the Magnificent 7 x 2—Benton, L. Brown, D. Brown, Christman, Genega, Gill, Gilchrist, Kelley, Kulbacki, Ono, Pickler, Roebuck, Scholl, and Tragemann. We wish you and your families all the luck in the world and hope that you find time between ARTEP's and SQT's to be together. Keep us posted on the location of your CP's.

Others are also on the move. Rick & Mary Ann Knudson are en route to Ft Leavenworth after 3 challenging years at Ft Hood. Lee & Nancy Atchley may be joining you (or was it AFSC). Frank Koleszar will be adding his talents to the Staff & Faculty here. A welcome to John & Adrienne Wattendorf too. After 14 years, we'll finally be reunited. John, with a PhD in Sociology from Stanford, looks forward to explaining our community relationships to whoever will listen, like the cadets in his BSL class.

Hats off this quarter to Denny Coll for his chatty informative letters and photo. He provided a wonderful report on the situation in



1965: The Bells



1965: Bill Griffin



1965: Jack Cooley



1965: The Woods

the Midwest—happy to say it's in good hands. He and Judy were expecting No. 4 (she was 9 months pregnant the night of the Founders Day dinner)—that's dedication! Along with Jack & Maria Cooley and Ron Layer, and 200 alumni, friends, and parents, they listened to the Hon Adam Benjamin Jr., the rep from the First Congressional District of N. IN, speak on WP and the Honor Code subsequent to the Borman Report.

Jack Cooley was recently sworn in as a U. S. Magistrate for the U. S. District Court for the N. District of IL. The impressive ceremony involved several chief judges from the District Court and Court of Appeals, and was attended by all of the senior Federal Judges in the Chicago area. If you run afoul of the law in Chicago, you now have a friend in the Judge; visit him in his chambers or courtroom in the Dirkson Federal Bldg.

As well, other families are on the move. Bill Zadel, working for Abbott labs, was recently promoted and transferred from Chicago to Houston. Bill Griffin also was promoted recently, to VP for Sales in the East for Dearborn Chemical. Bill, his wife and 2 children continue to live in Cincinnati. Ken Yoshitani is a sr engr with Fluor Engr and is heavily involved in the design and implementation of steam generated activities (Ken had prior experience here in the steam tunnels). Reportedly, Denny Sellers is a banker in Chicago but is maintaining a low profile lest his indigent classmates still in uniform ask for a higher credit rating on their VISA card. If you don't need hot air or money, Ron Floto can feed you; he a VP with Jewel Food Co. in Chicago. Maybe he'll handle next fall's tail-gates and the 15-year reunion in May. Beneath that distinguished mustache is Ron Layer, successful lawyer of N. IN.

Our report would be incomplete without some West Coast news. Jerry & Tina Ledzinski and their 2 boys continue to enjoy the CA sunshine and beaches, the fresh air, and the Carmel shops (can you believe that

of a former SF type). Tina has done wonders—Jerry is a successful financial and investment planner, particularly for us poor types. His counsel is wise—he once told me to buy a house, and 3 years later he told me to sell it. You cannot go wrong with such advice. We look forward to seeing you on your next trip east.

We span the country and the globe. Share your life and good news with folks who are interested. Take the time this summer to drop me a line. See you at the beach... surf's up. Peace.

'66

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The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat! Have you ever wondered why the ski jumper on ABC's Wide World of Sports fell at the last moment? He was in his country's army and his assignment officer was crouched at the end of the ramp with a big poster telling him where his next assignment was to be. No one knows whether the new duty station was super good or the pits but the effect on the officer has been immortalized.

Assignments. The chance to start anew. Challenges that are personally and professionally rewarding. Bridges to be crossed rapidly. Remember that phrase? Ken Grice and Wes Clark are slated for commands. The Grices, complete with the newest Grice, Jonathan, will be stopping for a year at CGSC and then on to Germany. Wes Clark's bn is yet to be determined. From Jim McCallum at OSD 1 wrenched the following bits and pieces. Jerry Sands is at AFSC, John Tillson is working for the Senate Budget Cmte, Frank Hartline is at Ft Hood, Dave Linder is departing TRADOC for CGSC. Cooper Wright is staying at TRADOC in the EngrO, Ed Hathaway is heading for Korea, Ted Borek is in the bowels of the Pentagon as a JAG lawyer and, in his alternate specialty, is a Long House Chief for the YMCA.

Speaking of new beginnings, our number has increased at least by 3. John Tillson and his wife Elizabeth have added a daughter Susannah, Ken & Jan Grice have come up with Jonathan (a sturdy little fellow), and Jim & Karen Jenkins are the latest with a 19 Jan entry of Megan Elizabeth. Any more?

Let's see, what else? Norm Fretwell is still with Watson, Ess, Marshall & Engass in Kansas City. As a side line he has tried his hand in an authentic French bakery. Do not know how well the bakery is doing but the Fretwells are o.k. with their new daughter. Must be the proximity to all that yeast out West. Dave Schofield, Jennifer, and little



1965: The Abbotts and Tredennicks.



1965: The Cooleys, Layer and Colls.



1966: The Whelihans and Hustedts.



1966: Utters, Kesmodel, Cecils and Mrs. Francis Moore.

Dave are now at 1126 Lawrence Dr, NE, Albuquerque, NM, where Dave is teaching math, science, and social studies. He coaches swimming, too. Heard that Bard Webster has decided to change career fields and leave the Army some time this fiscal year.

Jack LeCuyer passed on these tidbits that did not get published last time. In Cleveland he ran into Walt Harper and Tom Wagner who were carrying off the image of lawyers. Does anyone have pictures of them at Snuffy's? J. Michael Stepp has moved up to the Bank of America's NY Corporate Service office to be head of the Metal Fabrication, Electronics, and Media Section. A step up for Mike. Jack Wheeler, in his never ending quest to do everything, has been appointed counsel to the President's Commission on World Hunger, and asst counsel to the SEC in DC. Congrats to new LTC Keith Markey and LTC Tory Wilson.

Since your written response was underwhelming I had to resort to calling people. As I said before Jim McCallum responded to my threats admirably and I want you to know Jim that your secrets are safe for another 3 months. These are not idle threats guys. Lanse Leach has done nothing wrong but the CID reads this column and they have talked to him. I also called Mat Harrison who is with the 1st Bde, 7th Inf Div, but he was in the field. After a short conversation with the NCO on duty we established that MAJ Harrison was probably out standing in his field at that very moment.

The classmates here got together at GASHO's for an evening. Kevin & Penny Gaynor came up and Tory Wilson was on a boondoggle in the area so he joined us. A

good time was had by all. I found out at the dinner that Hilton & Rita Dunn are heading for DC where Hilton will be in MILPERCEN.

That exhausts my news. My son is saying no and he means it. It was during a break on patrol in the mountain phase. Mlakar and I were out on OP and we thought that we could get away with building a fire and eating our C's. Paul fell asleep too close to the fire and we awakened to the smell of burning rubber... I want letters and pictures—or else!

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The Friends of Army Swimming is a non-profit organization established to provide the Academy's swimming team with those additional items not furnished by the AAA. Four of our classmates, pictured herein, participate in this fund raising project by obtaining sponsors and doing their thing. Last Labor Day weekend, John, Kerry, and Hap each swam 100 lengths. Dick, due to a more demanding sponsor, swam 250 lengths. They plan to conduct this swim-a-thon annually, in coordination with the Army-Navy meet. When out of the water, John works for Citicorp, Dick for the Dept of Energy, Kerry



1967: Landgraf, Kline, O'Hara, and Trainor with Coach Ryan—78 WP swim-a-thon.

for Lendmen Assoc, and Hap for Omni Exploration, Inc.

Chuck Suttan and Mike Lancaster are currently attending the Naval WC at Newport, RI.

On 17 Mar, the WP Soc of Chicago held Founders Day at the Elmhurst CC. Don Nelson and the Earl Refslands represented '67. The WP Soc of the Mid Gulf celebrated Founders Day 22 Mar at the Southern Yacht Club in New Orleans. Debbie & Rich Adams, Jan & Chris Commons, Maureen & Harry Hoskins, and LaVon & Hank Berthelot attended from '67. Debbie & Rich Adams reside in Baton Rouge (17136 General Forrest), where Rich is a partner in a geotechnical engr firm, Soil Testing Engrs, Inc.



1967: The Lucases



1967: Nelson and the Refslands.



1967: Dewey and Curtis.



'68

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This will be a short set of notes; few classmates wrote over the last three months, maybe gloom period got to more folks this time. The first few notes I received all had inquiries about the status of the Ten-Year Book. An up-date on that venture is in order. The latest information I have from Fred Johnson is that publication and mailing are expected (at the time of this writing) sometime during the summer, perhaps shortly after this issue of ASSEMBLY is in the mail.

I heard from John Reed, currently living in San Fran; Mike O'Neil, who left the Army last Sept and is now working for the Polaroid Corp in the Boston area.

John Cruden wrote from the DC area in Feb to say that he had recently returned from Heidelberg, FRG and was then a trial atty in the Litigation Div of the Office of the JA. John had received the LM for his work in Germany, and he mentioned Joe Dooley, another mil lawyer then at MDW (Ft McNair) involved in labor law; Bill Junzman who was soon to leave Germany for Ft Bragg; and John Armstrong who was still working as a civ for army intel as a Chinese specialist.

Also in Feb I heard from Ron Warncke, now an orthopedic surgeon at Walter Reed. He gave me an up-date for Walter Reed classmate doctors: Brick Sweet is in urology, as is Doug Cummings; Steve Hermann is in internal medicine; Mike Fay is in orthopedic surgery; Ken Hauck is in ENT; Mike Potter is in neurosurgery; Bill Grabowski is in radiology; Mike Brennan is an intern; and Warren Bowland is in gen surgery. Ron



1968: The Kulikowskis, Mike, Matthew, Renee and Michele.



1968: McAdams and Scaglione.



1968: Ratcliff at Founders Day in Chicago.



1968: Cinquinos and Yoshizumis.

wanted to know if anyone knew where he could find one of the Cadet Chapel silver plates issued some years ago, he said he was "in the market for one."

In early Mar I received a news release saying that Ted Trauner, now a civ engr, had joined an engr firm in Phila as its branch mgr. Later in Mar Mike Kulikowski's wife Renée wrote with some recent news about their family and some other classmates in the San Ant area. Mike was then attending the Adv Crse at the Acad of Health Sciences after finishing his gen practice Dentistry Residency. They were elated to remain in San Ant after his graduation for a 3-year Oral Surgery Residency at Ft Sam Houston. Renée mentioned seeing Diane & Mark Hansen, Jay & Mac Guinn, Ken Kremenak and his wife, and Mike & Diane Billingsly (Mike is now a LTC dentist).

Finally, the only news about Founders Day I have is from here at WP. The occasion was not particularly well attended by our class, but I do recall seeing Fred Johnson, Mike Murphy, Dick Flanigan, and Mike Crygiel there.

That's about it for now, everybody take care, and write to me once in a while.



'69

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This column is being written on 2 Apr, covering news received since 7 Jan. The deadline for the Sept issue is 30 Jun, so please send your letters and photos for that issue by about 27 Jun.

With the 10-yr Reunion foremost on everyone's mind, mail dropped off this qtr to the lowest level since 71. I think the length of this column shows how important your contributions are to the column's success. Again, however, I think that the Reunion, which will barely be over when you receive this, is the major reason for the small number of letters. The Sept issue, though, should be a blockbuster, because it will provide full coverage of a Reunion that is shaping up to be among the finest ever held at the Academy.

Other than Founders Day activities, the only Class gathering this qtr was a luncheon for the DC contingent set up by Doc Dillon and John Champagne. Among those in attendance were Alexander, Binder, Cababa, Ralph Crosby, French, Paul Grant, Guest, Hastings, Hill, Ho, Ken Johnson, Frank McCullough, Metcalf, Bill Smith, and Steele. We hope to schedule these luncheons on a regular basis once the summer, with its attendant arrivals and departures, is over.

The first news from those in the service was word from George Demetriou that he was due in Germany with the 8th ID on 20 Apr; Joan and children are to follow in Jul.



1969: The Morelock family at West Point.



1969: The Albrechts and Carlinis in York, PA.



1969: Founders Day Ft Benning: The Brambilas, Sebes' and Carlsons.



1969: Kimmitt with Rob and George Albrecht in DC.



1969: Founders Day Chicago: Copeland, Hillebrand, McGue, Duffy, Lachey, Kessenich, and Schoville.



1969: The Balls, Tobins and Ludlows.



1969: The Albrights and Ondas.



1969: The Craft family at Ft Leavenworth.



1969: The Grant family at West Point.

George said that Mark Waple is now a civ atty in NC.

On 13 Jan, I saw Linda & Johnnie Shaw, Connie & John Morris, and Joel Snow at Stephanie & Roger Caris' wedding in MD. Also present was Mike Esterling, who was a chaplain at WP during our cadet days. Stephanie and Rog are now stationed in MI with USAREC.

Peg & Jim Isenhower sent a nice note from Norfolk just before finishing AFSC. Jim is en route to the 271st Avn Co. in Korea, and Peg will be staying in Conover, NC. Their next tour looks like it will be at Ft Riley.

Dave Hofstetter called from Atlanta to say that he and Corrine Hilton have chosen 25 Aug as their wedding date. Hof was just beginning his MBA studies at GA St.

Dave Merhar called while in DC with GEN Haig to say that he was enjoying his tour at SHAPE Hqs in Belgium. Newly arrived in Germany were Joan & George Albrecht, who sent a long letter chocked full of photos. George had seen Jack Gloriod, who is still in Italy with the 509th. George also said that Steve Vitucci was on orders from Ft Hood to WP.

Also newly arrived in Germany were Jenny & Joe Cornelison, who are living near Ansbach. Joe had an admin law post with the 1st AD, but was due to take over a crim law position in Jun. Joe had recently purchased a Mercedes 280 SE; knowing how tight he is with cash, I can only guess that good German beer overcame him!

The final note from someone in the service came from Peggy & Jim Love, who were in Landsberg. Jim was finishing a command tour with an arty det, and hoped to move to a line unit in Jul.

The first news from the civ side was an announcement of the birth of Maximilian Roger William to the Rick Whitakers on 23 Jan in MA. I also received an announcement of the marriage of Carol Troy and Lucian Truscott on 17 Mar in NY.

During a recent trip to Norfolk, I had dinner at the home of DeLynn & Vince Corica. For those of you who knew Vince and me at Ft Sill, you'll not be surprised to know that the 3 of us had 21 tacos, and DeLynn ate only 3 of them! DeLynn and Vince moved to Pittsburgh early in Apr for a new posting with ATT. Also in Pittsburgh are Carol & Bruce Laswell.



1969: The Coyle family at West Point.



1969: Schroeder, Vitucci, Molter, Rucker, Williams and Ploss.

Just out of the service were **GINNY & DOUG ROGERS**. Doug is working in St. Cloud, MN, for Kurt Salmon Assoc. Doug said that **GENIE & DON WARNER** had also recently left the service and were in Wilmington, NC.

The last letter I received was from **SHARON & BILL ZOOK** in Austin, TX. Bill is with a law firm there, and Sharon has been teaching for 4 years. Bill mentioned a possible move to Dallas might be in the offing.

When mail volume is low, you have to turn to other sources. Therefore, courtesy of ARMY TIMES, here are some bits of news: En route to Germany this summer are **FRED DIBELLA**, **NORV EYRICH**, **GEOFF PROSCH**, **JIM ROHACIK**, and **JOHN YEISLEY**. Just returning from Germany is **MIKE NARDOTTI**; he and Susan are scheduled for JAG Adv Crs at Charlottesville. Others moving include **JOE CATO** (to Ft Polk), **CHUCK ANSTROM** (Ft Riley), **DAN BUECHNER** (Ft Hood), **DOUG CRAFT** (Ft Knox), **JIM FOUCHÉ** (Ft Bragg), and **MICK ZAIS** (WP).

And, when all else fails, talk about yourself. First, I have been nominated for a 2d term as a trustee of the AOG; please let me know how I may represent your interests. Second, there will be no summer party at my parents' home this year because of the Reunion. Finally, **HOLLY SUTHERLAND** and I are engaged to be married on 19 May at WP; I look forward to introducing her to all of you.

I also look forward to a longer column next time. Until then, have a beautiful summer, and please keep in touch. God bless to all in '69.

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Greetings to the Class of '70 from **JOHN, PAGE, IVAN, and ADAM REITZ**. I use my official address due to a game of musical houses that we are playing. But summer is finally here, and we can overlook logistic difficulties to enjoy tennis, water skiing, etc. Have a fun-filled and safe summer—remember my 1 Jul deadline with a card and a photo. Nine letters arrived this quarter, so I have a lot of news to report. I also include the names of 130+ classmates whose locations are unknown. By the Sept issue we will have some definite plans for the Ten-Year Reunion.

FUTURE CADETS:

JIM & KATHY KEE proudly announce an escalation of the American presence in Brazil;

their first child, **TERRENCE JAMES**, arrived this Jan. **FRANK & PAULETTE MONACO** have a 3d child now. **PETER RUDOLF**, 25 Nov 78, became number one son for **RUDY & LISA SIEGESMUND**. **TOM & ANDY HALLER** added another son, **BRIAN THOMAS**, to their family this Jan. **RALPH & ANN CHURCHILL** brought a new playmate home for **LAURA** (2); **JARED ROSS** was born 3 Mar 79. Correction: **THOMAS JOEL** is the 3d, not the 4th child of **TERRY & CONNIE YOUNG**.

JIM & KATHY KEE spent the last 2 yrs in Brazil where Jim worked as an exch officer with a Brazilian railroad constr bn. Although Jim mentions some degree of isolation with this tour, the implication of building a new railroad line projects a scene like a distant outpost of the Pony Express. But a return to civilization is near—Jim joins the Dept of Physics, USMA, this summer, and Kathy can gather the essentials once more—credit cards to Bloomingdales, Saks, etc.

JOHN NORTON wrote in while flying back to Korea last Jan, but by now **JOHN, CINDY** and **DANIEL** call Ft Ord, CA, home. For Xmas leave the Nortons sandwiched a visit to his parents in the Shenandoah between skiing excursions in UT. **CINDY** took advantage of John's short tour by going to BYU; John returns to student life—after a one-year stint at Ft Ord—with a Russian course at DLI to be followed by 2 years in Garmisch.

Two classmates break ranks this summer to support a rival institution; **JOHN DRINKWATER** becomes an exchange TAC, and **TOM GERARD** instructs cadets in civ engr at USAFA. **JOHN & KATHY DRINKWATER** leave WP after one year. Although they will miss the cadets of his current company, they look forward to meeting the Zoomies and to CO skiing. **TOM GERARD**, another avid skier, cannot wait to exchange Ft Wood for Colo Spgs. To bring the Gerard's file up-to-date: **TOM** and **BETH** were married Jan 77 in CA. They have one daughter, **CAROL** (1), and expect another this month. After the wedding, **TOM** and **BETH** moved to Ft LWood where Tom spent 17 months in cmd of an Engr Co. and then moved to Post tng. Tom describes **RON BOGGS**, also at Ft LWood, as the classiest marathon runner on post. This report mystifies me. I can visualize the best marathon runner, or the hardest working, or even the best looking—but the classiest? Maybe **RON** trains on caviar and champagne.

DAVE, KATHIE, CHRISTOPHER (7), and **MICHAEL** (3) **PORRECA** send greetings from Charleston, WV, and announce their plans to attend our Ten-Year Reunion. **DAVE** left Ft Gordon and the Army in 75 with an MBA in-hand. He worked with Bettis Atomic Power Lab, Pittsburgh, before joining Ingersoll-Rand, also in



1970: Jim Kee and the President of Brazil after completion of a 110 mile railroad.



1970: The Tierneys, Weavers, Senors, Heiners and Cousan.

Pittsburgh. **DAVE** transferred to WV as the I-R rep to the local distributor of heavy cn equip. The **PORRECA**s keep in touch with **GEORGE & CHARLENE ALCOB**, **TERRY & CHER NYHOUS**, **PAT & MARY THORNTON**, and **LARRY & CAROL HENLY**. **DAVE** joined a group of grads last year in forming the WP Soc of WV, and was elected pres for his efforts. **DAVE** and **KATHIE** ask anyone passing through Charleston to call.

And from the heartland of IN one of The Magnificent 7 rises again to say that "Squatty Body" is alive and well. If you need more identifying information, let me add that this character sang with the "Happy Daze." Yes, **LARRY HENDERSON** says hello, and issues a challenge for match play golf to anyone—anyone that is who was not a Corps Squad golfer. **LARRY, REMY, LARRY KEITH JR.** (6), **LILLIAN** (3), and **LINCOLN** (1) plan to attend the Ten-Year Reunion where Larry will back his challenge. **LARRY** works for GM now as an Engr/Line Supe in the Central Foundry Div. He also adds with great modesty that life there is not so different from the Army—just the pay.

CELESTE BILLIA updates the **BILLIA** file in a recent letter. **PETE** graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson Dental Sch on 20 May. They are happy to leave the academic grind behind, but I bet within a year they will miss those wild and crazy parties. By now **PETE** is in San Ant, TX, taking "basic" training to prepare him for his SF Asgmt at Ft Devens, MA. Although I don't know what a dentist does in the SF besides fix teeth, **CELESTE** and the kids have definite plans. **DANIELLE** (7) plans to ski; **CELESTE** looks forward to seeing real woods after years in urban NJ; **RYAN** (almost 1) has yet to make his plans known. But **DANIELLE**, who (as every big sister should) knows how to keep **RYAN** happy, will soon have **RYAN** on the ski slopes with her. By the way the Class of '70 congratulates **DR. BILLIA, DDS**.

BILL KNOWLTON just came out of hiding in the Pacific NW. He must have known that I would have sent him up and down the coast collecting info if I'd had his address earlier. **BILL** finishes 2 two years at UW this summer to join the BS&L Dept at USMA. **BILL** is coaching and playing with the UW Lacrosse Club again this spring. Other Huskies from our Class include **MARTY KNORR** (DPE), **LARRY DIEKEMA** (ES&GS), and **LARRY KIMMEL** (ES&GS); all due at USMA this summer. Besides **BILL**, **LARRY DIEKEMA** plays lacrosse and after various threats they expect **MARTY KNORR** to join them.

BILL KNOWLTON broke the winter doldrums by flying to HI for spring vacation where he stayed with **RICK & LINDA KELLER**, and saw a



1970: Founders Day Ft Sill 1979.

number of classmates. Rick takes what time he can from a busy court schedule in 25th ID JAG to play golf. Mike & Colleen Schneider are also with JAG. Shelby & Lissa Stevens are with the Div Avn Bn where Shelby flies with the Cobra section. Both Chet Richardson and his wife are attys, working for different civ firms. Last, but not least, Gil & Margie Tam live in HI—Bill could not find out what they're doing now.

Bill & Kathi Vogt have been in Falls Church, VA, for a year now. Bill completed his MBA in May 78; Kathi is now the student at American U. Bill commutes to Arlington where he works for the Analytic Sciences Corp (TASC). Kathi adds that both she and Bill are members of an active res unit—a gen hosp that drills at Walter Reed. Bill inserts this chauvinistic comment, "The only saving grace is that I have [DOR] on her."

Bill provides some poop on classmates from Cornell. John, Mary, and Ann (1½) Mearsheimer remain in Ithaca while John completes rsch for his PhD dissertation in Intl Rel; they plan to join a faculty somewhere but first the rsch must end and the writing begin—don't get writer's bloc, John. Trevor Reid is now a grad of Cornell Law and rumored to be with the Manhattan DA. John Shull spends his time at Cornell reading Russian Lit preparing for an instructor's slot in the Dept of FL at USMA (John's ETA is unknown). Bill also has it on rumor that Bruce Nolte left the Army for law sch in Richmond, VA. Bill Vogt requests that the animals of F-4 Zoo contact him now that they are out of hibernation. As an aside Bill mentions his difficulty in relating the legend of mean-M Mowery at Ivy League social affairs. Those Ivy Leaguers enjoyed the story, but questioned its authenticity. Actually I do not blame them—I had troubles believing what I saw even as I watched Jim Mowery in flagrante delicto. I'd tell you about my first contact with Jim (a bus ride from Ft Jackson to USMAPS), but this is a family publication.

