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WEST POINT, NEW YORK 10986

Dear Fellow Graduates:

West Point welcomed many alumni during Homecoming this year (26-28 October). The 5-year Classes of 1959, 1964 and 1974 held the major reunions (the Class of 1969 had its 10th reunion last June Week). The General of the Army Omar Bradley, '15, led the march to Thayer Monument. He and his classmates--Colonel John K. Meneely and Major General George Richards--together with the other graduates present reviewed the Corps of Cadets shortly afterwards. It was a memorable occasion for all, and a great tribute to the Academy and its graduates.

Let me report on some recent activities. For much of the past year, USMA has been involved in a project called "Initiative Teamwork" which has as its chief aim an improvement of the relationships among all who share in the cadet development process - our principal mission. As a part of this program, the leadership of the Academy assembled at Camp Buckner in early September to examine our present position and to discuss our future course. To gain a wider perspective, we also invited spouses to attend. During the two-day session we surfaced a number of issues, selected those most important to us as a group, and discussed each of them in seminars. The topics included the duty concept among cadets, academic excellence, personal responsibilities of cadets, attrition, the image of West Point, athletic policies, and our success in preparing cadets for the Army. Follow-up work continues.

Last summer, a special working group tackled the cadet physical development program, giving emphasis to the objectives of the total program, the "interface" between its various major facets, and the time demands upon the cadets. They developed more than sixty recommendations, most of which are now being implemented, including a liberalized policy for validating selected elements of the PE program, giving PE credit up to a certain total for varsity athletic participation, reemphasizing the top priority of intercollegiate sports in our athletic hierarchy, and making changes within the academic and military areas designed to ease time pressures on the intercollegiate athlete. The study will serve us well far into the future.

The Academy will receive its next ten-year accreditation review in the spring of next year. We expect the process basically to focus on institutional goals and objectives, and on how well the institution is achieving them. In preparation for the forthcoming visit, a steering committee of nineteen faculty and staff members is in the final stages of preparing a self-study report that will highlight our revised curriculum and other Academy programs in transition.

As indicated in previous letters, Colonel Berry completed his investigation of alleged athletic recruiting violations, and the report has been submitted to the NCAA. Investigators for the NCAA visited West Point in July, interviewing cadets and staff and reviewing files. As yet we have nothing further on the status of their investigation.

Women cadets have now risen to key chain of command positions, having previously served quite successfully as second class squad leaders and in leadership positions in Beast Barracks and at Camp Buckner. They now serve at all levels of the cadet chain of command--from key positions on the Brigade Staff through assistant squad leader. Their performance has been excellent, and their presence in the chain of command has been well received by the Corps and by the staff and faculty.

We had a recent meeting with our Civilian Personnel Advisory Committee (CPRAC) at West Point to review some of our important public relations issues, including the admissions process (with emphasis on the recruiting of minorities and women cadets), the athletic program with emphasis on the recruiting of prospective athletes, and possible avenues for the further strengthening of alumni relations. The council is a superb group, including some of the finest public relations leaders in the country. It has been of tremendous value and will be of still greater help as we face up to the very tough recruitment problems sure to confront all colleges in the coming decade.

The USMA Board of Visitors held its Annual Meeting here in late September. In April the Board had met at West Point to plan its yearly activities, to observe academic and physical education classes and to discuss admissions procedures. Returning in August it reviewed military training and honor education. In September it reviewed the new curriculum, visited academic classes, and formulated recommendations for its Annual Report. In all visits Board members talked closely with the cadets and the staff and faculty. The recommendations of the Board now go to the President for such action as he deems appropriate, and should as in the past serve to strengthen the programs at the Military Academy. All of us here enjoy our associations with the BOV members and appreciate their efforts and support.

As I write this we are well into our fall season. While we still have plenty to work on, my overall assessment is that the Academy remains strong, and is making good progress in doing its job.

Sincerely,

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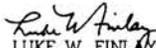
CLARE BOOTHE LUCE

As a distinguished author, public servant and diplomat, The Honorable Clare Boothe Luce has rendered a lifetime of outstanding service to the United States and its citizens. In unusually diverse and multiple fields of endeavor and in positions of extraordinary responsibility, Clare Boothe Luce has exemplified, through her accomplishments in the national interest and manner of achievement, the ideals of West Point, which have inspired and motivated generations of West Point graduates.

An author and lecturer of singular foresight, diversity and preception, Mrs. Luce has demonstrated, in her plays, news reports, essays and lectures, a combination of felicity of expression and integrity of substance which have earned for her a reputation as one of the most respected and influential public figures of her time. Both in the example provided by her literary accomplishments and in the image which she presents, Mrs. Luce has provided hope and inspiration to millions of Americans and has represented to them the best our nation has produced.

As public servant and diplomat, Mrs. Luce has served our nation at the highest levels of national policy and decision making. She has stood for a strong national defense posture and for the greatest possible freedom for individual action and achievement. In her participation in an unusually broad range of public activities, Mrs. Luce has exemplified a willingness to serve, a degree of integrity, and a sense of patriotism that are in the finest tradition of American public service.

Through her long and dedicated service to our country, both in and out of the government, Mrs. Luce has made a lasting contribution to the welfare and security of our nation. Through her writings, her public service and her life she has reflected and symbolized the values inherent in "Duty, Honor, Country," upon which the United States Military Academy is based. Accordingly, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy hereby awards the 1979 Sylvanus Thayer Award to Clare Boothe Luce.


LUKE W. FINLAY
BRIGADIER GENERAL, AUS (Retired)
President

Clare Boothe Luce

West Point and the Corps of Cadets were hosts on 10 October to a large gathering of alumni and guests for presentation of the Sylvanus Thayer Award to Clare Boothe Luce.

The afternoon schedule started with a reception at the West Point Officers Mess where Mrs. Luce was presented with a Cadet Sabre on behalf of the Corps of Cadets by Vincent K. Brooks—First Captain. A scheduled cadet review in honor of Mrs. Luce was cancelled because of bad weather.

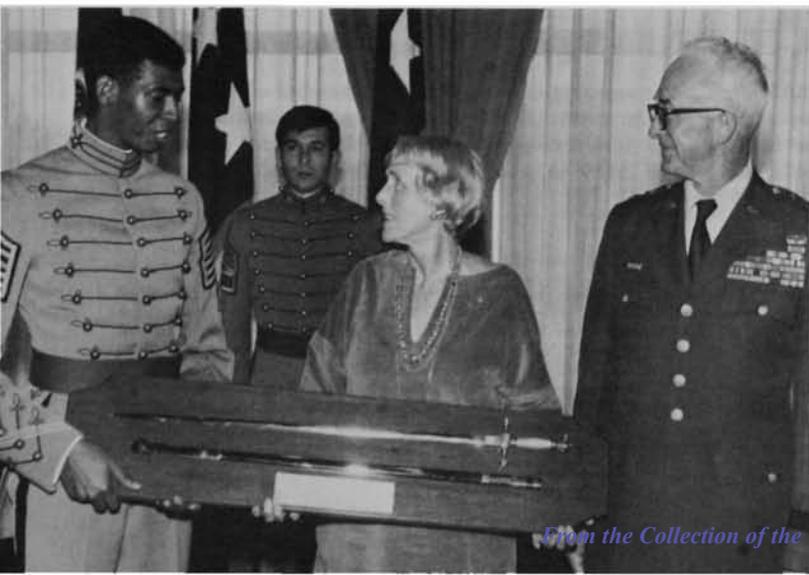
At 6:00 p.m. the participants assembled at Washington Hall for dinner with the Corps of Cadets and presentation of the Award.

After dinner the Superintendent introduced Brigadier General Luke W. Finlay, President of the Association of Graduates, who was to present the Award to Mrs. Luce. The

Superintendent said: "We are assembled here to recognize the extraordinary achievements in the national interest of an outstanding American and the manner of their accomplishment. It is my good fortune to have known her and to have been very much aware of the accomplishments for which she is being recognized today. The Military Academy is pleased to be your host on this occasion and to join the Association of Graduates in honoring the twenty-second recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award.

"It is appropriate that this award be made at West Point and that we note its significance. Colonel Thayer's contributions to education have been widely felt and recognized both here and in other institutions. However, it is here that his insistence on the integration of excellence of character with excellence of knowledge has had its greatest impact on gen-

Mrs. Luce receives Cadet Saber from First Captain Brooks as the Superintendent looks on.



Mrs. Luce unveils her nameplate on the Thayer Award Plaque in Washington Hall.



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Doctor James R. Killian, Jr.	1978

Receives Thayer Award

erations of American Military and civilian leaders. The face of West Point has changed in many ways since Thayer's Superintendency and is likely to change in the future, but the standards of conduct and intellectual values which were his vision and which are so important to the security of our nation remain today an essential element of the character of West Point and its graduates, and these values must not change."

General Finlay before reading the citation and presenting the award to Mrs. Luce stated: "The Sylvanus Thayer Award was first presented 21 years ago on the initiative of the Military Academy Class of 1931. Since that first presentation in 1958, the award has been conferred annually on a citizen of the United States whose accomplishments in the national interest exemplify devotion to the ideals expressed in the

West Point Motto: "Duty, Honor, Country." Annually, a select committee of the Association of Graduates recommends a recipient to the Board of Trustees of the Association. This year that procedure resulted in our conferring the 1979 Sylvanus Thayer Award on the Honorable Clare Boothe Luce. Her career of service, in both the public and private sectors, conspicuously exemplifies the standard of eligibility for the award.

"For almost 50 years (believe it or not), Mrs. Luce has responded to the call to make a contribution to the well-being of our country. Few, if any, living Americans have contributed so significantly in such diverse ways. The chronicle of Mrs. Luce's extraordinary life and career is printed in your program. And, the woman is here."

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General Finlay presents Thayer Award scroll to Mrs. Luce.

Mrs. Luce admires Thayer Medal.



"Red" Reeder acknowledges the tribute to him during halftime ceremonies, Army-Duke game.

RED REEDER: SOLDIER- ATHLETE- AUTHOR

The 6 October clash between Army and Duke at West Point was more than a game. It was "Red Reeder Day"—an occasion when USMA honored one of its very distinguished graduates: Colonel Russell P. Reeder Jr. USMA 1926.

Red Reeder's long association with West Point spans more than a half-century and a myriad of activities. During cadet days Red was a talented athlete, playing football, baseball, even swimming. As an officer he was an assistant coach of both football and baseball over the years, the commander of a cadet regiment in the Tactics Department, and the Assistant Director of Athletics.

In his career as an author Red wrote more than thirty books about West Point. His book *Bringing Up the Brass*, (co-authored with his sister, Nardi Campion) was the basis of the 1954 movie, "The Long Gray Line." That movie starred Tyrone Power and Maureen O'Hara and stands perhaps as the best of the thirty or so movies that have been made about West Point.

Red Reeder's distinguished service in the Army encompassed more than twenty years. On D-Day he led the 12th U.S. Infantry onto the beaches at Normandy.

It was one of the first regiments to go ashore. Six days into the fighting for a beachhead Red lost a leg. He was awarded the first Distinguished Service Cross—the nation's second highest medal for gallantry in action in World War II.

Red was an Army brat. He was born at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1902 precisely—as legend has it—as the post cannon was fired at reveille. He necessarily spent his childhood at a number of army posts and typically occupied himself at games of baseball and football. But always when asked about his ambition, he replied "to be a soldier."

As a cadet at West Point, young Reeder was a superb athlete. He lettered in football, baseball, and swimming. He once drop-kicked a field goal in an Army football victory over Navy. He captained the 1926 Army baseball team. A year or so later he tried out for and made the New York Giants baseball team under the legendary manager John McGraw. Red elected to make the Army his career, however.

Cadet Red Reeder failed to knock the academic scoreboard out of the frame. Mathematics and mechanical engineering took their measure of the popular cadet, and it took six years for him to catch the



coveted West Point diploma. The 1926 yearbook reported metaphorically that Red had "held the Academic Board for downs on the one yard line."

As a writer, Colonel Reeder was commissioned by General Marshal to write a book on combat lessons learned in the early World War II fighting in the Pacific. His report, "Fighting in Guadalcanal," was printed in more than a million copies and was distributed as a combat training text. His later books about West Point, particularly the "Clint Lane" series, led many a young man to attend the Military Academy.

The cadets, friends, his brother, sisters, four children, ten grandchildren and "my wonderful wife of 45 years" made Saturday, 6 October '79, a memorable day for Red.



General of the Army Omar Bradley places wreath at Thayer Monument.

HOME- COMING 1979

Approximately 400 graduates returned to West Point for Homecoming activities. Reunion Classes included 1959, 1964 and 1974. The oldest graduate present was John K. Meneely '15.



Bradley '15, Richards '15, Meneely '15 (oldest graduate present) at Alumni Review with Superintendent and his staff.

Oldest grads at Alumni Review.





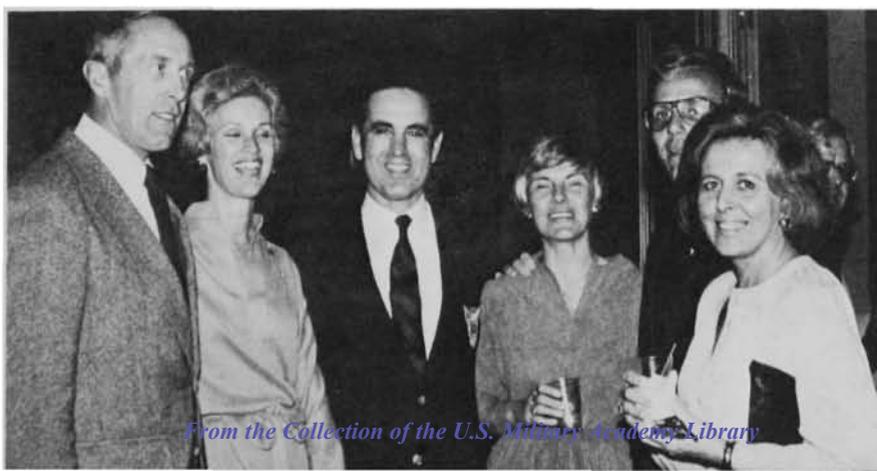


1959

Our Twentieth turned out to be everything hoped for, from the opening cocktail buffet on Friday evening to the farewell brunch on Sunday. By the time of the parade on Saturday, when we gathered with wives and children in the stands for a photo, it appeared that about 150 families had assembled, some having come from Europe. Tex DeAtkine and Dick Sundt, who along with the West Point contingent had engineered the festivities, were roundly applauded at the business meeting,

and Frank Besson succeeded in sending us off on our new financial path with only one dissenting vote. We luxuriated at the Thayer, our being the senior reunion class, and we hoped it would still be standing for our fortieth, when we might be able to stay there again. It was a grand time from the hurrahs of the football game to the quiet of the memorial service. Hugh Servis advised us to take two aspirin and come again in 1984.

—Coreth







1964

Fast and Furious was the best way to describe our Fifteenth Reunion. Classmates came from everywhere to renew old acquaintances and develop some new ones—as things turned out. The overall atmosphere was light and lively as we attempted no major social reforms. Everyone seemed to be as pleased with this reunion as previous ones, and we pledged our support to bigger

and better activities for the Twentieth. Wild accounts of previous escapades filled the air, but none too heavy not to be appreciated. We all remembered those classmates and families who could not make it to West Point this time, and in a more solemn view, we remembered those who had passed away. We ended the weekend ready to handle the world with renewed vigor.

—Schoonover





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1974





“I want to be an airborne ranger. I want to lead a life of danger . . .” These words could be heard ringing across the Plain, echoing over the fields at Camp Buckner, resounding along the paths at Fort Benning, and filling the air almost anywhere cadets were marching as they began the challenging 1979 summer training schedule. Because the academic year calendar had been changed to end the first semester before Christmas, summer schedules had to be shortened without sacrificing essential training. Despite the stringent limits on time, all cadets had numerous programs in which to participate—all challenging, all designed to train, motivate, and increase cadet understanding of the challenge associated with a career in the United States Army. Each cadet participated in one or more summer programs.

Cadet Basic Training

All new cadets went through the traditional “Beast Barracks.” On Reception Day, 2 July, 1265 men and 130 women reported to the “cadet in the red sash.” This new class of 1395 cadets was composed of high caliber students: 33 high school class or student body presidents, 77 valedictorians, 58 salutatorians, 209 merit scholars, 629 athletic team captains, and 1148 athletic letter winners. There were also 182 Eagle Scouts or First Class Girl Scouts and 310 Boys/Girls State delegates. The mean SAT scores for the Class of ’83 were 626 in mathematics and 560 in verbal skills.

The new cadets of the Class of ’83 had six and one-half weeks of intensive training encompassing such areas as general

military training, cadetship training, field training, and physical training.

CBT Field Training consisted of basic individual training, bayonet training, company bivouac, foot marches, individual weapons training, land navigation, and squad competition. The military training introduced the new cadets to drill and ceremonies, customs and courtesies, military justice, mechanical training on the M14 and M16 rifles, small-unit team building and, of course, inspections.

To ease the cadets’ transition into life at the Military Academy and to enhance the cadets’ appreciation for the history and traditions of West Point, courses were given on cadet regulations and etiquette. Orientation classes covered what to expect in CBT, the History of West Point during the Revolution, the History of Military Music, and the intercollegiate sports programs.

Special courses were taught on duty, the Fourth Class System, and Honor Education, which was strongly emphasized. Honor instruction was divided into 10 lessons designed to develop in each new cadet a full and clear understanding of the Honor Code and its tenets. The program of instruction emphasized development of a positive understanding of the Code and established the Code as the basis for the continuing development of a personal Honor Ethic: that set of beliefs which guides one’s total behavior. Cadre were involved to a maximum extent in the instruction. Platoon leaders and squad leaders were trained as small group discussion leaders and were used as case study leaders during follow-on discussions

of instruction on the major tenets of the Honor Code to include the Spirit of the Code. Throughout the summer, instruction stressed the positive (a cadet is truthful) and emphasized the idea that honor is for *everyone*, cadet and officer, new cadet and cadre, graduate and non-graduate.

The skills learned during CBT were tested in a 5-day bivouac at Lake Frederick through a written exam, a graded field display, and a practical phase which covered military knowledge and skills. The talent show put on by the Class of ’83 indicated that the new cadets had lots of talent and a whole lot of spirit despite the long, rainy, cold days. On 15 August, 1255 new cadets marched in from Lake Frederick to be accepted into the Corps. They fully justified the banner which proclaimed they were “Proud to Be in ’83.”

Although the CBT summer training for new plebes was very much the traditional “Beast Barracks,” the training was marked by positive, deliberate, and supportive, leadership techniques. In addition to training new cadets, the additional mission of CBT was to enhance the leadership development of each member of the upper-class cadre. The cadre, consisting of 300 men and women from the Classes of ’80 and ’81, began their training long before the new cadets arrived. Lines of communication between cadre members, officer, and NCOs were kept open so that all were working toward the same goal. Cadre members were challenged to lead by example and to do so in a manner con-



Cadet Summer Training 1979

sistent with the many responsibilities associated with their positions.

One of the organizations which was developed more fully in CBT '79 was the Cadet Counseling Unit, which implemented a cadet counseling program responsible for four basic functions in CBT: direct counseling, consultation, hospital liaison, and counseling in connection with reconditioning physical training. The Cadet Counseling program has evolved to the point where cadet counselors are quite active in providing instruction, counseling and consultation services. The program was well-received by new cadets; expansion of this program and its areas of operation for subsequent training periods will be considered as additional supervisory personnel become available.

Cadet Field Training

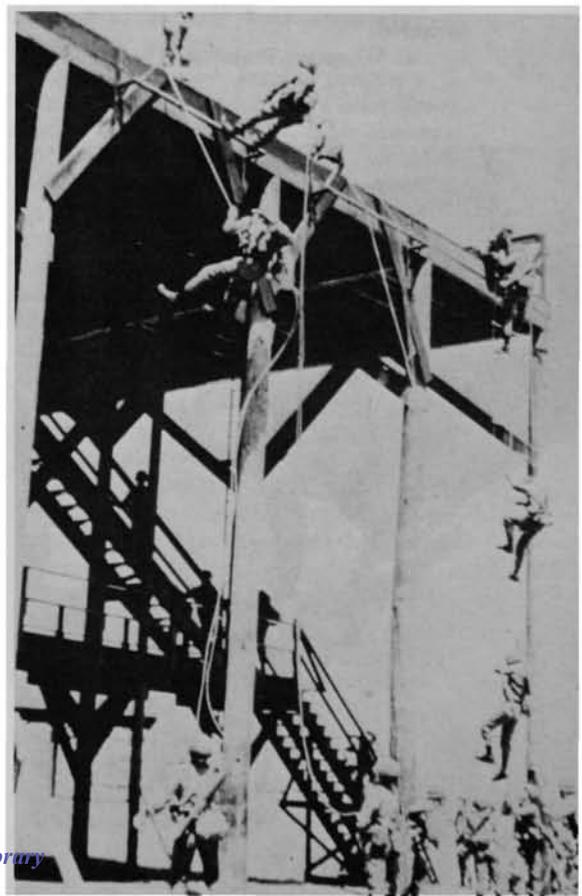
While the Class of '83 learned to become cadets, the Class of '82 went to Camp Buckner to develop and sharpen their military skills during Cadet Field Training (CFT). Here, too, there was much to be accomplished in a very short period of time. The reduced 1979 CFT available training time caused some testing and demonstration periods to be deleted. The cadets also had less free time than in previous summers.

CFT, a program dating back to 1821, was designed to train cadets in important

basic soldier skills while developing a familiarity with skills necessary to train others; provide selected training in some technical and advanced skills of the combat and combat support arms; assist cadets in making an intelligent branch choice, develop leadership through practical experience in a field environment; and develop esprit and high standards of physical conditioning, appearance, discipline, and self-confidence. CFT emphasized and made practical the Military Science classroom instruction given during the previous academic year in the areas of map reading and small-unit tactics.

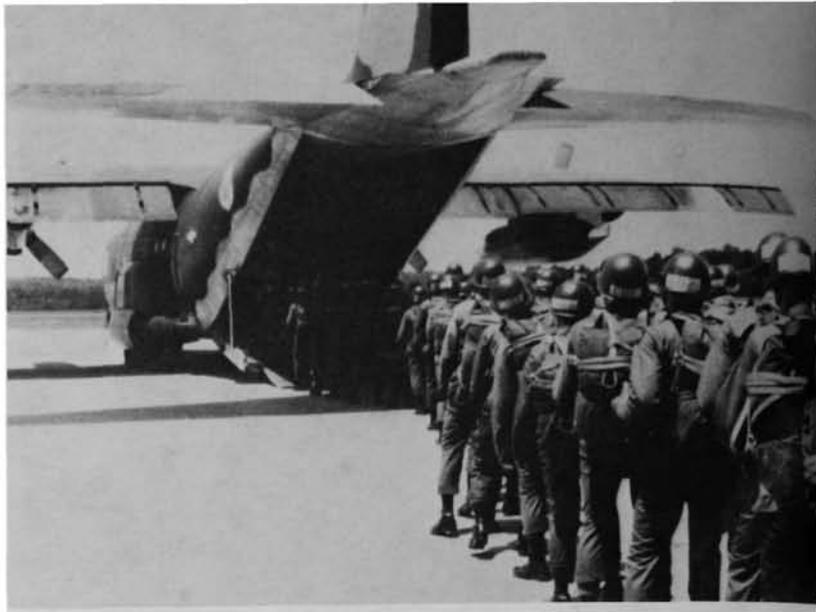
The approximately 1100 cadets from '82 who reported for seven weeks of training on 26 June had a busy, exciting summer. Each cadet served in at least two to three leadership positions during his classes' orientation in Infantry, Armor, Field Artillery, Air Defense, Engineer, and Signal specialties. At the same time, all new Yearlings learned specific skills in the areas of physical readiness, leadership, land navigation, weapons firing, and maintenance operations. In addition, a new program of "Performance Oriented Training" was instituted with the cadet cadre, members of the Classes of '80 and '81, during their one-week preparatory training conducted prior to their assumption of command of the Cadet Field Training Regiment. Critical tasks were identified for cadet regimental staff members, company commanders and executive officers, and platoon leaders. These tasks covered the following subjects: map reading, warning orders and operations orders, temporary

hand receipts, communications-electronics operations instruction, radio-telephone procedures, FM radio operation, driving, refueling, and maintaining both the truck, utility, ¼ ton, M151 A2, and the truck, cargo, 1½ ton, M880. Additional subject areas included artificial respiration, heat casualty and snake bite treatment, foot care, M60 machine gun and M16 rifle assembly/disassembly/maintenance, compass, use of the protective mask, and phys-



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ical readiness training. Conditions and standards were established from the *Soldier's Manual* for each task. All cadre members were required to receive a "go" for each task. Cadets receiving a "no-go" on a particular task were trained and permitted to retest until they received a satisfactory evaluation. The entire "Performance Oriented Training" program was conducted by assigned CFT Company Tactical NCOs.

The tactical NCO program, in which an experienced NCO was assigned to each CFT company, continued to be of great benefit to all. Three of the NCOs were already assigned to West Point, and five others were brought in from posts across the country to provide their expertise in training and to help teach cadets the role of the NCO. Cadets were encouraged to seek out the Tactical NCO and to learn from his experience.

Major training periods during CFT included:

a. *Weapons Training*: Three and one

half days of range firing with the Weapons Committee during which each cadet fired the M16 rifle, the Soviet AK 47 rifle, the M60 machine gun, the M203 grenade launcher, the LAW subcaliber device, and the TOW and Dragon Launch Effects Trainers. The cadets, for the first time, had the opportunity to observe a Claymore (anti-personnel mine) live fire demonstration. Weapons training also included indirect fire training using the 81mm mortar.

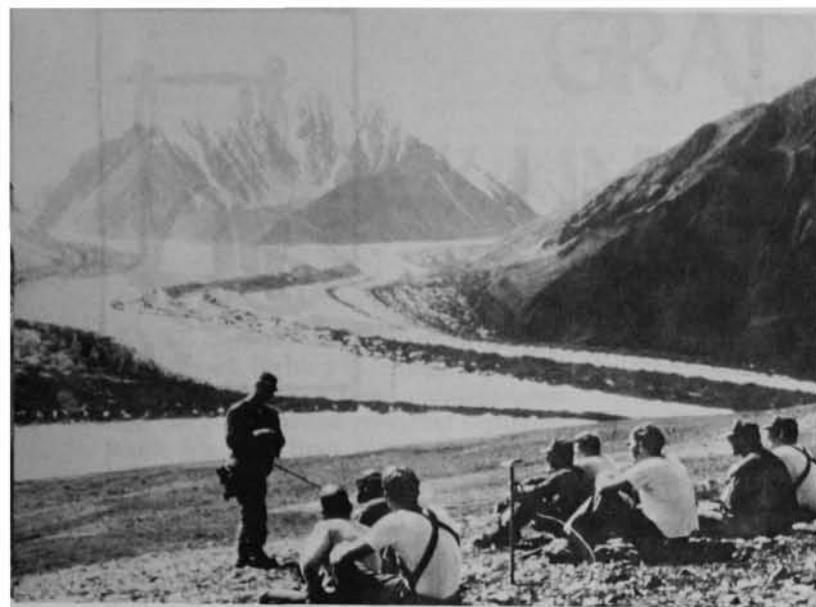
b. *Infantry Training*: The principles of the offense and defense, along with troop leading procedures were emphasized in this two day and one night exercise. This training was the field laboratory for the instruction cadets received during their Military Science course in small-unit tactics. During offense training, the cadets planned and conducted both a day and night attack operation. During defense training, the cadets conducted a terrain walk to emplace their platoon in a battle position.

c. *RECONDO Training*: The seven days of RECONDO Week comprised a challenging training experience which included all of the elements of Ranger Training (mountaineering, stream crossing, survival, reconnaissance and combat patrolling, and the confidence obstacle course, including the "slide for life"). This training, by design, was demanding, requiring mental and physical stamina. Determination and perseverance were necessary to complete successfully this rigorous week. The rewards for successfully meeting all the challenges were a genuine sense of accomplishment and the USMA RECONDO Patch.

d. *TCAT (Third Class Armor Training)*: This popular, hands-on training included three days of armor training, one day of air defense artillery training, and one half day each of mechanized infantry and selfpropelled artillery training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. During the Armor portion of training, each cadet drove an M60A1 tank, drove and swam in an M113 Armored Personnel Carrier, fired the M3A1 submachine gun (grease gun), M2 caliber 50 machine gun, tank main gun, M85 caliber 50 machine gun and coaxial machine gun, and conducted a nap-of-the-earth aerial reconnaissance in an OH-58 helicopter against enemy forces. Additionally, cadets conducted their own REAL-TRAIN tank platoon attacks against each other, as well as mounted cavalry and mechanized infantry platoon operations. During air defense training, the cadets simulated engagement of aircraft with the Redeye and Stinger missile trainers, engaged model aircraft in a small arms live fire exercise, fired the towed Vulcan cannon and tactically employed a Vulcan platoon in the field. Cadets were introduced to 155mm self-propelled field artillery, observed a battalion live fire exercise, worked with elements of the fire support team and had an opportunity to man and fire the M109A1 155mm howitzer. TCAT ended with an Air Force C-130 troop lift redeployment to Camp Buckner.

ASSEMBLY





e. *Field Artillery:* This portion of CFT continued the focus on live firing. Of necessity, the fundamentals of field artillery training were taught prior to the live fire exercises during which cadets requested and adjusted an artillery mission. Live fire training was conducted with the M102, 105 millimeter howitzer. Additionally, there was training in Fire Direction Center (FDC) procedures and Forward Observer (FO) procedures. The cadets also conducted a Reconnaissance, Selection and Occupation of Position (RSOP) exercise with a firing battery.

f. *Engineer Training:* Participation with live munitions continued as four of the sixteen hours of engineer training were devoted to demolitions. This was accomplished using TNT and/or C4 explosives along with the requisite electrical and nonelectrical detonation devices. Another four-hour block of instruction was devoted to bridging. The cadets worked as a platoon to construct the floating aluminum footbridge and the light tactical raft. They received an orientation and demonstration concerning the AVLB (Armored Vehicle Launched Bridge), M4T6 bridging, ribbon bridge, bailey bridge, and the medium girder bridge. The last two blocks of instruction featured combat engineer activities in the covering force area and the main battle area. Training included hasty protective minefields, light-weight screening systems, obstacle planning, rigging, utilization of combat engineer tools and equipment, scatterable mines, and minefield breaching techniques. Among the more fascinating events at CFT was the demonstration of a ribbon bridge, a truck-mobile floating bridge which is the Army's newest development in river crossings.

g. *Communications Training:* A one and one half day block of instruction could not possibly cover all of the many areas common to the signal specialty. Consequently, the focus was on the basic communications knowledge needed to conduct other phases of training during

CFT and the communications equipment found in maneuver battalions. This was accomplished primarily in the hands-on, performance oriented mode. Cadets became familiar with the use and operation of radios, telephones and switchboards found at the infantry squad, platoon and company level.

h. *Maintenance Training:* The instruction addressed an area of extreme importance to the U.S. Army, the maintaining of equipment to ensure combat readiness. After learning the rudiments of the Army Maintenance Management System (TAMMS) at the operator/crew level, cadets received instruction on the maintenance of the M17A1 protective mask, the M16 rifle, the M60 machine gun, and standard Army wheeled vehicles. Throughout CFT, the cadets were instructed in how to maintain properly the equipment they used at each training site.

i. *Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical training:* In a four-hour period of instruction, cadets rotated through a series of performance oriented stations. Each station began with a short class and then tasks were performed to specified standards. Exercises included proper masking procedures, first aid procedures, and other basic NBC skills currently required of the soldier. NBC training was integrated throughout CFT.

j. *Land Navigation:* Land Navigation was a physically demanding period of training lasting two days and one night. Proficiency had to be demonstrated with the map, with the compass, and in pacing.

k. *Physical Training:* The Department of Physical Education (DPE) conducted the confidence course, the obstacle course, reveille PT and Instructor Training. An outline of the DPE program and a running program was provided to help cadets stay in good physical condition over the leave period. Training on the obstacle course and the confidence course was accomplished at the time the Class of '82 initially moved to Camp Buckner during June Week.

Honor instruction was continued at Camp Buckner where two blocks of instruction were presented in the case study method: "Duty and Honor" and "Expectations of Officers, Noncommissioned Officers, and Enlisted Personnel." The former used actual Army case studies taken from a Command and General Staff College symposium while the latter involved discussions with 82nd Airborne Division officer, NCO, and enlisted personnel who were providing training support for CFT. Emphasis during both periods was the applicability and necessity of an Honor Ethic in the Army. Again, it was emphasized that honor is for everyone, not just cadets—and not just at West Point.

Cadet Troop Leader Training

The cadets of '80 and '81 also had a variety of additional programs to choose from to continue their individual training and to increase their knowledge of the military service.

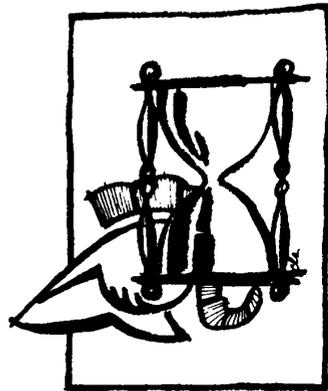
One of the best known programs in Cadet Advanced Training is Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT). This summer, 915 cadets (182—Class of '80; 733—Class of '81) were sent to 17 posts in CONUS, Alaska, Hawaii, the then Canal Zone, and Europe to serve with units in almost all branches of the Army. This program afforded the cadets an opportunity to see the "real" Army as they assumed typical junior officer positions in their assigned units. Upon their return, the cadets provide each other with a pool of information of units, posts, and branches based on their observations and experiences. Each cadet experienced a different degree of responsibility, different duties, and different problems because of the various units involved.

Cadet Military Specialty Training

Under the Cadet Military Specialty Training (CMST) program, cadets attended one of six military schools to learn a military skill and to further develop

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Commandant Reports Changes



Several policy changes instituted at the United States Military Academy this year are impacting on the cadet daily routine. While some changes are directed primarily at assisting varsity athletes, a couple, including an optional breakfast program and modification of the morning inspection period, affect the whole Corps. An additional change is a modification in the Fourth Class System.

Optional Breakfast

Perhaps the change that has had the most significant impact on cadet life is the institution of optional breakfast for the upper classes. One noticeable effect is that there are a lot of cadets up and running around the area in the mornings. Any of them who wish to participate in personal conditioning as well as those on a Corps Squad program are released from quarters at 0530 hours to do that. The optional breakfast program compliments this impetus to work out in the mornings.

For upper-class cadets, the optional breakfast offers the opportunity to eat a full breakfast or a continental breakfast at the normal mealtime of 0630-0700 hours or a continental breakfast only from 0720-0900 hours. The full early morning breakfast consists of such fare as eggs, bacon, cakes, sausages, etc. The continental breakfast features juice or fruit, coffee, cold cereal or a roll or pastry. The more moderate continental breakfast is intended for cadets who have little physical activity planned for that morning or who simply do not want anything heavy.

One reason for switching to the optional breakfast program was that we found many cadets today do not eat breakfast, even if we march them to mess hall. Of those that were eating, many preferred something lighter than the traditional full meal that many of us are accustomed to. Many upper-class cadets do not have morning schedules that are physically demanding, and which require a more substantial breakfast.

The Fourth Class must attend the first breakfast and are seated by company in their own section of the mess hall. There are a couple of upperclassmen at each of the tables, but it is a "fall-out" meal for the plebes. Like the upper-class they

have a choice between the standard morning meal or the continental breakfast.

The Fourth Class cadets are seated by company, because it is a good opportunity for them to get to know their company mates, which includes those who do not eat their other meals at the company tables—the corps squad athletes.

So the company's plebes have at least that one meal to get acquainted. I am confident that having that opportunity has been helpful to them, talking about fourth class duties in the company and the like.

To help the Fourth Class cadets during the meal, at least for the first term, two upperclassmen from the plebe's company have been placed on each of the tables. The yearlings have been made the table commandants for the plebes at the breakfast meal. It is appropriate that upperclassmen who are close to the plebes, and who can give them some help from recent experience on what they are going to be going through should be the two who sit with them. They are there to offer assistance, answer questions and see that things go as they should.

This plan means that some yearlings in every company do not have the option whether they are going to eat or not because they must be at the table as a duty. There are also two Second Classmen charged with looking after each company, and who sit in place of the two yearlings at one of the tables. In addition one First Classman from each regiment acts as an area commander to assure that whatever is needed for the plebes is there.

There have been a couple of major benefits derived from the optional breakfast system. Certainly we have reduced the wastage that we experienced in past years when the entire Corps was required to be at breakfast, and large amounts of food were being prepared but not consumed. While this represents a step in economy, a greater benefit is in letting cadets set for themselves the kind of morning schedule they want.

As could be expected, cadet reaction to the optional breakfast program has been very favorable.

While there is no longer a mandatory

formation for breakfast, an accountability formation is held at 0715 hours. This formation is used to pass out company type organizational information. It is over in time to allow cadets in all areas to get to class by 0730 hours.

Inspections

Another aspect of the cadet morning schedule has been altered—that is the length of time their rooms must be kept ready for complete inspection. Previously, the cadets had to keep their rooms ready from 0730 hours until the noon meal, but this year it has been shortened to 0930 hours. This applies to all four classes, but can be either shortened or lengthened as the Company Tactical officer requires. The new schedule still allows the Tactical Officers and cadet chain of command plenty of time to inspect the barracks to ensure that standards are being maintained.

However, we have given the cadets some flexibility in using their time in the mornings after inspection requirements are completed. Many cadets use that time to go back to bed, which they haven't been able to do in the past. But with the kinds of schedules our cadets have to meet, it is appropriate they have some opportunity to do that. It should be noted that this change came about as a result of recommendations made by the cadet chain of command during this past summer.

Athletes' Schedules

The area of athletics and physical education has also undergone some changes. One that will not effect everyone is the altering of corps squad athletes' schedules to allow their last hour class from 1415 to 1515 hours to be free when they are in season. The players have more leisure time, and the squads can be brought together earlier for pre-practice meetings.

That does not mean that now practices are going to be longer, but rather that practices can start on time. It also gives the athlete a little breathing space, a compensation that is sorely needed. Our Corps squad athletes devote so much time to their teams and the contribution they make to the Academy, that they are often limited in what they can do with

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GRAD GIVES POW UNIFORM TO USMA

by JERE FORBUS, *Public Affairs Officer, USMA*

ONE afternoon in March of 1971 Lieutenant Richard C. Anshus, Class of '69, was performing aerial reconnaissance near the demilitarized zone that separated South Vietnam from North Vietnam. A hail of ground fire brought the light two-man helicopter to the ground and Lieutenant Anshus began a period of two years as a captive of the North Vietnamese.

Last week in ceremonies at the West Point Museum now-Major Anshus presented his meagre prison belongings to the Military Academy to become a permanent part of the museum's collections. A pair of shorts, worn most of the time, a gray smock, a fan, and an aluminum cup, fashioned from downed American aircraft, accounted for the prisoner gear.

Looking back on that fateful afternoon in 1971, Anshus vividly recalled the ground fire that seriously wounded the pilot and brought their helicopter crashing to the ground. He was armed only with a caliber .45 pistol but managed to stand off an NVA company they had crashed into. In the ensuing fire fight, Anshus suffered an AK47 round through his chest but managed to kill his assailant before soon being surrounded by more enemy than he had bullets.

Two days later Anshus would be imprisoned in Hanoi. And how he got there was most unusual. First he was marched by his captors for a day and a half and then trucked to the town of Dong Hoi—the first major town above the DMZ in North Vietnam's panhandle. A North Vietnamese crew then flew Anshus to Hanoi's Gia Lam airport in an ancient Russian-built biplane which the United States Air Force called the "Colt 45." "It was a frightening ride," explained Anshus. No American aircraft were seen on the trip, however, since those were the days of no air strikes in the North save for the "protective reaction strikes."

His initial North Vietnamese captors had treated him "very professionally." "The NVA had a nurse with them who bandaged my wound and gave me two shots of morphine," he recalled. Yet, while moving for two and one half days to Dong Hoi, he was hit by civilian peasants along the way—the only time during his two years of captivity that he was subjected to purely physical brutality.

Once in Hanoi, Anshus was first taken to a prison in the southwest corner of

Hanoi which was known by the Americans as the "Zoo." Nine days later the North Vietnamese moved him to Plantation Gardens which was virtually in the center of Hanoi and was to be his home for the next twenty-one months. In Plantation Gardens the Vietnamese held eighty-three Americans, all of whom had been captured in the South. Throughout the war prisoners from the South were kept strictly segregated from pilots downed over the North.