Bill Vogt mentioned the Deasons, but admitted that he had lost track of them. Lo and behold, one week later a letter arrives from John & Lisa Deason who now live close (by DC standards) to the Vogts. John, Lisa, and Kristin recently settled in Springfield, VA, phone 703-569-9732. They would like to hear from their friends as they make any DC trips. John landed a GS-14 slot with the Interior Dept as Chf Wtr Res Dev, Bureau of Indian Affairs. The new job and location are enjoyable for the entire family. John obtained some game films of 150-lb FB from 67-69 era; he invites other squad members to a private showing. Call first, however, because you may need to furnish the projector.

Planning continues for our Ten-Year Re-

union. To insure the maximum contact of our Class with information for this event we need your help. The ASSEMBLY office maintains a mailing list, but many addresses are unknown. If you know where the following people are, please send their addresses to me: Gyovai, Reineke, Madeja, Santangelo, Tully, E.V. Kelly, Roedy, DeLeo, L.C. Carlson, Dunphy, Frederick, D.J. Greene, Stidd, Dunwoody, Bradford, Werner, Fricks, W.D. Brown, Whitlock, R.S. Kelly, Franke, S.K. Cook, Hostettler, Clarkson, Fenili, Kendrick, M.R. Burns, Howell, Lazzeri, P.V. Campbell, Stetor, Glawe, M.J. Young, Wessels, J.L. Carter, Garner, Carman, L.V. Hutchinson, Walton, R.W. Coleman, Ishida, Hirsch, M.R. Taylor, R. Thompson, J.M. Bryant, J.D. Smith, Peltier, Britton, R.O. Walker, Self, Sculley, Locke, Wise, Snow, S.W. Crawford, B.M. Smith, Sauter, W.K. Fisher, D.D. White, R.F. Ryan, Costantino, Grove, Esmann, Floria, Garrett, Naymick, Guy, S. Roberts, B.B. Price, Swanda, Kauza, Muir, Gibbons, K.C. Connolly, O'Malley, Cumiskey, O'Hara, Cass, McGill, Craig, Brigadier, Pease, Montieith, Rorick, Etchechury, Cossette, Hilliard, A.V. James, Weaver, L. Moore, Lauckhardt, Bronder, Ray, McClanahan, Franklin, Stall, Benham, Quimby, W. Pratt, V. Reilly, Oldon, J. Cooper, Pantier, Geiger, Rabaut, Elliott, D. Williams, Trammel, Geist, Kuehne, Soucek, Hartman, Pohl, Rosenblum, D. Smith, Dawson, Allbee, Kupec, Joyce, Speares, R.G. Thomas, Severson, Kelley, Boehm, Jarrett, Rosati, Edmonston, T. Hall, Pressler, Valbracht, Barre, Bartholomees, Van Vliet. Now that's a laundry list.

This is some of the Class news for this quarter. Page and I hope to get out this summer and gather news from all the classmates at WP and just enjoy the summer sun. So far a busy schedule and winter weather limit our travels on post, but my camera and I will not be delayed long. Enjoy your summer; remember the Class when joining old friends; and stop by if you come up our way (our address is questionable, but the phone number is permanent).

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A late flurry of letters has once again rescued me from the jaws of literary ruin. As you peruse these notes, the Class of '79 is spreading to the 4 winds after celebrating what appears to be the last June Week for WP. As graduation will be in May starting next year, the final cadet days will now logically be termed Graduation Week. What, you might ask, will become of the traditional song "Army Blue" where the ladies come up in Jun? Even worse, what is to

become of the term B.J.? B.M. has a meaning all of its own! Oh, the times they are a-changin'.

Alphabetized news starts with John K. Anderson who is on a ROTC asgmt in Menomonee, WI. After graduating from Wharton Business Sch this May, Paul Andrew will begin his new career with a lovely bride. He and Karen will be married in Aug. John Bantsolas is currently commanding a firing battery at Ft Campbell after completion of FAOAC. Bill Bearden remains at Sill as an instructor of nuclear weapons. Steve Bennett has settled down near Gary, IN where he works for U.S. Steel. Joe Bergantz is pursuing a grad degree at GA Tech prior to returning to WP in 81 to teach aeronautical engr. After instructing advanced tactics at the AOAC at Knox, Tom Berry is now a student of engr in grad school. I often see, but don't often recognize, Kevin Brennan playing hoops in the WP gym. Some of his time, however, is spent pursuing a double master's at Columbia prior to his return as an instructor here.

After a tour in Korea, Bill Carr is settled in his AC branch in the Hoffman Bldg in Alexandria. Still single, Bill will practice enlisted mgmt by day and social mgmt in the DC area at night! Herb Clifton has graduated from the ORSA business program at Monterey and will remain at Ft Ord. Scott Crandall has been promoted to a dist mgr for Michelin. His responsibilities include ME, NH, and VT. He and Peg are living in Merrimack, NH. Recently, they began sponsoring a 13-year-old Korean girl's schooling at an orphanage in Uijongbu. Joe & Pat Curry are settled in San Ant after a satisfying tour at Ft Jackson. Joe is pursuing a degree in ORSA business at the UTX, while Pat, an Army nurse, is attending her career course at Ft Sam Houston and also completing her graduate degree in nursing. Dell Dailey is currently undergoing Cobra transition at Ft Rucker prior to his asgmt with the Armored Cav in Germany. As a civ, Jim Dawson works for a merchant marine co. in TX while also serving in the TX NG. Following his complete recovery from cancer, Vaughn Dille now serves as a racquetball pro, owns a taxidermist shop and a used car lot, and is planning to move from MD to AZ to build his own house. Oh, to have your energy, Vaughn.

Jerry Edwards works for the Avn Safety Cen at Ft Rucker. He married Bobbie Ann Robinson in GA in Mar. The latest is that



1971: Founders Day Ft Lewis: The Ferrises and Stevensons.



1971: Founders Day Ft Sill 1979.



1971: The Pingels, Timmers, Weiman with date, Gina Snyder.

Jim Edwards will run for the State Legislature in TX in 80. Jim Floyd relates that it will take Edward's entire campaign fund just to buy his silence. Dan Ferris is in COBRA transition prior to a tour in Germany. Dan's wife, Pati, had their 2d child last Feb. Scott Michael now joins Brian, 3, at home. The attending physician at the birth was our own Gary Nickel. Reports are that Gary is a terrific OB and takes particular care of classmates wives (as the Kobes' and Harvey's, T. will also attest). Gary & Alexis Nickel are expecting their 4th child in Jun to accompany their 3 boys. Kevin Flanagan, Pat Fligg, and Pat O'Neill were all selected for the JAG Advanced Cse, a very competitive asgmt. Jon Forest will remain at Ft Sill for a tour following FAOAC. Al Fox is programmed to return to WP as a TAC. Herb Gallagher is studying physics at GA Tech prior to his return to the Hudson. Phil Grant is completing his degree in architecture at Notre Dame. Rick Hartline is working on a grad degree in Engl at Columbia while his wife, Ann-Marie, serves as an atty for Blue Cross and Blue Shield in the city. Jake & Louise Jacobsen welcomed the birth of their son, Jon Frederick, in Feb. Jake is still an aide at Ft Gillem in Atlanta.

Bob Kramer is completing 2 civilianizing years at the UMD prior to returning to WP to teach in the Dept of BS&L. He was fortunate enough to spend the bulk of the summer of 78 as a special student at the Hebrew U. in Jerusalem learning about the Israeli Def Fcs. Bob has published articles in a book, *Military Unions: U S Trends and Issues* and in the periodical *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*. Still single, Bob spends his time learning to cook, running marathons, and investigating the fairer (but equal) sex.

The Leiningers moved to WP in mid-year.



1971: Founders Day Ft Benning: Watson and Holcombe.



1971: Chiacchia, Clifton, Denadel, Catti and Rice.

Carl now teaches in the Soc Sci Dept. Jack McHenry has earned his grad degree in juice and has moved on to Ft Gordon. Ray McKinney is attending Princeton in anticipation of becoming a minister in Sept. Bian McQuistion, after the FAO course at Ft Bragg, is off for Monterey for some Russian language study and then to Garmisch to finish his Russian studies. After completing his command time at Ft Lewis this summer, Charlie Moore will attend grad sch in Avn Safety followed by an asgmt to Ft Rucker. Charlie is also planning to fit in his marriage in the schedule this summer. Jack Ogren was married last summer to Tanny. After commanding a FA detachment for a year at Ft Rucker, Jack is now the head of an enlisted student co. Randy Oliver commands the Hqs Co. of the Acft Dev Test Acty at Ft Rucker. He was recently selected to attend the US Naval Test Pilot Sch in MD. Randy and Joan have a son, almost 3.

Tim Reischl recently began the ORSA program at Monterey. Mike Renaud commands a training battery at Ft Sill. Tom & Nima Rini are in Ft Rucker where Tom is an instructor pilot for the CH-47 qualification course. Mike & Jean Ritchie will stop briefly at Middlebury Coll and then spend a year in Madrid while Mike prepares to teach Spanish at WP. Jay Schneider is a broker for Merrill, Lynch. The Schrubbe family has settled in the NYC area where Greg works for IBM. Ben Smith will spend the next 2 yrs in Boston in dental sch before returning to NM to practice. Dave Smythe recently joined the Dept of ES&GS here. After completing 30 months of command time at Ft Lewis, Jack Stevenson welcomes the move to Ft Lee where he will pursue a master's in



1971: Founders Day St. Petersburg: The Petersons.



1971: Founders Day Ft Rucker: The Ogrens, Trabues, Rinis and Olivers.

Procurement and Contracting. Court & Jennet Trabue were married last fall. Court serves as the adj of the Comm Cmd Agcy at Ft Rucker. Bucky Walker married Catherine Kelly at Ft Bragg on 7 Apr. And finally, on a down note—the depressing story of Denny Wenker. After deciding to resign and extend at Ft Riley to do so, Denny received orders for the advanced cse. When he summarily flagged those orders and attempted to resign immediately, his branch decided he should spend his last months in Korea. Karen, Janice and Jason remained at Ft Riley until his return in May.

Did I tell you that if on room confinement, you must sit at your desk and not sleep. I would have died! How about FA and ADA being ranked? What next? Next notes by 30 Jun.

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Doesn't the summer sunshine feel just great! After a chilly winter season I am ready for these hot, muggy days. May the summer be filled with joyous occasions for everyone.

Since there have been at least a couple of letters from folks wanting to know what I am doing, here goes. Your scribe is employed by the E. I. Du Pont deNemours Co. I am nucl prod reactor control room supervisor at "C" reactor, Savannah River Plant. In general, we make defense materials for Uncle Sam. The job is an education, both long term, and on an every day basis. That's why I came here and I have not been disappointed.

Last issue closed with a promise to get an update on Bill & Betty Harlan and their E-3 Dragons. "Puck" Gorzelnik was scheduled to wed Cindy this past Jan in Enterprise, AL, and then returned to Ft Hood and his mech inf co. in 2d AD. Rolly Dessert & family moved to Ft Carson from Bragg when GEN Menetrey asked Rolly to be his aide. Too bad Rolly had to leave the pine trees and redbugs for snow capped peaks and coyotes. He expects to get a command this summer and will need it now that number 5 has been added to the next generation of Desserts! Chuck & Holly Coleman continue their busy schedules, him with Babcock and Wilcox and she with her nursing duties. "Hoot" Gibson transferred from AL Law to Vanderbilt Law Sch. He says Vandy has an outstanding copyright law curriculum, which is



1972: Founders Day Ft Sill 1979.

Hoot's specialty. No reported change of address for John & Cynthia Featherstone, who are in MS with Procter & Gamble. Reggie & Kelly Sterns are selling for Procter & Gamble. Craig McKee finished his master's in Ed. with the thesis *A Resource Guide to Iowa History Instruction*. The McKees relaxed after that with a trip to Europe and a visit to relatives in Denmark. Finally, the Harlans' anticipate Duke Law Sch graduation, particularly after the dismal showing of the Blue Devils basketball squad. Wait till next year, Bill, and thanks again.

Larry Best recently became a SysO for Citibank, NY. He enjoys his new responsibilities which includes the entire upstate area. Linda has joined the working world too, as she is a writing instr for State U. at Genesco. All the snow didn't seem to bother the Bests this winter, particularly children Barb and Mike! I received an interesting note from Bernie Pasierb concerning providing information to classmates who are considering a civ career. Bernie has a real interest in giving the separating officer the most accurate picture of what to expect in the transition. Anyone who may be in this category is invited to contact Bernie at 31 Stuart St, Waldwick, NJ 07463.

Bob Strong sends his usual report from Penn State including: Jerry Smalley on the island of Eniwetok in the S. Pacific. John Weekley just finished his MBA in marketing from UTX. Bill Sterrett now works for Lukens Steel in Coatesville, PA. Ray Ward is with the same firm. Dan Hennesbry purchased a seat on the Mid-American commodity exchange, where he actively pursues

the trading of grain, log and precious metal future. Pete Odorico finishes his MBA from Stanford this Jun. Doug & Ellen Timmerberg are at Ft Sill, where he is a BC in the 1/17FA. The Timmerbergs also had their 2d child, Errika, last Oct. Strong says he will gladly lend a hand to anyone planning to attend Army-Penn State in Oct. One of the hardest souls in the Class has to belong to Gerry Stillman. He and Pam are in AK and enjoying the unspoiled environment. A taxi-dermy shop, a fur and firearms shop, a job as budget analyst, and 1-yr-old Charles Edward keep them busy—WOW! That is busy! Nonetheless, they extend a welcome to anyone who wants to visit the wild Northwest. Even though out of the main streams of the CONUS, the Stillmans have managed to keep up with a few others. Mike Sela is due for WP after the RR/EO course at Patrick AFB, FL. 1981 will see the return of Rich Ferrin to Woops, also. He will be teaching English after a grad sch stint. Tim Lefebvre just left Ft Sill for Germany and Brain Davie is BC of "C" Btry 1/37th FA at Ft Wainwright, AK. Stillman also says that the WP Soc of AK is beginning to become active. There are more hardy souls than we think!

Bill Guarino sent some A-1 news via a flyer he put together for the rest of 72 A-1. Bill, himself, has started work on his MBA from UMI. That will take 2 nights a week for 4 yrs. In addition to that, one night a week is taken up with a ballroom/disco dance class. He says, and I quote: "my strongest dance is the waltz." Gar readily admits the training received during Beast Bks helps out! Other folks he mentioned include Lee & Ann Barnes, who are staying in Germany for a while. After having HHT, 1/10Cav. Lee took command of E troop. Tom Giboney is assigned to TIS, and Paul & Denise Os-varek are at Armor OAC. John Boxberger, Ft Lewis, has taken command of HHC in an armor bn after relinquishing command of a tank co. Joe Edwards (Pat and daughter Alicia and Regina) has given up command of the 57th MP at WP and now works on the PM's staff. Al, Vera, and Jennifer Barlow have joined civ. Frank & Debby Eich in Cape Girardeau, MO. They work for Procter & Gamble there. Murro & Darla Martens added son Kurt (7 Feb), to help brother Kevin deep Darla busy. Murro is a civ by now, I've heard. The upper east coast area still has some civs as reported previously. These include Mike & Marie Aldrich (daughter Carrie) and Mike & Peggy Godbout (sons Greg and Ryan). Out in sunny HI Walt Shultis has been promoted to institutional broker with Merrill Lynch. Bev has a mgmt



1972: Founders Day Ft Sill 1979.



1972: Founders Day Ft Benning: Waldbueser, Horton, Leszczynski, Kidder, Travis, Lupfer, Shrewsbury, Hart, Merritt, Williams, Moore, Drumheiser, and Newlin.

position with the HI Med Service Assn, and both are participating in outrigger canoeing. Tom Marks, also in HI, has been coaching track, working for a State Rep, and writing a Title IX report for the UHI. Tom has been sporting a beard and marathon running. That's it for the A-1'ers; tanks Bill.

Joe Drach had been providing input from the Ft Bragg area but the troops of C/2/504 Inf take up his "extra" time now. Not to be outdone, Dennis Gray, took over the reporting for Joe and his first try is a great success! Dennis is a tax and financial planning consultant for a Fayetteville firm. Besides Joe & Cindy Drach, there are a lot of CO's and staff folks in the 82d. Woody Collins is CO of E/1/505 Inf, Jeff Donald is CO of Co. A, USAJFKIMA, Al Geraci is S1 of the 82d Sig Bn. Jim Holcomb, wife Kathleen, and daughters Lea and Genevieve are with 2d Bn, 7th SF. After ME work at UCO, John Jacobsen now commands the 618th Engr Co. Dan Jenkins is out and at NC State. Others include Karl Johnson (Diane and Kris), CO of CSC 1/504th Inf; Paul Labonte (wife Kathy, John and Matthew) is CO of B/1/325 Inf; Bob Lossius (Rona, Michele, and Ryan Allen) is CO of A/2/325 Inf; John McGuiness (May, Clare and Elizabeth) is the flight surgeon for 269 Avn Bn. Tom, Pattie and Stephanie McNerney were with the 5th SF until recently, now the 82d. Steve Myer (Carlena, Nicole and Jennifer) is in the 82d G3 section; Chet Phillips (Rhea, Jamie and Carter) is CO of HHC, USA JFK CENMA; Steve & Elaine Powers are with the SF, but going to 82d in a few months.

Also, Jeff & Karen Staser are with 82d G3. Stasers tell us that Dave Lueneberg is working for Ford, as is Chuck Ebel. P.J. Sinnott now in CT with Farrell Fluiditics. Joe, Julia, Torria, and Andrea Taylor also are with the 82d G3. They pass on news of Jeff McCausland, a HHC CO at Ft Stewart, GA, Bill Miller working for Polaroid in Boston, and Tom Waters a civ in or near Savannah, GA. Jerry Walker (Barb, Matt, James) is the 82d HHC CO. He reports that Charlie Williams is a financial consultant in Columbus, GA. Ken, Elaine, and Jeff Walker left the 82d this spring for Procter & Gamble in Jackson, TN. Mickey Crook also with P & G, in Mehoopany, PA. Tod & Sheila Wilson are with the 2/7th SF. Gerry, Cindy, and Storey Renee Zmolek are with 1/325th Inf, E Co. CO. Still others are Chris, Sue, and Erin Ardleigh (staff engr for ACS services, 1st COSCOM); Jim, Linda, J.T. and Mark Camp (BC w/321 FA); Roger & Linda Bowen (S3, 519th MI Bn); Tom,

Linda, Matthew, Jennifer, and Elizabeth Thomas (flt plt ldr in 1/17 Cav); Doug Skeggs (MNC, 1/505th); Chuck, Karen, and Bobby Hiatt (CO, HHC, 2/508th Inf); and Scot Moseley (B Co CO, 27 Engr). Among all this news from Bragg came notices of some others. Bill Pavlick has a recruiting cmd in Pittsburgh. Don Tilton recently finished command of a co. in 1/506th at Ft Campbell. Also, Ted Whitley completed MIOAC and is staying at Huachuca. Mark Gay is an Adc at Carlisle Bks. John Kidder is a IOAC, Benning, and Jim Clark is a CP there. The Donalds had Jeff Dufault as a visitor recently. Jeff was on his way to IA where he is a nucl engr for Westinghouse. Also from the Donalds, Tom Davis is in grad sch at Harvard, then on to WP.

Other notes from around the world include one from Harry & Brenda Stumpf in Aschaffenburg, FRG. Harry is CO of C/1/4 Inf and prior to that was in the 703d Maint Bn. Lee, Pat, and Rob Perry are living in University, MS, where Lee attends Ole Miss Law Sch. Good to hear from you Lee. Steve Baranzky wrote from Ord OAC at APG to say that he is soon headed for GA Tech. An MA in Opns. Rsch/Sys Anal Engr is in the offing. Also at Aberdeen was Bill Wightman. Bill's at Ft Hood by now. Other notes from Steve—Bob Lang is in the oil business in OK, Earl Simons is a stock broker in Dallas, Ken Brockman has resigned and Rick Kane is in the book business in NYC.

Rob & Rosemary Holland announce the arrival of #3, Theresa Ann. Daniel (5) and Mary (3) now have a cohort to make fun things for mommy! Rob finished UVA Law and is now in the SJA office at Ft Campbell. A winter visitor of the Hollands was Dan Hickox. He is at AF Comm Cse at Keesler AFB, Biloxi, MS. Before that Dan earned his master's at AFIT. Wayne Kirkbride passes along some scoop including: Jim Hickey is on his way to Mech Dept after getting a degree at GA Tech; Frank Hancock is CO of HHC at Ft Drum, and Tom Innamorato is after a master's at Penn U. Wayne and Yonghui, Tammy, and Jenny are expecting another family member this fall. Now, here's a story—Kirkbride lost his Class ring last Jan on Mt Olympus, Greece. Three months later, after the snow melted, a Greek LT found it and mailed it to Wayne! Unbelievable!

To end with some quick news, Dave Carlson is with the Berlin Bde and Jim Silcox has another year at UWI. Thanks for all the notes and letters. Lots of news this time. Great! Have a happy, safe summer.

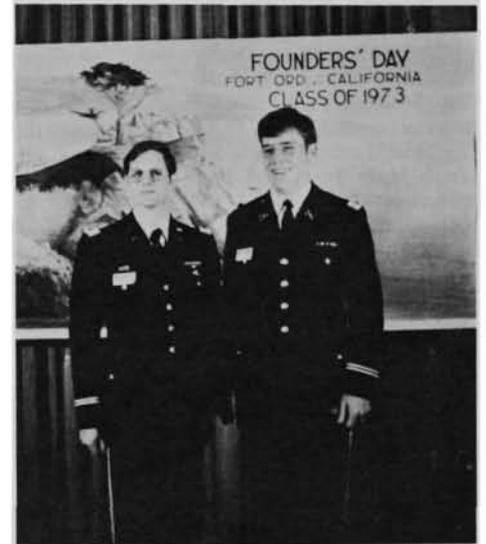
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Greetings once again from beautiful Atlanta! All is well here on the east front and so far this has been a fabulous year.

Can you believe we already have 6 yrs time in service? Where does it all go? We must be having fun! By the way, when's our MAJ AUS promotion board? So much for idle pipe dreams, eh?

Last night was absolutely beyond compare! Grads from all over the Atlanta metropolitan area joyously celebrated Founders Day on 16 Mar at the Ft McPherson Officers Club. GEN Shoemaker '46, Cdr, FORSCOM was the MC and GEN (Ret) Maxwell D. Taylor '22 was the guest speaker. Dare I admit that it warmed the cockles of this old gray heart when we sang *The Corps* and the *Alma Mater*? Not only was the entertainment dazzling, roast prime rib was the piece de resistance of a veritable banquet—an epicure's fantasy topped off with vino della casa, coffee mousse and a tantalizing cup of hot java. For what more could one ask? Reps from '73 included Rich Wilson, Don & Ginna O'Donnell, Mark & Linda Cathcart, Art Coumbe, and myself. Mark and Linda are doing great and are immensely enjoying this incomparable Atlanta assignment. Mark's HQ Cmdt for HQ, SE Region Recruiting Cmd, Ft Gillem, and Don's working for the automotive div of GA Power—and is loving every minute of it. Art, since leaving the service in Jan 79, is working for a master's



1973: Jung and Hermanson.



1973: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Caniglia



1973: Founders Day Ft Benning: Baker, Kelly, Hoffman, Lintz, Lynn, Garrison, Tully, Cabell, Denton, Crandall, Trotti, Looney, Pfister, Rodrigues, Thompson, Williamson, Ritter, Babbitt, Coats and Little.

in history at Duke U. and came down to Atlanta for some much deserved rest and recuperation.

Shock! A few weeks ago, I got a call from John Elliott (B-1) at the USMA hospital. When I had heard from him last, he was living out at MIT in physics. What happened? Sometime in Jan, he had a car wreck on 9W and suffered multiple injuries to include a compound fracture of the left femur. I know from first hand (or rather, first leg) experience unfortunately, how that feels. John, being one of strong faith though, and a true personification of the Renaissance man, will rebound with a quantum jump. Please write him c/o 4203 Gramercy Circle, Alex. VA 22309.

The 2d report in is from Bob, Diane, and Michelle Looney (D-1) at Ft Benning. Bob has been at Ft Benning since Mar 78 and is now commanding C Co, 2d Bn, 1st Inf Tg Bde. Lots of grads are in the area too: Paul, Mary Jane, and Paul Jr. Trotti are at Benning where Paul's CO of the 43d Co (Abn), 4th Student Bn. Mike Denton's also a CO of an Abn Co in the same Bn. Al Kaminsky has A Co, 2d Bn, 1st Inf Tng Bde, and others in the 1st Bde include Mike Thompson, Eli Bustamante and Terry Mehan. Mike & Kathy Rzeplinski are also at Benning



1973: Kathleen, Butch and Nicole Baker



1973: Pelosi and Mortensens.



1973: The Smiths and Chychotas

where Mike is CO, HHC/1/58 Inf in the 197th.

Considering those who have traded stylish fatigues for the less avant garde 3-piece business suits—Steve Church joined the civ ranks last fall and is working for an automobile corp in MI; Peter Spring is working for Ratheon in MA; Bob Souza is teaching in New Engl (probably close to home in Mansfield, MA); and Art Peterson is working for New Engl Tel & Tel in West Rutland, VT.

Got a great letter from John Holly (G-1) at the USMC Amphibious Warfare Sch in Quantico, VA. After graduating in Jun he and the family will be coming down to Atlanta to start a master's in mechanical engr program at GA Tech. John implied that after spending 5 yrs in Germany with the 2d ACR, it sure is nice to be able to spend some time with the family. He also reports that Jim Mayer resigned and is now in law sch in San Ant, TX.

Got a great letter also from Al Chapman of Iguana-One Fame. (Al is a former class-

mate recently voted into the AOG). After leaving WOOPS in the summer of 71, Al spent 6 months at Keesler AFB, MI, and then 3 yrs in Berlin as an electronic intel opns spec. From Jan 75 to Apr 76 he attended Brigham Young U., earned a BS degree, and was commissioned a 2LT, USAF. Al is now a Dpty Msl CC Cdr and wing instr crewmember, 341st SMW, Malmstrom AFB, MT, and most happily married too. Al met Brigitte in Germany and they were married in Jan 74 and already have 3 children under their wing.

Attention any '73 grads in the Austin, TX area. Dennis Hein (A-2) is at the UTX at Austin working toward a MBA and has already been accepted in the PhD program in the Dept of Finance. Fabulous news! Please contact him at POB 14246, Austin, TX 78761.

Guess who is at Stanford working for a MA in philosophy? None other than Lord Gately (C-2). It sure is good to finally hear from another C-2 grad! Letters from my own company mates roll in all to infrequently. By the time Craig & Terry Wildrick leave MIT for the Academy, John should be there also—I presume in the Engl Dept. What a radical change from commanding a "MAX WAC" co. at Ft Bliss. No wonder John is waxing philosophical!

One of the advantages of being the pers officer for HQ Ft McPherson is having access to the Army WW locator microfiche. A couple of weeks ago I took a survey of all C-2 grads and came up with some startling statistics. Of 29 grads: 19 active Army, 1 USMC (Denny Jackson), 1 USAF (Buck Owens), and 8 civs. That's only 28% attrition! I wonder what the stats would be if our entire Class was considered?

Arriving just a day after last edition's notes were mailed was a wonderful letter from Butch & Kathleen Baker (B-3). Butch is currently S1, 1/38 FA, 2d Inf Div, Korea, and should be back by 1 Aug 79. In the meantime, Kathleen and Nicole (almost 3 now) are living in St. Helens, OR, where Kathleen's teaching supplementary reading. In general news: Jim Fuehmeyer resigned in Aug 78 and is now working for a MBA at Chicago U. Jim and Jean have one daughter, Erika Lisa. Dave, Mary, Lauren and Stephen Marler (I still contend Dave stereo types "the family doctor") are at Ft Sill for the FAOAC, and Rich Carter is in law sch at UTN. Jim & Carol Stroble are in OH where Jim is working for Goodyear and Bill, Cindy, Sheri, and Jimmy Moline are in Goldsboro, NC.

Well, that about wraps it up for this edition. I sure appreciate all your letters. Please continue to keep me posted on all the latest. Want to hear a mind boggling fact?—only 16 more ASSEMBLY articles until our 10 yr reunion! God Bless!

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Hi! If my writings seem a little amiss this time around, I suspect the reason's obvious, a lot of moving and "important" decisions occurring. Nevertheless, within lies some good stuff.

I have personally become involved in the preliminaries of our 5-yr Reunion next 26-28 Oct at the Homecoming Weekend, and I found enthusiastic support enough to make it a real she-banger! Below I will list the

details as complete as possible to get the ball rolling and get ya'll planning.

Events for our Class will run something like this: informal party Fri night, probably at the ski lodge or golf clubhouse; Sat: parade, tailgate party, football game, formal dinner/dance (optional); Sun: whatever (to the winery?). The man on the ground right now is Constantine Mourtos (Avn: 688-2603) cdr of the med co. there. Marshall Best arrives at WP in Jun to be asst track coach, and Laurie Thompson along with Dorrie Palmatier have volunteered to help.

As learned from '72 and '73, the key is to organize the hotel situation and get the word out. Therefore I have already reserved 25 rooms at the Ramada Inn in Newburgh in the name of our Class. Hopefully this will consolidate us here and in nearby hotels (Holiday Inn, Red Bull, etc.). For one of these rooms (Fri and/or Sat night) please contact the Ramada Inn, 1055 Union St, Newburgh, NY 12550; Tel: 914-564-4500, NLT 15 Sept (when the reservations lift), or contact me. Price is around \$27/night.

For football tickets, if not a member of AAA, contact them directly for tickets and indicate our Class to insure we'll sit together. Address: ODIA, WP, NY 10996. Further details on Homecoming will not appear until the Sept issue, which is a little late to react. Our little cmte will try to get the word out but I encourage all readers to do a little PR work and spread the word. Hoping for a real "knock-down-drag out" time—try to make it.

Launching out with the oldest poop I have is a Jan letter from Dave McCracken



1974: The Coreys



1974: Founders Day Ft Sill 1979.

in the CZ. A little outdated but interesting news, Dave was a tm ldr in C/3/7 SF and had recently broken a collar bone playing rugby against Joe Bonnet's team. Also finishing first in the Scuba's Basic Underwater Cse. was Dave (a near rock sqdr). Dave has heard from Greg Gardner, who's with 2/75 Rgrs, Ft Lewis, until Jun 80. Al & Lynn McCorvey at Benning were expecting this Apr. Jim O'Rourke is in HHB, 2/56 ADA, Germany and R.C. Anderson is a tm ldr in 1/10th SF, Bäd Tölz. Also John Mainwaring is off to Lewis after AOAC at Knox. Dave closed with some choice remarks for his side of the CZ, the "Atlantic Syndrome." At least no snow, eh?

Mike & Pip Kelly are now the proud parents of Barbara Diane, born 22 Feb in OK. Mike should be at Bragg now after FAOAC and also after earning his private pilot's license.

Eric, Jean & Andrea Vonderscheer have put roots down again at Ft Lewis way, bought a house; Eric took Bruce Grant's old co, B/2/1 Inf in Jan; Bruce is due for the adv cse. Eric passes on that Duke Ellington is S3 for 2/2 Inf and Clay Wheeler is S4 in 3/47 Inf.

Mark & Elaine Baker sent a note, they have a new family member—Marshall Justin Enoch born 6 Mar.

Tom McGinnis finished his adv cse last yr



1974: Fletcher, Deleon, Pate, Deaver, Bradley, Sablan and Neske.

and is now enjoying CO area around Ft Carson. He's cmding A/4/61 ADA "with its 12 vulcans and 110 problems." Tom adds that Ken St Cyr is cmding the HHB in his bn and doubling as unit ski officer; and alas, another B-2 Bulldog bites the dust as Tom announced plans on marrying this spring.

Dave Flyer has been flying all over in his proj officer's work: recovery opns. He saw Tom & Holly Davla in WA, Bob & Charmaine McFetridge in San Jose, Tom Loisel in CA, and Jeff Ginter in CO.

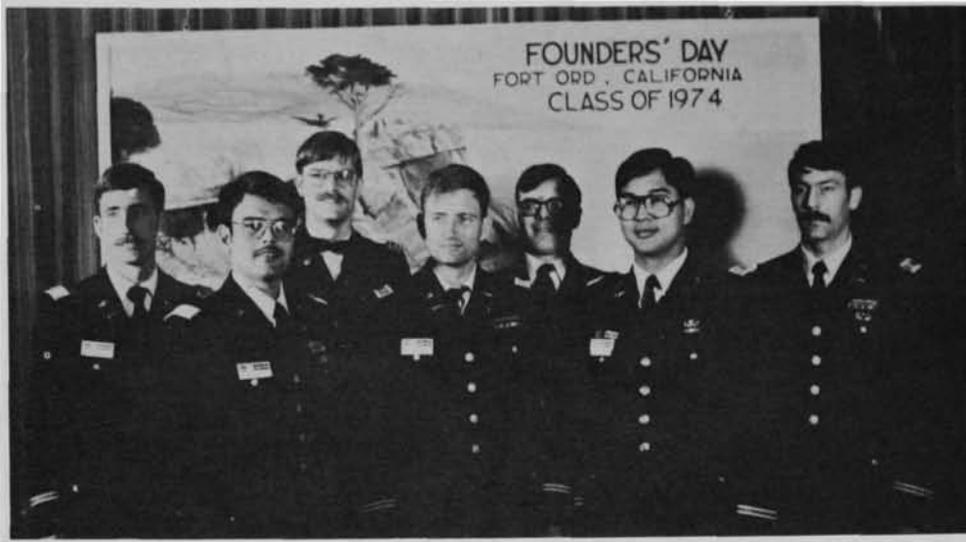
In other B-2 news, most folks have noted Rick & Mary Preece's pic in ARMY TIMES, nice write-up on the entire family, uniting at the hosp after a newborn. In this case Rick and Matt (2½ yrs) visited Mommy and Kathleen Claire (Nov 78).

Laurie Thompson sends a lot of good baby-boy news up from Bragg-way. Jim and she welcomed their 2d son, Matthew Bradford, last 28 Jun. Dorrie & Bruce Palmatier had their 3d son, Jason Robert, in Nov. Some record deliveries, Laurie upon 45 mins, TIH (time in hosp) and Dorrie only 30 mins TIH. Both Bruce and Jim are in Cp Pelham, Korea, 2/17 FA, Bruce due for FAOAC in Jun. Gary & Carol Miller had a boy on 12 Jan, Matthew Gerard. They're in Hanau, Germany after Sill. Also at Bragg are Jim & Carol Pickett along with Jerry & Nancy Johnson. Jerry had a HHB and now cmds a firing btry.

Greg Lucas recently recorded an album, "Facets of Love," an easy listening type. He wrote, sang and produced the whole deal



1974: Founders Day Ft Benning: Herrman, Clark, Frisco, Turner, Geraci, Markham, McGrath, Sweeney, Jenkins and Gum.



1974: Founders Day Ft Rucker: Gates, Martins, and Ortiz.



1974: Dave, David Jr. and Mary Wall.

in Nashville—quite an accomplishment. He's assigned to Polk after IOAC.

Now for some tidbits: Dave & Barb Walls are off for 1/30 Inf, Germany after IOAC. They recently added #3, Tracey Nicole, on 26 Feb. John Aleshin is at Benning for IOAC, along with his new wife, a Panamanian girl. John had a year of SF in CZ. Dutch Hermann is also in IOAC after a yr in the 82d and 3 yrs in SF at Bragg. Jim Martin is with the Retraining Bde at Riley and likes it. Heard that Matt Klimow is adj with the Old Guard. Bill & Barbara Aldridge (and 2 boys) are at Bragg and bought a house, as also did Steve & Sue Wiacek. Kerry & Pam Parker bought a house at Carson, where they are now. Joe & Margie Miller were blessed with a baby tight end (boy) on 22 Mar. Mike Bradley is in the Nav Post Grad Sch, slated for Atlanta afterwards. Jim Ward is out of the Army and into his own business in Columbia, SC, with his family.

The latest here at Dix is that the post will phase out basic tng. Anyhow the following have co's here of recent: Dave Stevens, Steve Hashem, Bob Hayden, Scott Shires, Roman Ciupak and yours truly. Mark Davis is slated for a Bde S3 job soon. Joe & Kathy Fox have a 1 yr old—Joe, big Joe doing PR work here.

Some orders have come from Ger: Cross to Knox; Sole, Bull to Sill; Donny Harris, Frank Roberts and Polk to Benning; Przyworski to McClellan; From Korea are Kocher to Knox and Yezak to Benning. To Germany

are Goehring and Goedkoop; Ty Edwards to Japan. Bob Metheny and Gary Coleman to Korea.

Everyone asks me who is getting out, staying in, which I'll try to publish from here on out. I'd like to consolidate ideas on employment opportunities also, some classmates have already volunteered help along these lines. Anyone needing recommendations, etc, let me know. So, enjoy the summer.

Got a late note from the Ft Knox Founders Day group. In attendance were John & Maureen Kussard: 5 yrs in KY, can't wait to leave. George & Christine Gay: George has been a plt tac instr and now is AOAC, Christine a "disco instr." Frank & Patricia Janowski: Frank just finished cmd in 2/6 Cav and now Sqdr S3, headed for law sch in Aug 79. Tom & Margaret Goedkoop: 4½ years at Hood, in AOAC now and headed for Germany. Bryan & Jane Oliver: Bryan spent 4½ yrs at Hood, had a tank co. and married a flight attendant from St. Louis on 17 Feb 79. Pat Potter recharging his ring at the event and is working in the Armor Cen. Mike & Dianne Johnson: I guess missed Founders Day due to having baby #2. And Bob Visnovsky is going from Hood to Germany, in his words, "trench to trench."

'75

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"Reflections, a Report, some news, and other thoughts." Late Spring is traditionally a time for pausing. The crops are planted, the grass is greened. First-quarter questions about price and yield have been answered. The business cycle swings anew, and winter's boots and skis make way for summer's jogging shorts and tennis raquets. It is a time to rest and reflect on what has been accomplished for 50% of the year. Though far from over, the year's major work is largely already set in motion.

The Academy also has some of this seasonal character. Gloom period is over; June Week is blooming. The cyclical nature of West Point's mission begins again: a fresh crop of graduates is harvested and fed to troop units while 1400 new seeds are soon to be sown in "Beast" Barracks.

Pausing to think about the "state of the Academy," one might pick up a copy of Pointer View to read about a significant happening here called Initiative Teamwork. The



1975: Founders Day Ft Rucker: Lewis and Holder.

Superintendent has instituted this introspective-examination to open better lines of communication at an institution that some critics might call a stony, unfriendly place. Within the gray walls of West Point there are a multitude of relationships, both personal and institutional. Some are "adversarial." Considered in terms of major elements there are the Corps, the staff and faculty, support elements, and families: 10,000 people who to some extent interrelate with one another. The uniqueness of each individual mind, perhaps the curse or beauty of individuality, dictates that there will arise differences of viewpoints, divergent concepts of responsibilities. Differences can be healthy in some endeavors, harmful in others. But in any case, there is no need for antagonisms to emerge from variant attitudes and concepts. The goal of the Supt's "Initiative Teamwork" is to improve communication and ease the rub where systems and people come together at sharp angles. It's a matter of developing positive leadership; lessening adversarial relationships; removing the "they" from "we vs. they" attitudes. "Initiative Teamwork" recognizes that some systems are inherently adversarial: math is challeng-



1975: Founders Day St. Petersburg: Townes—youngest grad present.



1975: The Annens, Styrons, Popes, Wallaces, Connors, Taylors, and Schalan, Kelly and Townes.

ing, excess demerits bring area tours, food prices soar. Some bumping of attitudes will not be changed, but through spirited application, the West Point community is working to remove unnecessary antagonisms. Indeed, the things that may have bothered you most as a cadet may have disappeared by the time you return for the 5-year reunion. The Supt is the architect of this new, bold, innovative systemic approach to problem-solving at West Point called "Initiative Teamwork." American history is largely a history of men rising to the demands of their time in

an office which afforded the power necessary to govern. Well, be assured that this broad-scope initiative in Academy-wide communication is a prime example of one great man leaving his signature indelibly etched in the granite of this historic place.

On other notes, the 1975 Class Reunion plans should begin to gel by next issue. Ideas and other planning input should be sent to Wes Hayes at Ft Bragg or Steve Townes up here at USMA.

A recent trip around the country for Founders Day dinners resulted in some inter-



1975: Founders Day Ft Benning: Corbett, Nava, Smith, Townes, Lane and Decker.



1975: The Morris', Boehmlers, Loomis', date, Johnson, date, McGree.

esting observations. Now that the 4th year of service has passed, more than a few are considering alternative careers and lifestyles. It remains to be seen how and where the ranks may thin. Conversely, just as many are now in or have just finished advanced courses, and are fired-up to take on company commands and other challenges in various parts of the world. In sum, though, this is a time for reflection for most, regardless of intentions; a time to take what may be a final, hard look at dreams and goals before pushing in the chosen direction. And whatever direction that is chosen, a good phrase that probably describes the 1975's collective attitude about future duties and responsibilities can be found in *Once an Eagle*. As you drive on to your personal objectives, just tell folks to "watch your dust."

On 1 July 1971, the Class of 1975 stood on Trophy Point with right hands raised in rank after rank of rigid Plebes, reciting their oath of service. As those words were spoken, a sudden storm broke darkly and with amazing speed across a sunny summer sky. The maelstrom whipped down from Storm King, with black clouds and high winds nearly wrenching the flags away from the Color Guard. Do you remember how the Commandant departed from his prepared text? At that moment, with nature beating unmercifully all around he predicted that our class was bound for greatness. He didn't know why or how that stormy omen had occurred so forcefully, so powerfully. But his prophetic thoughts can still serve as watchwords for us all: "Approach life with the same forcefulness, power, and gutsy determination that you see here today. Take on the world by storm as you live out each of your lives!" Can you forget that day, and the thoughts that you had, as we all stood there battered by that freakish storm?

Put your trousers on one leg at a time; keep your feet firmly on the ground as you keep reaching for the stars. The sky's the limit, if you make it that way. Send entries—early!—for next issue to Pete Lawson. SDT—West Point, NY.



1975: Steve and Suzy Townes, Houston, TX.



1976: The Warkmans, Roseners, Zarubas, Cogliandros and Gallagher.

'76

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Hello everyone. Hope this note finds everyone well. I received no notes from Founders Day activities before this deadline so that info will be postponed until the next issue. Now to the news.

David Mossbarger sent a note from Ft Gordon where he and Bill Tonsing are going through their careers on the "buddy system." They both took commands of companies within two days of each other, got their AGI's on consecutive days and report to Korea within two days of each other in Sept 79. His other news included that Gerry Falkenstein was at Gordon until Oct when his entire co moved to Germany. Lenny Tylenda is still in the vicinity and Mike Wickham just came to Gordon when his unit moved from Ft Lewis. Billy Wechsler just left for the 82d after spending his time as an aide to BG McKnight. Dave went to the Army-FL game where he saw "Ranger Rick" Hinojosa who was down from Ft Stewart. Mike Cantrell wrote Dave to say he's in the Old Guard in DC now as is Jim Monday. Dave saw Al Drowke at Ft Gordon while he was there for SOBC after grabbing a couple of masters degrees at Stanford. Other news from Dave includes the fact that Paul & Melinda Adams are expecting in May. Mark Alexander is getting married in Jun in CA. Todd Decker, recently married, now has a son. Scott Mackay is in law sch at Boston U. and really enjoying himself. Debbie & Matt Smith are still at Ft Knox but Matt has orders to Ft Sch. Bonnie & Mike Brady are now at Ft Rucker and Greg & Patti Stanley have the first B-3 son, Timothy Glenn.

Craig Candelore sent a card at Xmas from FRG. He says he's enjoying himself and his cmd of langs seem to have helped except for freezing to death out in the boonies.

George Greenlee sent a note from Ft Rucker. He says that a bunch of folks have recently passed through including Ed Sinclair and Mike Davis. George says he's PCS-ing there and hopes to be an instr soon. He says that anyone passing through or about to do so, drop him a note.

Dale Vincent sent a note from Dallas—he's another Med Sch-type. Two summers ago Dale and I had the pleasure of being in Jane & Dennis Thompsons' wedding in Lafayette, LA. Dale writes that after the wedding, during the summer, he began dating



1976: Founders Day Ft Rucker: Butlers, Zieges and Balls.



1976: Bob, JT, Farmer '75, Downie in Italy.



1976: Goetchius, Higgins, (date), Davis, the Whitings, Negrete, Annunziato, Hicks, (date), Jackson.

a girl in his med sch class and now they are planning on being married on 30 Jun in Dallas. It's going to be a mil wedding and John Williamson will be best man. He's now at Ft Carson but he says that he'll go AWOL if necessary to be there. Dale's other news includes from Terry Fong, who is now an aide at Ft Knox, is going to be married in Jul to a girl from NY. Mike Hamilton, who is with the 37 Arm in Erlangen, met an American stu studying at the U. there, and is planning on getting married in OH in Jun. Dale's future plans, along with Judy's include interviews at Tripler in HI and at Beaumont in El Paso. He says that he finally is seeing the light at the end of the tunnel.

A really nice baby announcement came from Donna & Jerry Eversmeyer a few days ago. Adrienne Lee was born on 2 Mar 79 in Ansbach, FRG. Apparently she was born at Krankenhaus since they didn't have time to make the Nurenberg AH and the delivery almost occurred en route. Both Mom and Adrienne are doing fine. Jerry's now CO for the Hq detach for the Ansbach Mil Community and with the job and dau he says, no more Graf trips in this tour of sunny Germany. Jerry says that Mark & Maureen Dulong are doing well and have finally moved into qtrs. Jerry's only bad news: he's selling his 911T Porsche—not really a family car... I can sympathize.

Got a note from Lorraine & Dave Finkelstein out in Ft Huachuca where he's now CO of a constr Sig Co. He's the Army's answer to Ma Bell. Dave's pic shows one of his acquired hobbies. Another one is an historical novel that he's writing about the Punitive Expedition of 1916 (Pershing chases Pancho Villa, etc). He's written 175 pages and hopes to complete the last 100 within the next yr. Dave went TDY to Canada in Jan and his only comment is: don't try to outdrink our allies up north. Dave's going TDY to Fts Hood, Ord, and Sill and to Panama in the near future so anybody there should drop him a note.

Eric Zimmerman sent a note from Ft Belvoir. His news includes that Jimmy Lullen was married late in 78 to Edna who's an RN. Jimmy's the aide to the Dpty Post Cdr and Eric's the aide to the Post Cdr. They were roomies at WP and now their desks are 15 feet apart. Eric's news includes that Pat Lusk is due to go to the Adv Crse in Sig soon. He's finishing up his last crse for his master's in what sounds like some bus field. Mark & Kathy Coomer are at Ft Ord where Mark recently took over an Inf co. Eric



1976: Healy, Koenig, James, Burgers, Rooney, Jones and Saffer.

wants to hear from Rick Morales who was supposed to be married in England this Jan.

Bob McClure wrote to reassure that everything's fine/wild in FRG. He says that those often seen dragging down town Mainz are JT, CC, Mike Delarede, Spic and Bob. Bob says to page Scottie Gillogly who's at Duke Med Sch—he wants a letter. Bob wants to know if he and Sally are really going to visit FRG this summer. Bob visited Greg & Karen Dyson over Xmas in Bamberg and both are doing well. Bob's playing rugby over there and so far he's played Mark Tilotson twice who Bob says is quite the animal—ah yes, Sat nite at Snuffy's.

Mackey & Donna Ives wrote from Colo Spgs some info that overlaps Bob's. They heard from Karen & Greg Dyson that they took off in Feb to go skiing in Austria. They say that they occasionally feed Bob McClure. Apparently Jim Bob Rollins is still plugging away with the Cav at Graf. Jim Bob's hoping to link up with Glen Krc who will be taking a break from MIT sometime this Spring and that both will travel in FRG. Mackey got a long letter from Dan & Pat Whiting. Dan's presently the aide to the CG of the 193d Bde which is keeping him busy and Pat is teaching sch in Panama. In between their jobs, they manage to feed Steve Fondacaro whenever he escapes his triple canopy jungle. Rumor has it that Fondo can be reached at grid sq 662716 and will be en route to Ft Stewart to join the Rgr Bn in Mar. Matt Hada is currently an Asst Bde S-1 at Ft Bragg and is recover-

ing from a separated shoulder he received in a jump acdt. Hope he's doing well.

Mike Weed is enjoying life as a FDO at Ft Bragg and just returned from Desert Tng at Ft Irwin, CA. Mackey & Donna are both doing well and Mackey's currently the BMO with 1/19 FA. He's heading to Korea in Jun.

We finally got the news from Gretchen & Walt Sutterlin out at Ft Ord. Joshua Michael was born on 28 Jan 79 and weighed in at 7 lb 10 oz. Congrats!