Easter 1972 (a little over a month after he was captured) brought a carefully orchestrated three-pronged NVA attack in South Vietnam. They struck south toward Hue out of the DMZ, toward Pleiku in the central highlands, and toward An Khe and Saigon out of Cambodia. President Richard Nixon answered with a thunderous resumption of the bombing in North Vietnam and the nights in Hanoi were no longer quiet for Richard Anshus and the hundreds of other American prisoners being held there.

"The food they gave us seemed to fluctuate with the war itself and the North Vietnamese hopes for a peace settlement," said Anshus. "Surprisingly enough," he added, "the food was terrible during the two months between the signing of the peace agreement and the release of the last American prisoners. You would think they would have tried to make us look good for the publicity."

When peace negotiations in Paris between Henry Kissinger and Le Duc Tho

broke down in early December, life in Hanoi changed dramatically. For the first time in the war, on December 18, the United States Air Force sent giant B-52 bombers straight to the heart of Hanoi and the nearby Red River Valley. On the first night, 135 of the lumbering bombers—each carrying more than seventy 500-pound bombs—struck at rail centers, communication sites and similar military targets in the center of the North Vietnamese capital.

"The noise was incredible," related Anshus. "The shock blew the doors off the cells. We knew that we were either going home or were going to be killed."

The American prisoners in Plantation Gardens were not quite sure that the American pilots raining destruction on Hanoi knew the location of the prison. Word filtered to them from downed reconnaissance pilots had assured them that all prison locations were known, yet F-111 sorties were laying the bombs on targets immediately across the street from Plantation Gardens. On the second night of the bombing when the F-111's struck again at the same targets without hitting the prison, confidence that their location was known soared. In a stroke of uncharacteristic generosity, the prison guards allowed the Americans to dig protective trenches in the floor to save themselves from the shrapnel that was humming through downtown Hanoi. All in all, the big American bombers blasted Hanoi for

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Major Anshus shows part of his POW uniform to General Goodpaster (Photo by Ed Dixon)

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Let Truth Speak For

by CHARLES P. NICHOLAS and ELVIN R. HEIBERG

WEST Point graduates who excelled in their academic work as cadets have become major generals more often than those who did poorly. History has proved this. Yet the fact is often denied by those unwilling to believe it.

Among cadets, the sources of denial may range from propaganda to mere wishful thinking by a poor student. Among alumni, time may have transformed an ancient myth into the guise of remembered fact. Some who were told years ago that relatively few generals had worn academic stars as cadets may have jumped to a false conclusion, failing to realize that they were being kidded. (It is indeed true that the academic top ten percent contribute fewer generals than the bottom ninety percent.) The deniers often claim that "a study" has proved their point, but no one identifies that study. Whatever the reasons, there are individuals with customarily respected judgment who really believe that the chances for later career success favor the academically undistinguished. At times, mature advisers have even urged cadets to devote primary effort to pursuits "more relevant" than study. When that attitude became a problem at West Point in the early 1950's, it was laid to rest for a few years by publication of certain facts to be disclosed in the present article.

Cadet propaganda against academic excellence does little harm when easily recognized as defensive jealousy. But peer pressures among the college-age young are unpredictable, varying with national moods of youthful hostility toward the standards of older generations. Antagonism toward academic excellence has ranged from a populism of resentment against all high standards to a form of conspiratorial subversion, portraying excellence as elitist and waging guerilla war against it.

For 176 years, this occasional subversion has not shaken the basic truth that superior academic performance at the Military Academy is a strong portent of

later career success. That fact has critical educational significance, and it warrants careful examination of the evidence.

We begin by agreeing that promotion to major general's rank is an acceptable criterion of career success. By this we do not mean that those who retire with lower rank have been, on that basis, unsuccessful. Far from it! Chance is a perennial factor, and many officers of superb professional calibre and exemplary performance happen not to be in the right places at the right times for all the crucial selections. What we *do* mean is that 120 years of promotions to two stars or more provide a massive sample of officers whose careers have been successful beyond reasonable dispute. It is that sample that we shall now compare with their academic performances as cadets.

During the Civil War, the first in which large numbers of high-ranking West Pointers engaged in an epic military struggle, 238 graduates attained two-star rank or higher. The list is famous in military history, both Union and Confederate. It includes Ulysses S. Grant, William T. Sherman and Philip Sheridan as well as Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and Jeb Stuart. Of these 238 leaders, 92 had graduated in the top third of their classes at West Point, 89 in the middle third, and 57 in the bottom third. The

ratio of top third to bottom third graduates (92 to 57) is 1.6, showing more than one-and-a-half times as many from the top third as from the bottom third. An even more striking comparison shows that 36 had graduated in the top ten percent of their classes and 17 in the bottom ten percent—a ratio of more than 2 to 1 in favor of academic excellence.

The World War I list (including John J. Pershing, Hunter Liggett, and Charles P. Summerall) is smaller, numbering 105 West Pointers who won two stars or more. Of these, 46 had stood in the top third as cadets, 33 in the middle third, and 26 in the bottom third. There were 13 from the top ten percent in contrast to 5 from the bottom ten percent.

The pattern is still more striking in the World War II list, providing 275 West Pointers who won two, three, four, or five stars. These include Eisenhower and MacArthur, Bradley and Patton, McNair who died at St. Lo, and Buckner who died on Okinawa. Of this list, 119 had graduated in the top third, 98 in the middle third, and 58 in the bottom third. Those from the top ten percent outnumbered those from the bottom ten percent by 40 to 14.

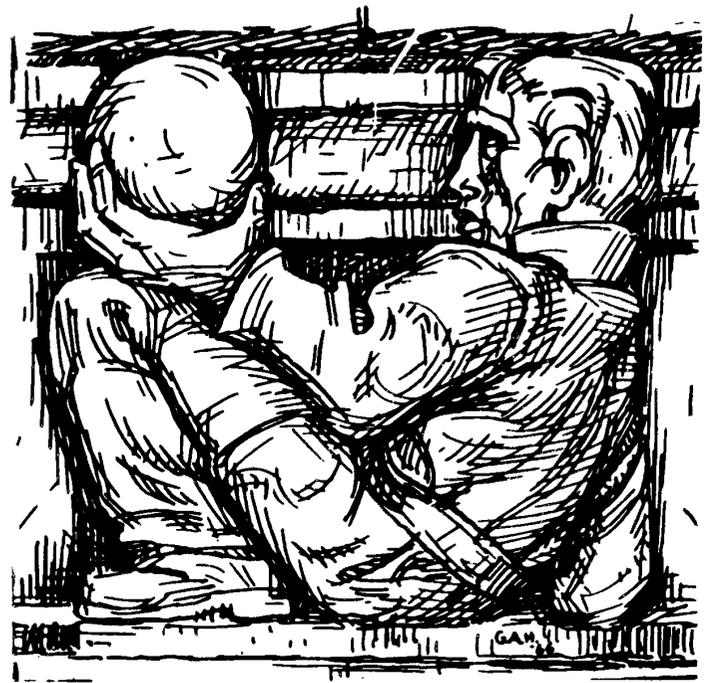
The trend emerging from these numbers is seen most easily when arranged

TABLE I

By Thirds	Top	Middle	Bottom	Top-Bottom Ratio
Civil War	92	89	57	1.6
World War I	46	33	26	1.8
World War II	119	98	58	2.1

By Tenths	Top 10%	Bottom 10%	Top-Bottom Ratio
Civil War	36	17	2.1
World War I	13	5	2.6
World War II	40	14	2.9

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in tables as shown, with top-to-bottom ratios in the right-hand column.

Before proceeding to the years since World War II, let us pause to consider briefly the meaning of these figures. They disprove soundly in our opinion, any pretense that the chances of later career success favor the mediocre or poor student as compared to the excellent student. If that claim were true, it would be an indeed severe criticism of the Military Academy, implying that the primary duty to which cadets are obligated during four years in this famous institution has little bearing on the mission of that institution.

On the other hand, the disparity in favor of scholastic excellence is not so overwhelming as to be a cause of concern. Across the entire spectrum of West Point graduates, the chances of career success remain high. This bears out the nationally recognized fact that a uniformly high standard of achievement is required in order to graduate. Our only purpose in this article is to disprove the false claim that mediocrity is adequate in meeting the scholastic requirements.

Most of the foregoing data were published in the March 1952 issue of the *POINTER*, in an article by the present authors entitled "LET'S NOT KID OURSELVES." Publication of that article laid the false pretense to rest, and for a few

years it then subsided. But during the ensuing quarter-century the mis-conception recurred in more virulent form. Scoffers whose attention was invited to the 88-year record shown above tended to shrug it off as "ancient history," alleging that "things are different now." So, the time has come to consider more recent evidence.

The era to be examined opens with Army leaders whose fame was emerging during World War II while they were still below two-star rank, such as Clarke, Westmoreland, Abrams, Wheeler and Goodpaster. It has since continued during a turbulent period of distant war and semi-peace, with leaders including Rogers, Berry, Knowlton and Meyer.

During the first six years after World War II, the evidence becomes conflicting and inconclusive. There are reasonable explanations for this, but we offer no comment since our purpose at this point is to deal only with facts. The promotions to Army major general during these six years favored the top third about half the time and the bottom third about half the time, while favoring the top ten percent practically all the time. In view of an apparent stand-off, we examined also the top and bottom *quarters* in class standing, and found their pattern generally favorable to the top quarter. In summary, the six-year record shows the top and bot-

tom thirds tied at 44 each, the top quarter ahead of the bottom quarter by 39 to 30, and the top ten percent ahead of the bottom ten percent by 19 to 12. Our conclusion is that these figures are not decisive enough to be considered statistically significant in the present article. Therefore, we accept them at face value and move on to the final quarter-century from 1955 until today.

In order to display the figures clearly for the entire quarter century, we use four lists: a record of promotions to Army major general during 1955 to 1960; a similar record for 1961 to 1966; and finally the complete lists of Army 2-star or higher rank for 1971 and 1978. The results are seen in Table 2.

This completes the historical record, covering our three greatest wars and the final quarter-century until today. The relation shown is too strong to permit doubt as to the relevance of the Academy's academic program in preparation for a life of professional leadership. Let the truth speak for itself.

The authors are confident that the same pattern will persist hereafter and will not be altered by far-reaching curricular changes (to which we contributed personally in the 1960's). For there are fundamental educational forces at work that do not and should not change. The timeless ingredient in the Military Academy's program is its emphasis on development of character as well as on intellect. Academic proficiency at West Point is no less than evidence of the successful exercise of certain moral and mental faculties that are prerequisites of military leadership.

The predominant moral prerequisite is devotion to duty. Whether or not an immature cadet may be willing to face it, academic study is a military duty at West Point. The cadet who finds study distasteful may find other duties distasteful during his later career, but he will not go far if he chooses mediocrity as a standard
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TABLE 2

By Thirds	Top	Middle	Bottom	Top-Bottom Ratio
1955-1960	88	66	46	1.9
1961-1966	41	35	20	2.1
1971	62	28	29	2.1
1978	57	36	21	2.7
By Tenths	Top 10%	Bottom 10%	Top-Bottom Ratio	
1955-1960	32	11	2.9	
1961-1966	16	5	3.2	
1971	22	2	11.0	
1978	19	2	9.5	



by PETER D. WEDDLE

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Though rich in creativity and resourcefulness, the United States has been slow to develop nationally significant scientific institutions. Even today, it does not have a central organization whose prestige and influence measure up to the French Institute or the Royal Society of London. As a result, there has been no coherent or consistent design to the role of science in public policy formulation or in the relationship between government and men of science. The ability of scientific research to shape American domestic and international policy no less than the willingness of the federal government to contribute to or even cooperate with that research have, almost from the country's inception, been issues of controversy.

Yet the United States was the first country in the world to devote three percent of its Gross National Product to research and development (a figure which is still no more than a distant target for many countries) and has unquestionably established itself as a leader in world science. Indeed, as Edward M. Purcell of Harvard University has noted, "90 percent of all scientists and engineers the world has ever known are alive today and nearly half of them live in the United

States." This indicates the importance of American science policy; its genesis, its development and its future directly affect the destiny of all mankind. In essence, American science and American science policy have grown into international exemplars without the benefit of a centralized scientific establishment or even a consistent governmental view of the societal role and purpose of science.

This paradox is explained, in part at least, by the contributions of the United States Military Academy. During its early years as an educational and professional institution, West Point both provided employment for men of science when few such opportunities existed and educated many of the country's first civil engineers. As Sally Kohlstedt notes in her history of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), "The United States Military Academy at West Point had been transformed from a military training school to a scientific center . . . in the first decades of the eighteenth century." Even later, during the period 1846-76, the proportion of its alumni involved in scientific activities was higher than at any other college except Columbia. Moreover, these scientists were markedly different from the Yankee

tinkers who were, for the most part, totally uninterested in theoretical physical science. Instead, as A. Hunter Dupree points out in his study of science and the federal government, they were "more specialized, more nearly professional in their attitude, and willing and anxious to cut the time lag in the flow of information from Europe." Together with the Academy's graduates who became leaders in government and business, they made significant contributions to the development of a national science policy as well as to basic scientific research and the commercial and martial applications of scientific knowledge.

THEODOLITES, RAILROADS, AND THE AAAS

Scholars and men of science from Europe and the United States were gathered at West Point to support President Thomas Jefferson's efforts to build a modern and professional officer cadre in the military and Sylvanus Thayer's goal of establishing a first rank military engineering corps in the United States Army. Thus, Crozet, an engineer general in Napoleon's army, was lured to West Point and appointed head of its engineering department in 1816. Joining him were such scholars as Charles Davies,

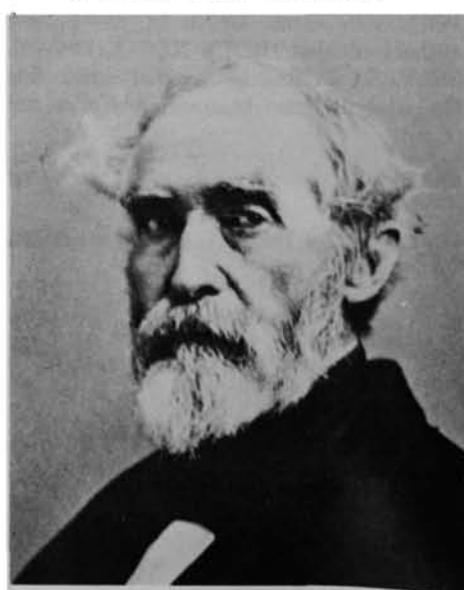
Jared Mansfield, Professor and Head of Department of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, USMA 1812-1824.



Andrew Ellicott, Professor of Mathematics, USMA 1813-1820.



Dennis H. Mahan, USMA 1824, Professor of Engineering, USMA 1832-1871.



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whose math texts appeared in regular succession for a number of years and "remained a fixture in American colleges for several generations." Davies took to heart Thayer's exhortation to expose cadets to a rigorous regimen of daily examinations. Many a barracks tale described the painful experience of an ill-prepared recitation for the usually mild-tempered Davies. The natural science faculty was also particularly strong, including such prominent scientists as Dr. John Torrey, "the foremost botanist of his day," and Jacob W. Bailey, a specialist in the study of fresh water algae and a noted microscopist.

It was in the field of surveying, however, that the faculty was most distinguished. Andrew Ellicott, who taught at West Point from 1813-1820, had been appointed Geographer of the United States by President Washington in 1789. Ellicott was one of the few people in eighteenth century America equipped with and capable of using sophisticated astronomical instruments for determining longitude and latitude. He made the first accurate measurement of the full length of the Niagara River and its falls and rapids, and surveyed the ten mile square of Federal Territory in which the na-

tional capital was to be established. His colleague on the faculty (and Charles Davies' father-in-law), Jared Mansfield was appointed Surveyor General of the United States by President Jefferson. Like Ellicott, Mansfield was also a dedicated educator and did much to establish the school's reputation as a national leader in the fields of natural and experimental philosophy.

Another early faculty member, Ferdinand Rudolph Hassler, went on to even greater renown in the surveying field. A swiss engineer, Hassler arrived in the United States in 1805 and taught math at West Point for a number of years. When the United States Coast Survey was activated in 1816, Hassler was appointed its first superintendent; concurrently, he served as Superintendent of Weights and Measures, tasked with producing the standardized weights and measures so important to the development of a nation's commerce. The Coast Survey, however, was his major responsibility, representing the federal government's first major effort in support of a scientific project. Its goal was monumental: to plan and execute a systematic survey of the entire American coastline. Its results were even more

significant, for the project produced an impressive corps of geographers, hydrographers and surveyors in the United States and supported independent scholarship in colleges and universities in addition to its preparation of an accurate map of the country's shoreline, harbors and estuaries.

Not surprisingly, such a wealth of experience and knowledge in surveying had a profound impact on the graduates of West Point. Their enthusiasm for and expertise in mapping the nation's territories was recognized by the federal and state governments and the nation's burgeoning industrial and commercial sectors. Consequently, in the early nineteenth century, virtually all government surveys were conducted under their supervision. Moreover, with the broad scientific background provided by his West Point education, the military surveyor saw himself as much a member of the country's larger scientific community as an Army officer or topographical engineer and thus was generally willing to allow civilian scientists to accompany his expeditions. The government, furthermore, permitted Army engineers to supervise strictly civilian enterprises, and between 1824 and 1838,

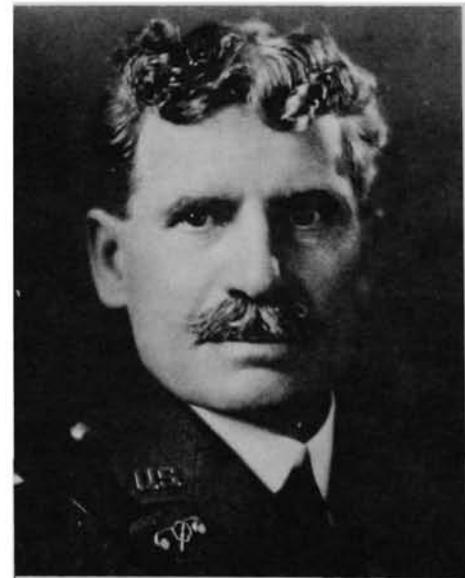
Roger Gordon Alexander, USMA 1907, Professor of Drawing and Dean, USMA 1920-1947.



Ferdinand R. Hassler, Acting Professor of Mathematics, USMA 1807-1809.



Amos A. Fries, USMA 1898.



61 railroad surveys were made at government expense and under the direction of military engineers. These men were almost without exception West Point graduates.

In the fields of railroad and civil engineering, the work of military officers and West Point graduates in particular was also very successful. Major George Washington Whistler (USMA 1819), for example, was employed in successively more responsible positions with the Baltimore and Ohio, the Baltimore and Susquehanna, and the Patterson and Hudson River Rail Road Companies. Renowned for his work in developing railroad machinery as well as for his construction of rail lines, Whistler was invited to Russia by the Imperial Government in 1842. There, he supervised the construction of the St. Petersburg-Moscow Rail Road (1842-49) and established an international reputation for American engineering. Another West Point graduate, Herman Haupt (USMA 1835), extended this recognition with his numerous publications on mining technology and civil engineering. His *General Theory of Bridge Construction*, in particular, represented a vast improvement in theoretical engineering over the old rule-of-thumb approach. He was also an effective practitioner, who, during his career, directed the construction of the Hoosac tunnel and developed a vastly improved pneumatic drill.

Dennis Hart Mahan (USMA 1824), a member of the Academy's faculty from 1832-1871, also wrote an important early engineering text. After completing his graduate education in France, Mahan published *An Elementary Course of Civil Engineering*, the first American textbook on French engineering practices and, with over 15,000 copies sold, an extremely influential work in engi-

neering pedagogy. While such an expansion of engineering theory and principles was certainly an important contribution, it was on the construction site that the federal government leaned most heavily upon the expertise and experience of these and other West Point graduates in the nineteenth century. Indeed, much of the planning, construction and maintenance of the country's new railroad lines, canals and other inland waterways, post roads and flood control projects was accomplished under the direction of West Point graduates serving in the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

There were contributions in other fields, as well. For example, a number of West Point graduates capitalized on their survey training to pioneer in the development of American astronomy. The ability to use precise instruments and make astronomical observations, skills that were integral to the Academy's curriculum by 1816, prepared E. S. Holden (USMA 1873) for his early work at the Naval Observatory. His professional achievements eventually led him to the University of California where he directed the Lisk Observatory. Ormsby MacKnight Mitchel (USMA 1829), on the other hand, capitalized on the popular interest in astronomical subjects with an early career on the lecture circuit. His enthusiasm was infectious and he played an important role in establishing the Cincinnati Observatory. Mitchel, too, advanced to a directorship, serving in that position with the Dudley Observatory in Albany.

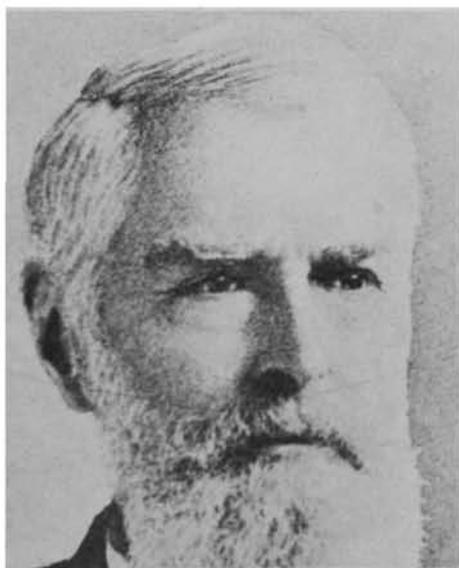
The contributions of these men extended beyond their interest in astronomy, however. Both were early members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and there-by participated in forging a relationship

between the nation's scientific resources and its government. Indeed, West Point had played an important early role in organizing American scientists and their activities. One for the first schemes to coordinate scientific groups in the nineteenth century was initiated at West Point in 1829. A group of cadets organized the American Association for the Promotion of Science, Literature and the Arts, hoping to advance every phase of American culture and achieve a national organization similar to the French Institute or the Royal Society but more broadly and democratically conceived.

The idea quickly gained popularity and within three years, associate groups were formed at a number of colleges and in cities from New York to Tennessee. Although these societies shortly disbanded, many of the incorporating cadets played leading roles in establishing other scientific organizations including the AAAS and its forerunner, the Association of American Geologists. The AAAS, in particular, had an important impact on government science policy and activities. As the first truly national, interdisciplinary scientific organization, it accepted the opportunity to comment upon science-related affairs being addressed by the federal government and provided a forum for the exchange of information and opinion among men of science.

There were a number of West Pointers who figured prominently in these activities. In fact, more than half of the AAAS leadership attended West Point from 1822-1833, while almost eight percent of the entire membership were graduates. Joseph Gilbert Totten (USMA 1805), who would later be an original incorporator of the National Academy of Science, was recognized for his work as a regent of the Smithsonian Institution. Roswell Park (USMA 1831), a charter

Herman Haupt, USMA 1835.



Edward Singleton Holden, USMA 1870,
Librarian USMA 1902-1914.



Joseph G. Totten, USMA 1805.



member of the association, was appointed the first president of Racine College (Wisconsin), where he directed his efforts toward expanding collegiate and prep school curricula so as to include more science instruction. Similarly, Frances Henry Smith (USMA 1833) served as Principal of Virginia Military Institute from 1840–1889 and modeled that school's curriculum after the Military Academy's heavily scientific program of instruction. Finally, General John McAllister Schofield (USMA 1853) was also a member of the AAAS although he devoted himself to a military career and rose to become the Commanding Officer of the United States Army in 1888. As a faculty member at West Point from 1855–60, he became noted for his work in natural and experimental philosophy and was elected to the Association before his return to the active army. Thus, the broad scientific background given the West Point cadet as a part of his education created a body of alumni with profound scientific interests and significant scientific skills. Such men often either combined their scientific and military careers (usually as officers in the Corps of Engineers) or resigned their commissions and devoted themselves to scientific enterprises.

Perhaps the most renowned example of the latter category was Alexander Dallas Bache (USMA 1825), a great grandson of Benjamin Franklin, who, from 1851 on, "... was the acknowledged spokesman for professional science and the mentor for a coming generation of scientists" in the United States. In 1832, Bache resigned his commission and was appointed chairman of the Franklin Institute's committee to investigate the causes of and solutions for steam ship boiler explosions. This effort, commissioned by the Secretary of the Treasury

with a special Congressional appropriation of \$15,000, was probably the first grant by the federal government for experimental research. Concurrently, Bache became concerned with the level and calibre of science instruction in the United States and with Joseph Henry pioneered the alliance of science and education, so that by the 1830's, leading American liberal arts colleges had established professorships in math and science. Even as the head of the Coast Survey, a position he took in 1843, Bache stretched his charter to seek advances in other scientific fields and to develop the nation's scientific community, particularly its most gifted younger members.

It was as an administrator of scientific institutions, however, that Bache probably made his greatest contribution to American science policy. Having cut his teeth as an active participant in the American Association for the Promotion of Science, Literature and the Arts and the American Philosophical Society, he became a charter member of the AAAS and presided over three of its first six meetings, articulating its credo and goals to the government and the nation. He built a strong standing committee capable of establishing professional standards for the association and chided American scientists for their inability to establish and support scientific institutions. His efforts (in conjunction with Joseph Henry, Charles H. Davis and others) finally led to the founding of the National Academy of Science (NAS), an organization designed to insure that the United States would be the equal of any country in the world in scientific matters. Although it would fall considerably short of its envisioned role, the National Academy of Science was the first visible official sign that the government had begun to recognize the profound impact of science

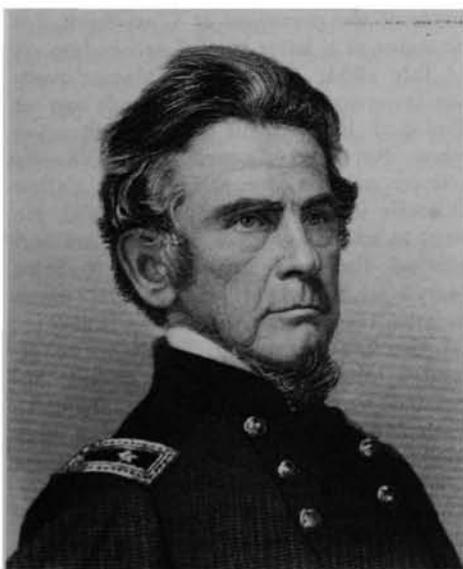
on American society and the need, therefore, to regulate its development. This achievement crowned a career which established Bache as the first major scientific administrator in the United States.

The nineteenth century, therefore, saw the faculty and graduates of West Point compile a remarkable record of contribution to the growth of theoretical and applied science and to the development of science policy in the United States. It was, certainly, not without detractions; U.S. Grant (USMA 1843), for example, was so adamantly opposed to any support for the expansion of theoretical science that "Grantism" became synonymous with unrestrained admiration for invention and disdain for research. Yet American science did flourish and the men of West Point no less than scientists and administrators from other institutions played an important role in that success. In fact, the graduate in uniform, by virtue of his early contributions in territorial exploration and surveys and in civil engineering, presented a credible alternative to the civilian control of American scientific enterprises conducted under the aegis of the federal government. American science policy was largely developed outside the military establishment, however, in part because of the energetic efforts of West Point graduates serving science as civilians. Nevertheless, this civil-military tension over control of the federal government's support for and use of science would continue into the twentieth century, forming one of the most important features of modern American science policy.

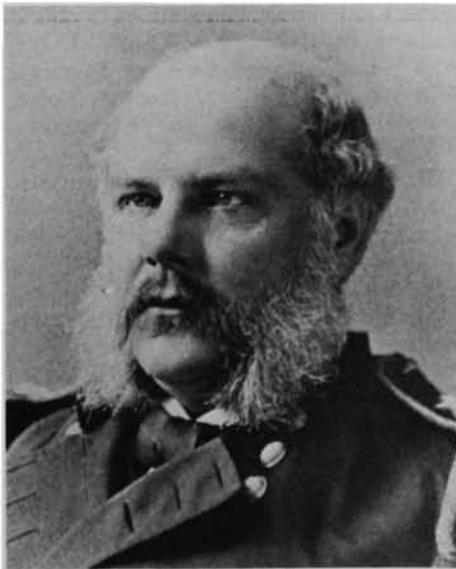
SOUND RANGING, MISSILES AND PSAC

The twentieth century brought new challenges to American scientists. Federal policy, particularly in the period pre-
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O. McKnight Mitchel, USMA 1829.



John M. Schofield, USMA 1853.



Alexander D. Bache, USMA 1825.



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Very early in its history, the Military Academy sought to provide for religious needs of its officers and men. The first Chaplain, Reverend Adam Empie, was appointed in 1813, although a condition of his appointment was that he had to be Professor of History, Geography and Ethics. He was a civilian clergyman provided for by Section 1309 of the Revised Statutes of the United States Code. This was Joseph G. Swift's method of serving the religious needs of his command and this appears to have been followed down to the present day.

The Catholic members of this command, however, present a unique problem due to the precepts of their Church. Even before the Academy was founded, West Point provided a home for a detachment of French-Canadian Catholics who had served in the American Army during the Revolution. The ranking engineers and technicians who supervised the fortification building during the Revolutionary years and who commanded the engineer troops in the West Point garrison after our national independence was won were Catholics. Prominent among these was Thadeus Kosciuszko—a Polish Catholic whose monument still stands on the Plain.

President Thomas Jefferson appointed the first Catholics to the Corps of Cadets in 1806—young men from French families in the then newly purchased Louisiana Territory. One of these, Pascal Vincent Bouis, was the first Catholic graduate. So that from this early date, 1806, there was present at West Point, not only Catholic cadets, but also a number of enlisted men who were also Catholic.

This early period presented a challenge of providing for the religious ministrations of those at West Point not only to those in authority at the Academy, but for Church officials as well. In 1806 there was but one diocese in the whole of the United States and its center was in Baltimore, Maryland. When the Diocese of New York was established in 1808, the number of

clergy was so small as to preclude any regular attention being given to the Catholics at West Point. As early as 1830 there is evidence of some people crossing the river to attend Mass at Our Lady of Loretto Church at Cold Spring. There are also records of Catholics walking the mountainous roads to Arden in 1838 where there was a mission attended by a priest from Piermont.

We learn from Sidney Forman's notes (former Librarian, USMA) further that: "It has been the practice since some years before 1838 for the Superintendent to permit the Catholic priest who served this area to enter on the Post to minister to Catholic officers, cadets and soldiers. In this matter the Superintendent had the unimpaired right to permit or not to permit this clergyman to enter the Post to conduct services and to permit or not to permit soldiers, cadets or officers to organize themselves into a congregation and participate in any particular service." We also have a list of clergy in the Archdiocese of New York during 1850. Taken from the *Metropolitan Catholic Almanac*, 1850 Edition furnished by Bishop Hughes: Under Cold Spring, Putnam County, there is listed Reverend Felix Vilanis. Under West Point, Orange County, Reverend Felix Vilanis is also listed. It must then be assumed that he served the congregation at West Point.

Finally the Archdiocesan archives contain a report of another of these itinerant priests, Reverend F. Caro, for 1860. Father Caro also reported on the spiritual side, twenty-one baptisms, eleven marriages and five adult conversions. West Point was fertile soil during this period. The vineyard also produced clergymen of note. The first of these was James Clark, member of the Class of 1829 (classmate of Robert E. Lee), a convert, born in Pennsylvania, who resigned in 1830. He joined the Jesuit Order and was ordained in 1844. He served as the President of Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts, from 1861 till

1867. Later he served as Vice President and Treasurer of Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. and died there in 1885, on 9 September. Also during these years, George De Shon, USMA 1843, and William Rosecrans, USMA 1842, converted to Catholicism. The former was a classmate of U. S. Grant. The latter fought in the Civil War and had a son join the Paulist Congregation. De Shon resigned his commission in 1851, joined the Paulists and later became the first Superior General of the Congregation of Saint Paul. It would be his privilege to preach at the dedication of the Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity on 10 June 1900.

Further stability was given to the Catholic community at West Point when Archbishop Corrigan sent the Reverend Thomas J. Early to Highland Falls to establish a church there. This was the beginning of Sacred Heart Parish in that town and the personnel at West Point were the source of the largest portion of the original contribution for the erection of the present edifice. They were responsible for \$639.00 of the first \$1,482.00 collected for this purpose and the Pastor responded to the needs of the personnel at West Point, for he states in a letter to the Archbishop on 14 July 1884: "I have four Masses every Sunday—two at West Point and two at Highland Falls." This was the situation when Reverend Cornelius G. O'Keeffe arrived on the scene in 1890. Father O'Keeffe was born in Ireland in 1853. He went to school, however, in New York and entered the seminary at Mount Saint Mary's in Maryland. He showed much promise there and was sent to Rome for his theological training. In Rome he attended the Roman Seminary of San Apollinaris and was ordained there. He spoke French and Italian fluently and his qualities brought him to the attention of Pope Leo XIII who made him his secretary. This was a friendship that would last till the death of the aged Pontiff, for when he died in 1903, Father O'Keeffe, then Pastor

Monsignor Cornelius G. O'Keefe—Pastor,
Sacred Heart Church, Highland Falls,
New York 1890-1918. Built Catholic
Chapel at West Point in 1900.

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of Highland Falls was the only cleric present to attend him. After his service at the Vatican and as an assistant in New York, Father O'Keefe founded a Catholic mission in the Bahamas. Later returning to New York, Father was made Pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Highland Falls.

Father O'Keefe's personality and intelligence had the same salutary effect on the leaders at West Point as they had previously on the Church leadership in Rome. His linguistic abilities were used quite often when foreign dignitaries visited. His popularity contributed to the smooth relationship that existed between the officials of "Church and State" in the sphere of religion and the care of the Catholic population on the post, which had by 1896 risen to a total of about one-third of the total officers, enlisted men and cadets. Although the majority of these were among the enlisted personnel and civil servants.

Father O'Keefe attempted to improve the conditions of Catholic worship on the Post. Up to 1896 the Catholics had used a one story wooden building north of the parade ground, since torn down, which was small, unattractive and shared by other religious groups. Also in 1896 a significant change took place as regards the Protestant Chaplain. Due to a revision of the United States Code he no longer had to teach Ethics, Geography and History, but could merely be "Chaplain" fully salaried by the Government! On 6

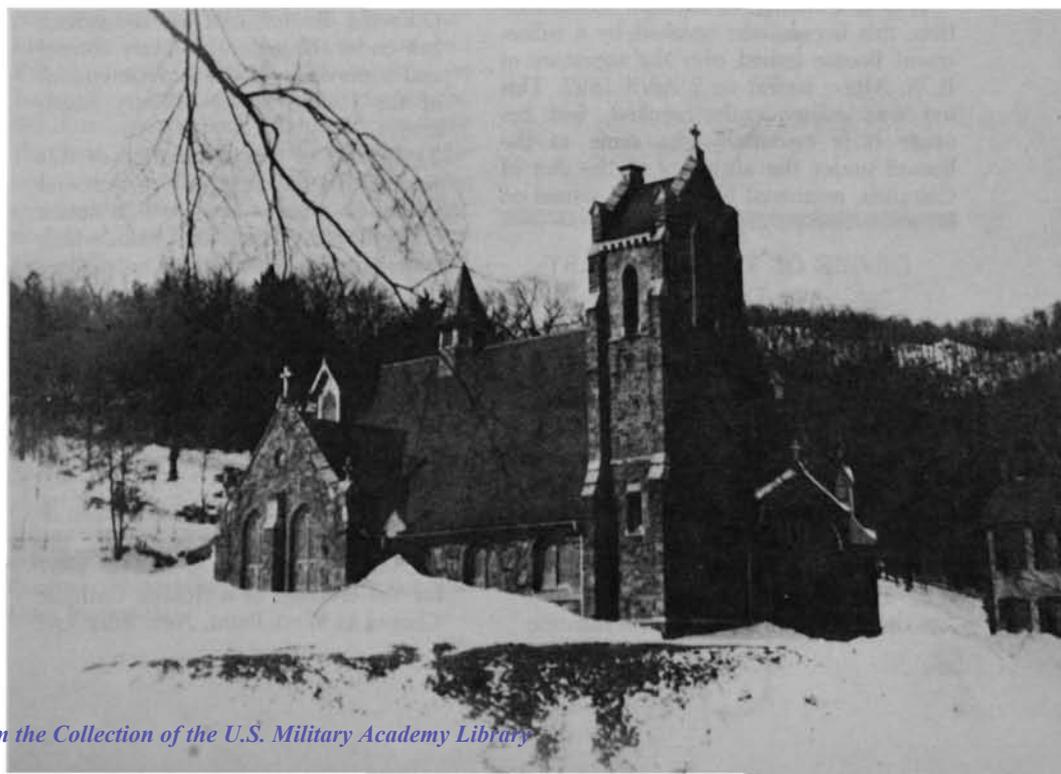
August 1896, Father O'Keefe wrote the following letter to the Superintendent:

Sir:

I have the honor to request your good office's in securing a site in the hollow space south of the Ordnance Laboratory wall on which I may be permitted to erect a suitable chapel for the use of the Roman Catholics of West Point Army Post. The number of Catholics residing at West Point amounts to about five hundred, including officers, cadets, enlisted men and together with officers' and enlisted men's families and domestics, etc. At present there are six Catholic officers and officers' families and thirty-four Catholic cadets. In the past five years the number of both officers and cadets was considerably larger and the same is likely to happen again. Five years ago there were nine Catholic officers here and forty-two Catholic

cadets. Fully two thirds of the enlisted men, married and single, are Catholics. For many years, we have been giving our services to those members of our own faith of the United States Army, with the cordial and helpful good will of successive Superintendents and without any compensation from (the) Government. We are willing to carry on the work under the same conditions in the future, but we have no suitable place of worship, particularly for the attendance of officers and cadets. It is to remedy this defect that I have the honor to ask that I may be permitted to erect a suitable place of Catholic worship on the site of the Ordnance wall. If this permission be granted, I propose to build a neat stone chapel to cost about twenty-thousand dollars, the money submitted to the Superintendent of the Military

Catholic Chapel, West Point, 1902.



Catholic Chapel, West Point, 1965.



Academy for his approval or modification. On its completion, the chapel will be handed over to the United States government for the use in perpetuity of the Roman Catholics who may reside at West Point.

Trusting that this application may meet with your approval and help, I have the honor to be Sir,

Your Obedient servant,
/s/C.G. O'Keeffe

Colonel Ernst, the Superintendent, received the application favorably and forwarded it to the Secretary of War, Mr. Daniel Lamont. Colonel Ernst wrote a letter to Father O'Keeffe on 12 September 1896 as follows:

"The Department consents to grant you a revokable license to erect the building. This leaves in the hands of the government the complete control of the building and of the persons who use it, which, of course, is essential. At the same time, it gives you the exclusive use of the building while the license lasts."

Father O'Keeffe wrote the Superintendent on 19 September 1896 to tell him that with the consent and approval of Archbishop Corrigan he accepted the terms.

The Judge Advocate General at West Point, on 12 November 1896, offered an opinion that the Secretary of War had no authority to grant such a license and that the matter ought to be referred to Congress. This notwithstanding, a Revocable License was issued on 3 March 1897 to the Right Reverend Michael A. Corrigan, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of New York, by Mr. Secretary Lamont, the Secretary of War.

Due to a change of national administration, this license was revoked by a subsequent license issued over the signature of R. A. Alger, issued on 2 April 1897. This too was subsequently revoked, but because it is essentially the same as the license under the authority of the Act of Congress, approved 8 July 1898, issued on 25 April 1899, I reproduce it here.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

War Department
Revocable License

The Right Reverend Michael A. Corrigan, Roman Catholic Archbishop of the Archdiocese of New York, is hereby granted a license, revocable at will by the Secretary of War, to erect and maintain a Chapel at West Point, New York, upon the following provisions and conditions:

1) The Chapel will be erected and maintained at the cost of the licensee

and his successors and used for the religious worship of the Roman Catholics at West Point.

2) The building will be of stone, it will be located upon the site marked on the accompanying blue print, and its dimensions will be shown in plan upon said print, which is made a part of this license.

3) Before any work of building construction is commenced the designs and specifications of the structure will receive the approval of the Superintendent of the United States Military Academy who will also assure himself that funds adequate to the completion of the Chapel are available.

4) During the construction and thereafter, the Chapel will be in the local custody of the Reverend C. G. O'Keeffe, Rector, and his successors, but under the general military control and supervision of the Superintendent of the United States Military Academy.

5) In case of the termination of this license, the building will be removed within six months from date of notice of revocation, and any sum which may have to be expended in placing the plot (sic) of ground hereby authorized to be occupied in as good condition for use by the United States as it is at this date shall be repaid by said Right Reverend Michael A. Corrigan, or his successor, Archbishops of the Archdiocese of New York on demand.