Received a letter from Jim Lawson's mother. I had not been aware that Jim has been in the hosp at Ft Benning but speaking for the rest of the class, we are glad to hear that he is now doing well. Mrs. Lawson says that Jim finished 3d in his class at IOBC, reported to Ft Carson in Jul, and left for fit sch in Aug. She also sent some news on some other folks. Bruce & Marion Black had a baby boy in Jan. Gary & Mary Gerst are at Ft Knox and are both doing well. Just for the record, it's always great to hear from parents of classmates as, often, their news fills in gaps in other letters.

Finally, over Mardi Gras down here in New Orleans, we had a visit from Kim Campbell and two of his friends. Kim's in tng at Ft Sam Houston for the US Pentathlon tm. Kim was in town for a fencing tournament at Tulane. From what I gather, Kim's doing really well and is enjoying the whole thing even though their tng hours sound worse than my call schedule.

Just some last business: remember to send in addresses of friends. I've had a bunch of requests for addresses and I'm missing quite a few. Don't forget to send in the Founders Day pics and news for the next deadline. Lastly, let's hear frm all those folks who've never had their names in ASSEMBLY; believe it or not, there are a lot of folks out there who'd like to hear from you. Have a great summer!

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'77

Howdy Y'all! I never thought Keesy Goebertus would remember the promise I made Firstie year. The promise—"Sure, I'd be happy to write the class notes for a few years." Voila, a class scribe is born!

As many of you noticed, the class notes didn't appear in the last issue of ASSEMBLY. A Thousand Apologies. No excuse, to those who still only recognize 4 answers. To com-

pensate, all of March's letter, plus some new news, will follow.

March, 1979—Hoping all of you had a great holiday season, and our special thanks to Hobie McShea for such an entertaining newsletter. This letter comes direct from the hallowed walls of the Ft Ord BOQ and the pen of Doug Biggerstaff... it promises to be one of Doug's best "pullout" masterpieces. For the next letter I plan to find a more permanent Scribe to write our newsletter for the next year or two and continue our rotating tradition. The end... by Keesy.

Fred Mills reports from Korea that his unit, the 6/37 FA, just finished their ARTEP and passed with flying colors. Glad to see that Fred volunteered for duty on December 24th, 25th, 28th and 29th—never could get enough character building could you Fred!!

With only 23 days left in Korea, James Malcolm is already planning to visit Hong Kong, Bangkok, and Taiwan with Dick Schelhaas. In keeping with the times they hope to spend ten days in Red China.

Got a note from Tom Strehle (Berlin Bde) who says he and Jim Morris have joined a British Rugby club. Tom is presently recuperating from a broken ankle received in an altercation over the pigskin. Accounts from Berlin have it that John Charvat, Tom Hesse, and Ron Branlett are really loving it. Also John & Geri-Lynn Fives joined hands last summer at WP and John has landed the familiar position of Adj in the 3/6th Inf.

Denis Zambetti (2/22Inf) attended a Halloween party at Jim Ambrogis' and ran into, Ed Smith (Baumholder 1/68), Dave Chadwick (Baumholder 1/87) and Mike Hodges (Mainz 2/28). Denis has also seen Jo Lynem (Mainz 2/87) and Barry Bomier (Mannheim 1/10 Cav) at Baumholder.

Periodically, Dan Alberico, Butch Kohs, Matt Holm and the Churches can be seen in or about Weesbaden enjoying the local customs.

Mike & Des Church are enjoying the Xmas holidays and report Chris is growing like a weed.

On September 23, 1978, Donnie Henry and Deborah Lynn Newman were married in the Post Chapel at West Point. Bob Newman, also a classmate, gave Debbie away at the ceremony. Donnie is currently assigned to F Battery, 29th FA as a survey platoon leader.

Dan & Patty Fuller are living in Hanau where Dan is the XO for F Battery 333d FA.

Jim Bickford is nearby in Nuremberg with the 6/14 FA while Dave Wuensch is with the 1/22 FA.



1976: Finkelstein



1977: Miott and Ranger buddy, Ava.



1977: The Neals



1977: The Henrys, West Point Sept 1978.



1977: The Charvats, West Point July 1978.



1977: Patty, Patricia & Brian Smith.



1977: The Trotters, Greens and Pearsons with Richardson, Walsh, Walters, Goodson, Frederickson, and Vallella.

At the Grafenweer training area Donnie ran into Blair Turner (1/15Inf) Ron Offutt (3rd ID) and Jerry Minton (2/81FA).

Mike Kanner has a platoon in the 1/37Arm and invites anyone in the Ansbach/Nuremberg area to stop by.

Dave Cole is with the VII Corps Sig Bn and is putting up the Corps commo tower.

Also in the Ansbach area is Mike & Melanie Phillips. Mike is with the 1/26Inf and will be an umpire in REFORGER.

In preparation for being promoted to 1LT, Zach Smith is planning a boat party down the Mosel. Anyone interested should contact Zach for details.

Brian, Patty and Patricia Smith were in Kaiserslautern last month where Zach took the enclosed picture. They are currently in the states where they are showing Patricia off to everyone in NJ.

Received word from Zach that Greg Robinson has married Linda, so another bachelor bites the dust.

Rory Miott (3/28Inf) has finally got a platoon after spending 7 months as a fist chief. While on leave in the states, Rory spent time with his Ranger buddy, Ava Echols. During his travels in Deutschland, Rory has run into Dave Chadwick, Greg Robinson, Steve McManus, Bob Simmons, Butch Watson, Tim (one can) Flanagan, Nick Altomare, Joe Lynem, and Mike Hodges.

Received a Xmas card from Ed Smith, 1/68 Arm, who seems to be having a good time, albeit no bad news.

From CONUS, Sam Maizel, Ft Campbell, is looking forward to Lori finishing up graduate school, says being separated is no fun.

Word has it that Vinnie Viola is applying for flight school and should be attending the Mar class. Ted & Margaret Hengst are expecting a baby, but no word on when. Pete Zielinski was up to his old tricks at Ted's wedding and seems to be very content at Ft Jackson.

Meredith & Kathy Stone are keeping busy at Ft Jackson. Stoney reports that being a range officer at a basic training post is a pretty good life. All I can say Stoney, is that your turn is coming up. How about writing!

Although Joe Erpelding is attending med sch up north, he still manages to get out to do a little leg work now and then. Life in Seattle is busy for Chris Erpelding as she is teaching.

Frank & Kathy Vellella welcomed a new addition to their family on 22 Oct 78 with the birth of Julia Brook. Frank is now working as the BC of Battery C, Staff and Faculty Bn of the FA School Bde.

Robert & Lynne Richardson became the proud parents of a son, Robert John, on 25 Nov 78. Bob just completed the IMPOC school at Ft Benning and is now with the 2/503Inf, Ft Campbell.

Steve & Libby Rotkoff are expecting a child sometime in Jun. Steve is S2 for the 2/32Inf and is being kept very active in the running of the Bn. Debbie is a teacher at the post school here at Ft Ord.

Pancho Kinney married Donna Chapin in Nov and at last word, he is finally settling down. In fact, Pancho (2/32) just won a chess contest, trophy and all.

Tom Dougall has been leading an ex-



1977: Smith, Zambettis, Ingrid Baur, the Hodges and Chadwick.



1977: Founders Day Ft Rucker: The Balls, Miss Pichler and Hedley.



1977: Erpelding, hiking in WY.



1977: The Hicks, Hills and Prices, Xmas 1978.



1977: Founders Day Ft Benning: Durso and Schwegman.

tremely active life in the 7th Inf Div. After commanding CSC 2/17Inf for an interim period, Tom is now the Adj for the "Buffalos." To top the cake, Tom finally took the big step and married Wendy Wood 30 Dec 78 at Manassas, VA. How is that for an encore.

Some of the 3d "Regers," and in particular, C3 "Fighting Cocks," might remember MAJ G. Harkins. Well, he is now the XO of 3/17Inf and of course, he is lending a guiding hand to Mike Hughes (S4), and Keesy Goebertus (S1). Not to mention Andy Chmar, who will have joined the bn by this letter's publishing. Before I close this quarter's ASSEMBLY article I want to remind everyone to write each other occasionally—right "Buccups," Mike Donahue.

June, 1979—Kerry Mess writes that he, Mike Donahue, and Bruce Altizer are attending Motor Officer School at Ft Knox. Mess is with B Co 2/9Inf which just redeployed from Korea to Ft Riley, (which makes his 7th change of address in one year). Others with the 2/9th are Mike Ivey, Pat Zaiss, and Bruce Altizer.

Jeff Tensfeldt writes that he is going to the 82d from a job as XO of a 155 btry with the 6/37FA. Fred Mills will be taking over for Jeff when he leaves.

From Ft Ord, Keesy Goebertus writes that Andy Chmar has joined C Co 3/17Inf as XO, Dean Berry and Mac Warner have been accepted in the Army Law School program, and Mark & Sarah Jacobson and Kevin Scherrer will be going to Ft Rucker in Apr for flt sch.

Nick & Pat Iorio announce the birth of Nicholas Michael on 28 Dec 78. Nick graduated from Adv Abn Sch last May and is now a PL for the 27Eng Bn at Ft Bragg. Also from Ft Bragg comes word that John Barchet became engaged to Margaret Dianne Moly of Morristown, NJ on Thanksgiving day last year. No date is set as yet.

Ken & Joanie Hicks write that they are enjoying their tour at Ft Polk. Ken is XO of B Co 3/21 FA. Besides putting in long hours preparing for IG inspections, Ken is continuing his fencing and as Joanie relates is "eager to start on No. 2." (No 1 being Melissa Gail, born on 26 Apr 78, see photo.) Also at Ft Polk are Dave & Lynn Calkins, who gave birth to Dave Jr on 6 May 78. Vic & Barbara Tise, and Jody & Michelle Fink. Over Xmas, Ken and Joanie spent some time with Jerry & Cindy Hill and Van & Karen Price at the Prices' home in Hinesville, GA. Lastly, Joanie writes that Stu & Cindy Allman and Don & Rene Fuller are expecting.

I can see from the large number of offspring being born, that those of us who went to med sch will find no great shortage of things to do while in the Army. Speaking of future Army Doc's, Steve Spauling, (who attends Upstate Med Sch at Syracuse), and I recently attended the same Christian Med Soc conference in Philly. SURPRISE!



1977: Mills and Tensfeldt, Korea.

After recovering from shock, we spent a precious few hours reminiscing between activities before going back to school. It was good to see Steve again and renew some of the old bonds which had weakened over the years.

Lastly, I wish to say a few words about our class notes. I hope that these notes can fulfill the purpose of keeping the bonds of friendship strong in our class. To that end, any help I can receive will be welcome. From suggestions pertaining to format to items of news, please do not hesitate to write. I am anxiously looking forward to hearing from everyone in the class. Swamp me! Till next time, Take care and may God bless.

'78

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Congratulations to all '78 grads on our 1st anniv. I sincerely hope this year has been one filled with joy. Let's wish the next 50 years are just as good.

My first note is one of apology to Ken and Toni. I'm really sorry about the misinterpretation of a previous article. My notes are sometimes exaggerated in jest. I'm sorry, please don't take me seriously in the future.

Not too many letters so most of this is off the top of my head.

Bernie Nally and Jeanne were married on 3 Nov. They met at Ft Benning hosp after Bernie broke his leg at Airborne.

George Tronsrue married Elsa on 28 Dec. They went to Mexico for a honeymoon. They should be in Germany as of this article.

Bob Lamb and Marilou Henson were married in Heathsville, VA, 14 Oct 78. On hand to help were Mike Phillips, Bob Davis, Darcy Anderson and Pete Martini. Bob is with 11th Sig Gp at Ft Huachuca.

Steve Marts and Bob Hoisington got married, I hear; sorry I don't know the names of their better looking halves. Jackie McKown is now a proud father. Bill Wrinkle and Sue were expecting in Mar.

Understand that Bill Kimball is engaged and Mike Colpa and Vera are going to be



1978: Founders Day Ft Bragg: O'Neil—youngest grad present.



1978: Marylou and Lamb at Ft Huachuca after 14 Oct wedding.



1978: Founders Day Ft Meade: Bartocci—youngest grad present.



1978: Sheffler, youngest grad, Founders Day dinner Bolling AFB.



1978: Gaydos, Whittington, Vasconcellos, Lewis, Hooker, Hope, Papafotis, Johnson and dates.

married soon. Mike Perry got married New Year's Eve.

Some Ranger Notes. Bob "Old Man" Olds racked himself up good on a midnight run. He's okay now but his Inf future is in question. That wouldn't break my heart but "Old Man" is hardcore as we all know. Congrats to the hordes of Infantrymen who froze their way thru winter ranges. Sandman and Bobby Knight made it through along with Roy McLendon, Kevin Martin, Jay Napoli, Mike Schaefer and Gail Satre.

Steve Chester wrote from Korea. He says Tom Stratz is in club mgmt and parties all day long. Bob Ufford works bankers hours at Camp Casey. Steve is with 1/31 Inf and says his hours are anything but bankers. Congrats to Joe Spenneberg, Bill Damsel, Mike Krieger and Joe Cerv who are in Korea. Hey Bhamer is over there too, doing some good soldiering. He promised to tell me all the different ways to cook rice.

Tom Hayes wrote. He and Sue were married in Jun 78. They're in Schweinfurt. He says all it does is rain.

A '76 grad, George Greenlee, is trying to contact a Rgr who he flew on 7 Feb. All he caught was H-4, 1978. He couldn't recognize him. Others floating around Ft Sill include Mark Roncoli, Steve Short, John Rooney, Wayne White.

We had a wild party in Mar and who should show up but Smitty. He was quite a gentleman, drinking only water and orange juice, what a shock! He is well recovered from a broken neck and some wild nights at Ft Benning.



1978: Founders Day Ft Benning: Holman, Butler, Adams, Wolszczak and Benchich.

Rick McPhee and Missy were married. John O'Dowd and Keith McCaffrey were there.

Rich "Orky" Van Orsdale is alive and well at Ft Knox. He sees Guy Morrison and Gus Steenberg occasionally. Pat O'Connor is XO of a Marine Corps AIT Co. there. Boy, do I envy him. Orky is going to Germany, he's hoping for the 11th ACR. He now calls Las Vegas home, I bet that's really tough to take. He says Danny Lim had Typhoid Fever but has fully recovered.

Charlie Breeding is here and wants to hear from Fotis. My REGISTER says Photon is in Panama but I'm not sure. Anyway



1978: The Rooneys, Rileys, Nalleys and Lyons with Rackers, Carter, Becky Wampner, Lemnitzer, Roncoli and Maggie O'Connor.



1978: Regina Milgram and Gallivan.

drop Charles a line. Speaking of Charles, How's Termay Jack Alexander? Wally "Cats" Price is as mellow as ever and in Germany.

Roland Smith and Lynn got married on 7 Apr in Newport News. They met at Ft Eustis. Rolo and I hope to be at flt sch before the year is out.

Bruce & Donna Miller recently visited WP. Bruce was en route to Language Sch to study Greek language.

Lots of notes from scenic Ft Sill. Between testifying at attempted robbery trials, in which Ace Wilhelm and I barely escaped with our wallets, and going to Army schools, I've managed to go one year without any co. experience. I've moved from S2 to S3 and am a victim of terminal boredom. Abe Valdez and I have a house on the East side of the thriving metropolis of Lawton. Juggernaut is with a Lance Msl unit and crazier than ever. Buddah & Kenny Rackers live down the street from us with Conan, a 77 grad. Grant & Eileen Troubaugh were married in Nov and live here now. Rick & Kerry Contraras are around but I've only seen Kerry driving by occasionally. Skip & Carolyn Dietz, and Pete & Diane Lyons are hiding around somewhere along with Jack Sinclair and his wife.

Hello to all the beautiful people at Ft Eustis. Mike Kaz and I got together for a while. Special greeting to Rick & Terri Morrow who put me up in fine style during a recent East Coast visit. Tony & Vicki and Vince Malagrino are all doing well. Chief Silvola was in charge of Foreign Officers, Charmouta!

Hello to Dave Rich and Brad Andrew at Ft Hood. I'll bet it's hot.

F.X. Meyers is wrestling All-Army and reportedly engaged. X, was she in the van at Carol's wedding?



1978: Harris, Neuser and Odegard.

Gary Winton must not be letting married life affect his first and true love, basketball. He made the All Tournament inter-service team. March issue of ARMY TIMES shows him cleaning Boards. Congrats Gary, keep it up. I heard Curt Alitz was coaching track back at Woops.

My arm is tired so I'll stop. Please write me, all I've been getting lately is junk mail, bills and more bills. Anything would be appreciated. Thanks.

General Swift

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commander of the American forces in Italy. He was retired in May 1918, but continued on his duties until 27 July 1918. Shortly after his return to the United States, on 1 September 1918, he was relieved from active duty.

General Swift was recalled to active duty from 19 December 1919 to 15 May 1920, when he served as a lecturer to units of the Reserve Officers Training Corps at universities and colleges. He is the author of a translation of "The War Game Simplified," by I. von Verdy du Vernois. He has also written many military essays and lectures.

In the final analysis, General Swift's contributions to the United States Army helped its transition from a frontier Army to the Army of a world power. His contributions at the War College and at Leavenworth were instrumental in forming the modern army's way of thinking and its approach to battlefield solutions. In the truest sense, Eben Swift was a remarkable scholar, teacher, military thinker and soldier.



A Great Nose

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North Star and my upper lip pulled into a perpetual bow, I got up. I never felt his needle, either.

But wait. He said, "Not so fast," and then they covered my face with a bandage half the size of a softball and wished me luck. I went back to barracks and fell into a dreamless sleep.

At breakfast, everyone in the messhall stared at me like I had suddenly sprouted two heads. Frantically looking about for some friends, I sat down at an ex-Air Chief of Staff's table. He was at his Fortieth. The Ex-Chief whispered he wasn't going to ask me how the other fellow looked, and I said, "Please don't."

At lunch, I skipped the formation. The thing was, my head didn't even ache. Then they took our class picture, and there I was, bandage and all, for posterity ever to see me, with two holes looking through a mass of white, disguised as a face.

But the climax of this disaster occurred between the Supe's quarters and the reviewing stand. I had my movie camera at the ready for Graduation Parade when, suddenly, someone said, "Here come four stars and his wife." I knew them both. He had flown out of our stable at Albrook AFB, and I had been his pilot a couple of times during the Bogota riots. Dropping to my knees, I busily fooled with the camera, keeping my head well down and pretending I was deaf.

Suddenly, two shadows stopped in front of me, and I heard the General's wife say, "Isn't that Perry Griffith?"

Yes, for it wasn't Jo-Jo, the dog-faced boy, even through all that mass of gauze. My jig was up. Rising, we exchanged a few pleasantries about the families and, God bless those gentle people: They never even reacted to the sight of a guy looking like one of Muhammad Ali's sparring partners, facing them at a critical moment. I might as well have been the King of Siam instead of a potential bank robber wearing a ski mask.

After parade, I bummed a ride back to Bolling in a classmate's aircraft, wearily

crawled into my MG, hoped I wouldn't get mugged between there and the Fourteenth Street Bridge, and tooled home to Sleepy Hollow, nine miles west of the Pentagon.

When I entered the front door, the two kids—hiding behind their mother and looking through two armpits formed by what's called a posture of arms akimbo—for once, were noisy as mice. "You children go to bed," commanded their long-suffering mother. Then she quietly asked if I'd like some dinner: Another millstone added around her neck.

"No, thanks. I had a PME lunch." And I went to bed.

In the E Ring, next day, while still wearing a bandage, but smaller, I ran into a very close friend, who was two years ahead of me. "Well, Perry, I see you've been to your reunion," he said.

"How'd you guess it?"

"Look, see that deep scar on the right side of my nose?"

"Yeah."

"I got that reunion badge of honor at my Twentieth, too. I was telling lies with a bunch of classmates I thought were friends and explaining how the Air Force won the war, when some Army guy let me have one that started in the sinks and ended up on my nose. That mark's from his ring. I'll bet you've got some problems at home, haven't you (his daughter and ours were intimate friends at St. Agnes' Girls' School)?"

"Yes, about like Polly Adler being in church, I guess."

So that's why I'll probably skip my Forty-fifth. I got my badge of honor at my Twentieth; and, God willing, maybe by the Fiftieth, I'll be so damn senile I couldn't get into trouble if I tried to.

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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William Carey Crane

NO. 5125 CLASS OF 1913

Died 20 April 1978 in Leesburg,
 Virginia, aged 87 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery,
 Arlington, Virginia



WILLIAM CAREY CRANE

WILLIAM CAREY CRANE was born 25 March 1891 at Fort Bayard, New Mexico, the son of Colonel Charles Judson Crane and Martha Mitchell Crane of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

The Spanish War ended post life for the family. Colonel Crane was ordered to New Orleans to recruit and train a regiment before going to Cuba. Mrs. Crane took Carey and his younger brother to their grandparents in Lancaster. When the war ended she joined her husband in Cuba where she contracted yellow fever and died shortly thereafter. Colonel Crane was ordered to the Philippines. The boys continued to live with their grandparents until they joined him in Puerto Rico in 1903.

Carey went to Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College for a year preparatory to entering West Point in March 1909. At Texas A&M he acquired his permanent nickname of "Pink" which stuck to him the rest of his life. At West Point Pink began his Army career as a good student and a good soldier, and held various cadet ranks including that of First Captain. Two years on the football squad and the plebe lacrosse team were cut short by a knee injury, a great disappointment to the aspiring athlete, now reduced to tennis and many extra curricular activities such as hop manager and stage manager.

After graduation Pink joined the 6th Field Artillery at Fort Riley. Shortly afterwards he was sent to the Mexican border, and in 1916 he was ordered to West Point as a math instructor. After we entered World War I he saw service instructing at officers training camps during the summers, but was unable to get ordered overseas until 1918 just before the War ended. After a brief tour of battlefields with a group of other officers who had also missed the war, he returned home and was astonished to find he had been detailed to study Japanese and was already overdue at the University of California for his first year of study. Here he found he had been signed up for Jap-

anese study by a classmate who wanted company in that strange land. This did not suit Pink's plans to go back to troops and he tried hard to get his orders changed, but with no luck. After some long distance courting he was married in June 1921 to Lois Whitin. They spent two happy years in Japan studying hard, living in a Japanese house on the outskirts of Tokyo, departing for home after a miraculous escape from the great earthquake of 1923. A few months of commanding the Field Artillery Battalion of School Troops at Fort Sill was followed by the school year of the Field Officers Course. An unexpected interruption in schooling was a six-month attachment as observer with a Japanese regiment. The Japanese suggested this old reciprocal arrangement be resumed after the war and as Pink was the only Field Artillery officer who had just completed the language study, he and Lois returned again to Japan where Pink had an interesting, pleasant and useful experience with Japanese military life.

Upon their return from Japan a year was spent at the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, then a five-year tour followed in Washington, D.C., one year at the War College and four years at the Japanese desk of the War Department.

Their first child, Lois Haven, was born in 1924; two more children, Bill and Martha Mitchell, (named for her beautiful grandmother) arrived during the Washington tour. A year with troops at Fort Hoyle was a welcome change from desk work before going on a third tour of duty in Japan in 1933; this time as Military Attaché serving under Ambassador Joseph C. Grew.

In 1938 Pink was stationed in command of the artillery at Fort Myer until the spring of 1940 when he was ordered to the War College under General McNair. In the spring of 1941 he was ordered to Columbia, South Carolina, as Chief of Staff for the I Corps where he remained until March 1942 when he was sent to Fort Bragg, and then to the Southern Defense Command at Fort Sam Houston under General Krueger. He got his much deserved promotion to brigadier general in December and was ordered to Allied Headquarters in Algiers where he served from February 1943 to 1944. During 1943 he served with the British 18th Army Group in the Tunisian Campaign under General Sir Harold Alexander.

In June 1944 he became Commanding General of the Corps Artillery under his classmate Lieutenant General Willis D. Crittenger, Commanding General of the IV Corps, serving until the surrender of the German army in Italy in May 1945. The IV Corps fought its way stubbornly up from Rome along the west side of the mountains, finally reaching the area of Milan at the time of the surrender of the German army in Italy in May.