6) This license is to take the place of the revocable license issued by the Secretary of War on 3 March 1897 for the erection of a Roman Catholic Chapel at West Point, New York and

the said license of 3 March is hereby revoked.

2nd April 1897
/s/ R. A. Alger
Secretary of War

On 19 May 1897 the Attorney General of the United States, Joseph McKenna, a Catholic, gave the following opinion on the legality of the license:

West Point is Government property and therefore conveyance of it or uses of it can only be authorized by an Act of Congress. He further cited sections 161 and 217 of the Revised Statutes, which specifically deal with the erection of a hotel or church and also section 1331:

a. Sect 1331 gives supervision and charge of the Academy to the War Department, but this gives no authority to dispose of or use the property.

b. An Act of Congress on 5 July 1884 indicates that it was the view of Congress that explicit authority was necessary for even transient occupation of a military reservation for other than its special purpose.

c. An Act of Congress on 28 July 1892 forbids an occupation which contemplates permanency or duration longer than five years.

Therefore: a revocable license without limitation as to time, by the Secretary of War to a Roman Catholic Archbishop, to erect and maintain a Chapel on the Military reservation at West Point transcends the Statutes. Further the Secretary of War has no power to accept a donation of property for the Government for use in perpetuity of Roman Catholics. He concluded that the license should be revoked and the petitions remitted to Congress. This decision by the Attorney General was completely

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This Way Out

by KENNETH F. ZITZMAN

Bud Russ (Joseph R., USMA '35) was a plebe in "D" Co. when I was a First Classman. Average height and build, good looking, and he hazed well. By that I mean that he could not only recite the plebe bible but answered my ad lib Mr Dumbjohn questions with rapid fire precision. It was only after he double-timed back to his room that I figured out who had been hazed.

Bud's active duty career was that of your average West Point grad. Married Fran at Fort Benning in 1941, Infantry regimental commander with Silver Star and three Bronze Star Medals in World War II, Distinguished Service Cross and Legion of Merit in the Korean War, Division Commanding General in 1964 before retiring as a major general in 1971 with a Distinguished Service Medal, more Legion of Merits and a smattering of Air Medals from Vietnam.

He and Fran have lived in San Antonio since then and you really can't say that Bud is accident prone. Of course there was that time when he went bird hunting alone about 100 miles south of San Antonio and knocked himself cold as a loan shark's smile when he tripped on a barbed wire while climbing over a stone wall. But a few minutes later he shook himself, mumbled "he never laid a glove on me, coach" and made the two hour drive home after dark.

And the time on another hunting trip alone when his car conked out on the way home, wasn't really his fault because he had only recently given it a brand new paint job. After a considerable hike on a black night, he saw lights off the road in a mobile home. The dog chased him, the man of the house was smashed, but the lady let Bud use the phone.

He contacted a garage man on duty who explained that he would get to Bud with a wrecker after a little delay. Seems his wife was at the Saturday night dance and she was losing in the poker game so he had to go there first to take her some more money.

True to his word he reached Bud around midnight and hoisted the rear

end of Bud's Mustang off the ground with the wrecker's crane. They then discovered that they couldn't lock the steering wheel in position. So for 15 miles while his car was being towed through the black night, Bud made like A. J. Foyt at the Indy 500, crouched over the wheel of his little speedster, tail high, going backwards at 50 miles per hour.

Just the normal retirement pastimes you would expect after a humdrum military career.

But to understand what happened next, it's necessary to psychoanalyze the Class of USMA 1935.

At the picnic during their 40th Reunion at West Point in 1975, Ducky Farnsworth who lives in Eugene, Oregon, generously volunteered Jackie Rhoades home in Guadalajara, Mexico, for a "mini-reunion" in 1977. Done; with 90 happy participants from all over the United States attending.

At the final banquet of that mini, Ducky Farnsworth (again), Bill Proctor of Vancouver and Charlie Leonard of Bellevue, Washington, declared for a mini-reunion in Seattle in May 1979. At least the volunteers were getting closer to home and I must confess they did it in the grand manner.

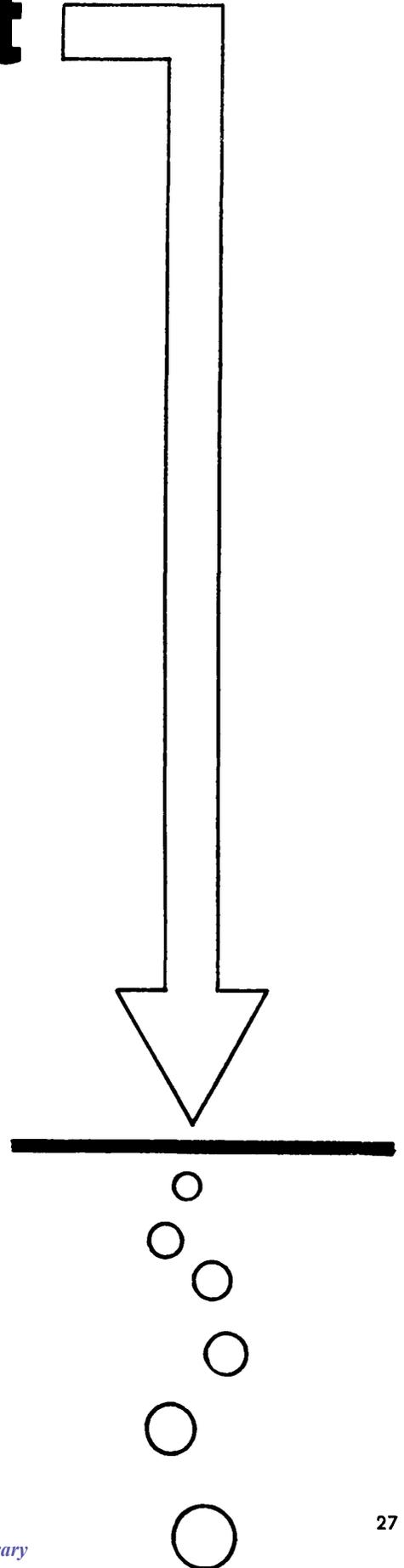
82 guys and gals in attendance, all housed in the elegant Edgewater Inn Hotel which is built on a pier over Puget Sound. All rooms had floor to ceiling sliding glass panels and the hotel proudly announced "on the seaward side you can fish from your bedroom." There were no balconies or other obstructions between the windows and the sea. (It turned out later that one couple who were booked on the seaward side changed their room to one overlooking the parking lot, and another couple shifted the heavy furniture to block the sliding glass panel because it looked so scary.)

But everything was all set for a happy four nights and three days of fun.

The first night, Tuesday, was the mixer, with only light wine and cheese from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Back in their room after it,

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AUTHOR'S NOTE: This is an account of the most unusual event I know of that ever happened to any of my closest friends. I gave this serious article the title, "The Historically Interesting Story Which All You Oughta Understand Thoroughly," but the Editor insisted on using the acronym formed from its initials.



If Only Horses Could Talk

We were gathered after dinner talking horses, of all things. Not of those in the Fairfax Hunt, nor the Charles Town Races, but of the horses that were a part of our riding instruction forty-five years earlier.

One of the group suggested, somewhat testily, that we should be discussing Russia, or inflation; but he was ignored. I remembered later that when *he* was a cadet his father was a colonel in the Texas Rangers. Horses had not impressed him in the way they had done for many of us. But I wondered why "Riding," a minor part of our overall instruction, so often comes to the fore at Old Grads' Story Time.

Equitation, as it was formally called, has not been a part of the curriculum at West Point since World War II. Perhaps, to younger graduates, we talk of it as men of an earlier year told of hauling water to the fourth floor of Central Barracks, to impress those who arrived after the plumbing had been installed.

But why do we talk about it still so much among ourselves?

It may be that it was the first and only phase of our training (I exclude athletics) in which we had a live and hostile ad-

versary—the horse. There was a certain exhilaration in the danger of it—real or imagined—that perhaps we try to rekindle. Then too, there was much low comedy in the riding ring, of a quality that would do Mack Sennett proud.

A Grey named Queen's Own must have stood seventeen hands or more. We had an exercise that required vaulting from the saddle, while the horse circled at a slow trot, and then, in rhythm with the pace, vaulting on again. The trick was to keep a firm grasp on the pommel and cantle of the saddle and to use the horse's forward motion for leverage to remount. No man under six feet had a chance of making it back on Queen's Own; once down he was committed to completing the series by trotting ridiculously alongside on foot, making an occasional, half-hearted attempt upward for benefit of the instructor.

A Brown named Midnight had a disconcerting style for jumping. When he reached the hurdle (bars, I should say) Midnight would pause, as though refusing. Then, when his rider had relaxed momentarily he would jump, mightily. Horse and man rarely took the jump together. Midnight was withdrawn from

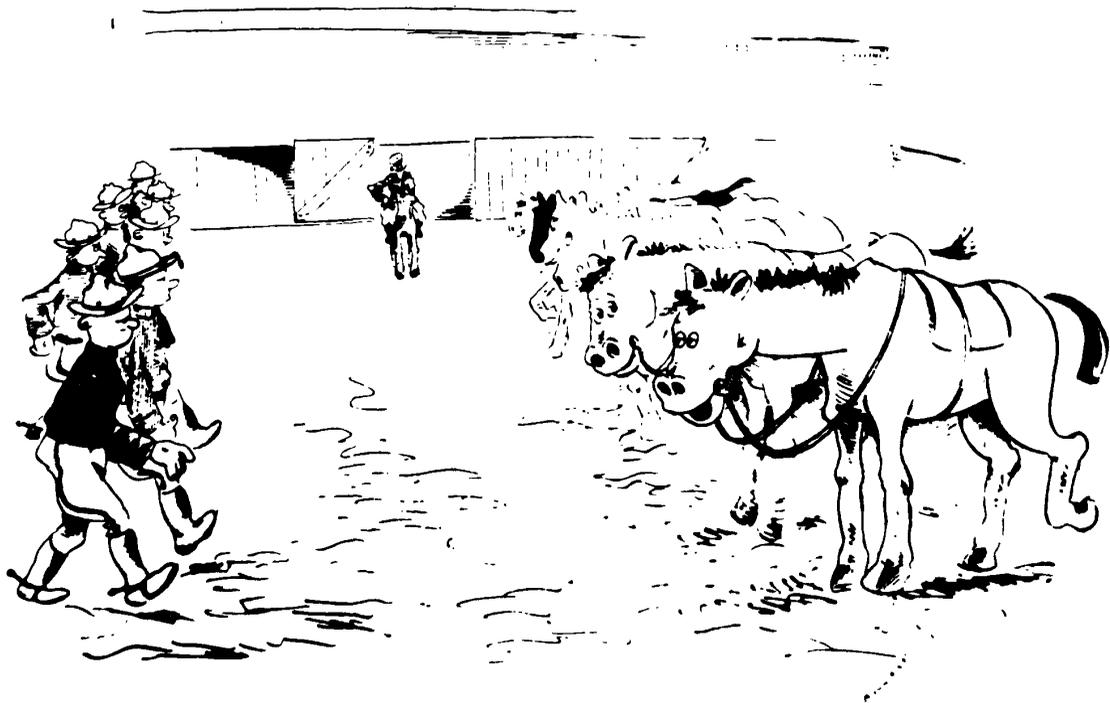
the cadets' stable and, in more competent hands, took a Blue Ribbon at the New York Show.

Dynamite was a normally controllable Bay, but he had an idiosyncrasy. If a spot on his back, just behind the saddle, were tickled Dynamite would lower his head and lash out with both hind hoofs, whether he was at rest, at trot or gallop. It was a trait that could be employed to liven the proceedings, if you didn't care what happened to the rider behind, or if you wanted to test his horsemanship.

"Riding With the Mail" described those occasions in which a horse got out of control and circled the ring wildly, not at a gallop but at a dead run. It was exciting to watch, if you weren't the man on the horse, like seeing someone step on a banana peel. I saw one of these express riders go clean through the massive canvas curtain that separated us from the adjoining ring. He caused havoc in the jumping class going on there.

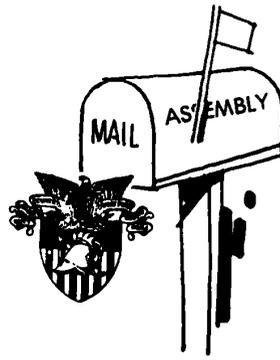
There is a story—perhaps not true—of a cadet who mounted a restive animal that continued to thrash about with all four legs until he caught his left hind hoof in the stirrup.

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"They're all good cadets."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Order of Merit and USMA Mission

In the last few years some of us have been wondering what is happening at West Point. The rest of the World and our Republic might disintegrate but "the Rock," as it were, would always be the Nation's strength and example.

The September 1979 issue of ASSEMBLY contained two informative but also provocative articles. The one on "Graduation 1979" and Richard P. Butler's—"Graduates' Image Of The U.S. Military Academy."

First on Graduation—unless it is for very subtle cosmetic reasons—I can't comprehend a promotional system based on the elimination of the General Order of Merit and the "last man." How are the Classes of '78, '79 and the future to be initially measured and promoted by the Army? How good are these people? Who says so?

In Butler's article he gives a definition of the mission of the USMA. Thus—to educate, train, and inspire the Corps of Cadets so that each graduate shall have the character, leadership, intellectual foundation and other attributes essential to progressive and continuing development throughout a career of exemplary service to the nation as an officer in the Regular Army." No Warrior ever wrote that. Where did that definition ever originate?

I was always under the impression that West Point's purpose was to give young men military training, and under the old Infantry Drill Regulations, the purpose of all military training was TO WIN BATTLES. George B. McClellan would fit Butler's definition; U.S. Grant would not.

THOMAS C. RYAN, 1924

The following reply was prepared by a member of the Superintendent's staff:

Your question on graduation order/merit is common to a number of graduates. The old practice of presenting diplomas in order of merit had led to some abuses in recent times. The practice tended to glorify poor academic performance and in several instances cadets were deliberately doing marginal work to lower their standing to the bottom position. This was further compounded by a recent custom, borrowed from the Naval Academy, of collecting a dollar per cadet to be given to the class "goat" on graduation day. You may recall pictures in the last decade of the "last man" holding both diploma and a brown paper bag overhead after graduation. In an attempt to stifle such practices the order of diploma presentation on Graduation Day has been modified to present the diplomas to the distinguished cadets—"Star Men" first in order of class standing, and then to present the remainder in alphabetical order. The Academy believes all of its graduates are deserving but public

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Letters to the editor should cover subjects pertaining to the Association of Graduates and the USMA which are of interest to alumni and friends of West Point. All signed letters received will be considered for publication. The editor reserves the right to reject or edit letters.

Thayer Award Selection

The June 79 edition of ASSEMBLY announced the selection of the Honorable Clare Boothe Luce to be the 1979 recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award. I know that I join a multitude of graduates in approving of this selection. The selection board is to be congratulated on their choice for this honor.

For several years, among friends, classmates and other graduates I have expressed my opinion that the time has come for a woman to be considered for the Thayer Award. Not all agreed with me but with growth of the feminist movement and with the inclusion of women in the Corps, the recognition of living great women for the Thayer Award can only reflect to the greater glory of our Academy.

With no detraction from this year's choice, I have long been an advocate for the consideration of former Senator Margaret Chase Smith of Maine for the Thayer Award. While in office, of course, she was not eligible for consideration but now that she is retired from elected office, this handicap no longer applies. Her continuous fight and support for the military while in Congress should not be forgotten. May I live to see the day when she will be considered for the Thayer Award.

O.A. AXELSON, Jun '18.

Ben Castle Award

On 5 May of next year, the West Point Society of the District of Columbia will celebrate its 25th anniversary, a mere youngster compared with most West Point societies, but a very strapping youngster indeed. It's about our largest society, it annually presents the prestigious Ben Castle award, second only to the Sylvanus Thayer award, it's in the MDW, home of the Pentagon, Ft McNair and Ft Myer, and only a five hour drive to West Point.

I was one of about eight grads who organized the society and who became the first board of directors. I regret that I can recall the names of only two others, Ben Castle '07, the motivating force who was the first president, and Ludlow King '30.

During my first tour of duty in Washington, 1947-51, I had suggested starting a D.C. society but was beaten down by

the argument that there were "too many graduates in the Washington area." Thinking of my 2nd lieutenant days at the bottom of the Great Depression, and the cheerful little Founders Day meetings during the bleak fighting in Italy in WW II, I retorted that I had often been handicapped by too few resources but never by too many.

I never was a good retorter but in 1955, Ben Castle was something else again.

Initial response to the prospectus was good, we set the time for the organizational meeting at the Ft McNair Officers Club for 6:00 p.m. about three weeks hence, and the D.C. society came into being. It's easy to remember its origin to the minute; 5 minutes after 5:55 on 5/5/55.

Ben Castle established the Castle award in memory of his son, Frederick W. Castle, USMA '30. Freddy was my "D" Co company commander when we were cadets, a nice, considerate guy who ranked near the top of his class. His Congressional Medal of Honor award says that he was killed on an air mission on Christmas Eve, 1944 when he "took controls and deliberately gave his own life to save his crew."

In the last issue of ASSEMBLY, the notes of a class of my vintage said that only two members attended the Founders Day dinner in Washington. The scribe said the probable reason was because only members of the Washington society received the notification and others didn't know the date.

That's completely understandable because the D.C. society can only maintain contact with those who join and pay the modest dues to keep abreast of the events throughout the year.

For Founders Day, however, the one big event that has a special interest to grads everywhere, I would like to suggest that the D.C. Society contact the ASSEMBLY class scribes in the Washington area as soon as the date is firm, so they can announce it at their class luncheons, etc. A quick check on the last ASSEMBLY reveals that of the 20 scribes of classes 10 years on each side of 1932, 16 are in the Washington area.

After all, participation in Founders Day was the main reason why the D.C. Society was started.

Besides, Ben Castle would like it.

KENNETH F. ZITZMAN, 1932



down the field...

by JERE K. FORBUS

The fall set in with much talk about our efforts to reconstitute Army football as a first-rate contender, and much of the talk has centered on theoretical estimations of what it will take to give the Cadets at least the opportunity to regain national prominence.

Some measures have already gone into effect; they are undertakings aimed at giving the Cadets something more of equality of opportunity with the opponents they must play. See article by Commandant elsewhere in this issue of ASSEMBLY.

While some have suggested that we're watering down the system in favor of football, this is simply not the case. These are all efforts within the system that will work to give the cadets a better chance to compete athletically and still undergo the full West Point experience. There are other steps that we hope to take in the future and we'll be reporting those to you.

At press time we're approximately two-thirds of the way through the fall season with all varsity intercollegiate squads winning 66% of contests played. It is a fair generalization to state that all the fall squads are in the throes of rebuilding from graduation losses but performing well against very stiff competition.

The most visible of the fall sports, of course, is football and the Cadets have encountered some mid-season difficulties. In facing one of the most difficult schedules in years, the Cadets have been seriously strained by injuries to key performers. No fewer than twelve starters have missed one or more games because of injuries.

Every student of the game understands that recruiting is a fundamental to fielding teams that are competitive in big-time football. It is similarly well known that the service academies are at a disadvantage in recruiting particularly in view of the five-year service commitment which virtually rules out the possibilities of a professional football career for prospects. Some say we must somehow revise the service commitment to at least allow for professional possibilities, or we will never be able to attract the quality athletes that will be required to sustain the program. This may be correct but there's no optimism in that regard for the near future. We'll simply have to go about the work of attracting athletes who are interested in assuming the five-year commitment.

In other matters, Army has been honored in that head trainer, Ed Pillings, has

been selected as the host trainer for the XIII Winter Olympic games which will be played at Lake Placid, New York next winter. Ed is in his 22d year as a trainer at West Point.

Joseph M. Palone, retired head coach for the United States Military Academy at West Point was inducted into the State University of New York College at Cortland C-Club Hall of Fame at Homecoming ceremonies on 6 October.

Army hockey coach Jack Riley, who guided the U.S. Olympic hockey team to its only Gold Medal in history in 1960 and established a phenomenal record as player, coach and administrator in the game of hockey, was inducted into the United States Hockey Hall of Fame on 20 October.

Cadet Terry Tepper was selected to the All-East track squad for her excellence with the javelin.

When the winter season opens, Cadet Robby Vaughn will captain the basketball team, Tom Rost the hockey team, and Rob Ruck the swimming team.

Cadet Chris Owens will be a member of the team of runners that will carry the Olympic torch from Virginia to Lake Placid.

FOOTBALL (2-4-1)

Connecticut 10, Army 26

The Cadets won the 79th of 90 season openers by defeating the Huskies who are sporting one of their best squads in history. Even though the Cadets displayed some of the rustiness typical of openers, quarterback Earle Mulrane hooked up on scoring passes to Mike Fahnestock and Bill Skoda, and linebacker John Hilliard returned a pass interception for another touchdown that provided all the Cadets needed for victory. Dave Aucoin's talented toe provided the rest of the points.

Stanford 13, Army 17

The Cadets pulled off a stunning upset over the heavily-favored Cardinals in Palo Alto, California. The Cadets spotted Stan-

ford seven points as they fumbled on the Army ten on the first play of the game. By halftime, however, the Cadets had established a 10-7 lead on a touchdown by Jimmy Hill and a three pointer by Dave Aucoin in the fourth quarter, Plebe running back, Gerald Walker, dashed for 71 yards and provided the cushion that Army needed for its brilliant victory.

North Carolina 41, Army 3

The very talented squad from North Carolina handled the Cadets easily while allowing only three points off an Aucoin field goal. Meanwhile the Tarheels were piling up 534 yards total offense. North Carolina running back, Amos Lawrence, rushed for 209 yards. The game was put out of reach early in the third quarter and proved to be very costly to the Cadets who suffered key injuries.

Duke 17, Army 17

Playing before a crowd that had gathered to honor Colonel Red Reeder, the Cadets came from behind twice to tie a spirited Duke squad. Duke capitalized on an interception and a short punt to lead 10-0 at half time. The Cadets roared back to tie the score on a field goal and touchdown pass from yearling quarterback, Jerryl Bennett, to Robby Hall. After falling back to 17-10, Army tied the score



Cadet Peter Courtois wins a head-up confrontation with three Colgaters.

TICKET PRICES — WINTER/SPRING ATHLETIC EVENTS

Season tickets for winter/spring athletic events are now on sale at the ODIA Ticket Office, West Point, New York 10996 (Tel: 914 446-4996). The following prices are in effect: AAA MEMBERS: Winter/spring season ticket—\$20.00 for sponsor and \$20.00 for their adult dependents. Dependents (18 years and under)—\$10.00, provided the sponsor purchases a \$20.00 season ticket. Season tickets are good for all scheduled winter/spring events with the exception of Army-Navy contests or special ticket events. A special reserved seating ticket, for Basketball only, in a choice area may be obtained for \$10.00 each in addition to the winter/spring ticket price. PUBLIC-SALE SEASON TICKETS: Basketball—\$35.00 and Hockey—\$40.00. These tickets are good for all home games with the exception of Army-Navy contest and contests that require special tickets. SINGLE EVENT TICKET PRICES:

	ADULTS	CHILDREN
Basketball	\$3.50	\$2.00
Hockey	3.50	2.00
Track	2.50	1.50
Gymnastics Events (Saturday only) (Two or more Varsity Events) (Gymnastics, Swimming, Wrestling, Fencing Squash, Volleyball, Women's Basketball)	3.00	1.50
Lacrosse (Saturday Games Only)	3.50	2.00

SALES-GENERAL: Advanced sale of single game tickets will NOT be made except for Army-Navy contests and special ticket events as announced. Tickets will be sold at the site of the contest beginning one hour prior to the time of the event.

with a fourth-quarter touchdown strike from Bennett to Mike Fahnestock.

Penn State 24, Army 3

Traveling to the lair of the Nittany Lions is never easy and the Cadets came out on the short end of a 24-3 game. The Cadets nonetheless played creditably but managed to only put a field goal on the scoreboard. Brilliant running by Penn State's Matt Suhey was clearly the difference between the two teams. The Cadets drove to the Penn State goal as the first half ended.

Baylor 55, Army 0

The Baylor Bears—the biggest and most physical team the Cadets have on the schedule—came into Michie Stadium and blitzed the Black Knights 55-0. Baylor took command early in the game and using expert balance between passing and running attack, put the game out of sight quickly. Army's offense could not get on track and the Cadets suffered their most lopsided loss in four years.

Boston College 29, Army 16

The Cadets had hoped to please a homecoming-capacity crowd with the win over Boston College, but alas they were stung by two long runs by Boston College's running backs that provided the

Quarterback Earle Mulrane sets to throw against Connecticut.

margin of defeat. Clearly, Cadet miscues in the form of fumbles and interceptions accounted for much of Boston College's success. The Cadets scored on touchdown passes to Rob Heather and Bill Skoda and put up three more points from Dave Aucoin's field goal.

LIGHTWEIGHT FOOTBALL (3-1)

Since the inception of lightweight football, the season invariably comes down to a showdown between Army and Navy. It is no different this year when, at press time, the Cadets have only Navy remaining on the schedule. The Cadets are three and one with lopsided wins over Penn State and Rutgers, a 14-0 loss to Princeton, and a close 15-14 win over Cornell.



Leading the Cadets in the scoring column are Tom Economy, wide receiver, and fullback Bob Scurlock.

Late score: Army 16, Navy 14.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY (8-0)

The women's cross country team has closed out a perfect season winning all eight contests. Army coach Charlie Hunsaker's harriers appear to be very strong in that the top performer is plebe Amy McDonald of Edinboro, Pennsylvania. Also bolstering Cadet fortunes were team captain Regina Todd, Harlene Nelson, and Cathy Vogl.

SOCCKER (5-3-2)

Coach Dick Edell's soccer team has good prospects of a winning season as they go into the last three contests of the year sporting five wins against three losses and two ties. The Cadets are coming off two successive close victories against Colgate and Lehigh and seem to have the momentum to carry them through the season. Scoring has been Army's biggest problem in that the Cadets have tallied only 14 times in the nine games. Leading the Cadets in offense are Ed McCoy of Enfield, Connecticut, and John Gusz of Trenton, New Jersey. Defensively, goal keeper Mike Connor of Winsted, Connecticut has allowed just eight goals in nine games while making 64 saves.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL (14-8)

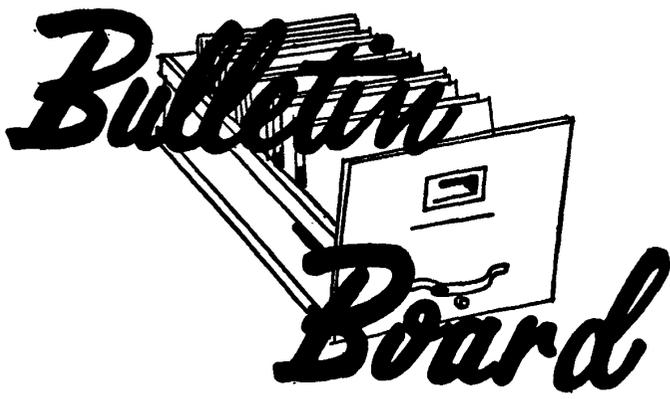
With just two dual matches remaining in the season, the Cadets are assured a winning season as they presently sport a 14 and 8 record. Team captain Jane Perkins has led the team through a season that saw them face a myriad of opponents and styles. The experience of having to adjust to varied teams amidst a difficult schedule has been good for a team as it grows into intercollegiate maturity.

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USMA WINTER VARSITY SPORTS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time—PM	Date	Opponent	Time—PM	Date	Opponent	Time—PM
BASKETBALL			INDOOR TRACK			GYMNASTICS		
Nov 30	Manhattanville	7:30	Nov 24	Farleigh Dickinson, Adelphi, Seton Hall	1:00	Nov 17-18	Cornell Open (A)	7:00
Dec 3	Lycoming	7:30	Dec 30	Rutgers	3:15	23-24	New England Gymnas- tics Clinic (A)	All Day
Dec 5	Wagner (A)	8:00	Dec 8	New Hampshire, Holy Cross, Univ of Conn. (A)	1:00	30—		
Dec 8	St. John's (A)	8:00	Jan 12-13	U.S. Track and Field Federation (A)	1:00	Dec 1	Farmingdale Tournament (A)	7:00
Dec 11	St. Peter's	7:30	Jan 19	Manhattan		5	Long Island University	4:00
21-22	Cable Car Classic (A)		Feb 26	Cornell (A)		8	University of Massachusetts	2:00
27-30	Rainbow Classic (A)		Feb 3	Princeton Relay (A)		Jan 20	Yale (A)	2:00
Jan 8	USMMA	7:30	Feb 8	Melrose (A)		26	Temple University (A)	1:00
Jan 10	Lafayette (A)	8:00	Feb 16	Navy (A)		Feb 2	Springfield	2:00
Jan 12	RPI	8:00	Mar 23	HEPS (A)		9	Syracuse	2:00
Jan 15	Yale (A)	7:30	Mar 8-9	IC4A (A)		16	Southern Connecticut	2:00
Jan 19	Manhattan	8:00	14-15	NCAA		23	Navy (A)	
Jan 23	St. Francis (A)	8:00				Mar 1	Cornell	2:00
Jan 26	LIU (A)	8:00				8	Army Invitational	
Jan 28	Rochester	7:30				14-15	EIGL (A)	
Jan 31	Seton Hall (A)	8:00						
Feb 2	Niagara	8:00						
Feb 4	Fordham	7:30						
Feb 9	Iona (A)	8:00						
Feb 13	Fairfield	7:30						
Feb 16	Colgate	2:00						
Feb 18	Northeastern Univ. (A)	7:30						
Feb 23	Navy	2:00						
HOCKEY			WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK			WOMEN'S BASKETBALL		
Nov 10	Upsala	7:30	Dec 8	Montclair State	1:30	Nov 26	Iona (A)	7:30
Nov 14	Iona	7:00	Jan 26	Connecticut, Albany, Fitchburg (A)	1:00	28	Manhattanville	4:00
Nov 17	Norwich (A)	7:00	Feb 2	West Point Invitational	1:00	30	Cortland (A)	6:00
Nov 21	Lowell (A)	7:30	Mar 23	State AIAW (A)	1:00	Dec 3	Sacred Heart (A)	7:00
Nov 24	Union	7:30	Mar 1-2	Eastern AIAW (A)		4	Bergen County Community College	5:00
Nov 28	Bridgewater State	7:00				6	Marist (A)	6:00
Dec 1	Cortland (A)	2:00				8	St. John's (A)	6:00
Dec 5	Connecticut (A)	7:30				10	Fairleigh Dickinson	4:30
Dec 8	Middlebury (A)	7:00				Jan 2-12	University of Alabama, University of Kansas, Lamar, University of Miami, Edinboro St (A)	
Dec 11	Williams	7:00				16	Siena (A)	6:00
Jan 3	St. Nick's	7:00				19	Manhattan	6:00
5-6	Holy Cross, Framingham, Bryant - Holy Cross Tournament (A)					21	C. W. Post (A)	7:00
7	Boston State College (A)					23	Fordham (A)	6:00
9	Framingham	7:00				26	Immaculata	2:00
12	Bryant	7:30				29	Scranton	4:00
16	Boston State College	7:00				31	Cornell (A)	7:00
19	Merrimac	7:00				Feb 2	Trenton (A)	2:00
23	New England	7:00				4	East Stroudsburg	4:00
26	RMC					6	Yale	4:00
29	Westfield	7:00				9	Syracuse (A)	5:45
Feb 1	CMR	7:00				12	New York Tech	7:00
6	Babson	7:00				16	Boston College (A)	1:00
8	Salem State (A)	7:30				17	Boston University (A)	2:00
9	St. Anselms (A)	7:30				19	Union College	4:00
15	Oswego	7:00				20	Montclair	7:30
16	American International College	7:30				22-23	NYSIAIW	
20	Univ. of New Haven	7:30				28—		
23	Boston College	7:30				Mar 1	Eastern AIAW Regionals	
26	Hamilton (A)	7:00				14-15	AIAW Nationals	
RIFLE			WOMEN'S SWIMMING			WRESTLING		
Nov 24	North Carolina State	1:00	Nov 14	Ithaca	7:00	Nov 29	Cornell	4:00
Dec 8	Norwich Invitational (A)	7:00	Nov 17	Wellesley (A)	Noon	Dec 2	Lafayette Invita- tional (A)	12:00 AM
Jan 19	St. John's University	1:00	Nov 30	LaSalle (A)	6:30	4	Yale	4:00
26	RMC		Dec 8	Montclair State (A)	2:00	8	Princeton, Springfield Massachusetts	1:00
Feb 2	West Point Invitational	All Day	Jan 2-3	Rainbow Invitational (A)	All Day	11	Miami Dade Tournament (A)	4:00
9	William & Mary College	1:00	Jan 19	Syracuse (A)	4:30	27-30		
16	Penn State, West Virginia, Ohio State (A)	8:00 AM	Jan 23	Wellesley	7:00	Jan 8	Colgate (A)	8:00
23	Navy (A)		Jan 26	Fordham	4:30	10	Purdue (A)	
Mar 1	Sectionals	1:00	Feb 2	Adelphi, Seton Hall Hartwick, William Smith (A)	4:30	12	Middle Tennessee, Ohio State, Notre Dame (A)	
8	MIT, Lehigh	1:00	Feb 9		2:00	19	Lafayette—Penn (A)	
PISTOL					4:30	25-26	New York State Tournament (A)	
Nov 3	New Jersey Institute of Technology (A)	10:00 AM			All Day	29	Rider (A)	7:00
10	University of Virginia	10:00 AM				Feb 2	Lehigh (A)	3:00
Jan 19	Nassau County Police	1:00				5	New York St. Maritime Coast Guard Academy	4:00
26	RMC					9	University of Maryland	
Feb 2	University of Virginia (A)	10:00 AM				16	Columbia	2:00
9	Coast Guard Academy	1:00				23	Rutgers—Bucknell— Univ of Connecticut (A)	1:00
16	Boston State, Air Force, MIT	1:00				Mar 23	Navy (A)	
23	Navy	1:00				Mar 1-2	EIWA (A)	
Mar 8	Sectionals	1:00				13-15	NCAA Tournament (A)	
Apr 1	Nassau County Police (A)	TBA						

(A) Away



President John Adams Speaks Again to Cadets

A bit of history repeated itself on Sunday, 9 September 1979 and is scheduled to be repeated in 2021.

The 80 West Point cadets who marched in the Constitution Bicentennial Parade in Quincy, Massachusetts, were invited to a picnic at the Adams Mansion—just like a similar group which visited the mansion in 1821.

The cadets at the 1821 visit had a picnic breakfast with John Adams and heard a speech by the 85-year-old ex-president. That talk is believed to be Adams' last public address. He died in 1826.

Louisa Catherine Adams, wife of President John Quincy Adams, described the day as follows:

"We were all up at six and the Tables were spread with refreshments—Three Tables were spread in the Paddock between the Stables and the House with Hams Tongues Beef Cheese, bread, crackers, Coffee Chocolate, Limonade, and Punch. In the long room there were Tables for the Officers and company — An Awning was spread over the heads of the Cadets and the multitude were scattered in every direction forming the most picturesque view you can imagine.

"The Corps marched up very handsomely and formed in lines within the yard—When my father had received them with the usual compliments the Staff mounted on the Piazza and silence was ordered when he addressed them in a very good speech which he had written the day previous he spoke in a manner which astonished and gratified all who heard. He was considerably agitated at the commencement but his voice became stronger every moment and he was distinctly heard by the greater part of the company. The exertion was too great for him to make and I confess I was under the greatest apprehension lest he should be overcome by the effort—After it was over I enjoyed myself very much and was enchanted by the band who made sweet and excellent music such as ears innured to melody could enjoy and admire. The breakfast seemed to be welcomed with glee by our young visitants round whose tables I strolled with my Sons to seek out my acquaintance two of whom I made a point of speaking to one a son of Mr. Wirt and the other of W. Lee. There are many fine young men among them and they all do honor to the Institution — It would indeed be a disgrace to our Congress to destroy a school so every way calculated to do honour to the Nation and to it in a case of need; and to show the World that in peace we can remain quiet but that a War will call forth the Lives of West Point to convince them that we fear nothing and can maintain our rights whenever we find them invaded or insulted. They paired off to take leave of the reverend Sage and passed him in military procession then formed in the field opposite the house and went through their different evolutions with considerable elegance and dexterity — The discipline is severe and the Major appears to have entire command of his men as well as their affections—"

Sunday's bill of fare (1979) was almost a duplication of the 1821 meal. Roast beef, ham, chicken, bread and butter, cupcakes, coffee and over six gallons of punch were consumed by the 80 cadets.

John Adams' speech was repeated Sunday by his great,

Our Association membership of 26,862 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

great, great-grandson, Charles Francis Adams, Chairman of the Board of Raytheon Corporation. It reads:

"My Young Fellow-Citizens and Fellow-Soldiers —

"I rejoice that I live to see so fine a collection of the future defenders of their country in pursuit of honor under the auspices of the national government.

"A desire of distinction is implanted by nature in every human bosom, and the general sense of mankind, in all ages and countries, cultivated and uncultivated, has excited, encouraged, and applauded this passion in military men more than in any other order of society. Military glory is esteemed the first and greatest of glories. As your profession is at least as solemn and sacred as any in human life, it behooves you seriously to consider, *what is glory?*

"There is no real glory in this world or any other but such as arises from wisdom and benevolence. There can be no solid glory among men but that which springs from equity and humanity; from the constant observance of prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. Battles, victories, and conquests, abstracted from their only justifiable object and end, which is justice and peace, are the glory of fraud, violence, and usurpation. What was the glory of Alexander and Caesar? 'The Glimmering' which those 'livid flames' in Milton 'cast, pale and dreadful,' or the 'sudden blaze,' which 'far round illumin'd Hell.'

"Different—far different is the glory of Washington and his faithful colleagues! Excited by no ambition of conquest or avaricious desire of wealth; irritated by no jealousy, envy, malice, or revenge; prompted only by the love of their country, by the purest patriotism and philanthropy, they persevered, with invincible constancy, in defence of their country, her fundamental laws, her natural, essential and inalienable rights and liberties, against the lawless and ruthless violence of tyranny and usurpation. The biography of these immortal captains, and the history of their great actions, you will read and ruminate night and day. You need not investigate antiquity, or travel into foreign countries, to find models of excellence in military commanders, without a strain of ambition or avarice, tyranny, cruelty, or oppression towards friends or enemies.

"In imitation of such great examples, in the most transports of your military ardor, even in the day of battle, you will be constantly overawed by a conscious sense of the dignity of your characters as men, as American citizens, and as Christians.

"I congratulate you on the great advantages you possess for attaining eminence in letters and science, as well as in arms. These advantages are a precious deposit, which you ought to consider as a sacred trust, for which you are responsible to your country and to a higher tribunal. These advantages, and the habits you have acquired, will qualify you for any course of life you may choose to pursue.

"That I may not fatigue you with too many words, allow me to address every one of you in the language of a Roman dictator to his master of the horse, after a daring and dangerous exploit for the safety of his country,

'Macte virtute esto.'

In a report of the 1979 visit by the Officer in Charge he said in part: "I was proud to be associated with Company G-2 representing the Corps of Cadets. They represented the Academy in exemplary fashion. It was very gratifying and encouraging to see the way West Point Cadets were received and welcomed by the local community. . . Laudatory comments and applause greeted the cadets everywhere they went. It was almost embarrassing to be applauded for just walking down the street."

First Black First Captain

The Corps of Cadets for the first time is led by a black cadet. Cadet Vincent K. Brooks, son of an Army General from Fort Lee, Virginia, has been named First Captain and Brigade Commander of the 4,338-strong cadet corps.

In another first at West Point, two of Brooks' women classmates from the class of 1980 were named to the permanent staff of cadet captains for the 1979-80 academic year. Cadet Kathy Gerard, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, was named Brigade Executive Officer, and Cadet Kathryn Ann Wiley, Spokane, Washington, was selected Cadet Activities Officer.

Brooks described himself as being "very excited and honored" to hold the number one position in the cadet corps. Brooks has a right to be proud, as he has been preceded by such names as Robert E. Lee, (1829); John J. Pershing, (1886); and Douglas MacArthur, (1903).

The 20 year-old Brooks, who witnessed his brother's graduation from West Point in June, said his job is "to help the Commandant run the Corps of Cadets; I'm his contact with the Corps."

He said one of his immediate goals as First Captain is to unify the cadets. Brooks plans to do this by building the

esprit of the Corps during the football season. "If we have a good season or not, the football season seems to be the unifying factor," he said.

Brooks plans on following his father's footsteps and making the Army his career. He would like to be a rifle platoon leader in the Infantry upon pinning on his second lieutenant bars next May. Why Infantry? He said, "My understanding is that Infantry is a good branch because of the relations you have with people and it is a good springboard for other services."

The new First Captain credits his brother, who was a regimental commander last year at West Point, and his father, for influencing his decision to come to West Point. It was General Brooks' birthday when the younger Brooks called him with news of being selected Brigade Commander.

Brooks' class was the first class in West Point's history to have women in its ranks. To Brooks and many of his classmates, the "fuss" over the women in the Corps is hard at times to understand and Brooks will be glad when all the attention is over. He said, however, the attention especially from the press, will follow the Class of '80 even after graduation.

Brooks is quick to downplay the fact that he is the first black First Captain of the Corps of Cadets and he points out that the Military Academy will not select a person for such a position because of color.

Henry O. Flipper, class of 1877, was the first black to graduate from West Point. He was not, however, the first black to be admitted into West Point. Three preceded Flipper, but were separated, as many of their white classmates were, because of deficiencies in math, philosophy and French.

Since Flipper, over 330 blacks have graduated from the Military Academy and there are over 219 currently enrolled.

Whatever Brooks decides to do after graduation, it is apparent he has big shoes to fill. If comments from his classmates and officers are an indicator, he will have no trouble at all.

Plebe Classes at Service Academies Include Sons and Daughters of USMA Graduates (Fathers names are in parentheses)

USMA:

- 1942—Michael C. Pendergrast (J.R. Pendergrast)
- 1946—James R. Hopkins (P.B. Hopkins Jr.), Hal D. Jungerheld (W.S. Jungerheld).
- 1948—Ann M. Bratton (J.K. Bratton), Michael F. Brennan (J.W. Brennan), James M. Schless (W.F. Schless).
- 1949—John W. Driscoll (A.R. Driscoll Jr.), Gregg L. Gerometta (A.L. Gerometta), James C. McIntyre (K.E. McIntyre), John L. O'Brien (R.T. O'Brien).
- 1950—Thomas C. Loper II (T.C. Loper).
- 1951—Paul T. Lukert (E.P. Lukert Jr.).
- 1952—Mark H. Ayers (T.D. Ayers), John P. Hains (P.C. Hains), William G. Jones, (W.G. Jones).
- 1953—Joel M. Johnson (J.E. Johnson), Peter J. Martin (J.F. Martin*).
- 1954—Stephen B. Epling (W.Y. Epling), Samuel M. Mathews III (S.M. Mathews Jr.), Joanna M. Snyder (Q.C. Snyder).
- 1955—James E. Drummond Jr. (J.E. Drummond), Michele T. Jackson (R.A. Jackson), Kenneth J. Massey (C. Massey Jr.), James F. Torrence (J.E. Torrence*).
- 1956—Jefferson M. Curl (R.L. Curl), Eric R. Fox (E. Fox), Gregory H. Little (D.C. Little Jr.), Wayne G. Richardson (G.A. Richardson), Steven M. Root (R.A. Root), Michael P. Woods (G.J. Woods).
- 1957—John R. Daluga (R.B. Daluga), Austin S. Miller (A.E. Miller), John W. Pocock (J.A. Pocock), Thomas G. Scholtes (R.A. Scholtes), Henry J. Schumacher II (H.J. Schumacher), John R. Wilkinson (J.C. Wilkinson).
- 1958—Kevin P. Bons (P.M. Bons), Robert G. Finkenauer III (R.G. Finkenauer Jr.), Dale E. Hruby II (D.E. Hruby),



Cadet Vincent Brooks, Cadet First Captain

Todd A. Kulik (F.W. Kulik), Edward B. Lucci (E.J. Lucci), Will G. Merrill III (W.G. Merrill Jr.), Daniel W. Peck (J.W. Peck).

1959—Lynn M. Burwell (J.M. Burwell), Bruce W. Hilmes (J.B. Hilmes), Gary D. Langford (O.L. Langford), Kathleen M. Medaris (J.B. Medaris Jr.), Alan B. Phillips Jr. (A.B. Phillips), Michael T. Sullivan (J.H. Sullivan), James E. Walsh III (J.E. Walsh Jr.), Eric S. Williams (D.B. Williams).

1960—Michael S. Chapman (D.C. Chapman), Fletcher H. Griffis III (F.H. Griffis Jr.), Robert J. Plummer (M.T. Plummer), Mark W. Healy (R.W. Healy Jr.), William M. Raymond Jr. (W.M. Raymond), William F. Willoughby (W.H. Willoughby Jr.).

1962—Timothy J. Rushatz (A.S. Rushatz).

1965—Christian E. Oviatt (J.K. Swensson**).

USNA:

1952—James J. Wright (K.K. Knutson**).

1954—Richard J. O'Brien (G.F. O'Brien).

1960—Kent A. Richeson (A.K. Richeson).

USAFA:

1952—William T. Horn (W.L. Horn).

1953—Robert S. Englehart (J.R. Englehart), Stephen M. Schaeffer (H.S. Schaeffer), James J. Wilkerson (F.S. Wilkerson).

1954—David B. Garwood (R.K. Garwood), John A. Wisniewski (J.A. Wisniewski).

1955—David D. Carrington (W.M. Carrington), Ronald C. Wiegand (R.D. Wiegand).

1957—Craig H. Smyser Jr (C.H. Smyser), Clayton E. Wittman (C.E. Whitman).

1958—Sean M. Stilson (V.M. Stilson).

1959—Kit O. Boyd (D.D. Boyd), Maria A. Krawciw (N. Krawciw), James H. Taylor (J.W. Taylor).

1960—Robert E. Barnett Jr (R.E. Barnett***).

* Deceased

** Stepfather

*** Ex-Cadet

Princeton Confers Honorary Degree on Superintendent

ANDREW JACKSON GOODPASTER

Doctor of Laws

Superintendent, United States Military Academy at West Point. United States Military Academy (B.S. 1939); Princeton University (M.S.E., M.A. 1949; Ph.D 1950).

"As citizen soldier, counselor to presidents, and far-sighted educator, he has served his country with courage and wisdom. A decade ago, he helped to heal a nation under stress by his insistence on our shared national goals and by his persistence in maintaining reasoned discourse; today his sensitive leadership of West Point brings renewed vigor and accord to that venerable institution. Constant in commitment to the highest ideals of the republic, our distinguished graduate alumnus has shown by his example that integrity and service are firm pillars of our nation's strength."

Burials at West Point Cemetery

Some questions from graduates concerning burials at West Point have been raised from time to time. In order to keep graduates and relatives informed the following information concerning burials has been provided by the Deputy Chief of Staff Logistics USMA who is charged with responsibility for burials at West Point.

1. Burials in the West Point Cemetery are restricted to the remains of:

a. A graduate of the United States Military Academy, provided he also:

(1) Served in the United States Corps of Cadets as a

United States citizen, was also a citizen at time of death, and subsequent service in the Armed Forces of the United States, if any, terminated honorably, or

(2) Served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and such service terminated honorably, or

(3) Served during time of war in the Armed Forces of a nation allied with the United States during such war, provided he was a United States citizen at the time of entry into such service, at time of death, and provided such military service terminated honorably.

b. Members of the Armed Forces of the United States, including member cadets, who are on active duty at USMA at time of death.

c. Members of the Armed Forces of the United States who were on active duty at USMA at time of retirement or whose last duty station was USMA at time of retirement or whose last duty station was USMA prior to retirement for physical disability.

d. The wife, husband, widow, widower, minor child and dependent unmarried child (including those who have never been married, widows, widowers, and divorcees) of eligible persons as enumerated above. Persons who, at the time of their death, are dependents of active duty military personnel assigned to the United States Military Academy are also eligible for burial. The dependent unmarried adult child at the time of death must have been incapable of self-support because of a physical or mental condition, and must have been receiving over one half of his or her support from the service-connected parent or surviving spouse, or, must have been receiving such support prior to the death of the parents, and by reason of their death was receiving such support from some other source up until the time of death. Eligibility of wife or husband, established in this paragraph, is terminated by divorce. Likewise, eligibility of widow or widower, established by this paragraph, is terminated by remarriage to a non-eligible person.

2. A grave site will be assigned only when the next of kin (or legal representative if there is no next of kin) of an eligible person requests burial in the West Point Cemetery. Between 0800 and 1630, Eastern Time, requests for burial should be directed to the Supply and Services Division ODCSLOG, USMA (914) 938-2504 or (914) 938-3211. Between 1630 and 0800 daily, on weekends and holidays requests for burial should be directed to the Post Duty Officer, (914) 938-3500. Requests for burial received after 1630 daily, or on weekends or holidays will be confirmed with the next of kin on the following duty day. All questions concerning interment should be directed to the Supply & Service Division during normal duty hours. When accepting requests for burial or any other activity dealing with the interment of remains the Supply and Services Division and Post Duty Officer will deal only with next of kin.

3. When funeral arrangements for a graduate or his spouse have been finalized, the Supply and Services Division will notify AOG who in turn will notify the graduate's class president.

Honor Committee—New Procedures Ratified

The Corps of Cadets last May ratified the Cadet Honor Committee's decision to change the procedures used by the Honor Committee to investigate and resolve alleged cadet violations of the Honor Code.

Previous procedures, instituted during academic year 1976-1977, proved to be extremely complex, cumbersome, overly legalistic and unfairly time consuming. The committee and Corps determined that these procedures no longer met their needs and would not expeditiously resolve alleged violations.

The new procedures attempt to streamline honor investigations by eliminating redundant, time consuming processing steps and by modifying the Full Honor Board. The Full Honor Board will become the Full Honor Investigative Hearing (FHIH) a nonadversarial, fact finding hearing. Its purpose is to find the truth of the matter and to determine whether or not the respondent cadet did, in fact, violate the Honor Code.

The significant aspect of the nonadversarial type procedure

is that the 12 cadet members of the FHIH (four members of the Honor Committee and two from each class of the Corps at large) must assume the full responsibility for finding the truth. They can no longer rely upon the government recorder and respondent's defense counsel to present them with the truth.

It is envisioned that the present procedures will enhance Corps participation and rekindle Corps-wide support for the Honor System. The procedural changes will have no effect whatsoever on the wording or the meaning of the Honor Code. The new procedures became effective 1 July 79 upon approval by the Superintendent.

USMA Visiting Professors, Academic Year 1979-80

USMA Department	Professor	School	Position
Behavioral Science and Leadership	Dr. Douglas T. Hall	Northwestern University	Earl Dean Howard, Professor of Organizational Behavior
	Dr. Francine S. Hall	Northwestern University	Associate Dean, The Evening Division
Chemistry	Dr. Edward Stockham	Rochester Institute of Technology	Associate Professor of Chemistry; Director, School of Health Related Professions
Engineering	Dr. John V. Perry	Texas A&M	Professor, Mechanical Engineering
English	Dr. William Barrett	New York University	Professor of Philosophy
Foreign Languages	Dr. Byron D. Cannon	University of Utah	Director of Graduate Studies, Middle East Center
History	Dr. Warren Hassler	Penn State	Professor of History
Mathematics	Dr. Carroll O. Wilde	Naval Post Graduate School	Chairman, Department of Mathematics
Mechanics	Dr. Charles Taylor	University of Illinois	Assistant Dean of Engineering
Physics	Dr. Howard E. Carr	Auburn University	Professor and Head, Department of Physics
Social Sciences	Dr. Judith Sabrosky	Gallaudet College	Assistant Professor, Department of Government
Dean	Mr. Gene Preston	State Department	Foreign Service Officer
	Dr. H. Bradley Sagen	University of Iowa	Professor of Higher Education

Hoff Appointed to Corps of Professors

Colonel Wilford J. Hoff Jr. has been appointed to USMA's unique Corps of Professors and made Head of the Department of Chemistry.

Hoff was graduated from The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, in 1950 where he earned a B.S. in chemistry. He attended Princeton University from 1953-56 where he earned both his M.A. and Ph.D. in chemistry. Hoff originally was commissioned in the Infantry but in 1952 transferred to the Chemical Corps.

He has served 20 of his 29 years of service here. From 1958-62 he was an instructor and assistant Professor in the Department of Physics and Chemistry. In 1963 he was selected as a Permanent Associate Professor. From 1966 to 1977 he served as Deputy Head of the Department of Chemistry. Since 1977 he has served as acting Department Head and was appointed Professor of Chemistry in 1978.

His military awards include the Bronze Star with V, Purple Heart with one oak leaf cluster and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Subscriptions to Assembly and Register Drop

The following represents the percentage of living graduates in each class, as of 30 September 1979, who have subscribed to ASSEMBLY for 1979-1980 (includes December 79, March 80, June 80 and September 80 issues). Those marked with an asterisk are below the rate for last year at this time. Rates for the REGISTER are also lower than last year.

Class	% Subs.	Class	% Subs.	Class	% Subs.	Class	% Subs.
1899	100	1922	83	1941	62	1959	60
1905	33	*1923	78	1942	61	*1960	56
1906	100	1924	74	Jan 43	62	*1961	54
1907	100	1925	83	*Jun 43	64	*1962	55
*1909	80	1926	86	1944	54	*1963	55
1910	75	*1927	83	*1945	54	*1964	61
1911	67	*1928	65	*1946	53	*1965	52
*1912	64	1929	82	*1947	60	*1966	56
*1913	56	*1930	78	*1948	67	*1967	56
1914	75	*1931	79	*1949	61	*1968	52
*1915	75	*1932	75	*1950	58	*1969	59
*1916	78	1933	74	1951	61	*1970	51
Apr 17	88	1934	81	*1952	60	*1971	52
Aug 17	70	1935	80	*1953	55	*1972	47
Jun 18	84	1936	74	*1954	54	*1973	42
*Nov 18	82	1937	72	1955	62	*1974	44
1919	76	*1938	71	*1956	58	*1975	42
1920	90	1939	70	*1957	57	*1976	39
*1921	78	1940	68	*1958	59	*1977	38
						*1978	43

The average rate for all classes as of 30 September last year was 59%; this year it is 57%.

The Class of 1979 is not included above since its members receive a one-year free subscription to ASSEMBLY and REGISTER if they join the Association of Graduates as life members—94% of them joined on graduation.

We are asking you to reach and convince your classmates that a subscription to ASSEMBLY and REGISTER will help your class and the USMA Association of Graduates. We need more subscriptions especially this year when paper and printing costs have risen way beyond our projection of a year ago. We have instituted a number of economies but can do no more in this area. Our only hope for a break-even in 1979-80 is an increase in subscriptions. Won't you help?

Court Rules in Favor of USMA Instructor

A Federal District Court issued a ruling last week that apparently favors a USMA assistant professor who had tendered his resignation.

Major Peter P. Wallace, formerly with the Department of Social Sciences, sued the Army following a disagreement over his service obligation stemming from two periods of graduate civilian schooling.

As an Olmsted scholar, Wallace attended the University of Paris from 1972 until 1974 and American University in Washington, D.C. from 1974 until 1975.

Army personnel officials said that Wallace's case was unique and that very few, if any, other officers would be potentially affected by the court decision. The case was decided primarily on the specifics of Wallace's service obligation, rather than far-ranging aspects of existing Army regulations.

Service commitment for the Olmsted scholarship program is three days for every one day of education.

The Army's earlier contention in denying Wallace's unqualified resignation was that his attendance at American University was a continuation of a single course pursuant to the Olmsted Scholar program. Wallace held that two separate programs were involved and that service obligations should be computed separately. Wallace had fulfilled obligations by his computations.

The actual court order was a writ of habeas corpus which directed the Army to release the former instructor "from custody." At press time litigations in this matter were not complete, although Wallace has departed West Point. He has indicated an intention to attend Harvard Law School.

In the court's "Finding of Fact and Conclusions of Law," Judge Constance Baker Motley ruled that the Army failed to procure in writing an agreement on Wallace's part with respect to his service obligation (as is required for fellowships, scholarships or grants). Further, orders assigning him to the two schools were "ambiguous and contradictory."

The Army intends to pursue an appeal.

Army Secretary Approves Cadet's Separation

Separation from the Military Academy without a commission was the punishment approved by Army Secretary Clifford Alexander for the last of ten cadets investigated this summer for the possession of marijuana in the cadet parking lot May 18.

Of the 10 members of the Class of 1979 whose cases were referred to officer boards for suspected marijuana possession, four were cleared of criminal involvement in time to graduate with their class on 6 June. Three more were cleared following graduation and these cadets graduated five to eight days after their classmates.

Three cadets were ultimately found guilty of possessing marijuana. Two were given suspended "suspensions" and were permitted to graduate last month after a period of duty in which they were required to demonstrate exemplary performance.

Alexander's decision to separate the third and final cadet closes out the incident which began last May when the Superintendent received information indicating that marijuana was being kept in cadet automobiles. The resulting search by narcotic detection dogs ultimately netted ten cars found to contain either small amounts of marijuana or related paraphernalia.

In commenting recently on the case in his annual address to the staff and faculty, the Superintendent stated emphatically that "drugs and their users have no place at West Point. . . . If it becomes necessary to do that (inspect the parking lots) again, we will do it.

"We are deadly serious about this . . . drug use will simply not be tolerated."

"Turned Back" Cadets are "Turned Up"

Three original members of the Class of 1980 who were turned back to the Class of 1981 are back with their classmates once more.

This unexpected occurrence, in which the cadets—John Hilliard, Chris Allen and Rick McCaughey—were "turned up," reversing their earlier "turn backs," came partially as a result of the curriculum changes that affected the Class of 1981. As a result of a greater course load as yearlings and the summer term academic program, these turned back cadets had the opportunity to catch up to within one course of their former classmates.

It was this possibility that led Hilliard to the Dean's office to see if he could be put back with the Class of 1980. A study was conducted of 19 members of the Class of 1981 who could have possibly rejoined the Class of 1980.

Their possibilities varied from cadet to cadet. The courses of action ranged from remaining with the Class of 1981, to graduating in December 1980, to becoming firsties in June 1980 and graduating then, or even of returning to the class now. McCaughey, Hilliard and Allen were offered the opportunity to become First Classmen now.

The offer to graduate with their original class was also extended to several members of the Class of 1979 who were turned back to the Class of 1980; and five who accepted were approved by the Academic Board for a December 1979 graduation.

Job Opening—Consulting Psychologist

Doctorate in counseling psychology, organizational/industrial behavior or related psychological field.

Must be eligible for licensure as psychologist in Minnesota.

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USMA Associate Professors (Mathematics) Sought

The Superintendent has appointed a committee to screen applicants and recommend the appointment of two permanent Associate Professors for the Department of Mathematics. One position involves the direction of advanced programs of undergraduate study, counseling cadets enrolled in those programs and teaching those elective offerings that support the program. The second position involves the direction and development of upper-division electives in the study sequence for mathematics concentrators. In addition to relevant academic qualifications, the committee will also consider military experience and other evidence of leadership ability. Applicants must be willing to pursue mathematics, applied mathematics, or ORSA studies toward a PhD, if one has not already been earned.

Applicants with more than 15 years of service as of May 1980 must have completed the PhD by that date.

Any officer interested in applying for this position may obtain application information by contacting Major R. Craig Ham, Selection Committee Secretary (Mathematics), Office of the Dean, USMA, West Point, New York 10996 by 15 December 1979.

Associate Professor Sought

The Superintendent has appointed a committee to select a military officer to serve as a Permanent Associate Professor in the Office of the Assistant Dean for Academic Research/Science Research Laboratory. Applicants should have a doctoral degree in an academic discipline associated with the USMA curriculum. The individual should have demonstrated ability to establish and carry out a research program as evidenced by publication and by presentations at conferences and meetings of learned societies. Evidence of having obtained grant support from funding agencies outside of USMA is highly desirable. In addition to pursuing research, the officer will work with Academic departments as guest lecturer, cadet research advisor, etc.

Any officer interested in applying should request application information from Captain John K. Robertson, Science Research Laboratory, USMA, West Point, New York 10996 (914-938-3739 or autovon 688-3739) by 10 December 1979.

Cadet Glee Club

Colonel Ajon Farber, Omaha, Nebraska, recently stated that he was "trying to figure out how to bring the West Point Glee Club to Omaha for the Washington birthday weekend in 1980." From the Officer-in-Charge of the Cadet Glee Club the following information is provided about "What a host sponsor of the Glee Club should know."

The Cadet Glee Club tries to perform wherever a host sponsor is available, able to pay for transportation costs, and to provide meals and lodging during their stay (normally done

by local families). Trips are usually taken over a weekend (Fri-Sun) and 2 or 3 concerts are scheduled during that period to help minimize transportation costs. When the concert location is beyond bus range, commercial air must be used and this could mean a financial commitment on the part of the sponsor of between \$4,000-\$5,000. The Glee Club has found that travel by military aircraft is no longer feasible nor dependable due to scheduling restrictions.

DA restricts Active Army support of fund raising events to federated and joint campaigns recognized by the Federal Services Fund Raising Program. Campaigns so recognized include the Community Chest and the United Fund. Exceptions to this policy may be granted on a case by case basis. An admission fee may be charged for a concert, but the receipts must not exceed incurred concert costs. Local corporate sponsorship of concerts is permissible as long as the performance is not used for endorsement of products or services by the Glee Club, the USMA, or the Army.

The Glee Club normally travels with 60-70 members, which include "The Headliners" folk group and "The Mixed Ensemble," a group of male and female cadets.

Timing is a key factor. The Glee Club schedule is normally put together and approved prior to the start of the academic year. This year's schedule is almost complete (other than Spring Leave, 1980, and Washington's Birthday Weekend, 1980), and consequently early planning for 1980-1981 would be essential. If you are interested in more information on the Cadet Glee Club, the present OIC is Major Doug McKenna, Department of History, 914-938-4618/3221.

Don't feel that you must arrange all the stops on a particular trip—that is done here by the OIC once he knows of an existing interest and a potential sponsor in a particular location.

USMAPS Enters Thirty-Fourth Year

This year the United States Military Academy Prep School Cadet candidates will enter a new environment. The barracks, recreation and academic areas at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, have been renovated and refurbished for the USMAPS Class of 1979-1980. Open bay living has been replaced by two person rooms, furnished with study desks and wardrobes. This year's USMAPS Class, totaling 321 members, includes 160 Enlisted Reserve soldiers and 161 soldiers of the Regular Army. Sixty-three minority cadet candidates (38 Blacks, 8 Mexican Americans, 4 Puerto Ricans, 5 Orientals, 1 Jamaican, and 7 others) began the academic year. Thirty-five women and 51 potential varsity athletes were also among those joining this year's class.

For the first time, in response to a May 1979 DA recommendation, the Enlisted Reserve members of the class did not undergo formal basic training. Instead a two week orientation conducted at Fort Monmouth has been substituted. This special orientation program was conducted by the Department of Military Training under the watchful eyes of Major Steve Grove, the Tactical Officers, TAC NCOs, and three Drill Sergeants from Fort Dix.

The challenges of academics, athletics and physical aptitude face these cadet candidates for the next ten months as they seek a common goal—an appointment to West Point.

Candidate Daily Tours

There are several Cadet Public Relations Council programs operational or upcoming that you should know about. The Daily Tour Program, Monday through Saturday, September to May, is open to any high school student seeking information about West Point as a college choice. Appointments are required two weeks in advance to allow selection of appropriate cadet escorts and to preclude overcrowding of facilities. Information and appointments can be made by calling 914-938-2455 or AUTOVON 688-2455.

Candidate Overnight Visits

The Overnight Visit Program is for admissible/admitted candidates, and provides a 24 hour live-in experience in the cadet area. Because this is a restricted program, prospects should contact, or be referred by the field force to, the appropriate Admissions Officer. This program operates from September through April. Any days are acceptable for visits under this program; however, to minimize loss of school attendance, Friday-Saturday or Sunday-Monday visits are recommended. Overnight visitors are responsible for travel to and from West Point, but while here, room and board are provided. This program requires three to four weeks advance notice, in writing, to respective Admissions Officers.

Herbert Joins AOG Staff

Colonel Morris J. Herbert, who has been Chief of Alumni Affairs and Gifts Program Division for the Military Academy since 1975, retired from the Army on 1 August 1979 and accepted a position as Director of Alumni Records, Information and Services and Secretary (DARIS) of the Association of Graduates. Colonel Herbert is a 1950 graduate of West Point, and served in Field Artillery and Air Defense Artillery during his active service.

General Hinds Donates Rifle

Brigadier General Sidney R. Hinds, USMA '20, responded to the advertisement in the June issue of ASSEMBLY magazine and donated a Revolutionary War Hessian Jaeger Rifle to the West Point Museum. The rifle, which completes the Museum's collection of Revolutionary War weapons, was discovered in Northampton, Massachusetts. The caliber .68 rifle is one of two or three known copies, and is in excellent condition.

General Hinds, a gold medal winner in shooting at the 1924 Olympics, donated the Hessian Rifle to West Point in memory of his ancestor, John Waller, who fought with the 10th Virginia Regiment, the Continental Line, from 1777 through 1783. Sergeant Waller applied for a pension in 1819, at the age of 66. A pension of \$8.00 per month was approved in 1821, but Sergeant Waller died before receiving the first payment!

Library to Accept Royal Patent

The original 1723 Royal patent from King George I to Charles Congreve for more than 1,400 acres of land which is now part of West Point was presented to the Military Academy by Lieutenant General John W. Morris, Chief of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, in a ceremony in the USMA Library West Point Room.

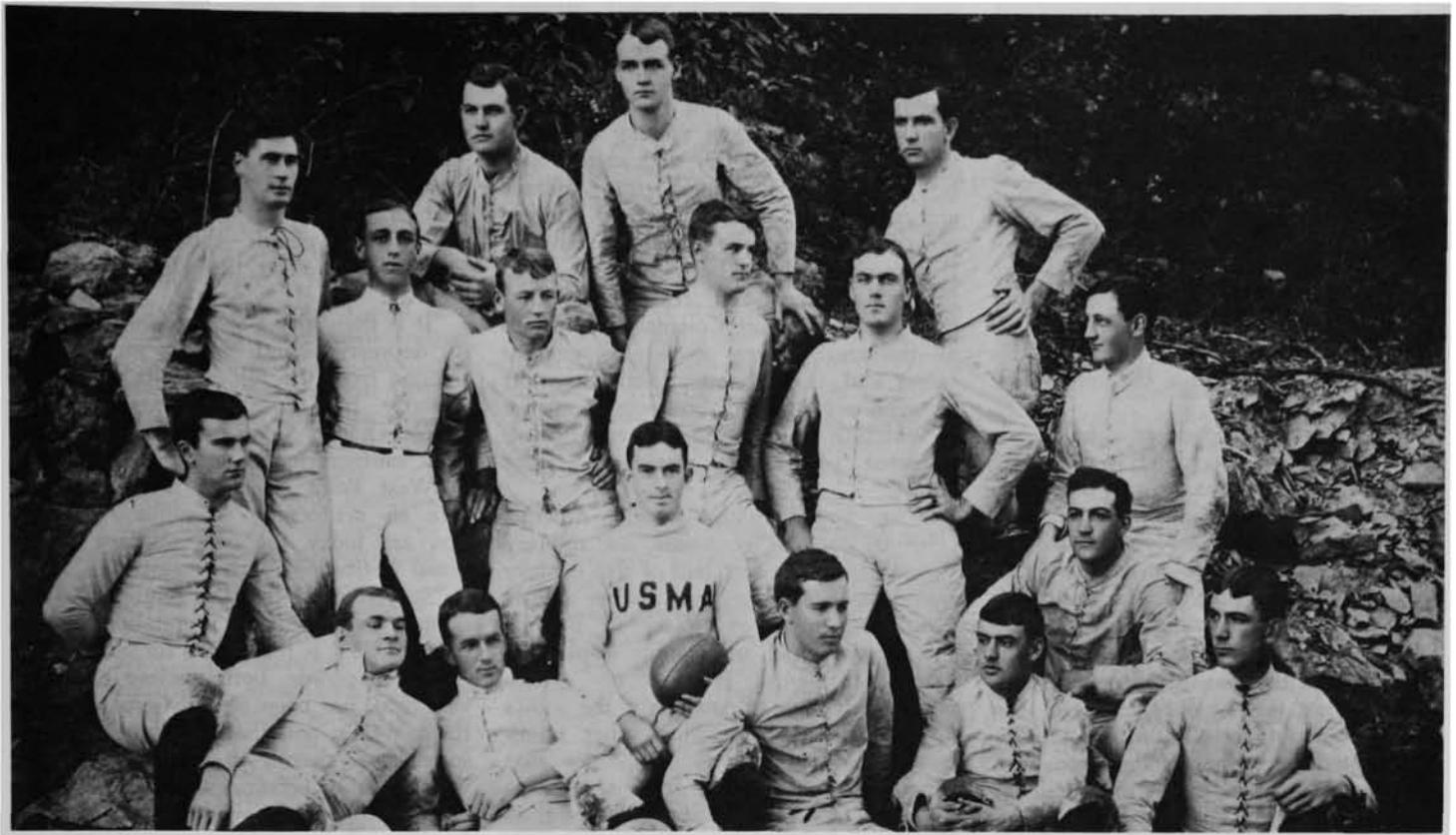
The patent, a sheepskin approximately four feet by four feet, was discovered among Department of the Army holding records by Army engineer personnel who were conducting an in-depth files research. The document, with King George I's seal still attached, was then forwarded to the National Archives for restoration.

Following the presentation, this vital link in the area's pre-Revolutionary War history will become part of the Military Academy's special collections.

Lost Art

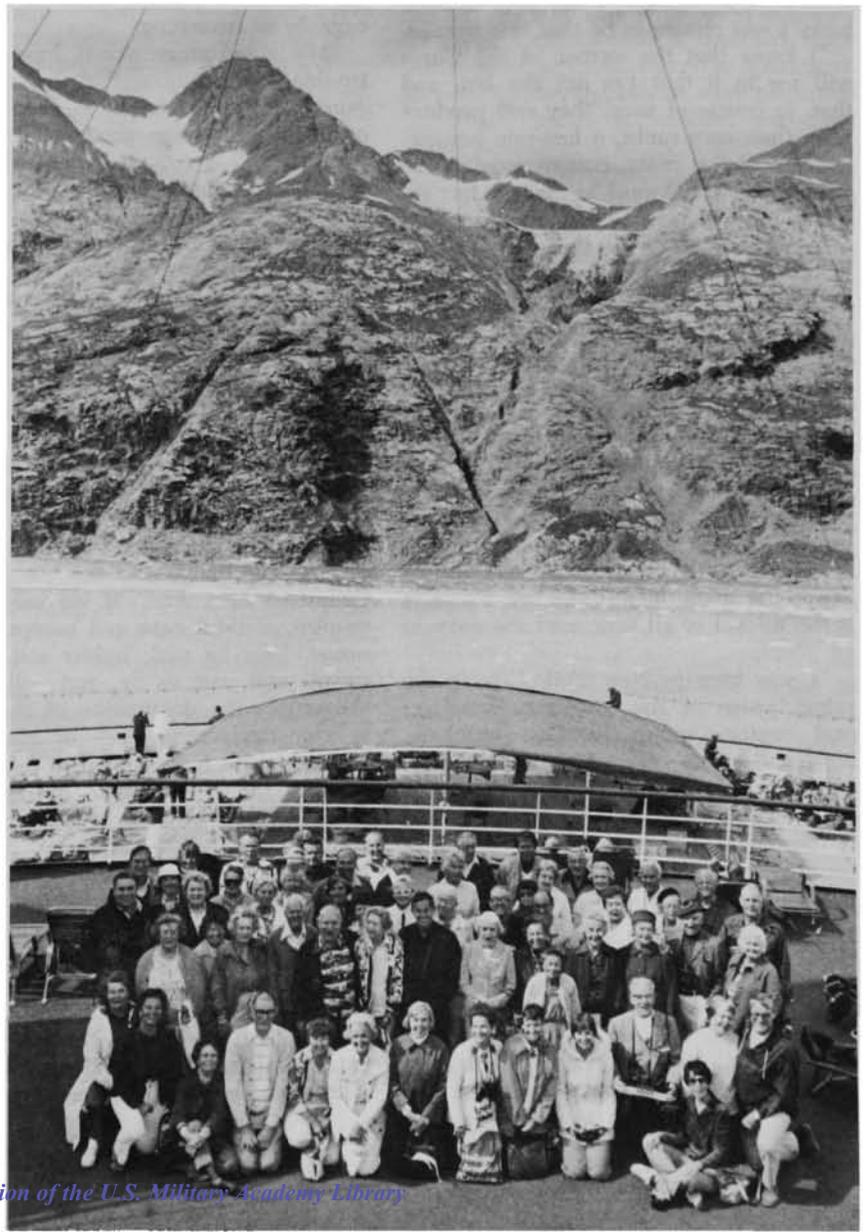
Recently the American Heritage Publishing Co. acquired a collection of lost Civil War art that one expert terms, "the most important discovery in this century." A USMA grad—William Cannon Rivers—Class of 1887—had most of these works stored in three trunks from 1915 to 1943 when the collection passed to his son. It was not until 1973 that his son's wife offered them for sale.

If any of you old grads have similar collections or artifacts which you suspect may be valuable, please consider donating these to USMA before they are forgotten.



Army Football Team 1891—Captain Michie with ball.

Sixty-six graduates, wives, widows and friends of West Point enjoyed another alumni cruise 18-25 August aboard the spacious S.S. **Veendam**—a 2000 mile trip through Alaska's beautiful inland passage with stops and tours at Ketchikan, Juneau and Sitka and a day cruising through the spectacular Glacier Bay.



Clare Boothe Luce

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A great cheer greeted Mrs. Luce when she stood to accept the scroll and medal. She then moved to the podium and addressed the Corps and guests saying:

"Everyone desires and needs the good opinions of others to be happy. I have sometimes lived for days on a sincere compliment. But nothing so nourishes our spirits as recognition by those we hold in highest esteem. I will thrive on this honor you have done me the rest of my days.

"But although it goes straight to my heart, I'm trying not to let it go to my head. I know I do not rate with the heroic figures who have been given the Sylvanus Thayer Award. I am a brave woman. But I am no heroine. I am nevertheless profoundly grateful to you for bestowing fame on me by association.

"I suspect that the fact that this is the first year that there are women in all four classes is not unrelated to my good fortune. No doubt the Graduates' Association wanted the women of the Corps who stay the course to know they will be welcomed, and no honors barred, to the officer class of the world's finest military professionals. And what better way to flag this message than to give the Thayer Award to a woman? I am just damned lucky I was chosen to be that first woman.

"I know that the women of the Corps will see to it that I'm not the last, and that, in course of time, they will produce from their own ranks, a first-rate heroine.

"Now at this point, custom requires the recipient of the Award to make a few remarks born of personal experience.

"Well, I don't want for experience of living. I have lived more than a third of all the years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence. It was the last third, in case you are wondering; and it has included all but three years of this century—the first three.

"The principal thing I've learned in my lifetime is that you and I, and all Americans are living in the best of all centuries, the best of all countries, and under the best of all forms of government.

"The material progress that the United States has made in just the last 50 years is the marvel of all ages, and the envy of all peoples.

"I was born in New York City in the prime years of the gas-light, woodbin, coal scuttle, pump handles, outhouse, horse-and-buggy era. My grandparents and parents believed like everyone else in my childhood that America was destined to become—in say a century or so, a country as great as any of the mighty powers of Europe.

"My grandfather, who owned the largest livery stable in Hoboken, was absolutely certain that in another decade there would be two horses and carriages in every man's stable.

"But certain tho' my grandfather was of progress, he would have sent for the

horse-drawn booby-wagon if someone had tried to convince him that in just a few decades, people in London or Tokyo could sit in their living rooms and see and hear the President making a speech from the White House; that men would be walking on the moon; that millions and millions of Americans would be tripping around the globe in flying machines; that surgeons would be able to swap old hearts for new and reattach severed limbs; that the vast Colonial Empires of all the great powers would be lying in ruins, and that America, following her victories in two world wars, would emerge at mid-20th century the greatest, richest, strongest power the world had ever known.

"The speed with which America achieved political, economic, and military superiority in the first half of this century would have made my grandfather a little dizzy—had he lived to see it. But he would have had no trouble explaining *why* it happened. He and my grandmother had come to America in the 1800's (as had about 40 million other immigrants) to find Liberty. He knew that Liberty has no meaning save as it means Freedom for the individual—religious freedom, political freedom, economic freedom; and he knew the proper goal of these freedoms is to give the individual the chance to become what he or she is capable of becoming.

"My grandfather would have had no trouble understanding that the miracle of progress America made in the first half of this century was produced by a free political and economic system which had released the physical and mental energies of millions of people.

"Well, some of you are thinking, if this is such a glorious century, and America is such a great country, and we have such a fine form of government, how come we are in so much trouble today?

"Well, Theodore Roosevelt—my first President, told Americans more than 30 years ago how the country might get into the kind of trouble we are in.

"The things that will destroy America,' he warned, 'are prosperity-at-any-price, safety-first instead of duty-first, the love of soft living, and the get-rich-quick theory of life.' And, 'if we seek merely swollen, slothful ease and accept 'ignoble peace,' then he said, 'bolder and stronger people will pass us by, and will win for themselves the domination of the world.'

"Our democratic form of government is the highest form known to man. But it requires the highest type of human nature—a type which has always and everywhere been in the minority. Yet it is always the majority that chooses, not only the course, but the leaders who are then pledged to follow it. The majority has—at least in the last decade—increasingly chosen 'prosperity-at-any-price and safety first instead of duty-first.' The majority have ceased to be patriots, for patriotism, as Theodore Roosevelt saw it, is the sense of collective responsibility

for the economic stability and the military security of the nation.

"We seem to have entered that period which history tells us always marks the hour of greatest danger to a democracy. This is when its citizens persist in raiding their own treasury, and when faced with a strong and avowed enemy—a bolder and stronger people—they substitute the ideal of peace for the idea of national security.

"It is then that a democracy is doomed to depression and defeat unless it is rescued from the follies of its unthinking majority by those thinking minorities which Thomas Jefferson called 'The natural aristocracies of brains and talent.'

"West Point exists to train and educate an aristocracy of military leaders. You are today the best military educational institution in the country.

"So you know that the condition of our military establishment in relation to that of the USSR is real cause for alarm; that American power, both nuclear and conventional, has been steadily eroding since the mid-60's; and that if this trend is not soon—and sharply—reversed, the U.S. will probably become a second, perhaps even a third-rate power before this century is ended.

"Your study of military history has also taught you that an ally is a friend you can always count on to count on you. If our NATO allies should become convinced that our military power—in relation to the USSR's—is irreversibly crumbling, they will—indeed, they must, as a matter of survival—design their own policies of Detente and collaboration with the Kremlin, and you may be sure, these will leave us isolated in our own hemisphere, and tragically vulnerable to attack.

"But it is certainly arguable that the conquest of the U.S. by force of arms is not likely in this century. For even if our military position grows considerably weaker, we would still retain a fearsome nuclear second-punch capacity.

"What now seems more likely to happen is the collapse of our industrial system, which is today not only inflation ridden, but is over 50% dependent on Middle East oil. The truly shameful and humiliating fact is that six years after the Arab oil embargo, our government still has no realistic policy—political or military—for securing our access to Arab oil in the amounts, no less at the prices, necessary to maintain the productivity of our economy.

"Congress and the media together have virtually destroyed the capacity of our Intelligence Services to intervene covertly in foreign countries in the effort to prevent anti-American forces from bringing down friendly governments. So if tomorrow Saudi and Kuwait should go the way of Iran, we could do nothing to prevent it—short of war—and we would be plunged into a depression far worse than that of the 30's, from which there could be no issuance save war, or political sub-

mission—and dependence on the Soviet Union—the only oil self-sufficient industrial nation in the world today.

“Can we turn things around before it is too late to spare our country suffering, humiliation, or war?”

“I am an optimist, although in my experience the principal difference between optimists and pessimists is that pessimists are generally better informed. But optimism about the future is reasonable. For the future is always uncertain, and good things as well as bad can happen. Indeed, only *one* good thing need happen to turn things around: a rebirth of that national will and sense of high purpose that has carried America safely through all the other great crises in our history.

“‘Every true man,’ wrote Emerson, ‘is a cause, a country, and an age.’ No rebirth of will or purpose, or patriotism are needed here at West Point.

“Members of the Corps, you are of that true and happy breed who have a cause in life, who have accepted freely the stern disciplines of mind and body that will make you successful in that mission, and who have the courage, if your country should require it, to risk your lives in its cause. You know why you are living, what you are doing, and who you are doing it for. The path of honor, duty, country, is a hard one, but a straight one. You’ll find no one on it going around in circles lost and confused, as so many people these days are. And you will enjoy all your lives the respect and the gratitude of your countrymen.

“My only regret is that I will not live long enough to see much of you on the long gray line become the great soldier-statesmen, soldier-scholars, or soldier’s soldiers of tomorrow. Would you please remember me maybe once when you do?”