Pink worked hard. As he wrote later: "This is what I was trained for." His citation with the Distinguished Service Medal best describes his work: "General Crane by his outstanding qualifications as an artillery commander, his superior judgment and thorough understanding of the tactical requirements, supplemented by painstaking personal reconnaissance, so disposed the corps artillery in exceedingly difficult terrain, that the maximum artillery fire was brought to bear on the enemy at all times, causing him great losses in personnel and equipment, and resulting in a minimum of losses to our own troops from enemy artillery fire. His intense loyalty, tireless, un-

flagging energy and devotion to duty are worthy of high praise, and exemplify the highest tradition of the United States Army."

Pink was transferred to the United States where he was in command of Fort Devens until his retirement in 1946. Among his decorations were the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star; and foreign decorations: Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and Commander, Order of Military Merit (Brazil).

The Cranes bought a schooner and with their children and friends spent parts of every summer for five years cruising along the coast of Maine and Massachusetts. In the meantime, in 1949 they bought a farm in Northern Virginia and became very busy raising Angus cattle and learning about farming as they went along. Many old and new friends made life interesting and in the sixties winter vacations in Florida and the West Indies were a pleasant change from the cold and snow of Northern Virginia.

Pink's health began to fail in the late sixties and he had a long battle with increasing illness. The last few years he was unable to get out on the farm but thanks to good nurses he could stay in his own home—close to his beloved farm and happier and more comfortable than he would have been in any hospital.

He leaves his wife of 57 years; his son, William Carey Jr. of Riverside, Connecticut; a daughter, Martha Crane Gruson of Concord, Massachusetts; and twelve grandchildren. Lois Haven, the eldest child, died in 1972 leaving her husband, James Wells, and four young daughters.

Pink had a good life—always loyal to the West Point tradition of devotion to Duty-Honor-Country.

John Allen Stewart

NO. 5673 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 25 April 1974 in Sarasota,
 Florida, aged 79 years.

Cremation

JOHN ALLEN STEWART was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, on 19 July 1894, the son of Charles Edward and Melanie Sancier Stewart. A few years later the family moved to Attalla, Alabama, a small town in Etowah



JOHN ALLEN STEWART

County. Here Jack spent his formative years, completing grammar school, high school, and dreaming of becoming a big league ball player.

In 1913 he entered the Military Academy and discovered that West Point was far different from the college that he expected. Time and persistence overcame his initial surprise, and Jack proudly graduated in April of 1917.

His career spanning two world wars was a good and useful one. His assignments varied, as most do, and among others included duty with the 1st and the 78th Divisions in France during World War I. Following the war he served as the commanding officer of Battery A, 5th Field Artillery at Fort Bragg; commanding officer of Headquarters Battery, 1st Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Hoyle; battalion commander and later S3 of the 11th Field Artillery Regiment, Schofield Barracks, and later served with the Department Service Command at Fort Schafter. His civilian component duty included Reserve Officer Training Corps assignments at Cornell University and later at the University of Oklahoma. He also saw duty as the military adviser to the 107th Field Artillery Battalion, Pennsylvania National Guard. Just prior to the start of World War II he was assigned to the Office, Chief of Field Artillery, War Department, Washington, D.C. Soon after the war started he joined the XI Corps Artillery as Chief of Staff. It was while performing this duty that Jack was retired for physical disability. He was immediately recalled, placed on limited duty and assigned to command the Field Artillery Detachment at West Point. Shortly thereafter, he became assistant commandant of cadets. In October of 1946, twenty-nine years and six months after graduation. Jack retired for good from the service that he loved so well. It was fitting that he ended his career where it started—on the Plain at West Point.

Retirement saw Jack and Jean eventually settled in Sarasota, Florida, in 1950. There he devoted his time to community, civic and business affairs. He was an active member of the International Christian Leadership, The Military Order of the World Wars, The Retired Officers Association, the Republican Club, the American Legion, Project Alert and a member of the real estate profession.

It is not an unusual career for a professional Army officer but what that brief summary does not indicate is that he was, and was widely recognized as such, an outstanding leader of men and was, and still is, an example to his sons of just exactly what is an "officer and a gentleman." Honesty and integrity are virtues that come most readily to mind when thinking of him. Kindness, courtesy and consideration were second nature to Jack, while an abiding conscientiousness characterized his approach to his responsibilities. The significance of his career, then, is underscored by what Jack brought to his duties and how he performed them, and how the service is better because of



men such as he. Those who had the good fortune to serve with him could not help but gain from the experience—for in addition to what has already been said, no graduate ever lived up to the ideals of DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY more fully or more devotedly than he. "Well done," sir, "Be thou at peace."

Jack is survived by his wife Jean; his sons, Colonel (Retired) John A. Stewart Jr., Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Keith MacA. Stewart; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

John Magruder Bethel

NO. 5958 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 5 November 1978 in Mount Dora, Florida, aged 84 years.

Interment: Mount Dora, Florida

A MAN WITH a happy smile and ever a glad word. A very kind, most congenial friend. He could make everybody gay and merry. That was Johnny.

He entered the Academy in 1914 when his brother Edwin was a First Classman. He joined us the next year and we were more than glad to have him. West Point and its motto was the guiding light of his life.

After our early graduation on 12 June 1918, those in the Cavalry joined those in the Infantry for a ten weeks special course at the Infantry School of Arms, then at Fort Sill.

We were too late for World War I but Johnny saw some combat with his troops in an engagement with the Villistas near Juarez, Mexico, on 15-16 January 1919.

He was an instructor with the Department of Drawing, USMA 1924-28. Then he was off to Fort Sheridan, where he met Ellie. They were married in March 1931 at Highland Park, Illinois. Shortly afterward, they went to the Philippine Islands.

Early in World War II, he was with the 1st Armored Division in Ireland but illness prevented him from going to North Africa. Instead, he was assigned to Communications Zone, European Theatre of Operations, under General Lee.

He was retired for physical disability in November 1946, in the grade of colonel.

Ellie has written that there was nothing



JOHN MAGRUDER BETHEL

earth-shattering in his career. He just did a good job wherever he was.

He and Ellie settled in Mount Dora, Florida, a quiet, small town with beautiful trees, on a lovely lake in a rolling countryside. A delightful place to live. Johnny spent the rest of his years there, leading a very happy life with golf, fishing and trips north during the summers until old age kept them at home. A peaceful way to live, a peaceful way to die.

—Crowley Gruhn, a Classmate

David Terrill Johnson

NO. 6058 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 18 February 1978 at his home in Columbia, Missouri, aged 80 years.

Interment: Bethel Cemetery, Bethel Baptist Church, Columbia, Missouri

"DOC" TO HIS PEERS, "Terrill" as he was known to his brothers and sisters, was born on the family farm in Steinmetz, Missouri, on 31 December 1897. His schooling began in a one-room schoolhouse in which his mother taught all eight grades to most of her seven children, as well as children from neighboring farms.

The following words are extracted from a family history written by his brother, Reverend M. L. Johnson.

"Terrill ascended in the field of education from the one room school up the steps of Pritchett College until he received an appointment to the United States Military Academy. The appointment, however, was for first alternate and Terrill had no hopes of going even though he passed the examinations. The boy who was number one also passed the exams so Terrill was resigned to wait until the next time or pursue another course, education leading to becoming a medical doctor. In July 1916 a telegram came for him to report at West Point within a week's time. The other fellow had decided not to enter the Academy. This took some stirring about and Father had to borrow money for his travel and other expenses to get him settled in—but he made it! His class of 1920 graduated with only two years of residence. World War I was raging and his class was ordered out in 1918 to get into the action. Terrill was at home in Missouri in November of 1918 ready to say "good-bye" before leaving for France, when on the 11th the Armistice was signed and the war was over. I could write a chapter on the celebrations we had that day.

"Even though the war was over 'over there,' the Class of 1918 was ordered to France and Terrill spent a year there; I suppose to have the first lieutenants learn the art of war and how it was fought in the trenches. Having graduated among the top in his class, he was given the opportunity to choose the branch of service he wanted and he decided on the Engineers. His childhood recollections of a severe Missouri River flood and time spent 'carrying chain' for his father's surveys, no doubt influenced his branch choice.

"After over a year in France, he was ordered to Camp Humphreys (now Fort Belvoir) near Washington, D.C., where he had more training. It was while there that he met a young lady by the name of Gertrude Cato. She loved to dance and so did Terrill. Fortunately for Terrill he found a partner who loved Army life and they were married in 1920. They travelled all over the United



DAVID TERRILL JOHNSON

States, Hawaii, Japan and other countries during their Army career. Their children are Joanne, David, Jean Barry and Peter. In 1923 Terrill and Gertrude drove from Washington, D.C. to Missouri in their Model "T" Ford. That was the time before highways. It took them more than a week to make the trip. When they arrived at the old home place, it was a joy to us all, especially for our father.

"Terrill and Gertrude settled in Alexandria, Virginia, after his retirement, and it was there in 1965 that Gertrude died after a brief illness. We were all thankful for Gertrude and the contribution she made to her family and to Terrill. She joined him in all the vicissitudes of an army officer's wife, travelling from post to post. After her death Terrill sold his home in Alexandria, and moved to Columbia, Missouri.

Dad was named after his great-grandfather, who was a furniture maker and farmer, and one of the pioneer settlers of Missouri. In his retirement years he spent many enjoyable hours making walnut china cabinets, tables and bookcases for his family and friends, collecting wood in some cases from remnants of the old David Johnson home built in the 1830's. He also took up rug making to use the wool from my cadet uniforms and eventually crafted dozens of hooked rugs in a variety of his own patterns. These items of his making are cherished heirlooms in the homes of his children, family and friends.

Highlights of his career are: 1938-1941, assistant to the district engineer, Kansas City. 1941-1944, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, Plans and Training Office and commanding officer, Engineer Training Group. 1944-1946, commanding officer, 1164th Engineer Combat Group at Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky, and Camp Shelby, Mississippi, and in the Philippines and Japan. 1946-1949, engineer, IX Corps, Honshu, Japan. 1949-1950, district engineer, Huntington, West Virginia. 1950, engineer supply officer, Columbus, Ohio, General Depot. Retired 1953.

Children are: Joanne (wife of Lieutenant Colonel Alfred H. Jones, United States Military Academy, Class of 1945), Columbia, Missouri; David T. Jr., Dayton, Ohio; Jeanne (Mrs. Jeanne B. Huffman), Wilmington, Delaware; Peter W., United States Military Academy, Class of 1954, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Nine grandchildren, two

great-grandsons, and one great-granddaughter also survive him.

Dad died at his home in Columbia on 18 February 1978 and was buried in the cemetery of the Bethel Baptist Church after a moving memorial service with full military honors. He rests in peace near the church and the family and friends who were so much a part of his later years.

—Peter Walton Johnson

Charles Dickson Jewell

NO. 6069 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 17 January 1973 in
Washington, D.C., aged 78 years.

Interment: Rock Creek Cemetery,
Washington, D.C.

CHARLIE WAS AN early arrival at West Point on the 15th of June 1916. As one of the older men on entering and as one who had had considerable schooling, and as he indicated in every way a fine balance, it was but natural that his classmates held him in great respect which continued throughout his life and afterward.

Charlie was appointed to West Point from his native state of Michigan. He had graduated from the Grand Rapids High School when quite young and worked in an uncle's bank before going on to further schooling in Geneva, New York. From there he spent a year at Cornell and then entered the Academy. Upon his early graduation with his class on 1 November 1918, he was assigned to the Corps of Engineers and as a student officer at The Engineer School at Camp A.A. Humphreys, Virginia, until June 1919. After a two and a half months tour of observation with the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe, he returned to Humphreys as a student until graduating in June of 1920 when he joined the 318th Engineers at Camp Grant, Illinois. Another brief course at The Engineer School from 3 February to 1 July of 1921, then back to Grant until September when he was assigned to an engineer training company at Fort Sheridan near Chicago. In October of 1922 he was transferred to Camp Travis, Texas, but was there only a short time when at his own request he was honorably discharged from the Army in December. Characteristic of Charlie, as one classmate recalls of his early service,



CHARLES DICKSON JEWELL

was his cheerful disposition and a winsome trait of finding a humorous side to events when the going was rough.

Charlie spent some months with an engineering firm in Goldsboro, North Carolina, before moving to Washington where he made his home the rest of his life. He was doing engineering work for a firm there for two years before becoming the engineer for Public Buildings and Parks in the District of Columbia. In 1927 he returned to industry and was the proprietor of the C. D. Jewell Reinforcing Steel Company, where he did the design of the structural steel and engineered various projects in the District of Columbia and the South. In 1933 he joined Smith and Corona Typewriters, Inc., as their government representative. He proved to be of inestimable assistance in solving governmental and particularly the military needs for typewriters at the crucial time just before the declaration of war, when his commodity was a very scarce item and quite essential to prosecuting the efforts of the government in war preparation. As the country moved into World War II Charlie returned to active duty in the Office of the Chief of Engineers and represented that office on the Joint Logistics Planning Committee of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. At war's end he returned to his civilian task with the Smith-Corona Company.

It was on the 14th of September 1921 in Washington that he and Frances Weedon were married. Two sons were born to them, Edwin W. and Charles D. Jr. Charles makes his home in Edmonds, Washington, and Edwin is at home with his mother.

It was a sad day in January 1973 when Charlie left us—he had done so very much for his country whenever there was any sort of need. He hadn't been well for some months but it wasn't until after death that a malignancy was diagnosed.

The motto of his Alma Mater was always uppermost in Charlie's mind and in his conduct. His country lost a great patriot in him.

John May Tatum

NO. 6210 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 8 January 1977 at Bamberg County
Memorial Hospital Nursing Center,
Bamberg, South Carolina, aged 81 years.

Interment: South End Cemetery,
Bamberg, South Carolina

JOHN MAY TATUM was born on a farm near Cope, South Carolina on 19 June 1895, the second son of William Otis and Martha Connor (May) Tatum. As one of eight children in a closely-knit family, the welfare of the family was a major influence in his decision making.

He grew up doing hard physical labor on the farm and in his father's sawmill operation. His recreation was typical of the times in a rural area; hunting with his dog, riding and training horses, and playing baseball. All of these sports carried over into his later life. I recall seeing him play baseball with the "troops" when he was in his mid-forties, and he rode his horse when he was well into his "sixties."

His early schooling included a one-room schoolhouse in Cope, South Carolina, the junior high school level in Columbia, South Carolina, and Wofford Fitting School in Spartanburg, South Carolina. In 1915 he entered The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina. There he was elected President of



JOHN MAY TATUM

the Freshman Class and played on the varsity baseball team. He entered West Point in 1916 where he also played on the baseball squad and graduated in the war-shortened class of 1 November 1918.

His early service included duty at the Presidio of San Francisco with the 44th Infantry, and at Vancouver Barracks and Fort Gibbon, Alaska, with the 21st Infantry. In late 1921 his father had an accident, and on 25 January 1922, he felt compelled to resign and return to manage the family farm and sawmill operation.

In December 1924 he married Sarah Elizabeth Kirkland of Bamberg, South Carolina, who predeceased him in 1964. Together they provided a happy, loving, and stable home for their three children, wherever it happened to be located. They also provided open-hearted hospitality and good fellowship to countless friends and family for 40 years.

He was a man ever torn between two loves: the Army and the land. During the "thirties," he spent five years with the Civilian Conservation Corps, in the early years as a camp commander and later as sub-district inspector.

In November of 1940 he went on extended active duty at the Charleston Port of Embarkation where he served until 1 July 1942. From August 1942 until December 1943 he was 3d Battalion commanding officer and then Regimental executive officer, 301st Infantry, 94th Division. He then served in India and China with the Chinese Combat Command from April 1944-October 1945.

In February 1946 Colonel Tatum returned to civilian life and picked up the threads of his other interests: farming and surveying. He participated in local clubs and activities, served as volunteer county civil defense director, and was in demand as a public speaker locally, particularly when a patriotic or a humorous speech was needed.

John May Tatum was a happy, good-humored man with a zest for life. Most people remember him for his booming laugh, rollicking sense of humor, and sparkling wit. Many remember him for his sense of responsibility and character. He had rapport with people and could always understand the other man's point of view. He numbered among his friends both sharecroppers and senators.

As his son I also remember him for the advice he gave me, a teenager, before he

went to China in 1943: "Always live your life so that you can look yourself in the mirror and not be ashamed of what you see." That was the way he lived.

He is survived by two sisters, Miss Lucille Tatum and Mrs. William Garrison of Greenville, South Carolina; one brother, James S. Tatum of Tylertown, Mississippi; two daughters, Mrs. Betty Bell and Mrs. Mary Carolyn Watson of Bamberg, South Carolina; a son, Colonel (Retired) John M. Tatum Jr. of Camden, South Carolina; and thirteen grandchildren. He is missed by all who knew him.

-John M. Tatum Jr.

Frank Mathews Corzelius

NO. 6224 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 9 July 1964 in Houston, Texas, aged 65 years.

Interment: Richmond Cemetery, Richmond, Kentucky

WE CALLED HIM "Abe," not only because he looked like the Great Emancipator but because his character was similar in many ways.

Before entering West Point on 10 July 1916 with the original Class of 1920, Abe had two years at the Virginia Military Institute. Due to World War I he graduated with his West Point class on 1 November 1918 and attended the Infantry School of Arms from 2 December 1918 until 22 February 1919 when he was graduated and assigned to the 33d Infantry at Gatun Locks in Panama. When completing that tour of foreign service on 23 May 1921, he was assigned to the 61st Infantry at Camp Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina, but was shortly thereafter transferred to Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, Indiana, joining the 11th Infantry.

On 15 December 1922, attracted by the burgeoning oil industry in Texas and by the influence of his brother to join in the launching of a new enterprise, Abe left the service. The company was set up in Eastland, Texas, where it built one of the first high pressure natural gasoline plants to turn natural gas into fuel for engines. After two successful years of operation the plant was sold and Abe became interested in other progressive ventures, i.e., the drilling of oil wells in the West Texas area; in cotton gins; and in road building materials in the Pan-



FRANK MATTHEWS CORZELIUS

handle. His company, of which he was president, completed 84 wells in one field alone. He had been living in Fort Worth but in 1937 he moved to Houston and built the Gulf Portland Cement Company's plant of which he was the sole owner. In 1939 Abe organized as sole owner the International Petroleum Corporation which became one of the major oil companies in Texas, and that same year he formed the Houston Industrial Gas Company, and the Houston Industrial Pipe Line Company. Later he developed a restricted residential area called Timber Crest, and in 1940 he organized the Houston Mortgage Company.

Abe married Ruth Allgood of Fort Worth in 1927. She died in April 1969. They had three daughters, Diana Field, now Mrs. R. L. Pardue of Houston; Martha Ruth, now Mrs. H. Field III of Versailles, Kentucky; and Francis Virginia, now Mrs. Edwin Moore of Nacogdoches, Texas. Abe always enjoyed boating and fishing but never had much available time for recreation.

In the early 1950's Abe sold out most of his Texas interests and in the late 1950's he sold a lead, zinc and silver operation which he had developed in Guatemala.

From his dynamic industrial career one can understand why we could not hold Abe in the Army, which he loved, but not the routine inactiveness of the early 1920's. He always loved his Alma Mater and his classmates quite as they loved him. He sincerely elicited the cognomen "Abe."

Robert Barrett Hutchins

NO. 6437 CLASS OF 1919

Died 23 January 1978 in San Francisco, California, aged 79 years.

Interment: Mountain View Cemetery, Oakland, California

ON 11 DECEMBER 1898, Robert Barrett Hutchins was born in Portsmouth, Virginia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arthur Hutchins.

Like his elder brother, Henry Arthur Jr., he had only one desire and that was to go to the Naval Academy. While waiting for an appointment, notice of an examination was published in a local paper for entrance to West Point. Those who applied to take the examination were ordered to do so under an assumed name. In this case, Robert Hutchins, chose the name of Isador Schwartz and to his astonishment he won the appointment. From then on the Navy was forgotten and he found the Army took its place with great enthusiasm and loyalty.

He was to have graduated in the Class of 1921 from West Point, but owing to World War I his class became that of 1919. This class was eventually "dubbed" the class with the most generals. After World War I they were all sent on a good will trip to Europe and then finally back to school. This class was studied as a model to shorten the number of years required for a cadet to graduate, but they decided against this.

In 1928, Robert B. Hutchins met Vere de Vere Adams as a blind date from San Francisco, California. The marriage took place at St. Luke's Church, San Francisco, on 11 April 1929. They became the parents of four children born in this order: Ernestine, Robert Jr., Jania, and Audrey. Now there are ten grandchildren; five girls and five boys.

In 1942 Robert Hutchins became a colonel



ROBERT BARRETT HUTCHINS

in the 179th Regiment of the 45th Infantry Division. Later he was in the invasion of Sicily and in the Battle of Salerno. One morning he awoke in the field only to find himself incapacitated with arthritis. In 1946 he retired from the Army for physical disability after 27 years of active duty.

Shortly before his death on 23 January 1978, Colonel Hutchins said that he had had a wonderful life and that he had no regrets about going. Services were held on 26 January at the Post Chapel at the Presidio of San Francisco, Colonel Hutchins' first post in the Army. A sermon on "Duty, Honor, and Country" was given by Chaplain Sauer of the post.

A beautiful ending to a brave life.

Carl Victor Erickson

NO. 6579 CLASS OF 1920

Died 25 June 1978 in Wyandot Memorial Hospital, Upper Sandusky, Ohio, aged 77 years.

Interment: Old Mission Cemetery, Upper Sandusky, Ohio

CARL VICTOR ERICKSON was born 29 July 1900 in Dwight, Illinois, eldest son of Carl August and Emma Johnson Erickson. Educated in Dwight public schools, he received appointment to the Military Academy from Illinois in July 1918.

As a cadet he was a member of the Corps choir and a letterman catcher for the Military Academy baseball team. Classmates knew Vic as a resourceful cadet, answering plebe questions in Swedish when stumped; and as a thorough, persistent gent. An illustration—the item in the "Guidon" (the yearbook of the officers attending the basic course at The Field Artillery School, Camp Knox, Kentucky) that "Eric" knew the price of every beaded bag and possible present in Louisville, before he made the final selection for his mother's gift one Christmas. The family still has the cherished beaded bag.

A member of the graduating class of 1920, he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery. Soon after graduation he attended Field Artillery School at Camp Knox, Kentucky. Promoted to first lieutenant, he served at Camp Pike, Arkansas, and Camp Lewis, Washington, then Schofield Barracks,

Territory of Hawaii. He served at the latter post from March 1922 to August 1922, when he was honorably discharged under Act of 30 June 1922 which urged such action to reduce the Regular Army after World War I.

Vic entered the University of Illinois, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Municipal and Sanitary Engineering. Then, a graduate assistant at the University, he earned a Master of Science degree. As an undergraduate, he was varsity catcher for the University of Illinois baseball team, and counted it a distinct honor to have caught the only full game that Red Grange ever pitched for Illinois.

Following University of Illinois days he joined the Sanitary District of Chicago, where he later became Assistant Superintendent of the largest treatment plant in the world.

On the morning of 14 August 1928, Vic married Fern Lucille Culver in the J. L. Lewis family home in Harpster, Ohio. C. H. Lewis, Lieutenant Governor of Ohio, gave Fern away. A University of Illinois classmate, Sig Jensen, and his fiancé, were wedding attendants and Fern and Vic returned the courtesy at the Jensen wedding the same day.

For the interval of 1937 to 1940, Vic managed the Sanitary District Plant in Champagne/Urbana and returned to the territory of his University of Illinois graduate days. In 1940 he returned to his post with the Sanitary District of Chicago.

Over the years Vic was active in Masonic Orders (55 years), Methodist Church boards of trustees and choirs, Kiwanis, and Boy Scouts of America committees. In 1960 Vic and Fern returned to the Harpster, Ohio, home where they had been married 32 years earlier. Vic filled retirement days with management of family farms, village government and church boards, Masonic offices and Kiwanis duties—and he continued to play his fine, low handicap golf.

Vic leaves his widow, Fern, of Harpster; his son, Richard C. Erickson of Richmond, Virginia; his daughter, Carol Erickson Spangler of Brighton, Michigan, and six grandchildren: Emily and David of Richmond, and Laura, Todd, Brad and Sue of Brighton. Grandson Todd is a 1976 graduate of the United States Air Force Academy and an F-4 pilot, reporting to duty in Germany.

Friends paid quiet tribute at a memorial service for Vic in Harpster United Methodist



CARL VICTOR ERICKSON

Church on 2 July 1978. His youngest grandson, David, who follows Vic's love of baseball, took special note of Pastor Holtzschulte's point that "Vic caught more than baseballs in life." The Cadet Prayer, and words from the familiar Finlandia hymn, "Be Still My Soul" were ever Vic's guideposts—he lived them every day.