On completion of her speech she received a standing ovation. The Superintendent on behalf of all present congratulated Mrs. Luce on her receipt of the Thayer Award and thanked her for her comments. The Glee Club then led all in singing of the “Alma Mater” and the First Captain closed the meeting and announced Mrs. Luce would remain to meet those who wished to greet her. She remained long after the dinner to talk to the many individuals who surrounded her at the head table.

Cadet Summer Training

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leadership qualities. These schools included:

a. *Airborne*: The cadets went through this three week course at Fort Benning with cadets from other academies and ROTC programs along with RA soldiers. The course was divided into three phases, each of one week’s duration—ground week, tower week and jump week. Ground week consisted of daily conditioning runs and exercises. Students were taught parachute landing falls, how to put on the parachute harness, and how to exit the

aircraft. Tower week continued the daily runs and exercises and added the practice of mass exits on the 34 foot tower and at least two jumps from the 250 foot free tower during which the cadet controlled his own parachute descent. In addition, the cadet had to demonstrate proficiency on the swing loading trainer and suspended harness. Instruction on emergencies and malfunctions was given at the end of this week. Jump week was the culmination of the training as students made three jumps using the MCI-1B steerable parachute and two jumps with the T-10 parachute from C-141, C-130 or C-123 aircraft. One jump was made at night. The successful completion of the course is marked by the award of the parachutist’s wings. Airborne!

b. *Ranger Training*: The small group of cadets who can be seen looking at their left shoulder and smiling a satisfied smile are the 47 who completed the rigorous ranger course and have been awarded the black and gold Ranger Tab. Limited to male participants, the eight week course required tremendous physical and mental effort, justifying the pride of those who wear the Ranger Tab. Commencing with three weeks of instruction in basic patrolling, demolitions, coordinating and adjusting artillery fire, land navigation and hand-to-hand combat, the Ranger course moved from the rolling wooded terrain of southeast Georgia to the treacherous and precipitous mountains of the Chattahoochee National Forest in northern Georgia. During this two and one half week phase, basic military mountaineering techniques were taught and patrolling instruction continued in a mountain environment. Few students will ever forget the two days spent at Yonah Mountain learning how to tension climb, rappel, and balance climb, among other techniques taught. The course next moved to the Florida Ranger Camp, located in the “outback” of Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. During this, the last phase of the course, the emphasis on patrolling continued, this time in a swampy jungle environment where survival techniques, helicopter rappelling, and small boat operations were taught. Graduation at Fort Benning concluded the 58-day course.

Ranger School is first and foremost a leadership course during which students learn leadership skills in a fatiguing, physically demanding and somewhat hazardous environment. Each cadet no doubt learned something of his own physical and mental limits, came to grips with his own fears, and emerged a more confident and capable leader.

c. *Northern Warfare Training*: Northern Warfare Training had 100 percent of the 56 male and female cadets qualify in summer operations in northern areas as they completed this three week course at Fort Greely, Alaska. The course was divided into three one-week phases. The first week provided training in inland waterway operations and navigation on the Tanana River. The second week was spent “on the rock” where students learned

fundamental climbing procedures. The third week culminated with training on the Gulkano Glacier in traversing over ice and snow and crevice rescue methods.

d. *Jungle Operations Training Center*: The Jungle Operations Training Center at Fort Sherman in Panama provided intense and meaningful training for 81 cadets during the summer of 1979. The school is oriented toward training regular army infantry battalions, but makes adjustments to accommodate a cadet company. The program of instruction was phased to initially familiarize the students with the jungle environment, build their confidence through rappelling, waterborne operations, and physical training, and then teach them to operate in the jungle beginning with squad patrols and progressing through platoon and company operations.

The fundamental program consisted of several activities such as rappelling where cadets performed helicopter rappels from a stationary platform, slack rappels, and Australian commando rappels.

In preparation for patrolling, cadets were required to complete a five kilometer jungle navigation course over a nine hour period, using maps which were not at all precise and which required unusual reliance on pace and azimuth procedures.

Cadets also conducted squad and platoon raid and ambush patrols, navigating during daylight and night over extended distances. Operating as a company, they participated in counter-guerilla operations. In addition, several classes were presented on jungle plants & wildlife, expedient antennas, mines & booby traps, and helicopter insertion/extraction. The training was not always “comfortable” but the 79 cadets who completed the course agreed it had been beneficial in both the actual training and in the observation of professional NCOs and officers.

e. *Flight Training*: Forty-six cadets arrived at Fort Rucker, Alabama on 6 July 1979 to take part in the Flight CMST program. The cadets received the normal pre-solo training which is part of the course taken by any Army aviation student. Although there was one-half day of academic classes each day, the actual flying was, of course, the highlight of this training. The cadets received approximately 15 hours of flight time in the TH-55 helicopter, a trainer built by Hughes Aircraft. The climax of the training was the chance to fly solo. Every one of the 39 cadets still in the course by the 3 August graduation ceremony successfully soloed in the TH-55 helicopter.

f. *Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape (SERE)*: The Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Training conducted near Colorado Springs was successfully completed by all 27 cadets who entered the program. This program, required of Air Force cadets before graduation, trained the student to survive under simulated combat conditions when separated from friendly forces. The first phase consisted of basic land and water survival,

evasion and resistance training in hostile situations, and aircraft vectoring techniques. The second phase was a seven-day practical exercise conducted at Pikes Peak in survival and evasion from aggressors, including use of survival shelters, snares and survival needs. The last phase included the code of conduct laboratory, a practical exercise in prisoner of war and enemy resistance training.

Air Assault Training

The exciting Air Assault Training was completed by 38 of the 39 male and female cadets who enrolled. This course taught the cadets specialized techniques and skills utilized in the preparation and conduct of Air-mobile Operations. Included were aviation subjects, day/night rappelling, rigging, sling loading, fire support, and day and night combat assaults.

Drill Cadet Program

The Drill Cadet Program was taken by 141 cadets who spread out to Fort Knox, Fort Dix, Fort Leonard Wood and Fort Jackson. This program, in its third year, provided the opportunity for cadets to develop individual leadership qualities while performing duties as Drill Cadet/Trainer for basic training. Cadets learned and performed the duties of a mid-grade noncommissioned officer, instructed and trained new soldiers in skills such as drill and ceremonies, physical training, and basic M16 rifle marksmanship, and developed counseling skills.

Foreign Exchange Program

The summer of 1979 saw 50 USMA cadets from the Classes of 1980 and 1981 visiting and studying at 18 locations around the world. The Foreign Academy Exchange Program provided those cadets, all with high academic, military, and leadership abilities, the opportunity to represent themselves and the Military Academy at the military academies of Australia, Mexico, and 14 Latin American countries. Language and cultural orientations in Jordan (Arabic) and Garmisch, West Germany (Russian) rounded out the countries visited this past summer.

Visiting for periods of between ten and 20 days, the USMA cadets had the opportunity to travel and learn more about the foreign nations—their customs and traditions, languages, peoples, military academies, and Armed Forces. Since the Foreign Academy Exchange Program is a supplement to mandatory summer military training, USMA cadets were required to participate during part of their summer leave. To an individual, the cadets responded that their participation in the program had proved to be one of the greatest experiences of their lives. Personal confidence, improvement of foreign language skills, and the ability to look at themselves and the United States from a different point of view served to stand as the salient lessons learned.

Cadet District Engineer Program

During the summer of 1979, cadets were sent to 24 Corps of Engineer Districts. Training included an orientation of overall District operations (including 12

hours of classes during June Week at West Point), observation of District functions with the primary emphasis on construction projects, and individual tasks, depending on the specific District and the duration of the cadet's visit to the District. Such individual work included construction inspector and design work. Thirty cadets strengthened their skills across the States from Albuquerque to Walla Walla and in Japan and Korea.

Crossroads Africa

Founded in 1958 by Dr. James H. Robinson, Operation Crossroads Africa has sent more than five thousand volunteers to countries in Africa and the West Indies. Crossroads is concerned simultaneously with development and with opening channels of communication between people of different races, nationalities, and cultures. USMA, the only service academy to participate in the program, has sent cadets since 1962. The five cadets who took part in this program found it to be a vitally worthwhile leadership experience.

Cadets worked with the Volunteer Workcamps Association of Ghana and Sierra Leone, helped on a health project in Gambia, West Africa, participated in an archaeological dig at Sururab, and worked with the Director La Musee National in Abidjan, capital of the Ivory Coast.

Summer Intern Program

The Cadet Summer Intern Program is a highly competitive program for rising First Class cadets who stand in the top of their class in leadership, academics, and activities. Over the years, the program has been very successful, both for the participating cadets and the host agencies. For example, this year one cadet was given a \$20,000 grant to continue work on his summer project. During the eight week summer internship the cadets receive a unique "insider's view" of government activities by working on specific projects in their host agency. This summer the ten cadets who participated in the program served in the State Department, the Office of Management and Budget, the Department of Energy, the Department of Defense/International Security Affairs, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Congressional Budget Office and SHAPE Headquarters.

Unbelievably quickly, Reorganization Week began and the training summer of 1979 had run its course. On 15 August under sunny skies, the ceremony in which the Corps accepts the new plebes took place; the new academic year began the following Monday. Cadets returned from their many programs ready to begin classes and eager to exchange stories about the summer's adventures.

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other activities. That involves personal things, as well as studying. This is a small compensation but one intended to tell the corps squad athletes that their contributions are appreciated.

Another innovation allows coaches and players to meet during lunch. This adds another 20 minutes to their togetherness.

Perhaps the most drastic change was abolishment of the rule which prevented the coach from taking his team off the post and into seclusion on the eve of a home game.

Coach Saban contends this is one of the most important accomplishments. "The players get a chance to relax. Some study, some go over game plans, others hit the sack early."

Also affected by change has been the physical education program, with plebe men's wrestling and women's self-defense being replaced by a personal conditioning program. Colonel Edward A. Saunders of the Physics Department headed a community-wide working group which examined the Physical Education program. The study highlighted the fact that heavy physical activity in the plebe year will often detract from the corps squad athletes' ability to perform in the afternoon. The Physical Education Department, which had already been looking at some alternatives, has scheduled wrestling and self-defense in the yearling year and reduced the length of the course. They have also added onto the end of both courses a close quarters combat course to be given to men and women together.

Changes in Fourth Class System

Another difference that is due to come out in the second term after Christmas leave is a change in the Fourth Class System.

Fourth classmen, as they return from their Christmas leave, will no longer be required to be at attention when they are in the Area and outside their rooms. Rather they will be "at ease," which eliminates squaring of corners, but does not lift the restriction against plebes talking to classmates when they are outside their rooms and in the Cadet Area.

Then subsequent to Plebe Parent Weekend, in early April the Fourth Class cadets will be "at rest." The restriction against plebes talking to their classmates outside their rooms and in the Area will be lifted.

Still in force, however, will be the requirement that when addressed by an upper-classman, a Fourth Classman will come to attention and respond as directed. Whether in the first term, or the second term, or subsequent to Plebe Parent Weekend (spring leave), that requirement will always be there.

The main purpose of the change is to help the plebes' transition into yearling year, when complete upper-class status is achieved.

The upper-class will also benefit from working with the plebes, whose status in the spring will create a senior-subordinate relationship that is more realistic model for what the new graduate experiences in working with today's enlisted soldiers.

It is not surprising that many upper-class cadets view these changes in the

Fourth Class System as a relaxing of standards. However, the benefits of these changes more than offset any training value that is lost, and I feel that most cadets will eventually recognize that.

Overall, most of the changes instituted for the Corps of Cadets this year have been directed at providing the cadets a little more flexibility in their very tight schedule in those areas where it could be done without sacrificing standards or eliminating practicable requirements. The institution of optional breakfast and the shortening of the daily room inspection period have been particularly successful in this regard.

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a two-week period surrounding Christmas 1972. It was by far the biggest air attack of the war.

On the night of December 27—amidst a bombing attack—the Americans of Plantation Gardens were marched the five blocks to the infamous “Hanoi Hilton,” thus consolidating all United States prisoners in the ancient relic of French colonialism. The next night Anshus watched a B-52 crash in the street not far away with a dismembered wing setting Plantation Gardens afire.

The two weeks of devastation visited on Hanoi brought the North Vietnamese back to the conference table, and in late January the long-awaited peace treaty was effected. One of the provisions was that all United States prisoners would be repatriated within 60-days.

During the two years of captivity, Richard Anshus avoided physical torture at the hands of prison guards by careful avoidance of being caught communicating. Torture was most often given for infractions of the prohibitions against communicating with other groups of prisoners. Anshus was punished for violations by being thrown into solitary confinement and being denied food, showers, and other amenities. Twice the North Vietnamese operated on his wound—without anesthesia.

The guards spoke to prisoners in English. “They didn’t want us to learn Vietnamese,” Anshus remembers. “A knowledge of Vietnamese might have facilitated escape.”

Conditions in the “Hilton” were modestly better than at the Plantation. During the long stay at the Plantation, he had been cramped in a room containing 30 prisoners. At the Hilton he was in a cell that was acceptably large enough for the four Americans it held. But provisions were at absolute subsistence level: a bar of soap per month and a tube of toothpaste every three months. “One practiced economy,” Anshus noted wryly.

“It gets cold in Hanoi—down into the 30’s in the winter.” He recalls vividly, “the first winter they gave me one blanket; the next winter I got a second.” Midway through the first winter Anshus was given a sweatshirt.

During the two years Richard Anshus received one letter—in September 1973. It had been posted the previous May. It had come by way of Peking. He was allowed to write three letters, but only one was subsequently delivered. He received only Red Cross packages, just before his release.

With conspicuous bitterness Anshus recalls that some prisoners did not survive the ordeal of the North Vietnamese prisons. “Some died as a direct result of torture. Others died of war wounds and illness. Some simply lost the will to live.”

The peace agreement of January 1973 called for the return of American POW’s in four groups spaced equally over a period of 60 days following the effective date of the Paris treaty. The prisoner repatriation feature of the treaty was, perhaps, the only aspect of the bargain lived up to by the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong—and then only if one spots them a margin of a day or two here and there. The order of return was to have followed a scheme of sick and wounded first and then earliest date of capture. For the most part, the North Vietnamese followed the scheme.

Americans captured in the lower half of South Vietnam were held by the Viet Cong, basically in Cambodia. Those captured in the northern half and fliers downed over the North were all incarcerated ultimately in the Hanoi Hilton. Some Americans taken in Laos were moved to Hanoi; the others were never heard of again. It is believed that the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia executed all prisoners. Not one was returned.

In mid-February 1973, American airplanes landed at Hanoi’s Gia Lam airport for the first time in nearly 20 years. A C-130 from Saigon and three C-141’s from Clark Field had come to Hanoi to take the first Americans home. From his window in the Hanoi Hilton, Richard Anshus could see the giant Starlifters making their final approach to the runway. “They were absolutely beautiful.”

Let Truth Speak

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of performance. But if by sheer determination he masters a complex principle in physical science or an abstruse philosophical point in English literature, then he is strengthening the will power that he may need some day in overcoming a formidable obstacle. If he penetrates the day’s assignment to see what is basic and what is peripheral, he strengthens the power of decision that he may need some day in battle or in presenting a Pentagon requirement to Congress. As he develops ability to explain newly mastered principles in terms both simple and precise, he sharpens his power of expression and becomes steadily more articulate.

A single day of this methodology might have only passing effect. But when the experience is repeated day after day and night after night for four years of academic work, the imprint in his mind takes

permanent form and his qualities mature. Devotion to duty, energy of will, swiftness of decision, precision of expression—these are foremost among the qualities developed by the Military Academy’s educational methods, and these are foremost among the ingredients of military leadership.

WP and American Science

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ceding World War I, was largely oriented toward the utilization of scientific knowledge and technology for closely defined social purposes. Thus, American science policy was carefully shaped to insure the maximum expansion of scientific benefits to the nation. Theoretical investigations or pure science received little government support, often being viewed as the pastime of academics without social responsibilities or even concerns.

While West Point no longer enjoyed a preeminent role in American scientific and engineering affairs (having been joined by civilian engineering schools, particularly those established at land grant colleges, and, in part, eclipsed by the maturation of graduate programs in science at leading institutions on the East and West coasts), its graduates continued to make a distinctive contribution to American science and its policy. For example, having acquired an early theoretical background from work with the Wright brothers in Dayton, Ohio, Henry H. (“Hap”) Arnold (USMA 1907) did much to shape the development of American aeronautical engineering. He and others in the military disagreed with the prevailing “cut and try methods of the pioneer,” arguing, instead, for a thorough investigation of aeronautical principles to insure that man’s adventure in flight would have a sound engineering basis. Though he also had to overcome the scepticism of his military superiors, Arnold’s influence helped to stimulate the technological growth of American civil aviation and contributed significantly to the development of military air power. He was appointed Air Force Chief of Staff during World War II and thus directed the growth of the American Air Force from an impoverished and peripheral activity of the Army to a global, semi-independent organization, playing a pivotal role in both tactical and strategic operations.

Also interested in aviation as well as electricity and telegraphy was another Academy graduate, General G.O. Squier (USMA 1887), the Chief Signal Officer of the Army during World War I. Squier traded Saturday social opportunities in Washington, D.C., and Baltimore for weekday class time to become one of the first officers ever to receive a PhD in physics (from Johns Hopkins). During the war, he pioneered the civilian-in-uniform method of integrating civilian scientific resources into the military’s research and development activities. Like

Bache before him, Squier had earned his own reputation in science and was familiar with important men of science both in the United States and abroad. He successfully used this background to approach American scientists about war-related work and to overcome their unease with civil-military cooperation in scientific enterprises. Despite the occurrence of occasional setbacks, this generally amicable relationship spread beyond the Signal Corps and paid important dividends in the entire war effort.

Another graduate, Roger G. Alexander (USMA 1907), worked closely with a number of young physicists-in-uniform including John Trowbridge and Theodore Lyman to produce a sound ranging capability for the American Expeditionary Force. After evaluating a number of alternatives these men decided upon the Bull-Tucker (British) design and successfully planned and implemented its employment in such critical military engagements as the St. Mihiel salient, Belleau Wood, and in the Argonne Forest offensive. Trowbridge and Alexander also built a solid friendship on bivouac conversations which according to Trowbridge stretched across "cookstoves and clerestory, triforium and tri-nitroliene, gargoyles and guns." This salutary experience in the Topographical Section of Army Intelligence (in the AEF) and others like it throughout the defense establishment not only contributed to the tactical situation but also fostered understanding and even mutual respect among military officers and civilian scientists. It was a felicitous precedent for the extraordinary civil-military cooperation that would be required in another war but twenty years away.

The end of World War I, however, quickly reintroduced the customarily distant relations between the civilian scientist and the soldier with the former returning to his academic or industrial pursuits and the latter turning to the leisurely peregrinations of peacetime. This segregation was so rapid and complete, in fact, that the military lost much of its inclination to pursue the advantages technology had accrued to warfare. Though clearly caught ill-prepared for the shape of modern conflict in World War I, many military leaders in the United States wanted no less than a quick and complete return to the traditional precepts of warfare after the Armistice. There were, however, a handful of others who did not; they had glimpsed the possibilities science brought to the modern battlefield and recognized the need for research and development in order to capture them.

H.H. Arnold was one such officer; Brigadier General Amos A. Fries (USMA 1898) was another. As Chief of the AEF Gas Service, he had become aware of chemistry's impact on warfare and lobbied hard to preserve the Army's Chemical Warfare Service (CWS) in the face of

demobilization. His campaign led him to the Senate Military Affairs Committee in 1919. Arguing that "The more 'deadly' the weapons" at our disposal, "the sooner . . . we will quit all fighting," Fries was able to secure a permanent charter for the CWS and his own appointment as its Chief. His nascent deterrent theory, notwithstanding Fries' success with the CWS was remarkable in that neither the federal government nor the United States Army demonstrated much understanding of or interest in the role of science in national security affairs during the inter-war period.

This inertia was broken by the rise of a spectacularly modern military threat in Western Europe. World War II, in fact, re-established, indeed expanded and refined, the cooperative civil-military scientific arrangements of World War I. Weapons had become complex and devastating as the realms of war-fighting technology were stretched even beyond the fantasies of science fiction writers. This situation was nowhere more true than in the Manhattan Project, a joint civilian-military scientific enterprise directed by General Leslie R. Groves (USMA Nov 1918). Groves managed to meld the military need for secrecy and control to the scientific norm of free information exchange and unfettered inquiry so as to produce a military application of theoretical science whose scope and impact are even today not fully measured or understood. He was absolutely convinced that the atom bomb would quickly end the war and thus save countless lives on both sides of the battlefield. Thus, "When work would lag, General Groves would intervene to help clear the confusion, to counsel in risky decisions, and sometimes, where nothing else would avail, simply to urge on." An imperfect but nevertheless cooperative relationship between American scientists and the military establishment developed as a result.

Groves' successful leadership in the Manhattan Project also clearly demonstrated the military importance of pure research. This commitment to science was probably best exemplified in the military's work on ballistic missiles. The Army, in particular, was committed to advances in such weaponry and as early as 1954, had established a "Missile Czar," Major General J.B. Medaris, who was free to report directly to the Secretary of Defense. Working with Werner von Braun at the Army Ballistic Missile Agency (ABMA) and Lieutenant General James M. Gavin (USMA 1929), the Deputy Chief of the Army Office for Research and Development, Medaris set out to prove that the Army's research teams and facilities were capable of undertaking advanced space research projects. In September, 1956, ABMA launched a Jupiter-C missile, with its solid fuel upper stages in satellite configuration, which flew 3300 miles and 600 miles up into outer space. Further, in the wake of re-

peated failures by the Navy's Vanguard rocket, the United States' first earth satellite, Explorer I, was launched into orbit by the Army on 31 January 1958.

Simultaneously, General Gavin argued that space exploration was the most important single challenge facing the United States in the post-war era. Indeed, he fervently believed that control of the earth's political and economic institutions was a likely derivative of one nation's preeminence in space. Thus, before the Congress and in the Defense Department, he urged that the United States launch, under the aegis of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, an Army-led program for the development of ballistic missiles and space satellites. Despite the Army's accomplishments, however, the American Rocket Society and the Rocket and Satellite Research Panel, supported by the National Academy of Science, convinced Congress that a "National Space Establishment be given statutory status as an independent agency in order that its work . . . be freely directed toward broad cultural, scientific, and commercial objectives . . . which transcend the short-term, though vitally important military rocket missions of DoD." Thus, NASA was established with the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958; civilian control of space exploration was guaranteed although the military mission remained protected and all three services continued their research and development projects in guided missilery. Though the Army would not reign supreme in this national space effort, West Point graduates continued to play an important role in space exploration, with three graduates participating in NASA flight programs as astronauts: Frank Borman (USMA 1950), Edwin E. Aldrin Jr. (USMA 1951) and Edward White (USMA 1952).

It was Dwight D. Eisenhower (USMA 1915), however, who had the greatest impact on both the scope and the shape of American science policy in the twentieth century. The achievement is made even more extraordinary by Eisenhower's view of science, which did not follow a single, consistent track, but rather evolved over time as his duties and responsibilities changed. As the Chief of Staff of the Army in 1946, he urged Army agencies to contract extensively with civilian scientific organizations in order to take advantage of their resources in peace as well as in war. Yet, as President, he warned of the danger that "public policy could itself become the captive of a scientific-technological elite." Most of Eisenhower's public service and influence in science policy fell between these two poles, however; he was essentially a leader who recognized the great potential of science as well as the great danger it could pose to society.

More than any other President before him, Eisenhower brought scientists into government positions with considerable

prestige and power. In addition to moving the Presidential Science Advisory Committee (PSAC) out of the Office of Defense Mobilization and into the White House, Eisenhower appointed Dr. James R. Killian as his Special Assistant for Science and Technology in November 1957. This appointment represented the first time a President had available to him a full-time scientific advisor independent of industrial agencies and their objectives. Additionally, Eisenhower directed Killian to give high priority to recruiting topnotch scientists for government work, particularly the ten year program in oceanography and the fledgling National Space and Aeronautics Administration. Killian was also charged with coordinating the government's science policy with the National Science Foundation to preserve the health and vitality of science generally and to insure its maximum contribution to national security matters.

Thus, Eisenhower not only created the position of a Presidential science advisor, but he also made it meaningful and significant by assigning it critical responsibilities and considering its input in shaping American science policy. He underscored his willingness to bring science and the scientist into the government by establishing the Federal Council for Science and Technology in 1959. This organization would eventually become one of the policy arms of the Director of the Office of Science and Technology created by President John F. Kennedy in 1962. Designed by President Eisenhower, however, it was

to develop uniform science policies throughout the government, to coordinate and integrate programs where appropriate, to be concerned about special problems in government science support, and in general to serve as the chief government body for bringing together the departments and agencies with substantial science programs.

Whatever his late concern for private sector scientific cooperation with the Department of Defense, Eisenhower was committed throughout his career to the government's development and exploitation of science. In essence, he was much like his fellow officers in the military, for despite a tradition of civilian-military competition in scientific matters, scientists and science administrators "were more successful in persuading military officers than in persuading civilian Congressmen that generous support for science was essential to national security." As a military leader and as the thirty-fourth President of the United States, Dwight D. Eisenhower held to that belief, troubled only by the knowledge that science policy like military policy has the potential to usurp the directives of elected government officials and thus to threaten the American democracy.

The twentieth century, therefore, has

seen a decline in the role of the military as a source for scientific practitioners or even scientific project leaders. Instead Army officers and West Point graduates, in particular, increasingly have become front office managers of science and scientific enterprises, forming a bridge between a hesitant, sometimes distrustful federal government and occasionally arrogant, often politically naive men of science. In this century, West Point graduates have seldom provided the participatory supervision of the early survey leaders but rather worked to insure that the federal government and especially the military paid close attention to science and used it to the nation's benefit. As such, they have often been ambassadors of science to government agencies and to the Congress and thereby played an important role in forging the spectacular preeminence of science in America today.

Catholics at West Point

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unexpected and it precipitated a conflict that was to engage the Congress for several years.

The official proceedings began in Congress on January 8, 1898 when Congressman O'Dell of New York introduced a bill that would satisfy the requirements of the Attorney General. The bill as introduced in the House of Representatives stated:

Be it enacted, etc. that the Secretary of War, in his discretion may authorize the erection of a building for religious worship by any denomination, sect or religion on any military reservation of the United States: Provided, that the erection of such building will not interfere with the uses of said reservation for military purposes. Said building shall be removed from the reservation whenever, in the opinion of the Secretary of War, military necessity shall require it.

The committee recommended an amendment as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

"That the Secretary of War, in his discretion, may authorize the erection of a building for religious worship by any denomination, sect, or religion on the West Point Military Reservation: Provided, that the erection of such building will not interfere with the uses of said reservation for military purposes. Said buildings, shall be erected without any expense whatever to the Government of the United States and shall be removed from the reservation, or its location changed by the denomination, sect, or religious body erecting the same whenever, in the opinion of the Secretary of War, public or military necessity shall require it, and without compensation for such building or any other expense whatever to the Government."

The debate in Congress was spirited. Fi-

nally the telling argument was introduced by Congressman Tongue. He said:

"Some question has been raised here whether under the rules the students at West Point Military Academy are not compelled to attend Church services outside of the military reservation."

Mr. Foote specified the question by asking: "Is the attendance . . . compulsory at chapel services there?" Mr. Belknap, who was most familiar with conditions there stated: "Each boy is expected to attend religious services on Sunday . . . Catholics . . . are marched down . . . to a ramshackle contrivance, where a temporary altar is erected and where they worship, and the altar is afterwards removed." The last member to speak on the question was Mr. Lentz, of Ohio. He said:

"We found that at West Point it is obligatory upon all the students to attend religious services of some kind unless a special excuse be made by the parents of the boy. In view of that one fact alone, I fail to see how it is possible for this Congress or any member of it to comply with the Constitution of the United States to give religious freedom unless you permit the boys of the different denominations to select their own church.

"I care not what denomination the boy may belong to or what denomination his parents belong to, as long as you compel him to attend some church, as long as there are any denominations ready to build churches or chapels for the holding of services according to their own faith, it is our sworn duty either to wipe off from the West Point reservation the Protestant Chapel, which we are now maintaining there at Government expense, or to permit any denomination to have the same privileges that are accorded to or rather forced upon the boys in behalf of the Protestant Church or one of the Protestant churches.

"It seems to me a plain and simple duty for us, if we are going to have religious equality, if we are going to have religious freedom, to permit the Secretary of War, as long as it does not interfere with the uses and needs of the ground, to let all denominations put these chapels there at their own expense under the conditions of this bill. . . . You compel these boys to attend church and so long as you do the parents ought to be permitted to provide or select the church they see fit."

A vote was called and the bill passed: yeas—134; nays—25; answered "present"—16; not voting—180. It was passed without difficulty nor without opposition almost as strong as its support. It was passed through the efforts of Congressmen from different sections of the country, and by men of many different denominations and sometimes non-practicing or agnostic men. It passed the House on 29 June 1898.

Senator Sewell of New Jersey introduced

the bill (H.R. 6149), in the Senate on 7 July 1898. It was reported without amendment, and by unanimous consent, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill as a Committee of the Whole. Senator Galliger pointed out that the purpose of the bill was to permit the "Roman Catholic Church" to erect a chapel at West Point. Nevertheless, the bill was read, voted and passed the same day. It was signed into law the next day. A new license was issued on 28 April 1899 essentially the same as that granted on 2 April 1897. It was over the signature of R. A. Alger, Secretary of War. This license is still in force.

Construction of the chapel began in 1899, and it was completed in 1900. It was designed by Hines & La Farge in the Norman Gothic style. Located at Mills and Washington Roads on a sharp rise on the South West corner, it is a copy of the St. Etheldreds Carthusian Abby Parish Church in County Essex, England. It was designed to accommodate four hundred and harmonize architecturally with other Academy buildings. It had the following dimensions: 37' wide in its narrowest part, 58' at its widest part with a length of over 75'. (It might be noted here that when the new Cadet Chapel was built in 1910, the Norman Gothic Style was again chosen.) Funds to pay for the construction were donated by the Catholic cadets, officers, and enlisted men, their families, parishioners of Sacred Heart, and other Catholic sources. It was dedicated on 10 June 1900; the Most Reverend John Farley, Auxiliary Bishop of New York officiated. Father Early, founder of Sacred Heart Parish, offered Solemn High Mass and the dedicatory sermon was given by Reverend George De Shon, Superior of the Paulists, West Point Graduate, 1843, and former mathematics instructor there. He spoke for all present when he said: "We rejoice that she (The Catholic Church) should take her proper position and influence at the great military institution where the future defenders of our country are formed and educated."

Holy Trinity Chapel was served as a mission of Sacred Heart Parish, Highland Falls, New York, from this point, down to 1926. Father O'Keeffe's successors, Father James A. Talbot, Father John J. Mitty and Father Daniel W. Sheeran, looked after the needs of the Catholic community at West Point. There was no change in the relationship between the Catholic Church and the Superintendent until 1926 when the Archbishop of New York made the military community of West Point into a separate parish. This was a result of a demand on the part of parishioners either at Holy Trinity or at Sacred Heart. It was not the result of ecclesiastical whim.

When Father John A. Langton was made Pastor in 1926, no provision was made for his residency on the post and consequently he rented (at parish expense) two rooms in the United States Hotel Thayer. He used one as an office and the other as his residence.

Whether recognized as a member of the "official family" at West Point or not, Father Langton was permitted to minister to the needs of his parochial family, and did so till his transfer. On 25 April 1932, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York wrote to Major General Smith, Superintendent of the Academy:

"I write to give you official notice that Reverend John A. Langton, who has been Pastor of the Chapel at West Point, is being transferred and will assume the pastorate of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Highland Falls, on 30 April. To succeed him I have appointed the Reverend George G. Murdock, who will assume the care of the spiritual welfare of the Catholics residing on the military reservation at West Point."

This is in keeping with the ecclesiastical understanding of geographic parishes. It does not restrict the Pastor's concern to merely military persons. In no sense then, is the Pastor in view of the Ordinary, a military chaplain. In a letter of 27 April 1932, the Superintendent accepted Father Murdock as Pastor. Almost immediately thereafter, 18 July 1932, Father Murdock applied for permission to erect an "addition" to the Catholic Chapel. In the license of 28 April 1899, there was no provision for a residence, but merely as Father O'Keeffe requested: "... to erect a suitable chapel for the use of the Roman Catholics at West Point." It would seem that this permission did not include or anticipate provisions for a residence. Likewise, the mind of the Congress, as I can perceive it, when it passed the Act giving the Secretary of War power to grant the license, did not intend any authority to build a "Rectory." Nevertheless, the Superintendent Major General Smith must have been sympathetic to the desire of Father Murdock, since he cooperated in furthering his request, even referring to the Rectory as "an addition." On 3 February 1933, the Adjutant General notified the Superintendent that the Secretary of War approved the addition as being covered by the 1898 legislation and a new license was granted.

By the time of its Golden jubilee in 1950, it was obvious that the Chapel was no longer adequate to the needs of the Parish. The Catholic population in 1898 consisted of about 25 or 30 cadets, 6 professors and $\frac{1}{4}$ of the enlisted garrison probably numbering not more than 60 or 75 men. By 1950 this had increased to 650 cadets, 150 resident families and 250 enlisted personnel of the 1802nd Regiment. In 1958 numbers have again risen to 750 cadets, 175 families and 200 enlisted persons. Today the parish numbers 1,800 cadets, 300 families, 250 single officers and enlisted persons. In 1958 the chapel was expanded according to plans prepared by architect Alfred Reinhart. At the expense of the Catholic community, which held its own fund raising drive, noted religious artist Robert Robbins worked on

decorating the enlargement and unifying it with the rest of the Chapel interior. The present chapel seats 550.

The desire to expand the chapel in the mid 1950's required another license. This was granted over the signature of T. D. Rogers, the District Engineer, on 26 November 1957. One of the provisions of the new license or amendment as it is referred to in another place was that the stone used in the expansion had to match the existing structure. To accomplish this the Catholic Church tried to purchase the old Lusk Observatory which was located near Lusk Reservoir and had fallen to disuse. Outright sale was not permitted, but the Church was allowed to submit a bid along with anyone else who might desire to purchase the building and dismantle it for its stone. The Catholic Church was the only bidder and so obtained the needed weathered granite to complete the expansion. The expansion also included an all purpose room for parish activities in the basement. The enlargement was completed in 1960, and the Parish plant has not changed to this day. When Washington Hall was renovated and Eisenhower and MacArthur Wings were built, the Catholic Chaplain was given office space in the MacArthur Wing side of the addition.

Father Joseph P. Moore, who had served as an assistant at Holy Trinity since 1939, and had become Pastor in 1948, was himself replaced by a man whose career was much like his own. Father Robert F. McCormick, who came to West Point as a newly ordained priest in 1947, succeeded to the pastorate in 1967. He was replaced by the present Pastor, the Reverend James J. Tubridy in October of 1975. In June of 1977, the Chief of Chaplains sent the first Army chaplain to serve the Corps of Cadets, Major Henry Drozd, a former National Guard chaplain from Texas.

This Way Out

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Fran Russ was in the bathroom pressing a skirt for the big event. (Wives do silly things like that, but who am I to talk?) Ducky Farnsworth was in the room next to them on the second floor and John Gloriod was in the room directly below on the first.

Bud, undressing in the bedroom, was down to his undershirt and shorts, standing on one leg to remove his shorts, when he lost his balance and placed his hand against the window to support himself. His right hand went through the window. His shoulder followed his hand and—what the hell—Bud followed his shoulder through the opening.

His wrist watch stopped at 10 minutes to mid-night, no moon, black night, forty feet straight down into water at 48°F. Somewhere along the way the undershorts he was removing disappeared but his undershirt remained to ward off the evening chill.

In the bathroom, Fran heard an "explosion" of shattered glass, ran into the bedroom and didn't see Bud. She shouted down to John Gloriod in the room below and with a phrase that must surely go down in history with Stanley's "Dr. Livingston, I presume," John said, "Was that Bud who just passed my window?"

John and Ducky Farnsworth got the desk immediately and the harbor patrol went into action. Bud swam under the pier first to grab a pile but got scared (ho, ho,) because he thought there might be weeds or kelp in the eddies which would drag him down. He then swam around the corner of the pier for about 100 yards where he grabbed a smaller pier. It was there that the harbor patrol boat picked him up in its searchlight.

From there on in, all was well in hand, although for 30 minutes Fran thought Bud was dead.

Bud got top-flight medical care in the ambulance before they unloaded him at the hospital. Somehow they exchanged EKGs with Brooke Medical Center at Ft Sam in San Antonio. (Bud had a heart attack in 1970 and gets an EKG at Brooke every three months.) All was OK.

After three hours on the operating table, Bud had a severed tendon in his right hand reconnected, plus lesser repairs on his ear and an achilles tendon. Fran then went back to her room at 4:00 a.m. but I forgot to ask her whether she finished pressing her skirt.

Bud stayed in the hospital the remainder of that day (Wednesday) and by sheer brilliance of advance planning, the Class of '35 had that evening scheduled as an "open" night so Bud didn't miss a thing. (It was Memorial Day but happily, not Bud's.)

Next day (Thursday) it was two aspirins and back to duty for Bud with a cruise of Puget Sound ending with a jovial "salmon bake" on a picturesque island.

Friday morning Bud reported in to the hospital at 9:00 a.m. to get the big cast on his right arm checked and a new bandage on his leg. He didn't keep the mob waiting however, when they took off on a chartered bus at 10:30 for a tour of a winery an hour's drive away, followed by a convivial lunch there. Back to the Edgewater Inn by 3:00 p.m. (presumably with chicken wire over the broken window).

8:00 p.m. that night was the gala dinner dance at a waterfront restaurant overlooking a lake. Fran wore that skirt so her time wasn't wasted in the bathroom when Bud took the plunge, and Bud got his awards. A special poem from the class laureate, yet, a purple heart for wounds received in action (some action) and a silver star citation prepared by Charlie Rich who knows how to wring those things out having done it for pay when he was a high ranker in the Pentagon.

Early next morning, Bud and Fran started the pleasant, six days, 2200 mile drive back to San Antonio in their new VW Rabbit. First thing Bud did was to

check in at Brooke General where the medico said he "should have stayed off that foot since he took the dive and be sure to do it until I tell you otherwise." Well, the doc has since said "otherwise," the cast is off Bud's hand and he's dreaming of his 45th Reunion at West Point in 1980.

Talking to Bud after he got back, I asked him what he thought about in the 1.7 seconds of free fall in total darkness.

"The landing, Stupid," he said, "I just curled up like a cannonball. I've made 142 parachute jumps and couldn't think of anything else to do."

So as I said at the beginning, Bud Russ is just your ordinary guy and this little contretemps didn't even make history. He wasn't the first but the third person who fell through a window at that hotel in exactly the same way.

They know it for a fact because they recovered the bodies of the other two.

If Only Horses Could Talk

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"If you're getting on, you idiot," said the rider, "I'm getting off!" And did.

Accounts like these might suggest that riding was not a popular activity. For some, most of whom went on to the Cavalry after graduation, it was. One went to flying school with me. There was a riding stable near Randolph Field where he engaged a horse for an hour's ride. Not far down the bridle path the horse shied at something and threw him. Picking himself up he discovered that his arm was broken. He also had fifty minutes to go. He stuffed the broken arm into the front of his shirt and continued his ride to get the full two dollar and a half's worth, and then reported to the hospital.

Someone observed that he never understood why it had been called Riding Instruction. No one gave *him* any instruction, he said. They told him to get on and then stood back to see what happened! The criticism was not entirely fair. There was instruction. The instructors described in detail what we were supposed to do, and then demonstrated, with expertise. My problem was that there was a gap between listening and executing. They cautioned us early against the use of the stirrups as a foot-hold or support. We were to grip the horse with our inner thighs to maintain our seat. It was like the high wire without a net. Later we were told to guide the animal without the use of the reins by exerting extra pressure with the right or left leg. I never quite understood how this could be done. Something about Newton's Third Law of Motion bothered me, I suppose. Cavalrymen develop special leg muscles that have ever been beyond my reach. My ploy was to squeeze with both legs and hope for the best. It frequently worked for the horses were better trained than we were and they were attentive to the commands of our instructors.

This piece should say something about our saddles. There were two styles. Used for most of our work in the riding hall was the U.S. Army training saddle, I think it was called. It was flat, a cross between the English saddle and the seat of a Harley-Davidson. It was not comfortable nor was it supposed to be. It had no protuberance to hang on to in moments of danger and, when the horse stumbled, head down, his rider could slide off, down the neck, like a child on a swimming pool chute.

The other saddle, used in our more advanced work and on the hikes, was the standard of the U.S. Cavalry, The McClellan, named after the pugnacious little Union general. I do not know if he designed it but it had not been improved since 1865. It was a heavy, cumbersome contraption created to support the load with minimum discomfort to the horse. To this end there was a wide slot running lengthwise through its middle, to keep pressure from the horse's spine and to make his rider unhappy. Its sharp edges filed away at the inner thigh muscles we were supposed to be developing.

Appended to this saddle were a number of straps, bags and pouches for the field equipment: a monstrous holster for the oversized Cavalry revolver, a boot to hold the rifle and another for the saber. Straps behind the cantle held the horse's blanket and his daily ration of oats, rolled in the rider's shelter half. Other paraphernalia were hung here and there in prescribed fashion. The heaviest loads were arranged so as to knock continuously against the rider's shins, to keep him awake.

Despite the discomfort of the saddles, the fractiousness of some of the horses, and our own irreverent attitude toward the whole thing we did learn to ride pretty well. We learned to put a horse through his paces, to jump, even bare back, and we mastered the rudiments of High School, horse show stuff.

There was a phase, however, that left me cold. This was an introduction to the cavalry weapons—the revolver and the saber. We went only through the motions with the revolver—a dry run, so to speak. In earlier years cadets had fired live ammunition but out of humane considerations, or those of economy, that practice had been discontinued by our time. Too many horses had been accidentally shot. The revolver was clumsy and heavy. In target practice, I suppose in action too, it was fired from the back of a galloping horse. It would not be aimed and sighted; it was simply thrust in the general direction of the target. If coordination went astray either the horse, or the marksman's right leg, was in great jeopardy. I was comforted by the lack of ammunition.

The saber, to me, conjurs up the hacking and parrying pictured in the murals of ancient battles. In fact the weapon was used more as a lance. It was long—

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REPORT



'09

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Your scribe was all set last night to start typing the '09 Notes for the Dec 1979 issue of the ASSEMBLY. But before starting to typewrite what he had written he thought he'd do well to see what was published in his Notes in the Sept issue. To his consternation he found that much that he had expected to write for the Dec issue had, in essence, already been published in the Sept ASSEMBLY. It is getting more evident every day that 4 score and 13 years is taking its toll from your Scribe's store of memory cells. So sorry but it's too late now to write our Class members for any notes they may be able to get together for the Dec issue.

Jake Devers was so anxious to make our 70th. Your scribe talked to Dorothy Devers several times but not long before a final answer had to be given she regretfully told me the answer was "no." At about that time he was having 3 nurses around the clock. Fairly recently again your scribe tried to find out his condition and wish him "many happy returns" from his classmates for his 92d birthday, 8 Sept. Dorothy came to the 'phone and joyfully told me she was having a dinner party for him the night before his birthday. From that it could only be assumed he is much, much better. We all are tremendously delighted and hope there will be not the slightest set-back. Maybe you'll make the 1984 Reunion, Jake, and some of the rest of us won't. You of course know, Jake, you are one of the youngest members of the Class.



1909: George Lane Van Deusen

Before typing these notes there arrived today from George Van Deusen's widow,

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

the March issue by — 4 Jan 80

the June issue by — 30 March 80

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.

Effie, a photograph she made of George which is so creditable everyone in our Class should see it. It hangs in the new library at Ft Monmouth, NJ where George used to be in command. It would appear that Effie has become a splendid portraitist. She has painted for many years but since George's passing she has, fortunately, made a real vocation of it. Besides abounding skill and talent, unlimited devotion has, no doubt, had a lot to do with the excellence of this portrait of George. Effie put a "P.S." to her note: "The twig over the corner is one we gathered while strolling in our daily walks."

'10

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Preoccupation with thoughts of the 1980 Reunion—our 70th—is uppermost in our minds. An interesting coincidence is offered by the fact that the fathers of Aleshire, Harmon, and Strong, of 1910, were each members of the Class of 1880, whose descendants are invited to the 100th Anniversary of the Class in early May. Perhaps there should be 1880 Class Notes in ASSEMBLY after the meeting as a record of the 1980 observance of this recently established event.

'11

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Our jr classmate, Frederick G. Dillman, on 2 Aug past, joined our select circle of nonagenarians. The others are: John Hatch, 92 in Mar; Billy Wyche, 92 in Oct; your scribe, 91 in Apr; Ollie McCleary in May; Ben Lockwood in Jun. Salute!!

Nan Foster, Bob Clark's daughter, in Cocoa Beach, FL, writes that Ruth, her mother, past 90, now lives in Gainesville in a home for elderly ladies and is very happy. The many Clark descendants are scattered throughout the SE.

Katherine McKinney tells of her being invited as the guest of honor for the induc-

tion of her father, MG Eben Swift, USMA 1876, into the Fort Leavenworth Hall of Fame (see Jun 79 ASSEMBLY). It was old home week for Katherine as she was born and married at the Fort and her eldest son born there. She sends her best wishes to other '11 Class gals, wherever they may be.

Recently received from the Talleys was a delicious sample of their home-smoked and canned Alaskan King salmon, from a record 32½ pounder caught by Virginia. Also received was a copy of their "semi-annual report." It covers some extra special travel by auto, auto on a flat car and by ferry to the rugged Valdez and Cordova country east of Anchorage.

Greatly regretted is the passing on 3 May last, after a long illness, of Louise Dunn Wyche, wife of our classmate, Ira Wyche. Services were held in the Pinehurst, NC, village chapel and burial was in the family plot at Ft Bragg. Immediate survivors are her husband, a daughter, Elizabeth Clary, and 4 grandchildren.

'15

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TAPS: Clesen Tenney died 27 Jul in Wm Beaumont AMC, El Paso. On 31 Jul he was interred, with graveside services, in Ft Bliss National Cemetery beside his wife and Clesen Jr. Omar Bradley represented our Class. Clesen is survived by daughters, Mrs. Ruth T. Adams of Richardson, TX, and Mrs. Joan T. Osborne of Phoenix, AZ, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Emily Ord died in DC on 1 Aug. Burial was in Arlington beside Jimmie where several generations of the Ord family are resting. Emily is survived by her daughter, Tetitia Ord Bonright of DC, son James B. Jr., of Nantucket, Is, 4 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

From COL Thomas J. Hanley 3d and Mary Larkin comes the news of the passing in San Ant 5 Aug of Rosa-Maye Harmon. Services were held in Christ Episcopal Church on 8 Aug with interment 10 Aug at the Air Force Academy. Rosa-Maye is survived by son, 1LT Kendrick, USMA '57, and daughter Eula whose married name and address we do not have at this time.

The Class extends its sympathy to members of the bereaved families.

SICK REPORT: Late Jul, Elinor Peabody, not to be outdone by Louise Kahle, slipped on a rug and broke her hip. After surgery and hospitalization she recuperated at home and has progressed to single cane ambulation... Ingrid Graves chose a bath tub for her "slippage" and as of late Sept report was in Doctors Hospital, DC, and doing OK.

DC DOINGS: Due no doubt to the heat, humidity, ailments and such like, DC social

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activity this past summer hit a new low. Even the Class luncheons at A-N Club and Distaff Hall were too sparsely attended to merit the usual tabulation of attendance.

GADABOUTS: Early Sept **Det Ellis**, grandson Tracy Ellis Mulligan, wife Margaret and Det's great-grandson Joe, motored to Lexington, VA, to visit the George C. Marshall Fndn. **Jake Meneely** and **Blister Evans** made summer visits to Cape Cod... Late Sept **Det Ellis** took off on his semi-annual visit to the Palmetto State. Box score next issue.

COUNT DOWN: When you read this it will be about 6 months until that Great Event, our 65th Reunion!!! The good Lord willing let those of us who are left make every effort to "gather at the River" even if, to use the words of a certain Tac, "We have to crawl on our bellies for miles and miles." So long 'til next year.

'16

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Tom Finley spoke as the "oldest graduate" at the USMA dinner in Denver before some 300 members and wives. He plans to see the Army-AF game in Nov. Tom's son David '55 is a full Prof at CO Coll and is just back from Sabbatical leave spent mostly at Oxford with trips to Moscow and other Eastern European capitals.

After 2 or 3 heart attacks, **Fannie Tully** is getting along reasonably well at home but keeps a nurse with her most of the time.

Joan Newgarden spent the Labor Day holiday with her children, George Jr. and his family in Corpus Christi.

Bill & Boots Spence attended the wedding of their granddaughter, Terri Jean Spence, on 1 Sept when she married Robert W. Young. Terri Jean earned her MA degree at TX A&M.

Nell Whitson is recovering from a broken wrist caused by a fall in the bathroom.

Lucien Berry's widow, Anita, writes from Santa Barbara that she sees the **Woodwards** occasionally when they come visiting from Santa Rosa. When Anita lost her sister in a car accident, she and Lucien took the 3 lovely daughters, ages 12, 14 and 16 into their home and were happy to see 3 weddings. The first to COL Post, a fighter pilot in the Marine Corps, next Virginia married COL John Bridge in Munich and Elizabeth married Edward Garnes, Lucien's nephew, now an exec with Standard Oil of San Fran. She is in very good health for one 86 and invites traveling classmates to drop in to see her. She is in the telephone book under Lucien's name.

Bobbie O'Hare spent 3 wks at the "Country Inn" in Berkley Spgs, WV, for the mineral baths and massage. She has 3 grandsons in coll, at Wash & Lee; James Madison U, and Longwood Coll, all in VA. The 4th and oldest grandson was ordained a priest at St. Matthew's Cathedral on 19 May.

Sidney & Bob Walsh spent a few days at The Homestead at Hot Spgs, VA, where they played golf, rested and missed the DC hot weather.

We are saddened to announce the death of **Marjorie DeWitt**, at DeWitt Army Hosp, Ft Belvoir (named for Calvin's brother), after a long illness. Graveside services were held 13 Aug at Arlington and were attended by relatives, friends and local classmates.

Calvin is living at home and his daughter Marnie and family live nearby. We shall miss Marjorie at the Class luncheons as she was a faithful attendant when in good health. We extend deep sympathy to the family from the Class.

From Honolulu **Hazel Marriott** writes she is busily quilting these days. She sends greetings to the wives of the Class of '16 whom she wishes she knew better, and to the men in the Bull Pen. **Carl Marriott** was the second oldest member of the Class, and she is nearing 90.

Mab Du Hamel had 2 wks at Clearwater Beach, FL, in Apr. She has had family guests at home. Her daughter and husband, Frances Engelhart, have bought a house near her and her grandchildren from NY and DC visit her when they can.

Peggy Prickett was honored at a luncheon at the A-N CC by the members and Exec Bd of the DUSA at her ret as National Treas after 28 years.

Fay & Peggy Pricketts' eldest daughter and her husband, MG Frank Miller '38 were honored on their 40th wedding anniv 20 Sept 79 by their daughter Peggy III with a surprise reception in the Castle Room of the Officers Club, Ft Belvoir. The surprise was a great success.

Charles Hoskins was in good shape during the summer but when Aug came so did his asthma. His wife Mabelle has been confined to her home for more than a year with breathing difficulties.

Ferdie Gallagher visited his granddaughter in Seattle. They were entertained by Muriel Thurber (husband, Class of '14) in her beautiful home on Lake Washington. On his return, he visited his daughter Mimi in Logan, UT, where he was royally entertained. He returned in time to attend the '16 Class luncheon at the A-N Club in Sept.

Marjorie Moses enthused over the visit of her only great-grandchild, Leila, 10 months old, who visited with her parents in Jul. Marjorie's granddaughter Virginia is a physical therapist in DC. Her grandson, John Mills Jr., grad of Duke U, is at Charlestown Med Sch. Her son Garrett and wife, Judy, live nearby.

Bobby O'Hare offers this bit of humor to close these notes:

King Solomon and King David
Led merry, merry lives.

With many, many lady friends
And many, many, wives.

But when old age crept over them,
With many, many qualms,

King Solomon wrote the Proverbs
And King David wrote the
Psalms.

During the month of Jul **Fleurette Rinearson** spent 3 wks in the San Fran area visiting Riney's son, Bud, Class of '45 and his family, and Riney's daughter, Betty Pidgen, whose husband is of the Class of '40.

Cramp & Harriet Jones have an active social life. They both use canes to show their age. When anyone asks Cramp, "How are you" he answers, "I can't kick." Cramp attends the monthly WP luncheons and is usually the "granddaddy" at the meeting. If you visit **Cramp**, do so on Sun morning—they say his pancakes are out of this world.

Mary & Goop Worsham still enjoy Sherry for lunch and highballs for dinner. Mary raises flowers while Goop raises fruit and vegetables, much of which he shares with the birds.

Marian Robb and daughter Ellie spent 3

months in Seattle and planned to go up into Canada the last of Aug. She sends love to classmates.

Stan & Mary Scott were busy and happy with visiting family. Their grandson David, age 13, flew from Dallas to visit them in Jul. Then, in Aug their son Gilbert (Class of '52) his wife Gloria and their 3 youngest children visited them. They celebrated the 62d wedding anniv of the Sr **Scotts** with a family dinner and Anniv Waltz at the Ft Belvoir Officers Club.

A P R '17

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Spec & Evelyn Irwin see **Isabelle Code** often, and in Oct they spent 5 days together, vacationing in Carmel Valley. On the trip they visited **Doug Wahl** and **Pete Kilburn's** widow, Edie. In Nov they visited their Marine son and his family at Quantico, VA. Spec plays a round of golf twice a week, hauling his golf cart with him. And on his 86th birthday he shot an 86!

Joe Collins was on the Larry King Show Sat night, 29 Sept, on Radio WTOP, where he and King discussed at length Joe's new autobiography, **Lightning Joe**. Joe was pleased by the good sendoff given the book by Larry King. In Sept Joe and Gladys enjoyed a 2-wk vacation in Capon Spgs, WV, 78 mi. WNW of DC.

For USMA's observance of the first POWMIA Recognition Day on 18 Jul, there was a special wreath-laying ceremony at the grave of WP's sr former POW, COL **Donovan Swanton**. Donovan's sister Marguerite Swanton, was unable to attend the ceremony, but she was sent a bouquet of flowers and a copy of the remarks made at the ceremony.

Matt Ridgway is concerned about our national defense and spends a great deal of time in bringing what he considers the most urgent problems to the attention of people in positions of authority. He and Penny are active in community affairs.

Mark Clark, too, takes an active interest in issues of national importance. And his responsibilities as pres of the American Battle Monuments Comm take up a great deal of his time.

In Winter Park, FL, **Bill & Alice McMahon** are still taking an active interest in their community. They keep in touch with **Nina Gerhardt** and say that she is well and active.

The numerous friends of **Hannah Jones** were saddened by her death in Apr. During their many years at WP she and Prof made many friends in the Army as well as in the civ community.

And the Class lost another of its widows when **Grace Murray** died in San Ant in Mar. Funeral services were held at an Episcopal Church in San Ant.

A U G '17

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Only **Red Warner** could have maintained such a sweet, even temper while bearing afflictions and being unwell himself. He and Dorothy tended **Red Durfee** during his

long last illness. Then Dorothy was stricken and Red cared for her. Finally he set out for Sun City but instead spent over 3 months in Luke Air Base Hospital before he died Sept 19th. He went to the Presidio to rest beside Mary and Dorothy. Red was beloved by all, not least by your Scribe. May God reward him as he deserves.

1982 seems so far away that we are trying to make our annual Heterosexual Luncheon a sort of mini-reunion. All mobile locals will make it. Second and even 3d generation are welcomed. **Pinkey & Nan Rolfe**, **Phil & Tommie Day** are coming. Incidentally the **Days** have a new address, 1111 S. Lakemont Ave, Winter Park, FL 32789. Second generation: **Rolfes** bringing the **Symoskis** and the **Days** the **Wallicks**. More seconds are **Bob & Marcia Bringham**, **Hook & Dottie Almquist**, the **Greenes** (Conner connection). **Biff Jones** had a fall and wrenched his knee but he will come and bring **Barbara** and **Grady**. Maybe **Dorothe Matlack** and **Lois Stamps** can bring their charming daughters. From hereabouts: the **Gerhardts**, **Henry Gantt** and maybe **Mary Meade** and **Mary Jo**. Of course **Doc Faust** whose idea it was, will come with **Anny**. The **Wagners** want to come but have a conflict of dates: we hope they will find a way. **Jim Hea** is coming from L.A. and **Demuth** might make it. If all predictions are realized, it will be a good showing for a bunch of old crocks.

The **Morgans** couldn't make it because our date falls on his birthday and their daughter is arranging a family celebration of **Clyde's** 83d. **Kit Carson** says that after an 18-month bout with doctors both he and **Helen** feel they are out of the woods but not far enough out to attempt travel.

Ted Futch is likewise. Says that between sciatica and a fall a year ago, he doesn't walk well and hasn't driven beyond **Hendersonville**. What a pleasure amid all this to have **Edna Krause** say, "For a senior senior, I am doing beautifully, mentally, physically and morally."

After 85 years of bouncing health, **Rudy Whitelegg** had a sudden setback. But three weeks in hospital, some of it in "expensive care," brought him round. As of 19 Sept he could walk, talk, read and complain about the hardness of hospital beds.

Georgie Graham is moving from her home of over 41 years to a smaller place at 405 **Bowen Circle**, **Raymore, MO 64083**. **Peggy Moore** is now with her daughter, **Mrs. J.H. Wood**, 203 NW 59th Terrace, **Kansas City, MO 64118**.

Kathleen Hoffman has followed her children to 10453 **Waltham**, **Birmingham, MI 48009**. That's all right because she makes new friends easily. Had a nice note from **Laura Cole**. Also a waggish suggestion from **Girard Troland**, not usable because it reflects undue credit upon Your Scribe.

JUN
'18

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The **Axelsons** took shelter in a doorway and **Alice K.**'s kitchen formica counter top "rolled" during that Aug quake.

The **Caseys** had another fine summer in VT. **Pat** now uses a golf cart. Back to FL in late Oct after the foliage display.

Charlie Hoffman had a poor garden. Mine also, except for tomatoes.

Spike Lorence's 5th cranial nerve, by acting up quite severely last summer, made **Anna Mary** the groundskeeper and gardener at **Woodley Acres**. Her performance was excellent.

Tom Nixon had a pacemaker implanted last May after a bad drop in his pulse rate. He and **Aimee** spent Jun-Jul in France with **Aimee's** sister.

Millie Pichel harvested her crop of oranges, lemons and pears. Took another cruise along the west coast of Mexico by ship at Thanksgiving. She and **Alice** often get together.

Louise Dean died of a heart attack on last 10 Jul aboard the cruise ship, **Polaris**, off Norway. She is survived by 4 daughters and 2 sons. The sympathy of the Class is extended to the survivors. It was a great shock to all of us.

NOV
'18

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How sad it was to lose our most recent bride on 2 Jul. **Boyd Fitzpatrick** and **Fran** had been married just 5 years when cancer brought on **Fran's** death.

And on the night of 26-27 Aug **Phoebe**, **Roger Wicks'** widow passed away in her sleep. She had been resident in a nursing home in **Candler, NC**, for some months.

One statistic in which we all participate and watch and in which we might or might not take pride is that about 10% of our living classmates are now over 85 years of age, 61 years after graduation. The 80th, 85th, and 90th birthdays are all milestones as are the 50th, 60th, 65th and 70th anniv of graduation. After that one falls into a class by himself. The WP Soc of Cleveland gave pleasure to **Arch Colwell** in recognizing his 84th birthday on 30 Jul with a fine big cake. When **Bob York** received his pack of late pictures for the Class history he couldn't recognize many, of course he hasn't seen most of us for some years.

In Sept **Muriel Scarby** had 26 days of driving about England without visiting London where she had been many times. She just wanted to poke into many little places she had always wanted to see. **Ken Leslie** writes that all his family are well and happy and still alive even unto the 3d generation, no 4th as yet, alas. **Bob Coolidge** was thoroughly entranced with "American Caesar." He feels it so full of utterly fascinating detail that a condensation can't do it justice.

Charlie & Edna Hixon are delighted with their 4th great-grandchild, a little boy, after the first 3 were girls. Poor **Laura Belle Badger** while loading her car tripped over the curb and in falling broke an arm and a hip. She was in **Walter Reed** in traction for quite a while. And the 2 DC area girls who had to undergo major surgery in Aug have recovered nicely, **Edith Griffiths** and **Ruth Hastings**.

After many years in **Palm Beach**, **Polly & B.G. Stevens** moved to **Columbus, GA**, where they were married 60 yrs ago last 16 Sept. **Puss & Eric Molitor** still delight in their place near **Hendersonville, NC**, surrounded as it is by the mountains. And **Mildred & Clyde Welch** are pleased with their home near **Ft Jackson** where they make good use

of the hospital. **Clyde** has had to have several serious operations and **Mildred** spent both of the last 2 Xmases in the hospital, one with a heart attack and the other with a stroke. But both are now fairly well. When we graduated on the 1st of Nov 1918 **Art Pulsifer** and **Marie** thought they were going to be the first to be married in the **Cadet Chapel**, but **Art** rushed off to **Highland Falls** on an errand and on return found that **Mariana & Mike Odor** had beat them out of the honor. **Art** sounds better than he has in years; he's had a bad time of it with the broken hip. **Marie Stevens** says the wives and widows of the WP Soc of the FL West Coast are most active; she's happy to be a member. **Bob Schow** says that **Tiny** is back to her old, or young, self after some months of physical set-back.

Lella and **Wilbur Dunkelberg** are kept busy, **Lella** with much church work and **Dunk** doing all his yard work, but they are quite well which **Dunk** attributes to hard work. **Janie & Chris Knudson** were hard hit by the loss of their son-in-law, **Dr. John A. Moncrief**, last Jun. When **Jake Freeman's** son **Robert** ret in Apr from the AF; it left none of the sons on active duty, all 5 having attended one of the service academies, but a grandson is in training at **Lackland AFB** so a **Freeman** is still on duty. **Mary & Corp Chorpene** traveled through the **Canyonlands** in Sept and at 82 Corp was awaiting the arrival of twin grandchildren in Oct, maybe a record.

Chief Brimmer was upset when several different wives asked him to take them fishing last summer while their husbands played golf. **Chief** didn't think the husbands should trust him so much. **Dottie & Elmer Barnes** think they have moved to the best place of all, **Salem, OR**, climate and weather perfect, people very pleasant, a fine house and garden and a grand beach not too distant. **Elmer** just made another first as being the longest consistent subscriber to the **Army-Navy Journal**, now the **Armed Forces Journal** for which they have given him a lifetime subscription.

In mid Jun **Paul Kendall** had to be in intensive care for several days in **Stanford Hospital** following a serious heart attack. He's being very careful at home and getting much better. He sends regards to all. **Lark Gilland** has been quite unhappy over **Corrine's** condition; she suffers from cerebral atrophy and requires considerable nursing attention. **Mac Monroe** enjoys frequent visits from his 2 good daughters, **Martha Henderson** from **Washington** and **Barbara Morrisson** from **New Canaan, CT**, who take good care of him. He makes trips often to **Eureka, CA**, to be with his brother **Tom**. **Count Gorlinski** has recovered nicely from a successful cataract operation and is back on the golf course. Of our CA girls, **Lucy Bowman** was trying to get her wardrobe in shape but said the problem was her own shape, a strange arrangement of curves. **Isobel Lock** is bothered with her eyes but she feels it's the excessive traffic that curtails her activity. **Alice Pope** attended a big family reunion in Aug while **Juliette Wilson** ran up to Canada to visit daughter **Laura**. And **Marian Stokes** flew up to **Tacoma** to visit her niece and to attend the graduation of 2 of the nieces' children. **Melba Conrad's** granddaughter, **Melissa Monroe**, graduated from **Yale** with honors and is now working on her master's. **Dick Ericson's** daughter **Betsy** and her husband spent a week with **Dick** in Sept and later son **Dick** was with him for a few days from his post

as Ambassador to Iceland. Mike Gillespie has quite recovered and enjoyed reading "Secrets" by F. Lee Bailey and Alexander's "Anyone's Daughter." Al Riani is attributing good health to a minimum amount of free-way travel and to long walks and swimming. Dean Dickey was Dick Ericson's guest at the Army-Stanford game while Al Miller watched the Army win in his wheelchair.

As to books, George McReynolds recommends highly "The Third World War" by Gen'l Sir John Hackett. Charley Morrison and Bill Mendenhall struck out on 8 Sept on a 12-day tour to CO, Oak Creek Canyon, Petrified Forest, AF Academy, Garden of the Gods, and many other sites. In early Jul Isabel & Chuck Gildart spent a month with son-in-law and daughter, Draper & Ruth Lewis in Ridgefield, CT. One of their side trips was to the Mayflower House at historic Plymouth, MA, Hqs of the General Society of Mayflower descendants. Chuck spoke at the Aug meeting of the San Diego Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. His topic was the intelligence operations in the Revolution making comparisons with the present depressed state of the CIA and FBI. From Jimmy Carroll came the news that their granddaughter, Clare Kirby, USMA 1980, is now one of five cadet captains (woman). Our whole Class takes pride in her. Last summer she was on duty with the Schofield MP's for 6 weeks and then with the Engineers in Portland, OR, for 6 weeks. She also had a week with a busy schedule with Jimmy and Mimi.

'19

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Dick Ovenshine got an enthusiastic letter from LTC Goodpaster saying that he "... will ensure that the class aides mentioned in your letter receive proper recognition for their good work in assisting the Class of 1919..." COL Richard L. Gruenther, USA, ret, DirDevel of AOG, son of our Al, has agreed to take over from Bob Wilson as '19's "man on the scene at WP." Rosalee Porter, widow of Fred, enjoys life in Colo Spgs, is a successful poetess. She has given Dick some photos taken recently at WP by Freddy Jr., USMA '44, and his wife Joan; Dick hopes to show the prints at the Oct brunch at McNair.

Al Wedemeyer served under Lord Mountbatten in Asia in WWII, and thru much of the war the 2 were closely associated; and over the years, then and since, strong and lasting ties of friendship were forged between the 2 men. When news of the murder reached us, Al immediately sent his condolence to the Ministry of Defence in London. No need to repeat here the many fine qualities of Lord Louis as a man and as a cmdr, but Al reviewed them with great eloquence and the appreciation of a close friend in his letter to the Ministry. Later, Al learned that he was to attend the funeral as an official rep of the U.S. Scribe asked Al for details on his London trip for ASSEMBLY, and Al, with his usual modesty said: "Al Wedemeyer participated in the State funeral of Rt Hon the Earl Mountbatten of Burma. Marching in the solemn procession from St. James Square to Westminster Abbey, he attended the impressive services in the Abbey eulogizing the beloved mil hero and statesman."

Bunker Bean reports that Helen & Virgil Shaw have moved to Clearwater, FL, and

are pleased with their new home. Ethel & Emmett Niblack winter in Biloxi, MS; their address is as shown in our roster. From May to Oct they live in Highlands, NC where their son, COL Niblack Jr, USAF ret, USMA '52, is building his home. David McLean reports Katharine Kean has sold the Kean home, is moving to an apartment in Winter Park, FL, near her dau. As soon as she is settled she will move Bill to a ret home nearby. Harris Scherer says that some time ago Gretchen had a serious operation but is now playing golf twice a week. From Eddie Strohhahn: the WP luncheon meetings in Orlando have resumed. On a recent visit to Charleston, Eddie and Marilyn tried unsuccessfully to contact Hugh & Chellis Waddell, who were away. Harry Rex's dau, Mrs. Margaret Mullins, was at WP during our Reunion and is in the Class picture taken on 1 Jun. Her name was not on the list in the Sept ASSEMBLY because scribe did not learn of her presence in time to include it. Sorry. Bob Springer informs that for the first time Whitey & Bobby Gard are great grandparents—and very proud ones, too. They are standing up well under the responsibility. Eugene Marcus Gard, son of Bobby III and Kathleen, was born 26 Jul. Pewee Collier visits Lib every morning in the nursing home next door to his address. Dau Peggy paints and sculpts in Austin where her sons go to school. All remark on how well Pewee looks and how little he appears to change with the years. Archie & Verlie Cooley are well, and dau Debbie still competes for Women's Nat'l Water-Ski championship, which she has won 3 times. Alex Bennet, one of the last classmates to see Chic Noble before his death, found Chic's sense of humor intact almost to the end when Chic was still able to joke with him. Bob & Rhoda Springer spent Aug in CO—High point: a visit to Vail. No sign of ex-Pres Ford this year, says Bob. Nor, one may add, of the "gorgeous blonde" actress in the dinner-theatre there, who stepped off the stage and flagrantly discriminated against Bob by sitting in Mr. Ford's lap and singing a song. (ASSEMBLY, Dec '76). Dau joined her parents for the trip and Bob complains that after he had spent much time teaching Rhoda and Patricia to drive, they now conspire to keep him out of the driver's seat. George Elms and his family and Chic Noble and his family were very close friends for many years; and George in El Paso kept in close touch with Chic and Elsie by phone during these last years of illness preceding the deaths of the latter 2. When first aware of his cancer, Chic entered the hosp, then left but continued treatments, then returned to the hosp where he remained until the end. Both Elsie and Chic showed great courage in fighting their illnesses.

Several months ago Lynne Marlow visited—not for the first time—the Indian subcontinent. At Srinagar in Kashmir she lived on an elegant houseboat with Oriental rugs, carvings, servants. Thence via New Delhi to Kathmandu, capital of Nepal, center of Buddhism; saw parade of the "Living Goddess," a 6-year-old girl who is kept in seclusion till she reaches maturity and is paraded once a year; sad-looking. On flight to Tiger-Tops group was met by and rode elephants thru waving grass as high as the elephants, and were charged by 2 rhinos. The elephants lined up and trumpeted and the rhinos turned tail. By motor to Darjeeling and Gantok, in Sikkim where their hotel "was built hanging on the mountain side." At breakfast a view of Kanchenjunga, 28,208 ft, world's 3d highest peak. By car from Sikkim to Bhutan, a

somewhat more advanced land with an airport, fascinating architecture, many monasteries. "Of all the countries I've seen," says Lynne, "I found Sikkim and Bhutan the most unique and unspoiled, with friendly, smiling people."

Jim Phillips very thoughtfully sent in a news clipping on Sandy Sanderson, touching on items in Stockton, CA. Of importance to us is that Sandy is, or was, (the clipping is not specific on dates), pres of the San Joaquin County Red Cross Chapter, chmn of the Stockton Port Comm and pres of the Stockton Rotary Club, a fine list of honors, any one of which entitles Sandy to the VIP degree. Congratulations, Sandy. Emily McNamee writes that Roly is a bit under-the-weather; and in Aug Carlene Holly fell and broke her hip. Our condolences to Roly and Carlene and our hope for their recovery as soon as possible. Jack Vance reports that Babe & Ruth Ruth, now visiting eastern Canada and the Gaspé, will fly to Montreal for a bus tour of Quebec and Ontario, returning home by air from Chicago. Hélène, widow of Bob Carter, has been in Marin County, CA, recently arranging to enter business in CA. She will divide her time between France and the U.S. Charlotte Ritchie joined the USMA tour to AK. Jack Burns has agreed to process items for ASSEMBLY from OR and WA. Jack Vance says further that Al Wedemeyer spent the last 2 wks of Jul in CA seeing old friends, attending the Bohemian Club summer camp on Russian River, (no subversive activity implied), and the meeting of the Board of Overseers of the Hoover Fndn at Stanford. He made strong efforts to see and talk with all classmates. This coming year John Jr., son of Betty & Jack Vance, will attend the U of London to study intl law. LTC Goodpaster and Coach Lou Saban were expected to attend a rally at the Off Club, Presidio of San Fran on 22 Sept before the Stanford game, chartered busses to carry the fans to Palo Alto. Good plan, Army won. From Olympia, WA, Dean Luce says that Amelia had a 6-hour brain operation on 31 May, preventing their attending the Reunion, but she is recovering nicely. Herb Jones says that he and Anabel greatly enjoyed the Reunion and, later, visited NH with several couples from the DC area, old friends, and had another fine time.

ADDRESSES

Mrs. J.S. Bradley, c/o LTC J.S. Bradley Jr., 211 Arch St, Leavenworth, KS 66048; Dick Ovenshine's letter of condolence to Erma Fay Samsy, PO Box 6068, Toledo, OH 43614 was returned "not deliverable as addressed"; Emmett A. Niblack, May to Oct, PO Box 481, Highlands, NC 28741, phone (704) 526-2964; COL Cornelius E. O'Connor, Osceola Inn, 221 N Osceola Ave., Clearwater, FL 33515, phone (813) 442-5349; COL Virgil F. Shaw, Oak Bluffs Ret Ctr, 420 Bay Ave, Clearwater, FL 33516, phone (813) 461-4466; COL Roland W. McNamee, 7411 Herschel Ave, La Jolla, CA, 92037.

DEATHS

The Last Roll Call, Sept ASSEMBLY, reports death of Edwin R. Samsy at Maumee, OH, on 25 Jun 77. We have no other details. COL Charles H. Noble died 12 Aug in Brooke Army Hosp, Ft Sam Houston, TX, of bone cancer. His outstanding exploit, probably, in WWII was his capture of Pilsen as cmdr of CCB of the 16th AD. Ret in 49 did not seem to slow him down, nor did his later illness. He had amazing drive and, almost until his death, was very active in many ways, organizing and promoting the 16th AD Assn, the WP Soc of S TX, both of which he

founded, 2d VP of his Class, his "area" for '19, to name a few; plus several business projects—all a most impressive display of energy, even if he had enjoyed perfect health. His struggle against his illness was long and courageous. Some months ago he married his present widow, Melba, who had been a great help to him. Chic had a multitude of friends, both Army and civ, and a great many of them were present at the funeral service at Peter Loring. His remains were cremated and his ashes were entombed in the Mission Burial Park, San Ant. He is survived by his widow, his son, Charles Jr, and 4 grandchildren.

Helen Roesch Barden died 25 Sept 79 at her home in Bethesda of a heart attack, an illness from which she had suffered for a long time. She is survived by her husband Stu, by her 2 daughters, Helen B. Moran and Mary Stuart Proctor, 4 grandchildren and a cousin, COL Sam Moore, USMC Ret. The Class extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved families.

VITAL STATS

Living grads, 94; Missing, 2; Deceased, 188; Widows, 89.

'20

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This year's elections for 5 of the 10 members of the Class Gov Cmte resulted in the reelection of **Denson, Lemnitzer, John Mitchell, Plank and Rehm** for another 2 yrs. Giving them "a run for their money" were **Fisher, Hasbrouck, Kreuter, Routheau and Shattuck**.

Frank Henning has kindly "volunteered" to get-together with our other FL classmates to find someone to fill **Leland Smith's** big shoes as our Class Rep for FL. In the meantime, Frank is in there pinch-hitting.

Charlie Ivins writes: "News of myself is not particularly inspiring . . . Had a heart pacer installed last winter . . . It gives me no trouble except to knock me flat on my face once a month or so . . . Just ticking along with a comparatively well-behaved pancreatic carcinoma. I rarely go out but was at a party at **Dan Katie Daniel's** where I saw **Frank Henning**, but ole Uncle Van(Sickler) was off cutting timber on his tree farm up in ME . . . My main trouble is the cancer of the pancreas. It gallops along and gets my insides thoroughly confused. Unfortunately, it is inoperable . . . So far it hasn't hurt but has been plenty uncomfortable. Well, it's small change to what some people go through in terminal cases so what's the use of squawking?" We have to hand it to you, Charlie, for your philosophical way of looking at your not-so-small troubles!

Chesty Haswell, our doughty Class Rep for AL, MS, LA, AR & MO, writes his "constituents": "I'll 'take a dose of my own medicine' by mentioning some of my own modest activities. For the past 3 yrs I've been working on some youth exchange projects for Rotary Intl. Also kept up correspondence by exchange of letters, color slides and cassette tape recordings with the Rotary Club of Itami, Japan. Most important of all, Eulamay and I are trying to keep physically and mentally conditioned for travel to our 60th Reunion. A young man I helped recruit some 5 years ago will graduate in 80." Attaboy, Chesty!

Millard Pierson reports that **Al Perwein** is permanently leaving his apt in San Ant to

make his home with son **Bob** in Lemon Cove, CA—probably because of his health.

Millard is having eye troubles again. The plastic lens implanted in his left eye in 77 (after a cataract opn) had to be removed as it was irritating the cornea and deteriorated his eyesight. It may take months for the cornea to heal and, if it doesn't, he may need a cornea transplant. So, it may keep him from attending our 60th. However, his right eye is OK so the doctor permitted him to attend the annual MOWW convention in Norfolk last Aug. There he was unanimously re-elected as a member of the Gen Staff-at-Large. Congratulations, Millard! You've built up quite a longevity of top service with MOWW.

Jack Goff "let no grass grow under his feet" since "volunteering" to take on our Area 9 (NM, AZ, CO, UT, NV) in addition to his Area 11 (OR, WA). From **Carl Duffner** he heard that **Claudia** was now out of the AFA Hosp where she was treated for a "small stroke." Carl wrote, ". . . Her coordination is still bothering her but we both hope all will be again normal in a short time . . ." They are both in good spirits but not sure they'll be making our 60th. Carl likes "to think of my classmates as they were on that morning in June 20 when we all assembled for the last time in front of Cullum Hall." They see **Freddy Pitts** each year when he comes up to visit son **John**, who runs a fine Gun Shop in Monument, CO, and say **Freddy** is doing quite well physically.

Jack Goff keeps in close touch with **Bill Crist**. Saw him when he arrived at **Madigan GH** from **Walter Reed** and later he and **Alma** visited **Bill** at the **Good Samaritan Nursing Home**—"And we'll pay him regular visits there. It's only a few minutes away from **Bill Jr's** home in Seattle . . . **Bill's** cadet roommate, **Herb Reuter**, is on his way north from CA to check on his timber farm and, of course, will drop in to see **Bill** . . . **Bill** talks some, likes visitors and cards from classmates. We hope he'll recover soon from his right side stroke . . ."

Jack also reported that **George & Mildred Bare** had a Sun brunch for **Madeline Travis**, her son **Dr. Tom** (now with **Madigan GH**) and his wife and **Ray & Bunny Welch** to welcome **Madeline** into the Pacific NW. She has moved from her FL home to be with **Tom** and his family. The **Bares** have many visitors from the East. **Jack** writes further: "**Isabelle Swartz** is staying close to home with dau **Jo**. This summer her older sister **Helen** visited from **Pawnee, OK**, and both were busy visiting their eldest sister **Vieda**, age 93, in the **Cottesmore Home** in **Gig Harbor**. Ret **COL Jo Swartz** devotes her energies hosting for the **WP Admissions Cte** luncheons (which I regularly attend) and the **Ft Lewis Mil Museum** activities and events which are increasingly a part of a wide area of school and visitor interest . . . **JF Wahl** still has speech troubles after his stroke and doesn't travel yet . . . We're all in fair health . . ."

Bob Kreuter's hurried card to **Jack Goff** about his 2-wk AK tour was a masterpiece of understatement—"We had a fine time, all 9 of us, despite considerable rain." **Bob** could not reach **Jack** for a long chat from the **Seattle Airport** on return trip. We hope for more from **Bob** later, after "shaking down."

Jack & Alma Goff also planned a shorter 12-day tour of south AK by Dutch cruise ship, plane and bus in Sept—**Vancouver, Juneau, Whitehorse, Glacier Bay, Mendenhall Glacier, Skagway, Sitka** and back to **Vancouver**. Last summer **Jack** "went to a convention in Norfolk, got lost for 3 days

returning west and **Alma** took advantage of absence to win a \$1000 or so at **Bingo**." How's that again, **Jack**? Are you going to try it again? Many of us would like to know how it's done. **Jack** winds up saying: "I'm still tottering around 9 holes on the **McChord AFB** golf course, striving to make 50 . . . P.S. I'll be a grandfather again in Nov."!

'21-'22

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Jake Stewart had "double-trouble" last summer. On 11 Jul, while walking on a path in the woods near his home, he reached down to pick up a pine limb and a cottonmouth moccasin bit his finger. When the snake tried to take another bite **Jake** stepped on it with his heavy boot and killed it. When he arrived home, which was almost immediately, he asked **Charlotte** to take him to



'21-'22: The Sullivans and the Haases.

the hospital. In about one-half hour **Jake** was administered anti-venom and he was on the operating table. In all, 4 operations were performed resulting in the amputation of his index finger. The snake was 3 feet long and weighed 22 pounds.

Then on top of that, hurricane **Frederick** hit **Ocean Spgs**. **Jake**, **Charlotte** and their home came through undamaged, but the trees and shrubbery were wrecked. You may recall that **Jake** and **Charlotte** have the most beautiful garden in that part of the country. It was hit hard by hurricane **Camille** a few years ago. They expected to be without power for at least a month. We are sorry that all this has happened to you and sincerely hope that by the time you read this everything will be back to normal at **Ocean Spgs**.



'21-'22: Haas, the Millers and Hazel Haas.