*In the paths he trod, he seemed to find
A quiet satisfaction;
Those who walked with him seemed
to find
A smoother path to tread;
He seemed to ask but little.
With much to give and he was
generous,
The world was better where he was
part of it.*

(From a prose tribute written by
Herman Marquand Shipp, 4-5 July
1978)

His firm standards, his quiet serenity, his clear-cut resolve stood forth to all who knew him. Those things remain in each life he touched—a warm and rich legacy to family and friends alike.

—His daughter, Carol

Charles Trueman Lanham

NO. 7293 CLASS OF 1924

Died 20 July 1978 in Chevy Chase, Maryland, aged 75 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

AFTER BATTLING CANCER for many years, Buck Lanham joined the Long Gray Line on 20 July 1978. His loss has brought sadness to his devoted family and a sense of great personal loss to his many friends and associates—especially his classmates.

During our plebe summer of 1920, the six hundred and forty new cadets were organized into six companies. Since the two upper classes were away from West Point, our "beast detail" was composed essentially of tactical officers, reinforced with the few turnbacks acting as cadet officers. It was a busy period, devoted primarily to drill and physical development and later to field training and long hikes. As the summer wore on and we became inured to cadet life, our span of acquaintances broadened. We found among our fellows all degrees of age and experience; some were veterans of the recent World War, a few were collegians with athletic prowess, but most were fresh from high schools with little or no military experience or background. Thus it happened that one among us acquired glamour and commanded respect when we found that he was no ordinary person, but an ex-colonel of high school cadets in our National Capital! Impressive as this may have been to his peers, when the yearlings returned from their summer at Fort Dix, Mister Lanham quickly became "Buck" rather than ex-colonel.

Long before graduation Buck's profile began to form, not as a star athlete or even a wearer of academic stars, though he was always a good student, but as an imaginative, sensitive and creative man endowed with a remarkable gift of expression in both poetry and prose. He was very properly selected as the first literary editor of the Pointer and also as a member of the HOWITZER Board. A frequent contributor to various magazines, he probably was best known for the works which expressed his

love for the military profession. An outstanding example is his poem about West Point which was published during his First Class year.

VALE

I

Oh Spartan Woman, I have peered behind
Your stoic pose and found the mother there
At last: the proud gray eyes, the cool
gray hair,
The tender face a hundred years have lined

With sorrow for the still, straight sons
returned
Upon their blameless shields; the quiet
pride
That they have lived by you, went forth,
and died
The Dorian way. Gray Mother they have
earned

Those shields. Thus have they justified the
trust
You placed in them and come again to live
And breathe as part of you. Today you
give
A burnished shield to me, to guard from rust,

To hold before my heart; and bid me go.
Stern Spartan, I salute you—but I know!

VALE

II

I shall remember you until the end
As I best loved you—sheathed and still
between
Your quiet hills—a sleeping blade of keen
Damascus steel stained silver by a bend

Of moon, for I could understand you best
At night when we were both a little tired
Of pomp and play. How often then you
fired
A dream and sent it off on some strange quest

That Lancelot would pawn his heart to know!
How often then you spun your subtle mesh
Of time about me—calling souls from flesh
Forgotten all these hundred years ago!

And so I shall remember you at last
As I best loved you—sleeping in the past.

Upon graduation Buck chose the Infantry. The foot soldier was his ideal; he dramatized the smoke of battle and the hardships of campaign. Years later Buck expressed his consuming admiration of the doughboy in a widely published poem entitled simply, "Soldier."

Shortly after graduation Buck married Mary Capan—and like Buck she was a native of Washington. His early years as an infantry officer followed the pattern of his era: two to three years at a domestic post, a foreign service tour, then on to branch school. But then the pattern changed from the norm. After graduation from The Infantry School at Fort Benning he was assigned to the faculty as an instructor of military history. Soon he became a contributor to the *Infantry Journal* and a protégé of its editor, Forest Harding. His writings came to the attention of such distinguished military leaders as George C. Marshall, Omar N. Bradley and Clarence R. Huebner, who saw in them a keen perception of military tactics, strategy and organization.

Thus it was that when war clouds began to gather in the mid-thirties and a hue and cry arose for changes in our military doctrine, training, organization and equipment, the talent and imagination of officers like



CHARLES TRUEMAN LANHAM

Captain Lanham came into great demand. It resulted in keeping Buck on staff assignments during the early war years at a desk in Washington, where he was considered too valuable for release to troops. It was a frustrating period for Buck, but in January 1943 he was able to break away and take command of the 272d Infantry of the 69th Infantry Division, which was then undergoing organization and training. Now, at last, he was doing what he wanted and he looked forward to taking his organization into action, meanwhile training it to the height of efficiency. That was not to be, however, for in June, just six months later, he was flown to Normandy to command the 22d Infantry Regiment of the 4th Infantry Division already in combat. This was the goal he had sought—the fulfillment of his dreams.

Witness the picture of a forty-year old colonel who wrote poetry during his cadet days at West Point and later excelled as a military writer, who for the past ten years had been denied duty with troops because of his ability as an instructor of military art, expressor of needs and originator of doctrine, now suddenly projected into the cauldron of battle. The challenge was supreme, but it was what he had long sought and he met it successfully. Joining his regiment on the Normandy beachhead, he led it to a breakthrough of the enemy lines.

The third day thereafter, a war correspondent of *Collier's* magazine was attached to the regiment. It was Ernest Hemingway, already a famous author. Immediately he and Buck became close friends. Their mutual love of words as the building blocks of expression drew together the professional soldier and the professional writer, and the friendship thus began continued until Hemingway's death in 1961.

In combination with Combat Command "A" of the 2d Armored Division, the 22d Infantry spearheaded the breakout of Normandy and was the first American unit to enter Paris. Later it was the first to put patrols on German soil and the first to penetrate the Siegfried Line. During eighteen days and nights in the Huertgen Forest it sustained 80% casualties; but before it could be rested, re-equipped and restored by replacements, it was rushed into the Battle of the Bulge. When the 4th Infantry Division resumed the counter-offensive, the 22d Infantry again penetrated the Siegfried Line.

During its months of combat, the regiment was awarded two distinguished unit citations; and its commander was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star Citation, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with "V" and Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Combat Infantry Badge. Foreign awards included the French Legion of Honor; the French Croix de Guerre with palm; the Belgian Order of Leopold in the degree of Officer; the Belgian Croix de Guerre with palm; and the Belgian Fourragere. Not bad for a colonel who had been considered a theorist in the art of war and a dreamer rather than a doer, but one whom General Hodges, the First Army commander, called the finest regimental commander he had seen in two wars.

In February 1945, Buck was promoted on the battlefield to brigadier general and assigned to the 104th Infantry Division as assistant division commander. He fought with this Division until contact with the Russians on the Mulde River in April. Two months later he was assigned to command the 26th Infantry Division with station at Linz, Austria, but the war was now over and in September he was ordered back to Washington to be Chief of the War Department's Troop Information and Education Division. Later in the year the Chief of Staff (General Bradley) selected him as his first assistant for human relations. The following year, 1946, Secretary of Defense Forrestal called General Lanham to his office as "Director of Staff of the Personnel Policy Board."

After four years in Washington, Buck was called back to Europe for duty on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief European Command and early in 1950 he became chief of the military aid group for Belgium and Luxembourg. The following year he was ordered to Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Paris as chief of public relations for Supreme Allied Commander, Europe. This was a happy time for Buck and his wife Mary for they had lived in Paris many years before, when Buck was a student of the French language in preparation for a teaching assignment at West Point.

After promotion to major general rank in 1953, Buck commanded the 1st Infantry Division in Germany and then returned a year later to continental duty as deputy commander of the Armed Forces Staff College. Following his retirement in 1954 he accepted a position with Penn Texas Corporation, then in 1960 he was tapped to be the Xerox Corporation vice president for government relations. Early in his post-military career, he built a fine home in Chevy Chase, Maryland, where he could entertain his many friends and enjoy suburban living. In pleasant surroundings he worked his garden and improved the landscape as all his life he had worked to improve the world he lived in.

After Mary's death in 1969 Buck pursued his activities with head high as he had lived his life. He later married Jane Gay and their partnership brightened the home they lived in. Even after cancer struck, Buck found comfort in his surroundings and strength to fight the final battle—a battle he could not win because of the odds against him.

Among his poems is one called "Epitaph" in which he said—

Say only this of me when I am dead:

*"He saw proud eagles storming down
the sky;*

*He heard the bracken break where
beauty fled*

And wingless, strove to fly."

It is indeed a fitting epitaph for Charles Trueman Lanham, whose remarkable military career will long be remembered.

—C.D.E., J.E.M., and H.D.V.

Louis Charles Scherer Jr.

NO. 7634 CLASS OF 1925

Died 19 August 1978 in Guilford, Connecticut, aged 74 years.

Interment: Branford, Connecticut

LOUIS CHARLES SCHERER JUNIOR, was born in Brockville, Canada, where his parents were temporarily residing, on 11 October 1903. His father graduated from West Point in 1891, while his mother, the former Laura Matthews Harris, of Evanston, Illinois, was a graduate of Vassar College. Louis traveled widely with his Army family which included his three brothers: Harris, West Point 1919; George, Yale 1927; and Karl, West Point 1932.

From 1912 to 1916 Louis attended Fessenden School, in West Newton, Massachusetts, and then went on to four years at Groton School, also in Massachusetts. He next was a student for one year at Columbian Preparatory School in Washington, D.C. Entering West Point in 1921, he graduated four years later with the Class of 1925, standing ninth in his class. At West Point he experienced many aspects of cadet life, including wearing stars, being a high ranking "make" and receiving a "slug." He was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers and went for his first post to Fort Humphreys, Virginia (now Fort Belvoir). By 1926 he had resigned from the Army and entered on a two year course at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge. He graduated in 1928 with a second Bachelor of Science degree, this time in electrical engineering.

For the next thirteen years he was employed by Sears, Roebuck in a variety of positions. (It was a matter of amusement to his brothers when he reported that his very first duty with the company was to review and recommend on job applications from would-be employees.) For a time he was office assistant to the company president, General Robert E. Wood, of the Class of 1900. He had experience in several retail



LOUIS CHARLES SCHERER JR.

stores and was manager of one. Just before he left Sears to re-enter the Army as a major in 1942, he had been buyer for the company of bicycles, boats, and outboard motors. His second tour in the Army was served stateside, first in the Chicago Ordnance District, and from late 1942 at Headquarters, Army Service Forces in Washington with a short tour in Italy working on certain supply needs in that theater of operations. In 1946 he was relieved from active duty in the grade of colonel.

Back once more in civilian life, he helped organize CARE, Inc. and was its director of supply for a year. He then entered government service again for a thirteen year stretch which was served first in the State Department and then in the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in Washington. His CIA service included an interesting two-year tour in Iceland. He retired from the CIA at the end of 1962 and soon thereafter moved to Guilford, Connecticut, which was his home for the rest of his life. In 1931 he had married Eleanor Hammer of Branford, Connecticut, who survives him. He is also survived by their son Charles, their daughter Beth, seven granddaughters, and his brothers, Harris and Karl.

Louis became interested in conservation affairs soon after he arrived in Guilford and was a prime mover in establishing a Land Trust designed to protect and preserve wetlands in the area. He was its first president and attacked his work with his habitual enthusiasm and diligence with the result that no less than forty-nine gifts have been received by the Land Trust given in his memory.

Louis was fortunate in having many devoted friends. His honesty and candor were impressive facets of his character. A lively sense of humor made him very good company and a central figure in any gathering. He was a loyal son of West Point who showed forth its ideals in all that he did. His courage and great heart in his long final illness were an inspiration to all who knew him. Eleanor has received many tributes to him from friends and associates. William Colby wrote: "He was a great gentleman and he gave me a great start in CIA... A really honorable man who set for me the kind of example I tried to follow." From another CIA associate: "He had integrity to the greatest degree of anyone I met in government." A Guilford Land Trust member had this to say: "The Trust's present enviable situation is a direct result of its being so well organized to begin with. Guilford owes this to Louis more than to anyone else."

Louis Scherer will be long remembered as a devoted husband, inspiring father, good companion, and a symbol of bravery in a struggle against fearful odds.

—H.F.S.

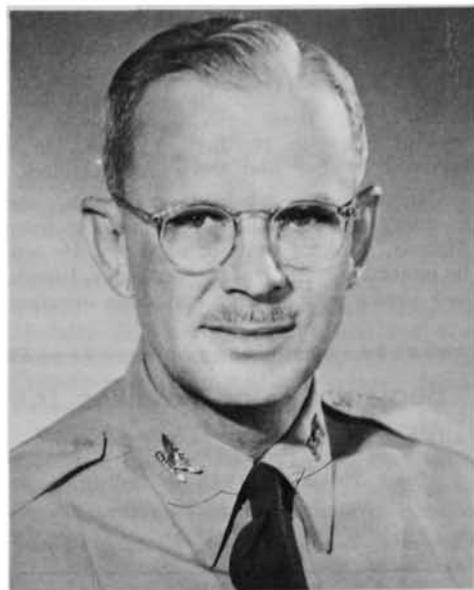
Amos Tappan Akerman

NO. 7648 CLASS OF 1925

Died 5 November 1977 in Falls Church, Virginia, aged 77 years.

Interment: Glen Haven Memorial Park, Winter Park, Florida

AMOS TAPPAN AKERMAN, later known as "Aky" to his friends, was born in Dublin, Georgia, on 20 August 1900, the third of six children of Alexander and Minnie (Edwards) Akerman. He attended schools in



AMOS TAPPAN AKERMAN

Macon, Georgia, and Kissimmee, Florida, and enlisted in the Army after graduating from high school. He re-enlisted in the hope of being appointed to West Point, and that wish was fulfilled when he was appointed from the ranks to the Class of 1925.

Commissioned in the Corps of Engineers, Aky served at Fort DuPont, Delaware, then studied for a year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1927. In June of 1928, on completion of the Company Officers' Course at The Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, he married Thelma Sutton of Kissimmee.

After four enjoyable years as an instructor at West Point, Aky served from 1932 to 1935 at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, then in River and Harbor work at Savannah, Georgia, and as a National Guard instructor in Mississippi. In 1941 and 1942 he commanded an Engineer Aviation Battalion at MacDill AFB, Florida, and for the following two years he was with the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command in North Carolina.

The greater part of Aky's overseas World War II service was spent as commander of the 377th Engineer General Service Regiment, from 1943 to 1945. He led the 377th in England, France, and Germany, then had a short assignment as Corps Engineer with the XXII Corps in Czechoslovakia, followed by various brief assignments in Germany before returning to the States in 1946. His temporary promotion to colonel, in September 1943, became permanent in August 1949 while he was staff engineer at Headquarters, New England Military District, in Boston.

After two years commanding the 937th Engineer Aviation Group in Florida, Aky returned to Hawaii for his last Army assignment. He was Staff Engineer at Headquarters, United States Army, Pacific, from August 1951 to June 1955, when he retired after thirty years' commissioned service. He remained in Hawaii for nine more years as a mechanical drawing teacher at the Kamehameha School for Boys.

When Aky retired from teaching in 1964, he and Thelma returned to Central Florida where both had old friends and relatives, and settled in Orlando. They enjoyed occasional travel abroad and the chance to get acquainted with their grandchildren. After the shock of Thelma's death in March 1975, Aky continued to be as active as age per-

mitted; he attended his fiftieth reunion at West Point that June, then went on to visit his daughter and her Air Force husband and family in Saudi Arabia. His last few months, in 1977, were spent near his daughter's subsequent home in Northern Virginia. He is survived by her and three grandchildren.

Dependability, integrity, patriotism, and a strong sense of duty were among Amos Akerman's salient traits of character. He will be remembered by his fellow-workers, friends, and family with respect and deep affection.

Benjamin Cobb Fowlkes Jr.

NO. 7677 CLASS OF 1925

Died 2 August 1978 in Salisbury, Maryland, aged 74 years.

Interment: Parsons Cemetery, Salisbury, Maryland

THE 1925 HOWITZER termed Benny Fowlkes, "a gentleman in every sense of the word." Benny carried this badge of respect throughout his lifetime, inspiring his subordinates, superiors and peers with his loyalty, devotion to duty, generous and courteous nature. He blended these qualities into a distinguished career of service to his nation.

Born in Selma, Alabama, on 13 September 1903, Benny grew up in the warmth and graciousness of the South. He began his college years at The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina, moving on to join the Class of 1925 on their admission to West Point in July 1921. Four years later he graduated in the upper quarter of his class and was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. Following duty at Fort Humphreys with the 13th Engineers, he attended Cornell University where in 1927 he received his civil engineering degree. After attending the Company Officers Course at Fort Humphreys, Benny spent four years with the 7th Engineers and two years with the 11th Engineers in the Panama Canal Zone. This extensive engineering experience qualified him for assignment in the year 1934 to the Pittsburgh Engineer District. It was during this assignment to Pittsburgh that he supervised the construction of the important Tygart River Dam.

Needed national emphasis on the status of the reserve forces led Benny to assignment with the Reserve Officers Training pro-



BENJAMIN COBB FOWLKES JR.

gram in 1937, initially as assistant professor of military science and tactics at Yale, and then from late 1937 until 1941 at Johns Hopkins University.

The advent of World War II brought Benny important command assignments, with successive and successful commands, the 97th Engineer Separate Battalion, the 106th Engineer Combat Battalion and the 147th Engineer Combat Regiment. In 1943 Benny took command of the 543d Engineer Boat and Shore Regiment, a unit he led with distinction from Australia, through New Guinea and the Philippines to Japan and its eventual return to the United States in 1947. For his performance as commander he received both the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star Medal.

After assignment to the engineer section of Sixth Army in California, and attendance at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C., Benny was called for a series of challenging missions serving from 1949 to 1950 as district engineer in Vicksburg, Mississippi; 1950 to 1952 as commander of the Granite City Engineer Depot, and then, with the construction load accompanying the build-up of United States Air Force units in Europe, as commander of the 7th Engineer Aviation Brigade.

Following his 1955 retirement his engineering skills continued to be of service to the country. Benny was called on to serve first as manager of an architect-engineer combine put together to supervise the design and construction of facilities for the Third Air Force in England, 1955-1959, and then in a similar job supervising construction of the Titan missile sites in North Dakota.

Finally Benny took up residence in Salisbury, Maryland, where he continued to be active in the engineering field, working closely with both local and Baltimore firms on projects in the area. He also found time to act as chairman of Congressman Robert Bauman's committee to interview candidates for admission to the service academies and to serve as administrator of the Ward Foundation Wildfowl Museum in Salisbury.

Success in his professional career was accompanied by a most successful personal life. As we all know, Benny was fortunate to marry Anne Slatter of Selma, Alabama, in 1927. About that marriage Anne says, "Since our 'love at first sight meeting' on Flirtation Walk, we have had fifty-one beautiful years of marriage that produced three wonderful children and four precious grandchildren. I feel proud to have been the wife of a true soldier, gentleman and devoted husband and father." The children are, Ben III who lives in California with his wife Reta and their daughter; Nancy, Mrs. Richard Allen who resides with her husband and three children in Salisbury; and Foncie who lives in Mobile, Alabama, with her husband, Joel B. Bullard.

We of the Class of 1925 are privileged to have known this true soldier and gentleman, Benjamin Cobb Fowlkes Jr.

-A Classmate



Milo Howard Matteson

NO. 7718 CLASS OF 1925

Died 1 February 1978 in Monterey, California, aged 76 years.

Interment: Cremated ashes distributed over Carmel Bay



MILO HOWARD MATTESON

MILO HOWARD MATTESON was born to Charles and Charlotte Matteson on 2 September 1901 in Eyota, Minnesota. His early years were spent on a small farm in Eyota.

Mattie enlisted in the Army on 24 December 1919 and served in Colorado and Hawaii. He was honorably discharged on 25 July 1921 to accept an appointment as a cadet at the Military Academy. He graduated on 12 June 1925 and was commissioned in the Cavalry. His first assignment was to the 8th Cavalry at Fort Bliss, Texas. It was while serving at Fort Bliss that he met and married Berenice Franklin of El Paso.

Mattie's next assignment was to The Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas, where he attended the Troop Officer's Course during 1930-1931. This was followed by attendance at the Advanced Equitation Course of 1932 where he won the coveted Lorillard Cup for his demonstrated prowess as a horseman. Mattie was selected to become a member of the United States Olympic Equestrian Team in 1933 and from then until 1939 he rode as a member and later as captain of that team representing the United States in international horse shows throughout this country, Canada, Europe and Latin America.

The team was disbanded in 1939 when it became evident that there would be no Olympic competition in 1940. Thus Mattie returned to troop duty first with the 14th Cavalry at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, and then with the 7th Division at Camp Ord, California.

After short tours of duty at Fort Riley, Washington, DC, and Camp Hood, Mattie was given command of the 124th Cavalry Regiment (the last horse cavalry regiment in the army). Upon completion of training at Fort Riley, the regiment was deployed to Burma where it formed a part of Mars Task Force.

After the war, Mattie was ordered back to the United States to form a new Olympic Equestrian Team in preparation for the 1948 Games. He captained this team until suffering a broken back in a jumping accident in

1947. Thus ended his many years of competitive riding.

In his day Mattie was unquestionably the Army's, and probably the country's finest horseman. He embodied the spirit of the Cavalry. Those who watch him ride sensed his dash, elan and courage while those who competed against him on the steeple-chase course, the jumping ring or the polo field knew that they had faced one of the finest competitors of his time. He was modest after his many victories and, on the very rare occasion of defeat, generous in his praise of his opponents.

After retirement in 1954 Mattie was once again associated with the Olympic Equestrian scene, this time as coach and manager of the team then in training for the 1956 Games. He continued in this capacity until a dispute over his authority to make final selection of team members caused him to resign in 1956.

Mattie and Berenice then returned to their old home in Carmel, California, to finally settle down and enjoy their retirement years. Berenice passed away in 1971. In 1973 Mattie married Helen Condit of Breensboro, North Carolina, in Carmel where they lived until he passed away on 1 February 1978 after a long struggle against heart disease and emphysema.

Though small of stature, Mattie always gave the impression of greatness through his spirit and his innate dignity. Even in his last illness he bore with him the courageous spirit that had never let him down and that so inspired all of us who knew him. His warm personality, selflessness and charisma have been a source of comfort and strength to all who knew him throughout his life. He lived an extremely full life as a soldier, sportsman, husband, father and friend to all. We are all far better off for having known him.

Mattie is survived by his wife Helen, his son Jack, his sister Marcia, and by his four grandchildren.

George Henry McManus Jr.

NO. 7761 CLASS OF 1925

Died 5 September 1978 in Lewes,
Delaware, aged 75 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

ONE OFTEN HEARS: "He was a mountain of a man." In some cases "a cathedral of a man" is a better image, for the cathedral's soaring architecture evokes calm, spiritual strength. George McManus was such a man. His values of integrity, dependability, modesty, were so deep-rooted that he was scarcely aware of them. They were to him the normal attributes of an officer, as natural as one's eyes. We who knew him learned only gradually to appreciate the steadfastness and generosity of his character.

Mac was born in Fort Washington, Maryland. The son of an Army officer (George H. McManus, United States Military Academy Class of 1893), his innate soldierly qualities were strengthened by the associations of his early years. His schooling was accomplished here and there as the vagaries of change-of-station dictated: elementary school in Berkeley, California, high school in Port Townsend, Washington, prep school in Washington, D.C. He was an early radio "bug," and being also handy with tools, he



GEORGE HENRY MCMANUS JR.

built his own set, a rarity in those days, while still just a youngster.

At West Point, Mac had no problems with the heavy academic schedule or the rigorous discipline. Neither self-centered ambition nor petty worries affected his modest confidence or his sense of duty. He was, and remained all his life, an enthusiastic sports fan; and, though not of varsity caliber, he was a redoubtable competitor in intramural athletics. His classmates, recognizing his imperturbable good judgment and his scrupulous sense of justice, chose him to represent them on the Honor Committee.

Mac graduated into the Field Artillery, and served first at Fort Lewis, Washington, then at Camp Gatun, Canal Zone. There, "one enchanted evening," as the song goes, he had the immense good fortune to meet Marie Louise Hornsby (Mary Lou) who was on a visit from St. Louis. Mary Lou went home to St. Louis, and Mac was ordered to Fort Sill. But, as the song continues: "Once you have found her, never let her go." And Mac never did. They were married in St. Louis on 17 June 1930. Their first child, Louise, was born the following year.