I wrote to **Pat Strong** about the effect hurricane **David** had on his property. He called me on the phone to tell me that he had anchored his sailboat in mid stream



'21-'22: Oriole Reunion at Menlo Park, CA.

opposite his house. It was weathering the storm very well until a neighbor's boat, somewhat larger than his dragged its anchor and crashed into Pat's boat, and it just about ruined it.

When hurricane David passed through Jacksonville we were fortunate in that we did not suffer much damage. We had our house all batten-down expecting the worst, but it really was not any worse than a heavy rain storm, for which we were most thankful.

Last Jun when on our way to visit our daughter and her family at Victoria, B.C., Canada we stopped off at Menlo Park, CA to visit our friends, Mr. & Mrs. Millet. While there they took us to beautiful Del Mesa Carmel for a most enjoyable afternoon with Slator & Alexa Miller, both of whom are in excellent shape. Then on another occasion we had a most enjoyable evening with Carroll & Dorothy Sullivan who live in Menlo Park. We were in touch with Wes Yale but did not get to see him on this visit.

After a short stay in Victoria with our daughter and her family we all proceeded to spend a week at Saratoga Beach, which is about 20 miles south of Campbell River

(the salmon capital of the world). Due to bad weather we got out to do some salmon fishing only 3 days, but in that time we caught 11 salmon in the 5 and 6 lb class, no really big ones. We then went on up to Port Hardy, the most northern city on Vancouver Is where we boarded a ferry boat to Prince Rupert which is just a little south of Alaskan panhandle. It is 20-hr sail and very scenic. The boat is very comfortable with state rooms, restaurant, etc. The skipper of the boat was a ret Canadian naval officer—the same as my son-in-law which added to making the trip most enjoyable. Upon return to Port Hardy we drove



'21-'22: The Johnson clan at Johnny's 80th birthday party.

back to Victoria where we did some more salmon fishing. But again the weather was not in our favor. However, we did manage to get 3 more 6-pounders and an 18½ pounder. We were 15 minutes getting that one in the boat. That is what you call fishing. All the salmon we caught at Saratoga Beach we had canned and brought back with us—37 cans of salmon. At the inflated price of salmon, 37 cans almost paid for the trip.

We then spent a week with our friends, COL & Mrs Spade at Port Angeles, WA. Unfortunately again the weather was not favorable to fishing nor were the salmon very co-operative. In 3 days fishing we caught two 5 pounders.

We then returned to Menlo Park where our friends had arranged to honor me with a class reunion. The invitation read as follows: "On Sun Aug 12th at 5:00 p.m. Harry & Hazel Haas will receive the D.S.M. (Distinguished Scribe Medal) from their long time classmates and friends for their untir-

ing and steadfast dedication to the never ending problem of keeping the Class informed of the vicissitudes of fate befalling their comrades." Terribly flattering, I'd say. Those attending were Johnny & Edna Johnson, Ham & Katherine Meyer, Dick Ransom, Carroll & Dorothy Sullivan, Ila Mary Svihra and her daughter Elizabeth, George & Katherine (Straub) Vaughn and Wes Yale. Those who sent regrets were: Morris Marcus, Jim Spry, Slator Miller, Al Price, Frank Pirkey, Granger Anderson, Max Taylor and Carol Woods. Needless to say I was greatly honored and I am most thankful for what my friends the Millets did in arranging this Oriole reunion. It was most enjoyable.

It was just 3 days after the reunion that the Sullivans and ourselves motored up to Hillsborough to attend Johnny Johnson's 80th birthday. When at the reunion Johnny had invited us to his birthday party. The party was held at Johnny's son's estate. All 8 Johnson children were present with their spouses. They came from NJ, TX, UT and various parts of CA. Also present was Johnny's sister. In addition to the 8 offsprings there were 33 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. One son, Rupert, never married. After cocktails and buffet we listened to the poems and stories about what each son and daughter thought of their father. Many congratulations Johnny on your 80th birthday, (which reminds me I have one coming up next Mar).

Mark McClure wrote that only 4 classmates showed up for the luncheon in Jul. They were: Cook, Leedy, Olmsted and McClure. Orval & Minna Cook had been on a long trip to the west coast, TX and other places. The Aug meeting was attended by: Leedy, McClure, Olmsted and Max Taylor. Myron's eyesight is failing him so that he cannot drive a car and had to take a taxi to attend the luncheon. Max has to use a cane due to some knee trouble, but he is just as sharp as ever. As Mark says, "When you get Max and George together you can be sure of an interesting time." The McClures went to NH for a couple weeks last summer which probably explains why I received no report of the Sept meeting.

Hebe Ficklen has a new address: 511 Marquis Lane, San Antonio, TX 78216, Tel: (512) 341-0558.

Freddie Hein wrote me that Mary Lee Mitchell now lives at 135 West French Pl, Apt. 306, San Antonio, TX, 78212.

A long letter from Lou Dolan that was written on 3 Jul, but due to postal strike in Spain was not mailed until 18 Jul after he had returned to the States. The Dolans had made their last of 7 trips to Spain to visit their daughter and her family. They have been transferred to Ft Lauderdale, FL. Now that they have a daughter in FL they might arrange a visit at the time of the O.W.R. Last Jun Lou attended his 60th anniv of his graduation from Harvard. Lou is the youngest living member of his class. Lou and Marion attended the graduation exercises of their granddaughter at Marymount College, Tarrytown, NY last Jun. Marion and her daughter are also graduates of Marymount.

Last Jun Johnny Johnson attended the Royal Ascot Races in England. To get a ticket to the royal enclosure at the track one must have a U.S. Senator write a letter to the American Ambassador in England and make the request. Johnny did just that and with ticket in hand he had to get the proper



'21-'22: Haas with his 18½-lb salmon caught out of Victoria, B.C., Canada.

"uniform" which includes the gray cutaway coat and a gray top hat, all of which cost him \$70.00. During the course of the meet Johnny came within a few feet of the Queen who had a few horses running that day. Johnny wrote that it was the most luxurious day he had ever spent at the races. He almost covered expenses, but the horse in the last race lost by a nose. It would have paid \$250.00. As Johnny says, that is a refrain often heard at the track. If you are interested in all the details of his day at the track I am sure Johnny will gladly send you a copy of, "A Trip to the Royal Ascot Races Near London and Parts of North Africa." It is 9 pages long and most interesting.

Gus Watson sent me a news clipping headed: "Saratoga recalls the Battle of the Bulge." Last Dec he attended the anniv of the battle in Belgium. Gus commanded the 112th Inf Regt. Since ret from the service in 48 Gus has been active in civic affairs. He served a term as County Commissioner also a term as a member of the FL House of Reps. He has also served 3 terms as cmdr of the local chapter of the American Legion. By the way his new phone number is (813) 924-6490.

Bill Lawton's son John who had suffered severe wounds in the Vietnam war, was invited to the White House together with several other veterans. John is a good friend of Max Cleland the head of the VA. They were hospitalized together at Walter Reed Hosp during the war. The Lawtons came home from their retreat in ME to baby sit for John's family while he attended the party at the White House.

'23

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The Sept ASSEMBLY contained a fine tribute to Harold Kehm for his many years of service as class scribe. It is with sadness that I express the heartfelt sympathy of the Class in the loss of our beloved classmate. Baron died on 22 Aug following a severe stroke.

Funeral services were held at the Ft Myer Chapel. He was buried at Arlington with full military honors. Friends and classmates served as honorary pallbearers. The following classmates attended the service: J. C. Fry, H. L. Shafer, S. Guevara, J. Smith, F. Adams, K. Sweany, P. O'Reilly, G. Buell, and Damon Gunn.

An extract from a letter received from Harold's son Richard of Silver Spring, MD, follows: "My sincere thanks to Class members who have been so kind to us during this unhappy period. It makes me proud to know that my dad was associated with such a fine group of men."

About the same time that Baron suffered his stroke, his wife Dorothy accidentally fell and suffered a severe injury to her hip and back. X-rays showed no bone damage. In early Sept with the use of a walker she was ambulatory and headed for a complete recovery.

Lee Shafer, chmn of the DC Group reports the following: Frank Dorn, after a brief stay in Walter Reed hospital recovering from the effects of radiation treatments, has been declared completely free of cancer. Woggy Towle gets around now with an electric tricycle, equipped with its own ramp. He

handles both house and street maneuvering with elan. Forstall Adams, our class treas, underwent a gall bladder operation and is now fully recovered and back again counting our pennies.

Looking back a few years, the Apr 62 issue of ASSEMBLY (marking its 20th anniv) carried in our class notes a "Now Hear This" item which announced the kick off plans for our 40th Reunion. As 79 fades into history, let us "think positively" as suggested previously by Frenchy Grombach and look forward to our 60th in 83. Keep us informed about your activities and report any changes. The initial stage of planning has been started by the DC Group. Anyone having any suggestions send them in to Lee Shafer, chmn. Ted Osborne, if you read this give him your sound advice.

Roy Foster reports that he will stop his work as Area Coordinator of Area E, FL, and will take on assignment of Admissions Participant for North Sector of Area. He has ret. from or finished terms as pres of several civic organizations. In completing his 8th season with West Volusia High School Seniors Scholarship Patriotic Oration contest, he had raised \$1600 with full support of industry, banks, vets organizations, service clubs and business. Awards were given to 9 finalists for help in attending schools of their choice. Roy was pres of the WP Soc of Central FL where the Admissions program was the main objective of the Society. For 79 entering class they had a record of 21 appointments to WP and at least 2 for the WP Prep Sch. Roy states: "In between breaths, Glad and I step out to play a little bridge, and read plays 4 or 5 times a week. Fortunately, she has not turned over the cooking to me."

Lloyd Shepard wrote from Vincennes, IN, stating that after ret. in 65 as manager and secy-treas of a title abstracting plant, he organized a curriculum to train abstract employees for the IN Land Title Assn. His course was established at Vincennes U. where he taught, beginning in 68, a course in Land Title Tech, leading to an Assoc Degree. In Dec 73 Shep suffered a heart attack and was forced to drop his job as a pedagogue. Having passed his 80th birthday in Aug he reports, "I'm in good shape except for osteoarthritis in both knees, dizziness spells and occasional angina." Lloyd, your classmates hope you and Maggie will continue to enjoy your house "on top of the hill."

Note from Wendell Johnson states that the cast has been removed from his broken left leg and the doctor says X-rays look good. Johnny feels quite well but his left leg is about one and a half inches shorter than his right one, but he expects that an adjustment of shoes will take care of that. Johnny and Ruth drove to Montreal in Sept, took Rail Canada to Calgary and joined an 11-day tour to Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, Vancouver, and Victoria then flew back to Montreal, picked up their car for return home. Hope you stayed off the ice fields Johnny, otherwise you might have broken something besides a leg. Besides trips Johnny keeps himself out of mischief by working on membership dues for the local Historical Society of which he was pres for 2 yrs; and his big job early in Sept was fund raising for expansion of the area YMCA.

Al Crawford's daughter Joan notified us of the change of address for his widow, Virginia. Joan reports that her mother is doing well, although "certainly far from re-

covered from loss of her husband." Al's son, A.R. Jr. '55, is an investment broker in Naples, FL, having returned from So. Africa a year before Al's death. Joan is now living in Chicago and writes "having miraculously survived a miserable winter made more so by having lived in Atlanta for the past six years." Friends of Al and Virginia, I'm certain, will be pleased to learn of this change of address.

Lyle & Louise Rosenberg in late Jun arrived home after a 7000-mile trip to WP and return via devious routes visiting relatives in Oklahoma City, Baton Rouge, San Ant, Albuquerque, and Santa Fe. They attended the graduation at WP of his grandnephew, James C. Perry (grandson of Lyle's sister, Enid). He had the pleasure of swearing Jim in as a 2LT, Arty, at a ceremony on the front patio of the Catholic Chapel. The Rosenbergs, with Jim's parents, grandmother and brothers, were also present at the Awards Convocation where Jim received a gold wrist watch awarded by the National Council, Steuben Society of America for attaining the highest rating in German. On 9 Jun they all attended the marriage in the Catholic Chapel of Jim and Nora Curtin of Long Is. In Sept, the Rosenbergs visited Albuquerque to attend the wedding of their granddaughter, Laura Louise Osborne.

In late Jul Herb & Marian Enderton celebrated their 50th wedding anniv at a reception in San Diego given by their 4 children. In addition to many relatives, the following classmates were present: Fowlers, Stones, Robinsons, Rosenbergs and Harmony.

In early Jul Paul Wolf phoned to inquire about how he could arrange a tour of WP for a family friend of his in CO; the son was to participate in the Junior Olympic gymnastic meet to be held at WP and the family was interested in learning all about the Academy. Phone calls to Admissions' Office and the gymnastic coach at WP asking for assistance resulted in gymnastic coach informing me of his interest in a young gymnast from Reading. Immediately following this I talked with the young man and advised him on procedures for obtaining admission. Later in a letter to me Rosy stated that the family had "an absolutely marvelous time" and with reference to the tour, "the entire family really appreciated it." So goes the story of one phone call; we now have 2 interested candidates—both highly rated gymnasts—and it will be an interesting case to follow. More similar phone calls will be welcome at any time.

Rosy's post ret activities have kept him in politics in local gov; first as a block worker in the Republican party, then a precinct cmte man, and after several odd jobs he became county chmn for several terms. In 63 he was "drafted" and became State Chmn for 2 yrs—and now he is "emeritus"—no job asgmt, but helps and counsels wherever needed. c

Currently Rosy is treas of Arapahoe County (the first county south of Denver). In Sept he completed 18 yrs of this position and his present term has over 3 yrs to run—at which time he "might retire!" Rosy keeps busy (so he reports) because in addition to being marked as the villain who collects the taxes, "we treas have a number of other duties—county, state and community." Arapahoe County, being a so-called bedroom county "is growing like mad."

From Portland, OR, Howard & Frances Vandersluis send best regards and report

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change of address as listed at end of notes. Van and Frances are living a "quiet life" in a new condominium. Van must take it easy because of 2 tumors in his lungs which are being treated with X-ray—but he still gets in several sessions of duplicate bridge each week. Frances is practically immobilized because of 2 broken hips, and has had 4 eye operations which require her to use a magnifying glass for reading. The Vans have 2 sons, 11 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

A note to Fritz Breidster from LT Chris Prinslow, winner of our class swimming award, expresses his thanks and appreciation to the Class. He commented: "My 4 yrs at the Academy provided me with the opportunity to represent WP at the NAAU, and NCAA swimming meets as well as the Eastern Seaboard Championship. It was a great honor for me to swim in these meets as a rep of the Military Academy."

Clyde Rich informs us that he has volunteered to be the Area Rep in TX replacing Charlie Lawrence. As noted in the Jun 79 ASSEMBLY Clyde and Marge have settled in San Ant. They are just about established in their new home, after some 20 yrs in Europe. During the summer they had their 16-year-old, 6 foot 4-inch tall grandson and his mother for a weeks visit. The grandson is still in school and according to Clyde he is "making noises about basketball."

Charlie & Katy Lawrence are more or less housebound a good bit of the time; Charlie required to take oxygen daily for emphysema and Katy has arthritis, so they are not getting out much.

Clyde sent the following on Pat & Emily Timberlake: Pat recently had a cataract removed, is now fully recovered and still able to supervise the gardener. Emily enjoys good health and is involved in social activities with all her TX friends.

In a phone call from Grace, wife of Sylvester Keane, Clyde was told that Sylvester is in a nursing home in San Ant where he is receiving care. Grace is in good health and, of course, visits him daily.

In late Aug, Mrs David Schatter (Lorraine) entertained a number of San Ant Class widows, classmates and wives at a reception in her home. Present were Pat & Emily Timberlake, Oscar & Ruth Stewart, Mrs W. W. White, Mrs Tom Lewis, Mrs Rex Chandler, Mrs Glen Jamison, Clyde Rich, Mrs Russ Hensey ('22), Adm & Mrs Grojian. The Stewarts have just moved to San Ant from Palo Alto, CA.

In Jul Roy & Mary Dwyer attended the 31st reunion of the 102d Inf Div in Nashville, TN, accompanied by their fine neighbors, the Baldwins, who did the driving both ways. Roy reports a fine turnout in spite of the gas situation with 385 Ozarks registered; all enjoying the Grand Ole Opry, and other Nashville activities. Their homeward journey took them via Cincinnati where they visited their daughter, Mary Helen Honebrink and family, who had just moved there from their former home in Merion Station, PA.

Howard Serig in early summer made a round trip by auto to Wheeling, WV for a visit with his sister. Upon his return Howard started a garden but with wet weather and coolness nothing developed, so he replanted. Now he says: "Heretofore gardening has been a pleasant hobby but when a hobby becomes hard work it is time to quit; and I believe this will be my last effort." What

will you do for exercise, Howard, take up jogging?

Frank & M.E. Wilder, succumbing to the energy crunch, turned in their large car for a small one (which they report liking very much) and journeyed during the early summer months to the eastern shore of MD where they spent several weeks having a wonderful, relaxing time. Back home again, M.E. has taken up her old love of horseback riding, which she enjoys very much. Frank and M.E. are happy in having their married daughter and family living near.

Glenn Palmer reported the following from San Fran, CA area: On 30 Jun 79 most of the Class group assembled, in response to the invitation of Trooper & Loriena Price, at the Presidio of San Fran Officers Club to help the Prices celebrate the sale of another piece of fiction authored by Trooper. According to Trooper's story, the script had been hunting a publisher for some years, but finally as the great Wheel of Life turned once again to an earlier position, it was accepted, so now Trooper is inspired to further scriptorial efforts, seceding from his several years of ret. If you are interested in the fruit of Trooper's imaginings, ask for E. Hoffman Price's "The Devil Wives of Li Fong," a Del Rey Fantasy paperback.

Attending the luncheon were: Jean Binns, daughter of the late Jess and Jeff, with a friend; Pinky & Elizabeth Palmer, Mark & Harriet Pesek, Mike & Eleanor Buckley, Harmony, Abner & Ella Verne McGehee, Louis & Lucille Rutte with daughter, who also served as a chauffeuse; O.C. & Ruth Stewart, Virginia Post and Ruth Johnson, widow of F.R.J.

Trooper spoke of the circumstances surrounding the battlefield death of Warren Stout, which had been investigated by Trooper and McGehee and reported in Warren's obit in the Dec 75 ASSEMBLY. Stout was one of the group who returned from France in May-Jun 19 and reported at WP on 12 Jun for discharge and admission as cadets. Of that group who assembled at the AEF University at Beaune, Cote d'Or, France in Jan and Feb, 19, to prepare for and take the entrance exam for WP, 18 of us came back from France to WP together (Imhoff had come earlier with his unit), 14 (including Imhoff) actually became cadets, and there are alive today: E.H. Price, G.H. Palmer, D.M. Fowler, Dud Austin, Ballantyne, Bill Goddard, Gil Hayden, 7 of the 14 who became cadets 60 yrs ago, 6 of whom graduated. We think these old soldiers are doing pretty well even if we do say it ourselves!

Virginia Post went to Vancouver, BC, in Jul to attend the wedding of a grandson (son of daughter Patty). At the wedding Virginia expected to see a married granddaughter with Virginia's great-granddaughter. The great-grandparental status seems to be more and more common nowadays!

Mark Pesek is still putting in occasional hours of work for the city of Los Altos, being particularly valuable to that municipality since he knows where all the pipes are buried—knowledge which the young folks lack.

Buckley reported having seen Mergens early this year when the latter was not doing well. Buckley underwent a minor operation in mid Aug but was soon on the golf course again with Jazz Harmony.

In a phone call to Harmony, Pinky learned that he visited Warren & Dorothy Robinson

in Sun City, CA, and with them attended the Golden Anniv party of the Endertons.

George Heaney is learning to play the clarinet. He says it helps his emphysema and the arthritis in his fingers but to discourage neighbors' complaints, he practices only when jets fly overhead.

In late Sept Al Johnson left Ft Lauderdale on a months trip for his annual duck and goose hunt in N. Manitoba, Canada.

George & Frances Buell on their way north from Lady Lake, FL, to DC on what they refer to as their "Safari to remember," visited with Phil & Charlotte Enslow in Staunton, VA. Following an extremely pleasurable visit where they all "relived their earlier days," George and Fran moved on in their TRAVCO motor home to visit relatives, friends, and to attend as delegates the annual medical conference of the United Ostomy Assn of the U.S. and Canada. Fran is pres of their local county-wide chapter in FL, while George is publicity chmn and editor of the Chapter's monthly Newsletter. Departing from DC they visited Vienna, VA, Annapolis, MD, Reddville, VA, Elm City, NC; Somerville, Charleston, and Airy Hall Plantation, SC; and finally arrived home at Lady Lake. George immediately picked up his busy civ pursuits. He is an active Elder of his Presbyterian Church; Vice Comdr of his American Legion Post; and past pres of Cathedral Arch Estates Assn (the 300 acre forested suburban area in which they live). For a number of years after ret. George worked as an estate mgr. He is also an active participant in community and recreational organizations such as the Family Motor Coach Assn, the TRAVCO Motorcade Club and the Good Sam Club. Fran like George, enjoyed many years of service in the Army. Her last asgmt was Chief of American POW Div in the JAGO. She ret. as major after 21 yrs of service. Although reluctant to leave their lakeside home, a PCS is in the offing. They have applied for admission to a retirement home in Summerville, SC, and expect to enter fairly soon.

Lee Shafer reported the following attended the DC Group luncheon at Ft Myers Officers Club on 19 Sept: Adams, Bromley, Despinosa, Dorn, Fry, Guevara, Gunn, O'Reilly, Osborn, and Shafer, who had as his guest the former well known WP golf coach and teacher, Freddie Canousa. (See pg 51 of your HOWITZER.)

Among several matters discussed was the important subject of the writing and publication of obituaries for deceased classmates. It has come to the Group's attention that 2 (and possibly more) classmates who died some time ago have not had their obituaries published. They are however, being worked on at this time. It is urgently recommended that each living classmate maintain an up-to-date record of his mil and civ service, i.e. his own biographical record; inform his family of the record and send it to the Association of Graduates (with photo) for his file until needed.

Here is an interesting statistic (accuracy not guaranteed). Of the 292 grads from our Class, 80 have relatives who have graduated; 61 have one or more sons; 3 have a son and grandson; one has a grandson. A.D. Raymond and McInerny each have 4 sons who graduated. Two grandsons, Torrence and Drummond, are new plebes at WP. If others of the Class have relatives now at WP please notify your scribe.

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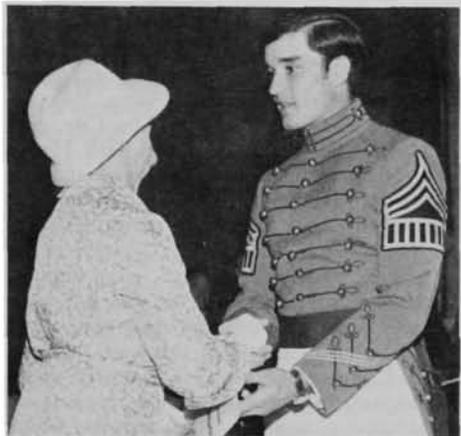
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In ceremonies at the Columbia Law Sch on 5 Apr, Judge Hardy Dillard was awarded the Wolfgang Friedman Memorial Award for 79 for "outstanding contributions to Intl Law." Hardy recently ret. from the Intl Court of Justice at The Hague after 9 years

in the main dining room where all were seated at one long table. The Flower Cmte reported that no flowers had been sent to members in the hospital because all had returned home before the cmte learned of their

hospitalizations. The next luncheon will be held in Dec.

The Van Ways and the Hinckes cruised along the coast of Norway in Jul, exploring the inlets and fjords all the way up to the North Cape and back. The ship was the Royal Viking Sky on which many classmates have previously traveled. Hazel and Mae enjoyed some of the most beautiful scenery in the world, and marveled at the midnight sun which remained high in the sky for 4 suc-



1924: Susie Smythe presenting the George Smythe award to Cadet Paul Taylor.



1924: Strother, Nelson and Milrae Nelson.



1924: Prather, Lilla Smith and Tasker.

of service, and is now residing in Charlottesville, VA.

Twenty-six of the '24 Wives held their quarterly luncheon on 11 Sept at The Army Distaff Hall in DC. It was a beautiful summer day just after hurricane David and before hurricane Frederick. An excellent meal, preceded by sherry on the terrace, was served



1924: Tasker and Smith.



1924: Jim Moore.



1924: Ginny Glasgow and Mae Hincke.



1924: Betty Beurket and Rose Stevens.



1924: Glasgow and Hazel Van Way.



1924: Hains and Hart.



1924: Smith and Berry.

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During June Week, Florence Cleland presented the MG Joseph P. Cleland Leadership Award to Cadet Charles E. Phillips. Chuck is the grandson of Paul & Mary Seleen ('25) and son of Mary Ellen (Penny) & Wendell Phillips ('50). The award, established in '76 by Florence in Joe's memory, is an engraved gold watch presented to the Chmn of the Cadet Honor Cmte.



1925: Florence Cleland and Cadet Phillips.

This leadership award is particularly appropriate: In memory of a great combat leader, presented each year to a uniquely important cadet leader. History records how Joe was promoted in battle during WWII from regimental cmdr to BC, and commanded a combat div with distinction in Korea. It is a never-to-be forgotten experience to serve under a true leader—as your scribe can testify, after serving under Corps Cmdr Cleland when Joe commanded the XVIII Abn Corps.

Florence says, "2LT Phillips is a fine, tall, red haired, promising young officer—Army all the way. From talking with him, the Honor Code today means exactly the same now as it did to you and Joe... and will remain that way."

Swede & Versa Underwood attended Founders Day dinner at Ft Monroe with Pete & Henrietta Liwski. Swede and Versa keep busy (in Hampton, VA)—Versa is a bridge Life Master (plays in national, regional and local tournaments), and Swede exercises his canoes (has 4; lives on a street which has canals for back alleys). He says, "It's great to paddle your own canoe these days of scarce and expensive gas, while neighbors with big motor cruisers sit at the dock a lot."

Letter from Bill Nutter includes a kind "commercial" about my articles in ARMY Magazine (now beginning 14th year as "columnist" there; first 9½ years as a monthly, bimonthly since). Other notes from Bill are:

Has seen Gosco Goze frequently at the golf course, and at Wm. Beaumont Hospital... still the same enthusiastic Gosco. He and his Eleana are moving to Las Cruces, NM, to be near children and grandchildren. Ole Neprud had a session with the medics at Wm. Beaumont. Visited him as patient recovering from cranial surgery—his daughter reports him doing well at new address: COL Leif Neprud, 3332 Porter, El Paso, TX 79930.

Bill says Betty Westphalinger and Elinor Evans live in the same complex with him and his Peggy, and they see them often. Also adds, "Peggy and I continue to enjoy life—though slowed down a little. Have made trips to Colo Spgs to visit daughter Dolores, a student at CO Coll—who, in May, married a

young man who plans to pursue a course in para medics.

Before going to WP in Jun, Florence Cleland (Bellair, FL) was one of 500 who made the pilgrimage to Rome to see their pastor, Msgr. Larkin, ordained a bishop by the Holy Father in St. Peters. And attended his first mass as a bishop, "an unforgettable experience."

Hoppie Hopkins, to save gas, attended Jul Class lunch in DC via public trans from Rehoboth Beach, DE. The complexity of his schedule to do this gives new dimensions to the problem of eliminating American dependence on private cars. Others at lunch: Barnett, Cole, Dunford, Galloway, Grayeb, Ruth Barnes, Nettie Black, Betsy Crandall, Liz Cole and Jane Galloway.

Note from Bud Hankins says he and Marcelle were honored guests aboard USS Radford during festivities commemorating the 35th anniv of the American landing at Thoule-sur-mer during WW II—reception, followed by cook-out on fantail of the destroyer. Bud continues an active and interesting life in France and Hoppie (Bud's roommate for 4 yrs) said, "It sounds like the life of Hemingway, Gertrude Stein and other literary expatriates of the post WW I era." Bud plans to be with us for the 1980 Reunion.

Unfortunately, news can never be all good. Hoppie received a phone call from Pres Charlie Saltzman that Kyrl Leighton-Faxford de Gravelines had passed away, but no details yet. Gravy resigned as a CPT, and for years was a language prof at the USC.

Hoppie also received a letter of thanks from Madolyn Boudreau for our Class donation to the WP Fund in memory of Jim, who passed away on 29 Jun after a long illness. A note from Bill Nutter says Madolyn and children (Jeb and Anne) took Jim's ashes to WP for a graveside ceremony—and were impressed with Chaplain Colin Kelly, who conducted the service.

Hubert Cole reported from funeral in Arlington for William L. "Bill" Burbank at the old Ft Myer Chapel on 2 Jul. Other classmates present with Hubert as honorary pallbearers were Galloway, Dunford and Barnett. Family present included wife Odette, daughter LTC Arlene Burbank, GSC, and son Bill Jr. with wife Ruby.



1925: Corps Commander Cleland.



1924: Moore, Pasolli and Strother.



1924: Milrae Nelson and the Lees.

cessive nights. They also noted that the costs of merchandise sold ashore were generally double the prices charged for similar items in the States.

Walter French was the oldest Frenchman present at a large family gathering at Oakland, AR, in Aug. Twenty-six members attended, the youngest of whom was only 6 wks old. Walter says it was great seeing so many cousins, nephews and nieces, some of whom he had never seen before. Walter's daughter Ann and her husband hosted the affair. Although many swam, fished and water skied, Walter spent most of his time playing bridge.

On 16 Aug the northern contingent of the West Coast Thundering Herd met for lunch at the Villa Felice in Los Gatos, CA. Attending were Ray & Mae Coombs, Jule Justice, Cary & Martha King, Pat Stebbins, Len Tandy, Tom & Gwen Malin, Harry & Betty Van Wyk, and George & Kay Vaughn.

Cappy Cureton went to Russia and other Baltic ports last year and reports that it was a great trip. In Helsinki she visited the Army Attaché.

Margaret Skinner was the guest of honor at ceremonies at the Space and Rocket Ctr in Huntsville, AL on 6 Sept. The occasion featured the presentation of Les' papers and notes pertaining to his rsch & devl of Army rocketry. The material will be kept in the Center Museum and will provide a link between similar studies of Goddard, Von Braun and Toftoy.

The accompanying photos were taken last Jun during the 55th year Class Reunion at WP, mostly while on the boat trip.





1925: Pete and Henrietta, Versa and Swede.

A newspaper clipping from San Ant reports the passing of Emmor G. Martin on 16 Jul. Funeral services were held locally. "Pickles" is survived by wife Anne, 3 sons (2 LTCs), a daughter, 15 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

The march of time, inexorably, adds more well remembered friends to the Long Gray Line. But in spite of the sadness this brings, each remains a special memory in our hearts of shared cadet days.

The news from Bruce & Bessie Clarke is that they have sold their home in Palmyra, and moved into Carl Vinson Hall on Old Dominion Rd in McLean, VA. On 16 Aug Bruce Jr. was named Dir of National Foreign Assessment Ctr in the CIA. He was also the first dir of the Office of Strat Rsch and—while on asgmt to the DOD—served as the rep of the Secy at the Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction talks in Vienna. On the day he assumed this latest asgmt, his daughter Valerie was born—the 18th grandchild for Bruce and Bessie (9 girls, 9 boys).

Via Hoppie this note from Charles Cavelli: "... Bee and I are fortunate to be in good health, and are looking forward to our 55th Class Reunion." From Art Rupert: "Gardner, Randal, Wiley and Davis are presumably around this sprawling metropolis (L.A.), but I never see them as they do not attend WP Society functions. Had a heart attack in 78, which slowed me down a bit."

Personal from Hopkins: "Youngest daughter with husband and 2 boys (5 yrs, 8 mos) left after weekend visit; oldest daughter with husband, boy, 16; girl, 13, visited a few days; then middle daughter arrived with husband and daughter, 11. For Sophie and me, happy and hectic times... grandparents who live on the seashore are popular in the summer."

Bill Nutter forwarded a clipping from San Patricio (UPI) with this lead paragraph: "Renowned NM artist, Peter Hurd, 76, who gained national prominence for his portrait of the late Pres Lyndon B. Johnson, is suffering from a permanent loss of memory that has virtually ended his career." And goes on to say Peter has been receiving care at the Four Seasons med facility in Albuquerque since early this year.

Additionally, Russ Finn (also Hal Forde '26) sent copies of a feature article in the San Diego Union (9/2/79) by art critic, Richard Reilly, a truly fine tribute to Peter, headlined, *A Fruitful Life Is Remembered*. It begins, "On this Labor Day weekend, let

us pause and remember Peter Hurd, an artist who has lived for 75 years and labored for almost 60 of them, who always walked in beauty, captured it on canvas, and is now confined to a nursing home." (Your Scribe will send a XEROX copy to any classmate requesting it.)

All who attended our 50th Reunion will remember the ceremony in which Peter presented to Supt Berry his beautiful painting (of an historic mil scene in the West) for the WP Museum.

By phone check with Reunion Chmn Cole: He reports that from 96 copies of Reunion Bul. No. 1 mailed, he received 29 replies from those planning to attend—which includes Florence Cleland and Nettie Black. Hubert will mail Reunion Bul. No. 2 in early Dec to all who have indicated an interest in attending—and to all others who request it. (His address: 5101 S. 8th Rd, Apt 8, Arlington, VA 22204.)

Time is awasting, so: Consult your banker, see your travel agent, disregard the advice of your doctor, tell Hubert you are coming... and I'll see you there 21-24 May 1980.

(P.S.: A memo to scribes from The Editor urges, "... avoid long winded introductions and far-out reminiscences..." Space is the obvious problem, so am curbing my written rhetoric now for oralization next May.)

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Report by "Skinny" Ringler, Cherry Hill, NJ, 9 Sept: "Wave had 2 bad falls early this yr. The first occurred while coming up the rec room steps with arms full of newly ironed clothing, which she would never drop to save herself, resulting in a broken right shoulder. The shoulder had barely healed when, while rushing to get in the front door to save her wonderful new hair-do from a slight drizzle, she slipped off the stoop and broke her right wrist in 2 places. She is now almost as good as new but has me still doing all the work. Al Heidner was our house-guest at home over Decoration Day after a visit to the WP Cemetery. We returned his visit, in Jul, stopping over with Al in Carlisle, PA, en route to western PA to attend an all classes Reunion of high school. Skin had the dubious honor of being the oldest living grad of high school. Wave and Skinny made an attempt to visit Kay & "Mal" Harwell in Carlisle but couldn't find a convenient time. Mal is



1926: Marjorie Conzelman Davis (widow of Conzelman '26) with son Peter '53 and grandson, Clair '79.

having health problems. In first week of Aug they flew to AR to see their granddaughter and 2 great-grandsons. The elder grandson (12) aspires to the AF Academy altho he may become a Razorback instead.

From Boca Baton, FL in Aug, Dick Mayo writes that altho he had visited many areas of the USA and Northa had visited these areas, that a trip to Las Vegas, the Tetons, Yellowstone, Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, Vancouver and Seattle was in order. The Tetons and Yellowstone were by guided tour; those in Canada were by rented car; the rest by air. Every lodge in Yellowstone had vacancies because of the gas shortage. We plan to go up to Columbus, OH, in Sept to visit our son and family.



1926: Thurston and Grizzard in CA.

Report from Dutch Van Syckle: He and Anne spent Jun in the East, visiting John and family in CT, Dutch's 2 sisters and their progeny in NJ and Hilton Head. Sailed from Ft Lauderdale around the Caribbean and home thru the Canal, a wonderful way to pick up 15 lbs. Took rest of summer to shed them on the golf course. I used to dream of breaking 80. Now my target is 90 and fast rising. We both are well, and God willing, we have reservations for Xmas & New Year's in HI.

Report from the one and only "Red," the Reeder and an excerpt from ltr, 17 Jun 79 to Harry Storke: "I was discharged from Castle Pt, NY hospital on Fri, tired, and happy after 9 working days in it and released to Dort's expert care. I don't have to wear a brace on my good leg; Guillame-Barre is over. Some muscles have been damaged in my legs and hands. I have to exercise to cure and improve this." Excerpt from Red, ltr 4 Jul: "I am persisting in the battle to strengthen my muscles, especially in hands and legs. So far, the exercises given me have produced nada. We had a delightful time up at WP, 2 Jul when our grandson, Dale Hruby II, was sworn in as a cadet. When they passed in review, we observed that his Co Cmdr was a girl. I suppose that is inevitable. If I were a plebe, I wouldn't mind if she sent for me to report to her room to stand against the wall. I was disappointed in the music—the absence of traditional airs. I read in Sports Ill., that the stirring 'WP Official March' was sold to a music firm and to play it, WP has to pay for it." Harry Storke sends in a quote from Red, 1 Sept 79: "Suddenly comes a letter from Andy Goodpaster inviting me to a half-time ceremony in Michie Stadium on 6 Oct, when Army plays Duke, 'in recognition of the great contributions you have made to your country, the USMA and the intercollegiate program.' I am deeply honored."

Report from a confidential source: "Pinkie" McDonough says there are 3 ways you can tell when you are getting old. The first one is you start losing your memory. But he can't remember the other 2.

Mac McFarland reports from the NW, 5 Sept: Eddie Watson says he has had a great summer for vegetables and fruits. He has zucchini running out of his ears. Charlotte & Norm Matthias are still putting in many hours on their new house. Norm's cataract operation turned out so well that he can do everything as before the problem developed. Benny Thurston did a lot of gardening this summer. He suggests a new kind of pea—a combination of the snow pea and the snap pea. Ben reports winning 2 more chess trophies and came out 2d in a large tournament. Mac McFarland was unable to contact Rosie & Bill Mills for this report. He did hear from a friend in Los Altos, CA, that he had seen Bill in the barbershop at Moffett, NAS, the last week in Aug. Then Kay & Mac got an invitation from the Mills' daughter to attend the Golden Wedding Celebration for Rosie & Bill, 15 Sept 79. However, they could not attend because Mac was scheduled to break into the hospital 16 Sept for an operation involving replacement of his right hip.

Ralph Osborne reports from San Ant, TX: "Our prolonged freezing and near freezing temperature almost caused the demise of the Osbornes' orange and grapefruit trees. Subsequent to the cold, lots of sunshine, heat and over 30 inches of rain have made San Ant quite tropical, but there will be oranges or grapefruit locally. Squirrels are collecting their ration of pecans before the husk opens, but the big crop hopefully will be sufficient for man and beastie. Jim Burwell's granddtr, Lynn Margaret Burwell, entered USMA on 1 Jul 79—the 3d generation of Burwells, '26-'59-'83. As the 1st distaff member of our Class, we extend greetings and look forward to meeting her at our '55th. Marcy & Jim split their time between townhouse in San Ant and a personally designed trackter house at LBJ Lake, where they have their boat and a showplace cactus garden.

"Effie & Jack Doyle are living at their home in NW San Ant but we were unable to secure their phone number from Ma Bell's secret and unlisted number operator.

"Stag Stagliano has been the prize exhibit of the expertize of the staff at NE Baptist Hospital in San Ant since his operation, followed by peritonitis, in Feb 76, double pneumonia and a closed esophagus. Tho no longer hospitalized, Fran & Stag moved to



1926: The Heibergs and Marge Brady on the AOG cruise.

an apartment not far from the hospital. Here they enjoy daily walks in their Live Oak wooded area where Stag can use his sketch pad as a preliminary to, as he says, 'doodling with art.' Doodling must be profitable as he has sold a half dozen landscapes in the last 45 days.

"Helen & Egon Tausch are fine and enjoying life on their ranch. Egon has recuperated from the surgery that kept him at Brooks AMC 4 months last summer. He rides his ranch regularly and is teaching his 7-yr-old twins equitation. Helen & Egon enjoyed a tour, last summer, among the Mayo villages in the mountains of Guatemala. Over Labor Day they laid on the usual goat barbecue at the ranch for all of the family. Afterwards Egon, Helen & Egon's granddtr from Oakland, CA toured to Monterey, Mexico. Egon's namesake son since leaving the army has hung his shingle as a lawyer in San Ant." Osborne adds that Kathleen & he have been stay-at-home types this year and enjoy good health.