From Fort Sill, the McManuses went to Fort Benning, where Mac got some varied experience as student, battery commander, battalion adjutant, supply officer and, because of his amateur competence, as radio officer. They were blessed with a second child, Mary Ann, during the Benning tour.

In 1935, Captain McManus was ordered to West Point as an instructor in math. There, his steady, unaffected personality came to the attention of the Superintendent who wanted just such a man in his office to deal fairly and calmly with un-calm problems. So in 1938 Mac joined the Superintendent's staff. A third child, George (nicknamed Mike), was born in 1937. (Mike returned to West Point nineteen world-shaking years later, as a member of the Class of 1960.)

There followed for Mac and his growing family a typical series of Army moves: West Point to Fort Sam, to the Presidio of San Francisco, to Riverside, California, to Fort Huachuca and, in August 1943, to Camp Clipper, California. During this period, Mac continued to develop that outstanding administrative ability, earlier noted by the Superintendent. He became, successively, adjutant general of the 4th Air Force, of the 93d Division and, as it prepared to go overseas, of the IV Corps.

In February 1944, Mac's corps was ordered to Italy where it served a record 367 days in combat. Corps Headquarters, with Mac in command of the rear echelon, was constantly on the move. Mac's responsibility, as he saw it, was to relieve the corps commander of all administrative concerns, leaving him free to devote full attention to the battle. In recognition of Mac's superb handling of this job, he was twice decorated in action (Bronze Star Medals) by General Crittenger. He was later awarded also the Medalha de Guerra (Brazil) and the War Cross for Military Merit (Italy). General Crittenger remained a close friend throughout the rest of Mac's life.

With the war's end, Mac became adjutant general of the Caribbean Defense Command. He and his family (now increased by a second son, Christopher) returned to Panama where, "one enchanted evening" eighteen years before, he had met Mary Lou. After Panama there came the inevitable tour at the Pentagon; and in 1951 Mac became Adjutant General of the First Army. It was during this tour at Governor's Island that, together with some old friends of the Italian campaign, he organized *The Headquarters IV Corps Association* and its periodical *Quattro*. Its editor, Henry Morelli, writes: "Colonel Mac has the respect of all of us as a very capable leader, a man of high intelligence and integrity, and most of all a compassionate and good friend to each of us. His confidence and character bolstered us all."

After his retirement in 1955, Mac taught math for six years at the Sullivan School in Washington. And each year the McManuses spent the summer at Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, where they found many old friends and made many new ones. In 1964 they acquired an old, roomy, rambling beach house; and in 1971 they moved there from Washington. Mac, always handy with tools, made many improvements in the house, changing it from a drafty summer place to a snug, well-insulated year-round home. And, especially in the summer, the McManus hospitality kept the many rooms filled with children, grandchildren, schoolmates of grandchildren and old friends of Army days.

To his contemporaries he was, of course, Mac. But it is revealing of his character that he was also called Mac, with great affection and respect, by much younger people: the small grandchildren climbing on his lap and their little friends, and by young close friends of the family. Among the latter is Bob Stevens (United States Military Academy Class of 1957) who says: "Mac played a particularly important part in my life after my father was killed in World War II. Mac knew that he could not replace him for me; but he knew also that there would be critical times and situations when I would need the help and advice that a father normally provides. And at those times, when I needed that guidance so badly, he was there to satisfy my need. Quietly, unobtrusively, but with great wisdom and sensitivity, he guided me over some of the big hurdles. . ."

In 1977 the doctors told this strong but gentle man that he had cancer. Several operations and various therapies failed to arrest the disease, which grew increasingly painful. But Mac, having taught his children and their friends how to live, showed them how to die—courageous, quiet, uncompaining, spending every moment of respite with them and with the littlest ones still clambering at his feet or on his knees.

Mac has now returned to West Point, to

rest surrounded by many old friends and classmates, in the midst of that dignified serenity which so marked his character and his life.

—M.L.M.

Philip Campbell Wehle

NO. 8832 CLASS OF 1930

Died 20 September 1978 in Washington, D.C., aged 72 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

IN WRITING THESE words, my mind sweeps back over the years to our West Point days together. Phil came to us from Connecticut, a tall, handsome and physically impressive young man. He was possessed with a marvelous disposition, quiet but with a glint of the "Old Nick" in his eye. He early showed a wit and mastery of words, which later led to a four-year tour as an English instructor at the Academy. In fact he could listen to a new phonograph record once, and thereafter knew the words of the song by heart. His leadership showed up not only scholastically (he graduated 46 out of 241), but athletically and militarily as well. He played football and fenced, and was captain of the fencing team in his last year. He was also made a cadet captain, which post he held until the Commandant spotted him riding up to a football game in a cab with Pop Swartwood, the king of the janitors. This resulted in his being reduced to the lowest ranking buck sergeant in the Corps. In summer camp a group photograph was taken, in which I rather fancied myself. So I sent copies to several girl friends. But the response was unsettling. Not how good I looked, but rather "Who is that handsome kaydet with the white hair?"

Born on 5 September 1906 in Westport, Connecticut, Phil grew up in Norwalk, and attended the local schools, along with his brother Jack, later to become a Marine Corps pilot. On graduation from West Point he was commissioned in the Field Artillery.

Phil's illustrious career included many colorful assignments beginning with Fort Bliss, then Fort Sill and Schofield Barracks. In 1936 he went to West Point as an instructor in English. Various assignments at



PHILIP CAMPBELL WEHLE

home were punctuated with a tour of duty in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre in 1942, where he became G1 of the first Joint Army-Navy Task Force. In May of 1943 he returned to the States and took command of a pack artillery battalion at Camp Hale, Colorado. During this period he and Eloise had their first child, Phil Jr.

In July 1944 Phil went to Europe and served as XVIII Airborne Corps artillery officer through the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe campaigns.

From 1946 through 1949 he served with the Plans Section and later as Secretary of the General Staff, in Army Field Forces Headquarters at Fortress Monroe. In 1950 he was the Chief of the Personnel Branch of United States Army, Europe. He attended and taught at the Army War College in 1952-1954. From there he went to Korea in October, first as senior advisor to the VI Republic of Korea Corps, and later to the Second Republic of Korea Army. He also served briefly as Commanding General, 7th Division Artillery, and finally as I Corps Artillery commander.

Early in 1956 Phil returned to the States and commanded the 2d Division Artillery at Fort Lewis. From August 1957 to June 1959 he was Assistant Commandant of The Artillery School at Fort Sill. He next was assigned to Europe as Chief of the United States Military Advisory Group to France. From September 1962 to August 1963 he commanded the Infantry Training Center at Fort Polk.

A story Phil often told on himself was this: As post commander at Polk he liked to relax after work by donning his equestrian attire and riding his white horse "Princess" around the post. One evening while riding behind a mess hall he paused to chat with a soldier on kitchen police, one who obviously was not enjoying his task of cleaning out garbage pails. Phil cheerily inquired, "What's for supper, soldier?" The soldier, looking up sullenly replied "What's it to you, cowboy?" Phil always said he thought the man had a point.

From August 1963 until his retirement as a major general on 16 September 1965, Phil commanded the Military District of Washington, a most delicate and demanding assignment. There his tact, diplomacy and versatility were tested on many occasions, such as making the funeral arrangements for Herbert Hoover and Douglas MacArthur. The most crucial, perhaps, was as coordinator and supervisor for the funeral of President Kennedy.

During his last service years he met and successfully overcame several major physical problems. His strong faith and optimism sustained him well for the many remaining years of his life.

After retirement he was on the staff of the Research and Analysis Corporation in McLean, Virginia, and later taught English and History at the Heights School in Washington.

Early in his career Phil married Alice Eloise McElroy of Norwalk, Connecticut, and they maintained a warm and loving home for family and friends throughout their lives. On retirement they settled in Reston, Virginia. To satisfy a yearning for the country life, they purchased in 1947 a lovely old brick plantation house, "Indian Banks," on the Rappahannock River near Farnham, in Virginia's Northern Neck. There they had the fun and challenge of gradually restoring the 200-year-old home, complete with magnificent boxwood, garden and 26 acres of

farmland. In 1973 they moved into it permanently. Here Phil devoted full time to farm and family, as well as a number of local civic activities.

Tragically, Eloise had developed a brain tumor, which proved to be malignant. After a brave and lengthy battle she succumbed to it on 12 July 1977. Phil was in the process of putting the final touches on the estate when he too was hit by "The Big C," a rapidly growing type of cancer on the lung. He died at Walter Reed Army Hospital on 20 September 1978.

Phil's awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Honor, awards from the French and South Korean Governments, and numerous campaign medals. He was also a Knight of Malta. But the greatest legacy of this wonderful pair of people are six splendid children: Philip Jr., Jennifer, Brenda, Stephanie, Cleveland and Terence. Plus, as of this writing, seven grandchildren.

—A Classmate

Albert Mark Smith II

NO. 8852 CLASS OF 1930

Died 3 February 1978 in Tucson Medical Center, Tucson, Arizona, aged 69 years.

Interment: Cremated ashes scattered

MARK WAS BORN in our nation's Capital. His father, a native Alabamian later saw service as a captain in the Artillery in World War I. His mother, nee Katherine Rosser, was born in Virginia. Subsequently the family, including Mark's sister Mildred, moved to Utah and then to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where Mark distinguished himself as a principal member of the Central High School Championship Debating Team. In 1925 he was graduated with honors. That fall he attended Northwestern University as a liberal arts major until entering the Military Academy in July 1926.

An affable, lanky M Company flanker with an extraordinary talent for seeing the humor in situations, Smitty weathered the hard plebe regime more easily than most. His minor troubles with demerits came from calculated risks that failed—never from ignorance or forgetfulness. He easily attained a final standing of 67 in a class of 241 and was graduated 12 June 1930 with a Field Artillery commission, detailed to the Air Corps.

Mark resigned from service in 1930, moved to New York City, and began what was to be a twelve-year business career. In spite of the Great Depression, he did well; in six years he became general manager of a privately owned and well-established real estate firm, a position he held until, in 1942, he felt it his duty to volunteer for military service.

Commissioned a captain in the United States Army, he taught at West Point for three years, followed by a year's service in New York City with the Engineer Corps' Real Estate Office.

In 1946, now Lieutenant Colonel Smith, Army of the United States, accepted integration into the Regular Army Ordnance Corps with the rank of major. Thus began seventeen years of service (1946-1963) as a Regular. First assigned to the Industrial Mobilization Branch in New York City, he served successively as procurement director, Watertown Arsenal; Chief, Field Survey Section, Ordnance Comptroller's Office in



ALBERT MARK SMITH II

Washington, D.C.; Chief, Offshore Procurement, Far East Command, Japan, for which service he was awarded the Legion of Merit; Chief, Major Items Branch Field Services, Office of Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D.C.; commandant, The Ordnance School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, and then deputy post commander there.

In 1935, Mark met Jessie Patton Biggs of Southport, Connecticut. It was love at first sight. They were married in 1936 and had a family of three children, George, Albert Mark III, and Helen. Mark and Jessie settled in a woodsy retreat in Aberdeen when Mark retired in 1963. There Mark assisted in the establishment of the Museum of World War II Weaponry at the post and similar volunteer projects. In 1965, while visiting Helen at St. John's College, Santa Fe, Mark and Jessie saw and were charmed by Tucson, Arizona; some years later they decided it was THE spot for them, and forthwith ordered their dream house built.

Helen, now Mrs. Matthew C. Boyd, presented the ultimate gift, a granddaughter, Casey Helen, in mid-1977. For Jessie and Mark it was love at first sight all over again.

Mark possessed a love, capacity and stamina for sophisticated conversation. He was not an authoritarian, but he possessed personal, objective, and charismatic authority, giving reasons rather than decrees, thus exuding enthusiasm and engendering willing obedience. He was once rated by a superior as "having a brilliant mind, though perhaps not so brilliant as he thinks"; Mark was convulsed.

His son and namesake, Mark III, is an assistant professor of philosophy and history of ideas at Brandeis University. "My most salient impression of my father," he writes, "was his intense joie de vivre and, coupled with that, his sincere desire to know and understand. No matter what the situation, whether in his career or during his retirement, he took every opportunity to suck out every last drop of experience from that situation. But far more than that, I admired him for his basic integrity and rectitude. He was truly virtuous, not by dint of mere adherence to custom or form but from a full conviction in a set of inner principles to which most men swear and by which precious few actually live."

George, an assistant professor of biology at the University of Missouri, wrote much

the same thing. "Dad was lovable because of his vitality and because of his solid, enduring virtues. He was unfailingly considerate, unfailingly generous, unfailingly interesting. His life was whole and full, because for him goodness was not a separate goal, it was a way of life—the way of life. And his good heart found its fullest expression in his love of Mom.

"Dad had an impish sort of wit, that ran to spur-of-the-moment doggerel in the Ogden Nash style and especially to word-plays. His humor arose out of the moment; its effect came from its spontaneity. My sister weaved uncertainly into the room once, wearing her first high-heels. 'Look at my darling totter,' said Dad."

Helen wrote: "Maybe I never really knew Dad until Casey was born. Her presence allowed me to step back and view Dad as a person. I learned then that Dad was truly a lover. His concern for people shone through in all his relationships, sometimes it seemed to the point where he was more concerned about them than they were about themselves."

Jessie says of Mark: "I don't want to forget anything about him and feel so lucky that I had him for so many years of happiness. I think about him so much and know that given time it will always be with great joy, without the present emotional sorrow. He was a marvelous husband, a very unselfish man—truly he never considered himself first.

"I really couldn't tell you his favorite assignment. He always found his work intriguing, would have found a way to make counting socks fun, I'm sure. Perhaps it was being commandant of The Ordnance School—he was always interested in the young."

Mark's zest for life, from every facet of human and intellectual relationship, shall ever cast brilliant overtones as now, though it be from the shadows, we feel the grip of his hand.

—A Classmate

Albert T. Wilson Jr.

NO. 10127 CLASS OF 1934

Died 26 February 1970 at MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida, aged 58 years.

Interment: The Garden of Peace, Sylvan Abbey, Clearwater, Florida

MAJOR GENERAL Albert T. Wilson Jr. (Al, as he was known to his family and friends) was born 19 July 1911 in Alva, Oklahoma, to Albert T. and Nellie Mae Wilson. They were on their way to the Philippines where Al spent the first nine years of his life as his father was in the Constabulary during this period. Al spent his later young years on various posts in the United States where his father served in the Infantry from private to colonel.

Upon graduation from the Military Academy, Al went to Kelly Field, Texas, where he won his wings in 1935, later serving with the 30th and the 32d Bomb Squadrons in California as pilot/bombardier. It was during this time, during competition, that Al became the Number One Bombardier in the Army Air Corps. But, it was as a student at the Air Corps Technical School at Chanute Field, Illinois, that Al acquired the skills in communications that were to figure promi-

ently throughout his career beginning with his tour as supervisor of the Radio Operators Division of the Air Technical School which had moved to Scott Field, Illinois, in 1940.

In 1941 Al went to Cairo, Egypt, as a member of the famed "Maxwell Mission" (United States Military Mission to North Africa) to help train our Allies in operation and maintenance of a variety of equipment and weapons systems with which they were being sent under the Lend-Lease Act. Upon completion of the mission, Al returned to Scott Field as director of training at the Air Corps Technical School. During his tenure, over 77,000 combat radio operators were trained and graduated.

In 1944 as the communications officer for the XXI Bomber Command at Peterson Field, Colorado, Al went with the outfit to Guam, becoming the communications officer for the United States Army Strategic Air Force under General Curtis LeMay. His brother Jack, a B-29 Superfortress aircraft commander, was there also. It was on Guam, as the Japanese Empire began falling apart, that the brothers learned that their father, who had been captured during the Japanese invasion on Mindanao in May 1942, was being held a prisoner in Mukden, Manchuria. Receiving permission from General Carl Spatz, they flew to Mukden. With the assistance of a Russian language expert, Al and Jack had little trouble locating their father and evacuating him and other United States prisoners of war.

After the war Al served in various capacities in the Air Force—Assistant Chief of Staff, 15th Air Force; student in the first class of the Air War College; Chief, Electronics Division at Headquarters, United States Air Force; commander of the 28th Bombardment Wing, Strategic Air Command (SAC). In 1950, after two and a half years with SAC, Al returned overseas to Wiesbaden, Germany, where he was chief of operations and training division, Headquarters, United States Air Forces in Europe and later the commander of the 1807th Airways and Air Communications Wing, Military Air Transportation Service (MATS).

He returned to the States in 1954 for four years of service as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations at Headquarters Military Air Transport Service, Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland, and later Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. One of his finest accomplishments during this time was the plan-



ALBERT T. WILSON JR.

ning and execution of the Hungarian Relief Movement of thousands of displaced Hungarians from Europe to the United States as they fled their native land after the ill-fated uprising there.

In 1958 Al was assigned to Headquarters Pacific Air Force with duty station at Yong-san, Korea, where he was the senior member of the United States Armistice Commission at Panmunjom. At the end of this tour of duty he was awarded the Order of Taeguk by President Syngman Rhee for his contributions to the Armistice Commission.

Upon return to the States, he became the assistant comptroller of the Air Force, a position he held until July 1961 when he was assigned as the deputy commandant of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. In August 1963 he became the vice commander, then commander, of the Continental Air Command at Robbins Air Force Base, Georgia. Al retired from this last duty station on 31 October 1965. At the time of his retirement he had more than 7,000 hours pilot time.

Upon his retirement Al and his wife Elizabeth moved to their new home in Harbor Bluffs, Largo, Florida. In the five years before his death as a result of cancer complicated by heart trouble, Al involved himself in civic affairs serving as the executive secretary of the Greater Largo Chamber of Commerce; member of the Committee of 100 of Pinellas County; member of the Steering Committee of the Pinellas County Fair; vice president of the Harbor Bluffs Owners' Association; vice president then president of the Clearwater Retired Officers Club; and in 1968, the General Chairman of the National Convention of The Retired Officers Association which was held in Clearwater, Florida, attended by more than 1100 persons. At that time, he was elected to the National Board of Directors of The Retired Officers Association, Washington, D.C.

Al was also a long-time member of the Order of Daedalians, the Air Force Association, and the Reserve Officers Association. He was given the first President's Award by the Retired Officers National Association in 1968 and was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Award by The Reserve Officers Association in 1970.

He twice received awards from the Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for his contribution to and direction of the National Security Seminars while at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Al is survived by his wife Elizabeth; a son, Albert T. III; a daughter Judith; two stepsons, Sage and Scott Reynolds; and his brother Jack of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He will be missed by his many military and civilian friends.

—Elizabeth Wilson



GEORGE BRENDAN O'CONNOR

O'Connor 1953, in the same division in Vietnam.

George, as a cadet with a sound education and a keen mind, had rather a cavalier attitude toward academics; "his artistic leanings" his roommate wrote, "sometimes interfered with his studies, for he would rather work with a pen or brush than a slide rule." The "outstanding qualities of sincerity, frankness and generosity" noted by his classmates were part and parcel of George all the days of his life.

Upon graduation George was commissioned a lieutenant in the Infantry with a detail to the Air Corps for pilot training. As a result of a broken ankle he was washed out of flying and returned to the Infantry. Though deprived of his first love, that of flying, George never resigned himself to being an Army officer without wings. Determined to be a flyer and typical of his character not to recognize defeat, he made every effort to return to the Air Corps, first as a navigator, then as a bombardier, and even as an administrator; there was no door to the Air Corps left untried. All seemed to be locked until, while serving as a battalion commander in the 79th Infantry Division, he learned that liaison pilots could be upgraded to pilots. So by dint of pre-reveille and weekend instruction he earned his civil private pilot rating thus fulfilling one of the requirements for artillery liaison pilot training. His division commander, Major General Ira T. Wyche, appreciating George's unflagging determination to become an Air Corps pilot, tells the following story: "I had George report to me and said to him, 'George, I have your application for reduction in grade from major to captain so you may be eligible for training as artillery liaison pilot. I have also a recommendation from your regimental commander for your promotion to lieutenant colonel. Which do you want me to sign?' George replied, 'General, the demotion.'"

Completing the liaison pilot course and subsequently serving as an infantry division's air officer, he had logged a thousand hours by 1945. Just as he was eligible to seek upgrading to pilot, a heartless fate eliminated the program of upgrading liaison pilots. Finally, he was granted an age waiver for Air Corps pilot training resulting at last in the achievement of his long-sought goal. His entry into the Air Corps as a captain, however, was not without irony, for a few

months after taking a demotion to be eligible for liaison pilot training, this training program was opened up to grades as high as lieutenant colonel.

In his seven years as a doughboy, George served in various posts as an infantry company and battalion commander, as a division staff officer, and as an aide-de-camp. During this period he also attended The Infantry School and the Command & General Staff College. While on duty in Panama he met and married Ethel Doherty, the lovely daughter of Colonel and Mrs. James Doherty. Colonel Doherty is remembered as one of the pioneer pilots of the Army Air Corps. George's and Ethel's marriage was blessed with five beautiful and talented daughters, Toni, Terry, Mickey, Brendan, and Christy.

Shortly after Air Corps pilot training George was assigned as Deputy Commandant of Cadets and Student Officers at Randolph Field. Of his duty his commander wrote: "George was always a fine example to our brand-new flying cadets and also a tremendous influence for good among the 700 student officers, most of whom had served combat tours in their various specialties but who had not much opportunity to learn the responsibilities of an officer."

In 1948 George was transferred to Headquarters, Far Eastern Air Forces in Tokyo, where he was in the A3 section for a year, and then was assigned as air installation officer and squadron commander of an air base group. With the advent of the Korean conflict he supervised the building of new airfields and also flew a number of combat missions. Subsequently he was selected for graduate study in civil engineering, and on termination of his three years duty with the Far Eastern Air Forces was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

Upon attaining his master's degree in civil engineering at Purdue University, a series of assignments in the field of aviation engineering followed, including a short tour in Greenland. In 1953 he was ordered to Headquarters, Pacific Air Forces at Hickam Field for duty in the office of the Chief of Staff for Engineering. This assignment culminated in his designation as Director of Engineering and Construction for the Pacific Air Forces.

By 1961 a gradually worsening condition of rheumatoid arthritis forced George's retirement. The requirement of a warm dry climate and the education of his daughters led George and Ethel to settle in Tucson, a few blocks from the University of Arizona. Although he was beset by a series of painful physical problems, George neither complained nor leaned on those around him. To those who loved him it was most distressing to see this man who was in other times all grace and skill in sports, so handicapped. Notwithstanding, a craftsman in carpentry and adept in electrical and mechanical matters, he was always occupied in some home-improvement chore or other project. Active too, in community affairs, he pursued his many interests with the dedication that characterized his whole career. Uncomplaining and courageous to the very end, he died peacefully at home surrounded by his family.

Worthy to take his place in that "Long Gray Line," George was described by a general officer for whom he was deputy as "possessing the highest possible sense of duty, honor, country, as he had learned at West Point, that I have known in any Academy graduate."

George Brendan O'Connor
 NO. 10433 CLASS OF 1935
 Died 9 June 1977 at Tucson, Arizona,
 aged 65 years.
 Interment: Fort Huachuca Cemetery, Arizona

BORN IN NEW YORK CITY on 18 October 1911, George was one of four sons of Theresa and Richard O'Connor. All four brothers shared the distinction of graduating from West Point. Dick, Class of 1926 serving with "The Big Red One" in the assault of Sicily, was killed in action as was his nephew, Mort

In addition to Ethel, who continues to live in Tucson, George is survived by his daughters, Mrs. Kris Di Marco, New York; Terrence, Los Angeles; Mrs. Wayne Moody, Tucson; Mrs. Roberto Rizo, New York; and Mrs. Fred Webster, Palo Alto; sisters, Mrs. W.A. Walker, Alexandria, Virginia; and Mrs. Joseph E. Reilly, Long Beach, New York; brothers, Brigadier General W.W. O'Connor, Tucson; and Colonel Roderic D. O'Connor, Pucon, Chile; and five grandchildren.

We have lost a sincere and thoughtful friend, and Ethel and the children, a loving husband and father.

—A Classmate

Charles Bainbridge Westover

NO. 10918 CLASS OF 1937

Died 28 July 1978 in Hialeah, Florida, aged 63 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

IN OCTOBER 1977 in his hospital room a few days after the operation, something happened in one brief moment that was typical of Westy and his entire life. As Alice was arranging his bed, Westy looked at her admiringly, turned and haltingly, because it was difficult for him to put words together, said "Isn't Alice great!"

Alice was "great" because we knew then that there was almost no chance for Westy to overcome the terrible malignancy that had attacked. Yet Alice was "carrying on," cheerful, smiling, reinforcing all our spirits. Alice was "doing her duty" because that was the distant drum that Westy had marched to all his life; and that was what Alice knew that he wanted her to do as they bravely faced the uncertain future.

Alice's and Westy's relationship was vital to him and was one of the "keystones" in his many faceted personality. Together they had an outstanding Air Force career; and it was "together" in every sense of their official and personal life, for Westy trusted Alice's judgment, valued her opinions, and relied on their marriage to reinforce everything he did.

Charles Bainbridge, the son of Major General and Mrs. Oscar Westover, was born in Tanana, Alaska, on 10 July 1915. His



CHARLES BAINBRIDGE WESTOVER

father, a West Pointer, Class of 1906, was Chief of the Army Air Corps. After graduation from West Point in 1937 there was only one thing that Westy wanted, the Army Air Corps and "wings."

It is easy to describe Westy's career in the Air Force; he excelled at everything he did. From squadron officer to World War II and Korean War leader to senior Air Force commander, he was remarkably successful. His tremendous drive, determination, and a desire to perform any assigned task as perfectly as he could, insured his success. His genius was recognized, not only in the Air Force, but also in his civilian career with The Equitable Life Assurance Society, which he joined after retirement and where his creative mind and hard work resulted in his promotion to First Vice President.

The matrix within which Westy lived his life was a pure and rock hard integrity, identified with the highest ideals of West Point. This bedrock was tempered and strengthened by his loyalty to duty, to those he served and to those with whom he served.

A few of the many highlights of his Air Force career were: his direction of the planning for Strategic Air Command's intercontinental missile capability; his creation of the operational plan used by Tactical Air Command in the Cuban crisis; and his command of the Tactical Air Command during the Congo and the Dominican crises. The recurring theme in evaluations by his senior officers was "... he always accomplishes his work in a consistently superior manner." An excerpt from one evaluation seems to paint a perfect picture: "General Westover is intensely sincere professionally, yet has a quick change of pace... has a good sense of humor, a pleasing smile, and a friendly disposition. He is as good a father and husband as he is an officer." It is difficult to articulate a finer tribute to any man's life.

Westy had a well rounded, balanced personality, played hard, and had great "joie de vivre." There was also a sensitive side to him and painting, for which he had a real talent, provided pleasure and relaxation from the pressures of his work. He was extraordinarily gifted in so many different ways.

Chick, Tim, and Susie, his children, I know feel blessed to have had such a loving, devoted father. The increased responsibilities as his career progressed could have isolated him, yet he always made time for his children, and idolized his grandchildren, a new dimension in his life.

It is impossible to summarize the loss of a person whom one has worked with, admired and loved. But for all of us who were privileged, to have known him, the world will always be a far richer place because of Westy Westover, a remarkable and wonderful human being.

—Spider Reed '46

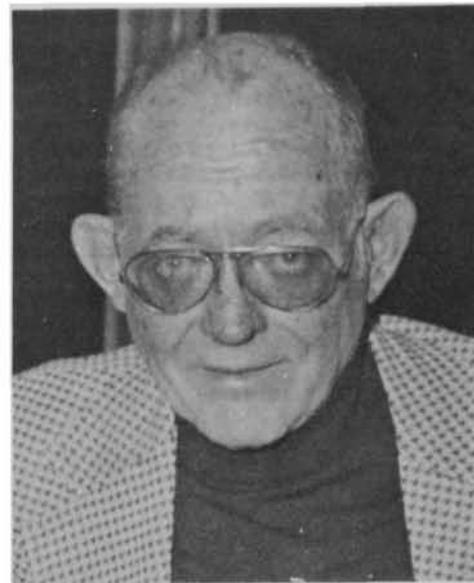
William Milligan Herron

NO. 11599 CLASS OF 1939

Died 29 March 1978 in Daytona Beach, Florida, aged 61 years.

Interment: Cedar Hill Memory Garden, Daytona Beach, Florida

WILLIAM MILLIGAN HERRON was born 26 August 1916 in Indianapolis, Indiana. His father, Lieutenant General Charles Douglas Herron, was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1899 and in sub-



WILLIAM MILLIGAN HERRON

sequent years served as General McArthur's chief of staff. He died in 1977 after observing his 100th birthday. His mother, Louise Milligan Herron died fifteen months earlier in Honolulu where they spent their last years.

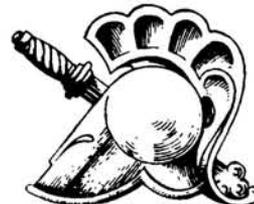
Bill attended Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, Landon Prep school in Bethesda, Maryland, and was graduated from the Military Academy in 1939. Bill was assigned to the 25th Division at Schofield in Hawaii where he was aide to his father, General Herron, who was commander of the Hawaiian Division. Upon his father's retirement he was aide to Lieutenant General Walter Scott until his assignment took him to the United States in 1942 and from there to France.

During World War II, he served in the campaigns in the Rhineland, Central Europe and Central Pacific. He was awarded the World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two bronze stars, the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with one bronze star, American Defense Service Medal, and the Army of Occupation Medal. He resigned in 1946 with the rank of major. Bill was a civil engineer for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts until his retirement.

He was a yachting and fishing enthusiast until two years before his death.

He was a member of the Military Order of World Wars, North Florida West Point Society, United States Navy League, the Executive Club, Veterans' and Businessmen's Club, the Halifax River Yacht Club, the Halifax Club and BPOE Elks Lodge 1142, Daytona Beach.

He is survived by his widow, Dorothy; two sons, William M. of Exeter, New Hampshire, and Richard of West Lebanon, Maine; one daughter, Brooke Still, Miami, Florida, one step-daughter, Dottie Kicklighter, Los Angeles, California, and one sister, Louise Ripple, Honolulu, Hawaii.



Martin Andrew Shadday

NO. 12603 CLASS OF 1941

Died 27 February 1978 in Columbia, South Carolina, aged 58 years.

Interment: Green Lawn Cemetery, Columbia, South Carolina



MARTIN ANDREW SHADDAY

MARTIN ANDREW SHADDAY firmly established his place in the Long Gray Line by a life of dedicated service and devoted attention to the ideals of West Point.

Martin was born in New York in 1919, the oldest son of a career Navy officer. His boyhood was spent in the travels and changes of station of a service family. He graduated from high school in Long Beach, California, and then entered the University of Minnesota. He had completed one year when he received appointments to both the Military and the Naval Academy. Martin chose West Point and forevermore followed the precepts of its motto.

Graduated in the Class of 1941, he was stationed at Camp Wheeler, Georgia, and then was transferred to the European Theater where he served as an infantry platoon leader and company commander with the 2d Armored Division in North Africa, Sicily and Normandy, and with the 44th Infantry in Northern France and Germany. He served with the occupation forces in Germany, with a leave to the United States to marry Jeanette Sowell of Macon, Georgia, in December 1945.

In 1947 Martin was reassigned to the United States for tours of duty at Fort Jackson and Fort Benning, where he completed the Advanced Officers Course at The Infantry School. While attending Jump School at Benning, Martin was stricken with polio. Here Martin's determination and quiet but deep fortitude brought him through. Facing what could have meant the end of his career as an officer, during a lengthy stay at Walter Reed Army Hospital he persisted in his rehabilitation and was retained on duty—as an infantry officer.

Transferred to Korea, he served as an infantry battalion executive officer and infantry battalion commander in the 9th Infantry Regiment of the 2d Division in the fierce fighting on Heartbreak Ridge, the Kim Il Sung Ridge and the Mung dung-Ni Valley. Commanding a battalion as a major

he captured the first position on Heartbreak Ridge to be taken by our forces, in a skillful attack with few friendly casualties while inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. He continued his determined leadership and retained the position against continuously repeated North Korean counter-attacks as they desperately but futilely tried to retake what they recognized as a key terrain feature. His service with the regiment continued into 1952.

Upon his return to the United States in 1952, Martin was assigned to the 12th Ordnance Special Weapons Battalion at Sandia Base, New Mexico. His diligence and attention to duty gave him a high technical proficiency in what was then a specialized field.

Transferred to Europe in 1955, Martin was in the G3 Section of the Southern European Task Force in Italy in its formative beginnings and as this prototype of United States Army atomic support forces world-wide became a highly capable unit. Martin's technical proficiency in special weapons together with his knowledge of field operations made him an invaluable member of the G3 Section which had staff responsibility for the forming, training and operations of this unique United States Army unit. The fact that something had never been done before merely added for Martin an extra fillip to the challenge of devising a way of achieving what was wanted.

After his tour in Italy Martin returned to the United States in 1958 and after serving on the Professor of Military Science staff at the City College of New York, transferred to the Ordnance Corps, and was assigned to Headquarters, Ordnance Special Weapons Ammunition Command at Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey. Then in 1961 Martin returned to Europe where he was successively chief of the training branch, Communications Zone at Orleans, and commanding officer of the Ammunition Depot at Trois Fontaines, France.

Back in the United States in 1965 he became deputy commander of Watervliet Arsenal, responsible for overall supervision of the arsenal's research and engineering, production and procurement programs. He remained in the position until 1967 when he was sent once again to Korea and was assigned to Headquarters 8 Field Army Support Command, a more placid tour than the fighting days of 1951-1952, but one in which Martin's diligence and attention to duty remained in force.

In 1969 Martin returned once again to the United States, retired and settled with Jeanette in Columbia, South Carolina. But to Martin, retirement in no sense meant inactivity. He studied and obtained a master's degree in education and after a stint of teaching became an administrator at Midlands Technical College where he remained until his death.

In late 1976 Martin underwent open heart surgery for a coronary by-pass. He met this with his usual unflinching fortitude and determination. Within a short time he returned to his duties at Midlands Tech and also pursued a program of post operative rehabilitation. Part of his self-devised program included riding a bicycle, and he was engaged in this on Sunday afternoon, 26 February 1978, when a minor accident caused severe head damage which resulted in death on 27 February.

He is survived by his beloved Jeanette, who resides in Columbia, South Carolina; his son Martin Andrew Jr. (Annapolis Class of 1970), and his daughter Valerie.

Martin's life was one of service with in-

tegrity to his country, his family and his friends. He was a quiet person who sought excellence without pretense. Those of us who were fortunate to be his friends will always remember his kindness, his quiet but deep sense of humor, his honesty and belief in the values he lived for. His friends join in the tribute he would cherish—"Well done."

John Ross Morgan Jr.

NO. 18709 CLASS OF 1952

Died 21 April 1978 in Albuquerque, New Mexico, aged 48 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Santa Fe, New Mexico

ON 21 APRIL 1978, John Ross Morgan Jr. left this life and joined the Long Gray Line. Born at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on 28 September 1929, the son of Colonel and Mrs. John Ross Morgan, United States Army Air Corps, he grew up and attended schools at various United States and overseas air bases, including Nagoya Air Base, Japan, during the immediate post-World War II period.

John attended Stanton Prep School in Cornwall, New York, in 1947-1948, won a presidential appointment to the Military Academy and, along with the rest of the Sesquicentennial Class of 1952, passed through the Central Area sallyport and "dropped that bag" on 1 July 1948.

With his characteristic dry and piquant humor, he took Beast Barracks in stride, although at times it seemed as though the "skinny kid with glasses" made it on true grit alone. He then settled into L-1 Company and became an ardent member of the "Greater South Area Chowder and Marching Society," as we non-thyroid cases were loath to call ourselves. His plebe year was highlighted by his being assigned to the Underweight Squad Diet Table—while the rest of us starved! However, this training ultimately paid off as "Punchy" Morgan became the undisputed (all his opponents forfeited!) First Regimental "Intermurder" Lightweight Boxing Champion.

During his upperclass years, John successfully met the challenges of both the Academic and Tactical Departments, was active in extra-curricular activities, and achieved fame as both the "Terror" of the intramural squash courts as well as being "Moneybags"



JOHN ROSS MORGAN JR.

ASSEMBLY

Morgan the parsimonious L-1 Company budget officer!

Upon graduation, John was commissioned in the Air Force and reported to Walker Air Force Base, Roswell, New Mexico, for assignment to the nuclear (or as John spelled it—unclear!) weapons career field with Strategic Air Command's 509th Bomb Wing. An assignment to the Armed Forces Special Weapons Project at Sandia Base in Albuquerque, New Mexico, followed and this began John's life-long attachment to Albuquerque... the Texan had become a New Mexican!

Graduate work in nuclear physics at North Carolina State University followed, and in 1956 John experienced one of his many "... but it's a good deal for a bachelor!" type assignments and wound up on Eniwetok Atoll with Joint Task Force 7 "making smoke and fire in the sky" in the nuclear test program. He told me in confidence one day that they were really testing a "one-kiloton hand grenade for the Marines!"

Tours at Atomic Energy Commission, Germantown, Maryland; Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama; and the Air Force Directorate of Nuclear Safety, Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico followed; and in 1968 John was married in Albuquerque to Barbara Nylund, a lovely and vibrant Albuquerquean, who shared John's love of the finer things of life as well as his sparkling sense of humor. Shortly thereafter, John and Barbara headed back to the Washington area for his final active duty assignment with the Radiation Directorate of Headquarters, Defense Nuclear Agency. John was retired from the Air Force in June 1972 after 20 years of dedicated service to his country and to the United States Air Force. His awards and decorations included the Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

John and Barbara then returned to their beloved New Mexico and settled in Albuquerque where they both pursued further academic achievements, with Barbara earning doctorates in philosophy and medicine, and John a bachelor's degree in psychology at the University of New Mexico. At the time of his death, John was a second-year law student at the University of New Mexico, was a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, physics honor society, and was an officer in Delta Theta Phi, the national law fraternity. The John R. Morgan Scholarship Fund at the University of New Mexico has been established in his memory.

When Barbara became a medical doctor, she went on active duty as a doctor (captain, United States Army) Medical Corps. John was proud of the fact that he was "the first man in his West Point class to swear into the Army a wife and not a son." He was further bemused over his unique status as Barbara's "retired military dependent!"

John loved the aesthetic, both the complex and the simple. This dichotomy was best expressed by his brother Donald, who offered the appropriate epitaph that "John was a man who loved fine arts and cats."

John left us suddenly and prematurely. He is survived by his wife, Captain (Doctor) Barbara Morgan, USA Medical Corps of the staff at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco. Also surviving are his mother, Mrs. John Ross Morgan, San Antonio, Texas; a brother, Lieutenant Colonel Donald E. Morgan, United States Air Force (United States Military Academy, Class of 1959) Washington, D.C.; and his sisters, Ms. Jean

Morgan Spencer, Washington, D.C., and Mrs. M.C. Rowan, Neosho, Missouri.

And so, on that cold and rainy day in May, on a beautiful south-western hillside in Santa Fe, we laid John to rest. As taps sounded, and I presented John's flag to Barbara, the clouds suddenly parted, the rain and wind relented, and for a brief moment the sun shone gloriously... as if John and God were smiling.

Vaya con Dios, Christian Soldier.

—Your old roommate, D.G.L.

William Jackson Poole

NO. 22275 CLASS OF 1959

Died 16 January 1978 in Columbia, South Carolina, aged 42 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

WILLIAM JACKSON POOLE was born in Lyons, Georgia, on 16 January 1936, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold C. Poole. Jack grew up in Riceboro, Georgia, and graduated from Hinesville, Georgia's Bradwell Institute in 1954. With a military career in mind, he spent one year at Armstrong Junior College in Savannah, Georgia, prior to entering West Point as a member of the Class of 1959.

Jack's basic philosophy of giving everything in life his best effort was the foundation of his experience at West Point. His progressive improvement, culminating in achievement of academic "stars" during his First Class year, best exemplified this philosophy. Significantly, he shared his philosophy and ability with his classmates and coached many to the achievement of higher academic excellence. In athletics, West Point's fields of friendly strife have never been graced by a more intense competitor.

A major force in Jack's life was his wife Joan. Their marriage was founded on a base of complete love and devotion and further solidified with the birth of their children, Susan and Jack. Early on, Jack was able to find the balance between devotion to job and family. As a result his career and life were significantly enriched by the support, understanding, and counsel of his family. The Pooles were an unbeatable team and a joy to be with.



WILLIAM JACKSON POOLE

Jack's career began with attendance at the Field Artillery Basic Course in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, followed by airborne and aviation training. His service included assignments to Germany, two tours in Vietnam, professional schooling at the Command and General Staff College and Georgia Tech, and as an executive officer at battalion and division artillery level. His final assignment was as an inspector general in Korea was in an area where he found the most job satisfaction—working with the troops. He continued his philosophy of giving everything his best effort throughout his career with outstanding results. His artillery battery in Germany was judged, by test, to be the best in the division, and was awarded the Peden Trophy for this achievement. His professional competence and leadership ability was tested under fire when he commanded aviation units in Vietnam. A courageous, tough and inspiring leader, Jack and his units performed magnificently. Uniquely, he complemented his abilities as a commander with exceptional brilliance as a staff officer. In the academic arena, he graduated with honors from every military and civilian school he attended. Jack was a true professional. His awards included the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal (two), Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (11), and the Army Commendation Medal.

Jack met his final test in typical fashion; a family effort characterized by the courage and tenacity that was common to everything the Pooles did. Against awesome odds he never gave up. However, for the first time the challenge was too great—terminal cancer. On 16 January 1978, the battle was lost and Jack now rests at peace at Arlington National Cemetery.

He was serious and fiercely competitive, yet possessed with a great sense of humor; of great intellectual capacity, yet able to communicate with and understand his troops and peers; completely devoted to duty and job, yet able to remember his family. Thinking of Jack evokes visions of the "Long Gray Line," "Duty-Honor-Country," a professional soldier, a warm personal friend, and a man you would like your son to emulate. West Point can be proud of Jack. He epitomized, so well, all that it stands for. To his wife and family he was a "hero," an inspiration and a rare man. We who knew Jack echo those sentiments. We will miss Jack and the emptiness left by his passing hurts. Fortunately, the memories he left us are good ones—and that helps.

—Bob Evans

John Harmon Bruce Krueger

NO. 32102 CLASS OF 1974

Died 13 September 1977 in Germany, aged 25 years.

Interment: Metropolis, Illinois

AN AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT took the life of Lieutenant John Burke Krueger, Headquarters, 2d Brigade of the 1st Division on 13 September 1977. Bruce was a passenger in an OH-58 helicopter which struck a high tension wire in the vicinity of Eschlufiher, West Germany. After hitting the wire, the helicopter crashed into a tree, and the impact threw Bruce from the aircraft. He suffered severe head injuries and was pronounced dead at the scene by a German doctor. Before being sent to Germany



JOHN HARMON BRUCE KRUEGER

for training exercises, Bruce was stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Memorial services were held at the United

States Army Headquarters in West Germany before the body was brought back to Metropolis, Illinois, for burial. Funeral services were held on 23 September 1977 at the First Baptist Church in Metropolis. The services were conducted by the Reverends Gerel Treas, Roy A. Fowler, and James H. Goodner.

The following is an excerpt from a eulogy written by John Mittendorf, a man for whom Bruce worked during his high school years.

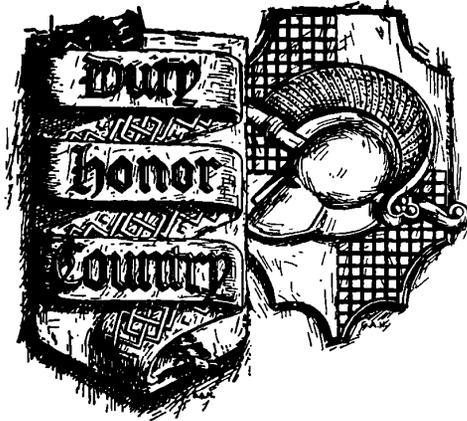
"The percentage of dropouts of young men entering our service academies is very high, and quite naturally when Bruce Krueger entered West Point, people were apprehensive about his "sticking it out." I am proud to say that I always told them not to worry about Bruce not making it. First, I said, when he undertakes something he will see it through due to his outstanding determination to accomplish goals. Secondly, like all of his brothers and sisters, he had a very high intelligence quotient; and thirdly, he certainly had the physical stature to endure the unbelievably rigorous training these cadets are asked to perform. Bruce graduated from West Point with high honors

which made his family and friends very proud.

"What a fine physically and mentally matured young man Bruce was when he came out of West Point! He never spread his talents too thin. What he undertook to do he did well. He loved life, his family, his friends, and his country. His radiant and jovial personality permeated all those he came in contact with. And, as I look back on his life, I would have to say that Bruce Krueger lived a "very tall" 25 years—yes, more than some people do in a normal lifetime. He had that wonderful attribute of being able to exploit all the joys that life held and still not let them detract from the basics and realities of this life.

"Yes, if Bruce's mission in life was to make his parents, his friends, his community, and his country proud of him—to spread goodwill and cheer wherever he went—then that mission has been fulfilled to the 'nth degree."

Bruce is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin H. Krueger; two sisters, Miss Karen D. Krueger and Miss Melanie Krueger; two brothers, Terry Krueger and Mark Krueger; and several aunts and uncles.



Last Roll Call

Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the March 1979 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Ralph E. Cruse	Jun 1918....	24 March	1979....Las Cruces, New Mexico
John P. Dietrich	Nov 1918....	25 June	1978....Kingman, Arizona
Doswell Gullatt	Nov 1918....	15 February	1979....Bethesda, Maryland
David A. Taylor	Nov 1918....	21 March	1979....E. Bradenton, Florida
Paul R.M. Miller	1919....	29 March	1979....Columbia, South Carolina
John F. Cassidy	1920....	28 March	1979....Washington, D.C.
Hugo P. Rush	1920....	1 February	1979....Clearwater, Florida
William E. Ryan	1920....	29 January	1979....Green Valley, Arizona
William O. Torpy	Ex-1923....	24 November	1978....Clearwater, Florida
Onto P. Bragan	1924....	2 February	1979....Sacramento, California
William A. Bugher	1924....	19 March	1979....Sun City, Florida
George W. Busbey	1924....	25 March	1979....Grass Valley, California
Robert E. Cullen	1924....	13 March	1979....Springfield, Massachusetts
John L.M. des Islets	1924....	11 April	1979....San Antonio, Texas
Theodore F. Schrader	Ex-1924....	19 February	1979....Encino, California
C. Stanton Babcock	1925....	10 March	1979....Carmel, California
William E. House	1926....	10 March	1979....Largo, Florida
Paul A. Gavan	1928....	1 February	1979....Washington, D.C.
Donald P. Gaul	1929....	3 April	1979....Albuquerque, New Mexico
George F. McAneny	1929....	15 November	1978....Cornwall, New York
Walter F. Gallup	1931....	24 September	1978....Coral Gables, Florida
George W. Power	1932....	17 April	1979....El Paso, Texas
Daniel L. Hine	1933....	6 February	1979....Sun City, Arizona
Charles J. Hoy	1935....	15 February	1979....Hilton Head, South Carolina
Carl T. Goldenberg	1936....	3 February	1979....Eglin AFB, Florida
Sterling J. Beaumont	Ex-1939....	5 December	1978....Birmingham, Alabama
Jordan J. Wilderman	1940....	13 April	1979....Albuquerque, New Mexico
John G. Moses Jr.	Jan 1943....	1 February	1979....Washington, D.C.
Edward H. Murray	Jan 1943....	2 February	1979....San Diego, California
Thomas B. Windsor	Jan 1943....	5 March	1979....Melbourne, Florida
Thomas M. Love	Jun 1943....	7 March	1979....Centreville, Maryland
Ivan W. Nealon	1944....	3 March	1979....Elko, Nevada
David Erlenkotter	1945....	15 February	1979....Honolulu, Hawaii
Wilbur H. Vinson Jr.	1945....	28 March	1979....Washington, D.C.
Marcus B. Finnegan	1949....	13 April	1979....Houston, Texas
William J. Trautvetter	1949....	16 March	1979....Orange, California
John M. Bohen	1951....	1 April	1979....Annandale, Virginia
James M. Beasley	1952....	7 August	1978....Memphis, Tennessee
Harry D. Wagner	1952....	20 February	1979....Queensland, Australia
Edmund L. Van Dervort	1956....	12 February	1979....Munich, Germany
Howard A. Bais	1961....	27 January	1979....Atlanta, Georgia
Mark D. Venske	1973....	17 February	1979....Lampasas, Texas
William G. Johnson	1877....	5 March	1979....Landstuhl, Germany