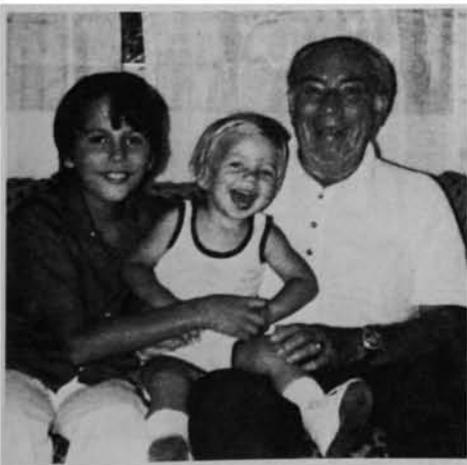
Harry Storke reports from Abbots Point, MA, that they made their usual change of summer scenery to delightful Abbots Pt in center of picturesque harbor in W. Falmouth, MA. One of the main reasons being, as usual, to entertain their several families thru Jun & Jul. They planned to find enough gas at end of Jul to return home safely to Williamsburg. Betty Hunters' family, N.Attleboro, MA, are all fine. Chuchi & Ken spent a week here with their Camilla, a charming lady of yrs, and Deane, at 10, a paper route mgr, Little League star and a fine fisherman. Now to arrive for a week are Viv & Steve Benson of Newark, DE. All well with them and their David, 9 and Eric, 5, both promise to be as good as their father in all forms of water activity. My (Harry's) 2 families have already visited us. Pat & Tom Davenport, Wellesley Hills, MA, are fine as are their daughters, Pamela, just graduated from Mt. Holyoke Coll 'cumme laude' (and now visiting a school chum in Ecuador) and Carol, who has finished her 1st yr at Rollins Coll, FL, improving her outstanding tennis and studying hard. Carolyn Mueser, doing nicely, was here for a week from Boulder, CO, with her Jennifer, who moves up from high school to enter CO State Coll this fall, to major in computer science, and her Christopher, who found time to study last year even tho help-

ing make Boulder High basketball champs of CO.

Harry Storke also reports that Cecie & C.B. Elliott, at W. Falmouth, Cape Cod, are both looking well and are enjoying their calm and orderly existence as experts and leaders of the community.

Spud Murphy reports from Monterey, CA: "Bud Black says that by dint of diligent, daily dalliance on the golf course he is emerging from a sadly, serious slump. Hal Brusher is recovering from the sad loss of his wife Betty. When the irksome problems of probate are finished, he plans to get away for a change of scene, visiting Dick McMaster in TX, then onto FL & DC to see old friends. Hal Doud announced that they were leaving in Aug for a car trip via Alcan Hwy. (Scribe to Hal—How about a story on your trip?) Harry Grizzard had nothing to report either only that Elizabeth & he do a little travelling mostly in CA and the west, but then he mentioned a trip down the Miss on the Delta Queen, a Tauck tour of Salt Lake City, Jackson Hole, the Grand Tetons, Yellowstone Pk and the Black Hills. Griz plays golf 2 times a week. In his spare time Griz has also become a devotee of lawn bowling. Then there is the weekly meeting of the Claremont U Club and the meetings of the L.A. Grand Jury Assn. (note: Gris was a member of the Grand Jury that indicted Sirhan Sirhan for the murder of Robert Kennedy.) Elizabeth has a similar schedule keeping Griz in line. Their son-in-law, Guy S. Meloy '53, recently assumed cmd of the 82d Abn Div. The Grizzards had a visit from Ben Thurston last spring—1st time they had seen each other since 12 Jun 26.

"Eleanore & Paul Hamilton say everything is OK. They are relieved that dau Ann and family are back from Saudi Arabia. Their new station is Ft Belvoir. Their son-in-law, BG John is with the Computer Cmd at Belvoir. Son Michael is a 2d Classman at WP. 3 daus will be students at Mary Washington U in Fredericksburg, VA, this fall. The youngest chick is at home and in high school. Angela Kaylor writes that Roy is pretty much immobilized with rheumatoid arthritis and doesn't get out much. He reads, criticizes politicians and instructs Wall St. Angela is pres of a social and philanthropic organization which raises funds for the blind, deaf, handicapped, senior citizens, veterans



1926: Ringler in AR with his two grandsons.



1926: Effie Doyle, Johnson, the Broadhursts, Muffett Johnson and Doyle.

and underprivileged. She maintains her swimming and practice and is an officer of the DAR. She was an Olympic calibre diving champion in the good old days. She says dau Mary Anne and son Roy Jr. live close by. Son Rich lives in Boise, ID, Roy Jr. is the inventor of an electric car and has appeared on 5 TV channels displaying the car and a conversion kit for other cars. Alene Kirchoff writes that she & Kirk drove to Tiburon, staying 2 months in the house they built there. It is now occupied by son Bill and his wife, Elizabeth. Kirk's health is not good—they had hoped that a visit to their favorite doctor would be beneficial but no new method of treatment developed. They were glad to get home to San Diego, where they checked in with the Fordes—they were just about to leave on a travel club tour of Banff, Lake Louise and thereabouts. Beth McNaughton was in the local (Monterey, CA) news recently as the designer of 2 beautiful stained glass windows recently installed in Saint John's Episcopal church. Beth is a member. She has just (Aug) left the hospital following surgery and is doing fine—will be driving her car again soon. Big & Bob Nourse thoroughly enjoyed their extended tour of Morocco & Spain that preceded the 5-day Rotary Intl Convention in Rome. Soon after return home, Bob was honored by a fine eulogy on the occasion of his ret after 19 yrs as Secy, Rotary Club of San Raphael, and simultaneous appointment as Dist Gov representative of 5 Rotary Clubs of Marin County.

Bob Broadhurst reports in brief from the Deep South: "Mimi & I had a wonderful visit this year in San Ant, TX, with Effie & Jack Doyle. Muffett & Johnny Johnson came up from Harlingen, TX, and all of us celebrated the San Ant Fiesta. San Ant has certainly changed since I left in 1934. I look forward every quarter to reading the news of classmates."

Scribe: We regret with deep sorrow to report the death of Elsie (Freddie F.) Munson, 5 Aug 79, in Sibley Memorial Hospital, DC, after a long illness. Interment was in Arlington, 8 Aug 79. Funeral services were held at graveside. Our condolences and deepest sympathy go out to Freddie & their daughter Shiela in this time of grief and pain from the great loss of a wife and mother. Freddie & Shiela express great appreciation to the Class of '26 for the beautiful flowers and wreath which decorated the graveside.

Correction: an error has been brought to scribe's attention in last para, 2d column, p.56, Sept 79 ASSEMBLY. So much of lines 12 & 13 as reads . . . "at the request of Vald Heiberg, Class '26 Prez" should have been inserted between end of line 19 after MI, and the beginning of line 20 just before the word "by." We regret the error.

Correction: Bill Laidlaw informs us that the quote in para at bottom of p. 56, Sept 79 ASSEMBLY is not his. We are unable

to refer Bill's statement to "Roving Reporter" in this instance for review as to its validity—he is not with us anymore. We therefore accept Bill's statement. The error is regretted.



1926: Cadet Richard P. Hughes '79 being presented Class of '26 Heiberg award by C.R. Smith '26. (Award for highest composite standing in Applied Science and Engineering.)

'27

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The Asensios had a great gathering on 29 Jun to celebrate their 50th anniv. Aided spectacularly by Mone Jr., and daughter Joan, Ruth and Mone really outdid themselves in making a most delightful evening—one of dash, vigor, excitement, and enjoyable anniv oratory! It was an enjoyable and impressive occasion!

Jimmy & Marian Collins also reached an important date on 7 Jul, on which they were proud to honor the 100th birthday of Marian's father, COL Glenard McLaughlin, who resides with them, astonishing all with his exceptional mental and physical ability—truly a great father and a great man! Here's to him!

Suzanne & Larry Shaw took off on a tour of England and Ireland in mid Sept, one from which a summary could not reach the scribe in time for these notes, but which we hope will be able to make it for the next edition.

"I have been galavanting again!" Thus Ray Bell started his brief summary of a West-Coast trip. Ray commented: "While there I had interesting visits with Tom McManus and the Davidsons, and also phone visits with Paul Berrigan and the Pachynskis. All of them were well and enjoying the CA climate." He went on to write that he had heard from Spike Webb, who "tells me he is



1927: Hocker, Roth, Whittle and Berrigan.

tracing down his ancestors as his new hobby," to which Ray added facetiously: "I have traced mine back, but stopped when I discovered horse thieves in my line!!" So evidently this is a partial explanation of why he shifted from genealogy to gallivanting!

From Paul Berrigan came that picture of the foursome from '27 who were present at Hermie Schull's funeral on 9 Jul, both Gar Davidson and Tom McManus being unable to attend. Paul went on to say that he was "giving up the Stag Cruise (my 19th) for the Stanford game," a contest which he and Mary must have enjoyed since Army won!

Paul Jennings gave a fine report of his and Ione's visit to San Ant, where they were delighted "to see 8 of the old gang of '27." Those 2 snaps go further to highlight it.



1927: San Antonio Trio: Towner, Aloe and Jennings.

Paul stated that the San Ant visit was the "last leg" of their extensive spring trip, including Puerto Rico, and Savannah, GA, before the TX finale. They were "very favorably impressed with the AF Village, where they stayed, and had a nice visit with Milt & Helen Towner, Betty Lovell, and Evelyn Flock, who all live in the AFV and are very happy there." Paul reports "we are very happy here in The Paradise of the Pacific, where we have been residents for 12 years." Home from a fine trip!

From Bob Aloe came that good picture of John & Mary Kaylor. It seems, Bob added, that John is "getting better every day after his rough heart attack." We all hope so!

Dutch & Donnie Holland were back East in late Jul and early Aug to attend the MOWW Natl Convention at Norfolk, VA. They also came up to the DC Area for a few days and saw some of the '27 group. They looked fine and spirited! Then back in San Diego, Dutch and Donnie joined Ray & Barbara Curtis in "celebrating Dutch's 'Spirit of 76' birthday, in a degree of preparation for Ray's in Feb, an annual ritual over the



1927: At a Branding Iron lunch: Ione Jennings, the Leppings, the Aloes, Kaylor, Nelson and Towner.



1927: The Kaylors.

past few years," as Dutch recorded it. So they had a good time East and West!

Many of you will recall that Dutch was CinC of the MOWW a few years back. He now functions as chmn of its Internal Security Cmte and did a forceful job in this year's extensive, detailed annual report for the Order. It is much too large to quote widely, but perhaps one strong sentence will suffice to show Dutch's leadership at work: "Concerned Americans should protest to their legislators, in clear voice, their disagreement with laws, bureaucratic and exec policies that dilute public confidence in govt, lessen America's stature in the community of free nations, and weaken our internal defense against destruction from within."

From Oahu came a letter from **George Martin**, including that good photo of **Tom & Marge McManus** when Tom was in HI on business in Jul. George added that he and Jo had had the hottest summer in Honolulu yet experienced there. Nevertheless, the Martins continue to have fun.

Isn't that a snappy picture of the **Burgesses and Towners**, taken when Milt and Helen visited Woody and Jean in Green Valley? It goes to show that more of '27 are finding their way to the "AZ House of Burgesses," that oasis of good cheer that Woody and Jean maintain in AZ.

Jack Spurgeon on "summer's last day" gave a brief report before deadline to state that he and Maxine had completed their Cape Cod family trip in good shape but had not been able to get by WP.

Sad report must now be made of the death of **Katherine Gregory Lowe**, our Bob's devoted wife of 51 years, on 9 Sept, at Walter Reed Army Hosp, after many weeks of treatment for her severe emphysema. Funeral services were held at Ft Myer Post Chapel, 19 Sept, with burial in Arlington. All of '27



1927: The McManuses on Oahu.

available in the DC area were in attendance, plus **Stu & Mary Wood** up from Fayetteville, NC, as well as the many other dear friends **Kathy** had made over the years. The sincere condolence of the Class is extended to **Bob**, their 2 daughters, **Katherine Knapp** of Oxon Hill, MD, and **Laura Murph** of Las Vegas, NV, and to the 8 grandchildren and 1 great-granddaughter.

Lastly, it is regretted to have to inform you of serious injuries which **Dottie Garland** sustained, 1 Aug, on coming from a club luncheon at Red Bank, NJ, when a car out of control carried her through a plate-glass window, breaking both legs and a hip, and causing severe lacerations of both legs from the glass. Apparently there were no internal injuries. She has responded to effective medical aid, has retained both legs, and is considered to be "doing well." With **Dottie's** vigor and zip and **Blair's** devotion all of us can expect her to be getting around again in due time. All the best wishes from '27!

Well, this closes this column for 79. Winter is upon us; in fact, Old Santa will be driving your way in the very near future. If you can spare the time, though, dash off to the scribe a year-end report by the last of Dec. Oh, yes, when you consider those resolutions for 80—such as planning ahead for that 55th only 2 yrs off!—please include a super vow "to slip poop and photo" to the scribe in months ahead. Thus our column will be great for 80!



1927: A Green Valley Session: The Burgesses and the Towners.

'28

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Please do keep me informed of news of interest to the Class so I can pass it on. In that connection note new address above. **Ruth** and I will move there around 1 Dec. This is a house we are buying here at **Rossmore Leisure World** where we have been living in temporary diggings (a rented apt) since last May. On 26 Aug we gathered a few friends for a brunch at our club here to meet our daughter and new son-in-law, **Sandra and Gene Shwalb**. Among those present were **Skip Seeman, Anne Gavan, Chris Nelson, Nell and Trudy Lynde '29**, and **Jim and Miriam Lewis '38**.

On 22 Aug **Bryant Boatner** hosted a gathering of '28ers at the Iron Skillet in Alexandria, VA, including **Freddie & Helen Dau, Jim & Marie Olive, Skip Seeman, Ray & Sally Raymond, and Fred & Olive Maxwell**.

Had a note from **Howdy Howard**, Sun City, AZ, saying that he had represented '28 at the memorial services there on 30 May for **Charlie Born**. **Howdy** said that he and **Peg** were troubled with the usual knee, hip, and other arthritic problems (like most of us) but were getting along fairly well and keeping busy with lapidary, silversmithing, woodworking and such like.

A 5 Jul note from **Forrest Allen** reported that the doctors had removed about half of his colon, that his recovery had been rapid, and that he expected to be back up to par about mid-Sept. Take care **Forrest**.

John Farra has moved to 518 San Robar Dr, Orange Park, FL 32073, he says to be near his daughter **Francis** (wife of **Ed Mayfield**, Navy Pilot Cdr, stationed at Nav AS, Jacksonville) and 2 fine grandsons. **John** says that while shopping in early Jun he ran into a fine young man who turned out to be **Stanhope Mason's** grandson.

News from San Ant. **Skippy Harbold** attended the Daedalian Annual Convention at Dayton. Other '28ers present were **Bryant Boatner, George Mundy, and Fred Maxwell**. **Skippy** and **Steve** had a notable 50th wedding anniv party arranged by their children and grandchildren. **Ralph & Ruth Butchers** are gradually settling in there. **Butch** had an operation at Brooke this spring with a neuro-surgeon cutting, reaming, and clipping to repair damage from an old fracture (in the lower back area, I think). Progress since has been slow but steady. The **Butchers** plan to be back on the travel trail soon, first to Green Valley, AZ; then to La Jolla, CA, and last back to Mexico for the winter.

Blondie Saunders wrote to **Skip Seeman** as follows: "Jo has had a bad year, was in hospital twice. She has a bad gall bladder but that's a 4-hour operation and her heart can't take it. My old ticker has gone haywire. I can't exert at all as it skips beats. We have to move out of this big place, but just moving after 36 years—then find something that's suitable. Rich, our boy, will be promoted to full COL in Aug; they will move to Ft Gordon, GA, etc, etc."

Ed Reber wrote 4 Sept to tell me that they had a letter from Mrs. Charles E. Baker (apparently a sister) telling of **Stannye Wilkinson's** death on 15 Jul. There were no details but it is most likely that **Stannye** was buried alongside **Harvey** in Franklin, GA.

As of 1 Apr the balance of the '28 Gift Account of the West Point Fund was \$9,697.47.

Have just had great news from **Chris Nelson**. Her son (Thomas C.) is on the Army's list for promotion to brigadier general. Congratulations to you, **Tommie**, from all of '28.

'29

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The 2 hurricanes "David" and "Fredrick" visited the homes of 2 classmates. **Jim Quill** reports that they had a 95% evacuation of Hilton Head Is. **Jim & Lou** and a few other couples had made a recce about 2 yrs ago to a motel complex about 80 miles NW of I-95. The 4 p.m. alert on 3 Sept convinced them that it was time to move. For the following 2 nights they were at **Walterborough**—properly supplied with food, shelter, cards, poker chips, and alcohol. Upon their return home they found heavy beach damage, minor tree damage, and lots of debris. No loss of life or injuries among the group. "A good alert drill" says **Jim**.

Weary & Jeanne Wilson rode out **Fredrick** at their home in Mobile. Says **Weary**, "Just one week ago this morning, as the daylight began to overcome the blackness, I saw emerging a scene that I can best describe as a war scene after a nuclear shot. From every window and in every direction

I could see nothing but downed 50 to 100 year old 60-75 ft pine trees, and shattered and/or uprooted oak trees from 50 to 200 years old. Two of the big pines were spread across our roof, and our oldest, largest and most beautiful oak was uprooted in the front yard." He went on to say that they had stayed in their home, having laid in emergency supplies, stocked up with candles, and put water in the bathtubs. The night that the eye of the storm hit, winds of at least 100 mph struck the area and buffeted their home. They slept downstairs in their rumpus room, and awoke to the desolation already described. Mobile was without power, water, phones, or much movement for 2 days and then a start was made on getting back to life. Weary & Jeanne count themselves fortunate to have come through so well.



1929: The Vickreys on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

From "Sengen" comes word that Renée Sands died on 15 Sept after a prolonged illness. Burial was at West Point after a simple graveside service. Ed Lasher represented the Class. Renée long ago found a secure place in our hearts; our sympathy goes out to Tommie in his loss.

Bill & Dot McCulla were pleased to rejoin at the Reunion their Best Man, Jack Seward, and 2 of their groomsmen, Army Armstrong and Ken Woodbury. In the same vein, Luster & Tillie Vickrey celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniv on 29 Aug at Tillie's girlhood home "Old Orchard" in Linthicum Heights, MD. Among the more than 100 guests were classmates: Vittrup, Ghormley, Thompson and wives, and "Daddy" Sykes. Five members of the original wedding party were present, including the flower girl—my how time has changed us!

Jim & Doris Hannigan went directly from the 50th to the Volendam in NY for a super cruise to Bermuda. Upon their return, they fought gas lines on their way to: Phila, South NJ, Boston, NJ shore, and hence to home. On the way they visited son Jim and his wife and 3 daughters and son Tom and his wife and son and daughter. When last heard, they were planning a trip to HI during the fall/winter season.

Changing gears for the moment, John Phillips has reported to Ken Nichols, as acting pres, on the results of John's informal survey of the Class on the subject of a memorial plaque to honor certain classmates not currently memorialized. Ken has appointed a cmte consisting of Phillips, chmn; and Horton, Kraus, McClelland, McCulla,

and PW Thompson. He has asked the cmte to (1) develop criteria by which classmates would be chosen for the memorial, and (2) furnish a list of those classmates that they recommend as meeting the criteria, together with a fact sheet for each one so chosen. Upon submission of this information, Ken will initiate action to obtain Class approval; if approved, then to raise the needed funds and approach the Academy for authorization.

The Class color photo has been distributed; if you were at the Reunion and have not received a copy, please notify Ye Scribe. We agree with those comments already received that the photographer did a fine job. The cost was included in your Reunion fee, so relax.

Chesty Chandler was "batching it" this fall as Jo went on a trip called "Project Earliest Man" which took them through England, Wales, Brittany, the Loire Valley, and the French and Spanish Pyrenees. One gathers that Chesty has had enough travelling for a while.

On 12 Sept, the DC area group met for luncheon at the Distaff Hall. Present were: Calloway, Caraway, Chaffee, Conley, Conner, Draper, his son-in-law, Bob Newton, Ghormley, Hubbard, Nichols, Seward, Strauss, Stubbs, Sykes, Vickrey, Vittrup, WJ Thompson; a quite high percentage indeed. George Reilly was unable to make it; some side effects of chemotherapy are keeping him home. Bozo McKee is doing fine since his radiation treatments were completed; he didn't make the luncheon because Gertrude had finally gotten an appointment at Washington Hosp Ctr for the same day. In addition to exchanging views on the state of the world, a number of pictures taken by Ralph Strauss at the Reunion were on display and received quite favorable comments.

Bob & Midge Ward dodged the summer heat by spending some 7 wks in the Carolina mountains. Finding their carpets soaked from a broken water valve, they paused a bit at the McCullas' (across the street) until dried out. On the way back from the Reunion, they stopped in Indianapolis to visit their daughter. While there, Bob saw Dobbie Kraft who is doing quite well in spite of poor sight and other ailments.

From FL, Tommie DuBose reports that he is doing quite well after his series of operations to give him a new artery system; outside of trying to do too much too soon, all goes nicely. He and Rose were greatly disappointed to have missed the 50th (we missed you all too). He also says that Tom



1929: Jean and Don Keirn.



1929: Tom and Renee Sands—Reunion 1979.

McDonald recovered nicely and that he and Marion are up and around. Son Tommy takes his first Sig cmd at Ft Bragg, NC in Jan. Son Randy has bought a house in Springfield, VA.

Johnny & Gracie Theimer and Dutch & Hank Kraus did their best in support of the Army team against Stanford; a great effort by the team as well as fans. Bat & Jan Carns settled in after the Reunion and are not making any travel plans. Chuck Rau was "minding the store" in Sept while Grayce was in OR attending her father's 90th birthday. Bill Francis is having mobility problems and is contemplating hip surgery.

Marilu Hammack and Evelyn Noble beat their way back home from the Reunion the hard way—with airline schedules changing, unscheduled stops, short connection times; they seem to have been on the run most of the way. Marilou didn't slow down, what with house guests, and then catching up on what had been let slide getting ready to go to the Reunion.

Bill Vestal, who could not attend the 50th because of cobalt treatments, is doing well and has resumed all normal household tasks, like mowing the lawn. He is also supporting a Conservative group and doing volunteer work at Audie Murphy VA Hosp.

Freddy & Martha Smith had a fine "Tauch Tour" by bus of the Gaspé Peninsula in Jul, made a little difficult by Braniff loss of Freddy's suitcase. They plan a Xmas trip to middle-son Jim in FL.

Caroline & Tiny Jark left by car just before Xmas for family visits in Las Vegas and San Diego, then to fly from L.A. to HI. Tiny is now a vegetable gardener besides avid golfer.

Roy & Josie Cuno had a delightful Rhine trip, but things came apart on the way home. The tour agent had a good trip plan, but the carrier didn't hold to it because of fuel and landing fee problems. They left for El Paso in October to check Josie out on higher altitudes, then possibly make a later trip to Denver.

Zeke & Libby Napier were on hand for the Annual Meeting of the AF Village Fndn in mid-Oct. AF Wives' Clubs delegates worldwide attend; the agenda includes planning of new buildings, and the ground breaking for the first. Libby says that it is a great tonic to be around all these young people.

Jean Keirn furnished an Apr 79 pic of Don and her made at AF Village so their friends would know that they're enjoying life in San Ant.

Hurricane Freddy cut short Bill & Vivi

Vestals' early Oct trip to NASA, New Orleans, Biloxi, and Mobile. Bill planned on seeing the 3 Nov A-AF game at Colo Spgs, but the weather may range from freezing to a balmy fall day.

In September, Marion Elias died and was buried with Paul in Arlington. She had not been in good health for some time.



1929: Seward, the McCullas, Armstrong and Woodbury.

'30

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Dear Gang:

At this juncture, I suppose we have all come to recognize the inexorable inroads of the years and the inevitable toll that they exact. Nevertheless, each new dent in our armor, each file lost from our thinning ranks is a sad shock. So it is with deep regret that I have to report the deaths of 3 more classmates.

In Jul it was Slat Schlatter, who died suddenly and peacefully of an apparent heart attack. Since his ret he had been especially active on behalf of Btoward Comm Coll, serving on its Bd of Dir as a Faculty Advr and a successful fund-raiser, justly earning the high esteem of the community around Melbourne, FL. He was cremated and his ashes will be interred at WP at a later date. Cayce Odom has kindly offered to write an obituary article for publication in ASSEMBLY.

In Aug Ham Hamlett finally surrendered to the "Big C" after a prolonged and uncompaining fight. He was honored by a memorial service at the Ft Myer Chapel, attended by an impressive array of senior brass and many friends, and was interred at WP the following day. Pete King will prepare the obit.

And in Sept Art Fuller failed to survive the last of a series of heart attacks over a period of several years, and was buried at El Paso. I have written to Alice, but as of this date have no particulars and no word as to her plans.

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On the happier side, it is reassuring to discover (again) that we still have a goodly number of "movers and doers" among the remnant fraternity. Happy & Lonie Brooks seem determined to see as much of the world as possible before the Good Lord commands them to give up traveling. His account (too long for inclusion herein) leaves me breathless with admiration—not to say exhaustion! They have recently visited, in rapid succession, Panama, Colorado, the West coast and the Communist countries. Of the latter, which included transiting Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Hungary and Czechoslovakia on a Russian river boat, Happy says: "Best

places were Budapest and Vienna, although Istanbul is no slouch."

A letter from Chris Clarke recounts a great trip that he and Florencia took to the UK a year-and-a-half ago, when they arrived on the Queen's birthday and were greatly impressed spectators at all the pageantry that that occasion afforded. They then spent several weeks roaming the countryside in a hired car, covering nearly 3,000 miles! And this autumn they're off on a 3-week tour of the Middle East! What durability!

From Jerry Pospisil who has moved half a dozen times in the last decade: "On the last day of Aug we moved to our new home on the northern edge of Lincoln. Do hope we don't have to move again!" Having had our own share of moves, Dolly and I second that pious hope.

We Stones did have a fine 3-week counter-clockwise air tour of So. America in Mar and have recently returned from 3 wks in HI. For those of you who may contemplate revisiting the Hawaiian Is, I am obliged to say that the Hale Koa, the all-Service hotel at Fort DeRussy, is remarkably inexpensive, has excellent food and all sorts of amenities, including a PX and Class VI Store, but is pretty solidly booked for months in advance and has more than its share of overweight females (and males!) and wailing babies; Waikiki should be classified as a disaster area—one towering condominium after another, all crowded into a few blocks and the traffic intolerable—even Maui and Kauai show the least attractive effects of "tourism," with busloads of camera-toting Japanese flooding even the more select hotels at lunch time—and everything very expensive. In spite of which, Dolly and I had a good time.

From Bill Whipple: "Being a confirmed workhorse, I have maneuvered to avoid the ret which was scheduled at age 70. Rutgers U has given me the position of Rsch Prof of Water Resources, which is renewable from year to year. I work 2 days a week at this, and the balance of my time is taken by various consulting jobs. Frances also continues very active; in fact, her work in the prisons is gaining national recognition." How's that for a couple of truly useful citizens?

SPECIAL NOTE: In Jul I received the following communication from 2LT Mike Edleson, 46th Engr Bn, Ft Ruckner: "USMA Class of 1930—Thank you for the beautiful silver tray (Bromberger Award) that I received this year as the highest graduating cadet in Economics. It is very nice and I am quite proud of it. An interesting note, though—when I went to the AdminO to pick up the award, and asked who to write a thank-you note to, the ladies working there told me none was necessary, as the entire Class of '30 was deceased! When I got home, I checked the REGISTER and found out that, as I thought, "Old Grads" never die—some won't even fade away. Anyway, you should inform USMA that you are very much alive; and again, thank you very much for the award." Needless to say, I dispatched a reply to thank him for his courtesy, he being the first recipient of the award to acknowledge it, and to put him straight on the relative "defunctness" (if there is such a word) of "The Gang." It is heartwarming to know that our beloved "Brommie" and his devoted wife Clara are still keeping their place in the long skein of our Class history.

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So now let's all keep piping the 50th Reunion. See you there.

'31

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There were good responses from the Jun letter, so I might have a column or 2.

Chuck Westpheling writes that he spent sometime in hospital in Apr, but now is back to the form he had before the surgery. Parks & Georgia Houser report getting along fine in Brevard, but will spend the winter in Daytona. Seems like as I go along here, I find that more and more of us are spending some time in FL. Parks says that his namesake, Junior, and family came through NC on their way to DC for Junior's 3d term in DCSOPS. Bill & Beall Davis says that the big news around Virginia Beach is that there is no news. Bill says that they had a visit from Betty Howard, but no visit from Deac who seems to be permanently in



1931: Deac and the McGowens.

Mexico. Actually, Bill nominated Deac to write the history of the Class. Don & Kelley Little say that things are going quietly in peanut country. One of their grandsons, George K. Withers III, graduated from the Academy this year and another one, Gregory H. Little, entered this year. And not only that, they are now grandparents. It seems that last year I mentioned Dick & Ruth Lawson were on a trip to Greece and I forgot to mention that on this trip they also ran into Kelley Little who visited the same island on a different tour.

We have a few address changes to make for you. Doc Welch has moved to a ret home in FL in Plantation at 9201 W. Broward Blvd. 33324. In his letter he said that he went out to see someone on Bessom St. in Marblehead. In case you don't know that



1931: Roy, Tuppie and Catherine Kaufmann.

is my middle name. So I do have a street named after one of my ancestors. Jim Baker has moved in Ottawa to 1853 Greenacre Crescent, which seems to be fairly close to his other address. Bob Lee has sold his house in Colo Spgs and now splits the year between Divide CO and 1207 Sombra Blvd #22, in Marathon, FL 33050. Condo conversions have moved a couple of us. Ockie & Doris Krueger have moved to London House, Apt 1207, 1001 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22209. Frank & Mary Bogart have moved in Pensacola to 368 Bunker Hill Dr. I might put in a few of the remarks that Frank had to say about moving again, this was #37 for them, but I'll just say that he would rather be "hanged, drawn or quartered than go through another move."



1931: Tommie and George Speidel.

I had a call from Johnny & Eloise Hansborough as they passed through here. He said he would write a letter about his trip, but I haven't seen it yet. I do know that he went to see Bob & Helen Holland up in VT and also stopped by to see Percy & Margaret Lash. I also had a call from Bill Chandler who was here with Betty to see her sister. Then Bill was going on up to CT for a photographers convention. He says he is going up there because the leaves in New England in the fall are beautiful. He didn't mention any other models at the convention. We had a lunch here in DC on 7 Sept, which is an annual event to elect the officers. I think most of you know what happened—we all were reelected. Those present were: Bill Dick, Klem Boyd, Bob Eaton, Louis Guenther, Bill Hardick, Pog Moore, Bennei Krueger, Chet Young, Clyde McBride, Ted Decker, Ockie Krueger, Pas Passarella, Curly Wilson, Gordon Singles, Trick Troxel, Earl Cook, Vic Maclaughlin. Jack Smart and Gus Heiss were there for the happy hour, but didn't stay for the lunch. There was a birthday party here for a group of 3 having the same birthday. I am enclosing the picture and I think that you can see which one is blowing out the candle on the cake.

A note from Freddy & Val Berg says they have lost our letter, but since it talked about dues, they were sending it in. Ned Parker states that he misplaced my letter also. I guess my letter wasn't heavy enough not to get lost. Bill & Fran Dick sent along a couple of cards that George & Tommie Speidel sent along from a trip to Yugoslavia. They sent a picture of the hotel in Dubrovnik, which looks like a big typewriter stuck in the side of a hill. The scenery in Yugo is fascinating and swimming in the Adriatic is fun. Bill & Fran Dick spent a couple of weeks at Rehobeth Bch with children and grandchildren—a total of 12 all together. A good deal of fun. Charlie & Sallie Duff spent the summer in their summer cottage in the Adirondacks. This is a complete change of scenery and perspective from life in the Spgs area. I don't know how many of you re-



1931: Young, Troxel and Hoover.

ceived the letter from Charlie Densford about the new book about the Academy. It is a very interesting letter and there is also a note from Dick Danek about the same thing. Shorty & Alice Rothrock are getting along fine, with Shorty holding his own and taking train trips to San Diego. Don & Alice Webber say that life continues to be pleasant and uneventful in the Cumberland Plateau in a quiet little college town, with a sporty golf course. Wayne & Catherine Taul invite anyone in the Napa Valley area to come to visit them. They will show us the wineries around the valley and his own wine vault. Wayne says that he has ret but has some court cases coming along. Just to make things clear, I must say that Wayne is an expert witness in the cases, he is not one of the participants. Wayne says that one of the cases has been going on for 7 yrs. Willie & Claire Bell went through DC a short time ago on their way to the north for a vacation. They stopped by Ockie & Doris Kruegers' for dinner. They also stopped by WP and were quite impressed by the "Thayer Award Room." Many of those who have seen it have had the same impression. Dan Callahan went to San Ant for the AF Assn in Feb and visited Jack & Petey Gordon. He says the meetings were spaced so well that he didn't have time for the others there.

The Class has 2 reasons for being proud. Wilbur Stone Jones, Bill to you, who passed away a short time ago, has been nominated as one of 16 in the Wheeling Hall of Fame. I cannot list here all the things that were said about him, but I will put in the words of the one who nominated him. "He gave freely and willingly of his many talents and abilities in the organization of progressive affirmative activities in all facets of the community of Wheeling." Clyde McBride and all other members of the 29 All America Lacrosse were honored at a reception and banquet at the Lacrosse Hall of Fame at Johns Hopkins U. The 29 team was introduced at half time at a game between the All America 79 team and the club All Stars.

Ned Cotter says he has no news. His only contact is a Xmas card from Deac, who keeps going on, going on and going. Cal Coolidge visited his family in AR and spent a very nice 2 days at Horace & Louise Terrys' home in Little Rock. A note from Maggie & Agnes Weber with warmest regards for all of us. Chet & Virginia Ott are staying put in Portland where life goes easy and quietly. Chet & Gin Diestel were at a party at Helen Irvine's for Dutch & Dee Spangler who were in San Fran to go on a freighter in Jul on a trip to Micronesia. Also present were Pete & Judy Peterson '38 and Jack & Ruth Harnett '37. Dick & Ruth Lawson visited Raleigh and saw George & Tommie Speidel just before they went on their trip. Dick, please note the first part of

the column. I did make an error in the letter or only one was noted. I tabbed a life member for dues. I won't say who it was, he might want to make us return the check.

Carl & Wanda Damberg are all well. Wanda is needlepointing up a storm. Richard, their post-ret son, is now in his 2d yr at Notre Dame. Mickey Moore is pres of the Pine Bluff CC this year. Perhaps some of you golfers may take advantage of that and not pay green fees. Loren & Brigid Ayers have moved to Auburn, CA after 25 yrs at Alamo. They sold their house and bought on the lake front at Lake of the Pines, 100 miles from Reno. They say there is room for anyone coming either before or after Reno, broke or not. Loren lost his oldest son from a massive heart attack while coaching basketball in upper MI. Chet Young made a trip to a town called Aripriase in AZ where he and Paul Cullen had a crash with a DC-2 in 37. He found that the town is now a ghost town out in a forest about 20 miles west of Snowflake. Libby Quackenbush wrote from her home in the Adirondacks where it is very cool in the summer. I think the town is called Clanyville. Johnny Hagood has been spending a lot of time in Orlando where the Wings and Wheels Antique Aircraft Museum is located. Johnny was with the museum when it was located in Charleston.

The gift cmte is very pleased with several nice gifts to the fund. Gifts have been received from Truxton Jones, Virginia Hightower and Warren Hoover. There may be more to report on the fund by the next ASSEMBLY. Mike Brown says that Eddie is doing fine and coming along well. Paul Burns is having a nose job so that he may show up at the 50th incognito. Reb Sams had a luncheon at PAFB with Percy & Margaret Lash, Trick & Lucy Troxel, Don & Alice Webber and Bill Cassidy. C.C. Smith sent along a picture of himself, Clyde McBride, Charlie Howze. A nice photo of 3 young looking men. Forrest & Betty Caraway say that they are very pleased that the Class is so pure. Big Swede & May Carlson now have Schwinn bikes they ride around Vero Beach in the dusk in the cooler sunset hours. Their mileage is now over 150 miles. Jayne Elegar says that life in Green Valley is quiet and uneventful, but the news of the Class in the ASSEMBLY is always good and interesting. Karl Kohls is still teaching and taking a 5½



1931: Howze, McBride and Smith.

mile walk every morning. He says he is back to his cadet weight again and is waiting for 82 when he can sign another contract for teaching another 3 years. Just as I got to the end of this and was ready to send it in, I got a letter from Deac Roller. So here is some more. Deac went to Tampa to visit Ding Carter and when he was there, Ding's sister went out to the kitchen to get a drink of water for Deac and tripped over a rug and sprained her ankle. Deac then went to dinner with Frank & Fay Pachler at Crawdaddy, a

new restaurant. Deac went to Jacksonville Beach to see his daughter, who will be starring with Gale Gordon in the play "Love and Kisses." Then to Raleigh to visit the Speidels and then to Collins to visit Mac & Lilly May McGowen. Deac is leaving his trailer in Baja close to the La Paz Airport. If you want to visit his trailer, just let him know and he will send you the key. I think it is stocked with Michelob. And I just received a letter from Johnny Malloy. He says that he and Alice went to the Army-Stanford game where Army, a scrappy team, won. Jock says it was quite a contrast to 50 yrs ago when he and a few others were on the coast to play Stanford.

That's all for now. A very merry Xmas and a happy New Year to all.

P.S. Deac did send some pictures which I have sent along.

'32

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The quarter which ended as this issue went to press was a sad one indeed for '32. Disastrous is not too strong a term.

In early Aug, Bill Davidson, who has written this '32 column for almost 20 yrs, suffered a sudden stroke while at the head of the stairs in his home as he started down for supper, and struck his head violently when he landed on the flagstone entry below.

Everything was done that could be done—paramedics appeared in minutes and treated him on the way to Fairfax Hospital where he had emergency surgery. He never recovered consciousness, however, and 5 days later, he passed away.



1932: All the Davidsons, 1939.

Episcopal funeral services were held at the Old Cadet Chapel and with all of his family and many friends present, Dave was laid to rest with full military honors near our other classmates there. Dossi had had only happy memories of WP and for Dave's last homecoming, she wore something appropriate for the occasion. A bright blue blazer, a new white pleated skirt and red & white spectator shoes; the same striking combination she wore for the Alumni parade at our 45th Reunion.

By sheer happenstance, the Episcopal priest was Father Colin Kelly, USMA '63, whose father, Colin P. Kelly Jr, USMA '37, was the



1932: CO 35th Inf, Korea 1955.



1932: Dossi, German "au pair," young Bill, Bill Davidson, Bremerhaven, 1949.



1932: Dave receives Special Paoting Decoration signed by Chiang-Kai Shek, 1948.

first grad KIA in WW II, when he piloted the bomber that sank an enemy battleship at Luzon 3 days after Pearl Harbor. Colin III was 1-1/2 yrs old then, and we all remember reading at the time that Pres F.D. Roosevelt adjured a future president to appoint young Corky to WP when his time arrived.

His visit with Dossi and young Bill at the Thayer beforehand and the wonderfully warm conduct of the services by the big, attractive, personable man did a lot to ease the pain.

A special tribute to Dave came from Yale, which he attended for 2 yrs before going to WP. Yale '29 always treated him as a graduate; football applications, alumni mag, etc. He attended their 40th Reunion and has been in all their anniversary yearbooks, including their 50th, which they have published since their graduation.

In early 1943, Bill Davidson was sent back to Walter Reed to be ret for 100% disability due to basal skull fracture but asked to be marked full duty and went on to lead combat troops in WW II and Korea.



1932: Cadet Kelly, Old South Barracks, 1930.

In 1959 he had extensive surgery for cancer with much further hospitalization and additional surgery from then on. In spite of that he returned to active duty for a while, did 2 yrs grad work at Geo Washington U, and taught French 3 yrs at Fairfax HS. He then spent a yr in residence at U of Grenoble, France and received a degree that entitled him to teach French in France. Pas mall!

After his 1st cataract operation, he ret from teaching.

Since 1960, Bill has done a fine job writing this Class column. Attending Class functions in spite of his handicaps, which involved Dossi's driving him to stag luncheons, he gathered the news and presented it in a literate, entertaining fashion. Through it all, Dossi was an inseparable part of the team. She not only did his typing but was the gracious hostess when they entertained and regularly took in out-of-town classmates as house guests.

We'll miss him very much.

Shortly before Bill had his accident, Roscoe & Birdie Huggins sold their home in Arlington and prepared for their move to Kerrville, TX. Roscoe was driving on the Washington freeways one evening when the car started drifting to the left into the traffic and he had trouble pulling it back. Birdie suggested that they stop and she drove—straight to Arlington Hospital. It was a stroke which completely paralyzed Roscoe's left side.

Thanks to Birdie's experience as a nurse, first in the Army all thru WW II, and in the Kerrville Hosp since, Roscoe was well in hand. When he was released from Arlington Hosp, Dossi & Dave offered to take them in but Birdie decided she would air evac him to Kerrville, which she did with Dick Hunt's help.

Roscoe is now in the VA hosp there because of its superior therapy program and it's already beginning to work wonders. Fortunately, his mind and speech are as good as ever, and his left side is coming around. From a barely perceptible wiggle at the ends of fingers and toes at the start, he can now reach up with his left arm and grab a bar 2' above his head, and also move his left leg from hip to foot. He gets all over the place in a wheelchair. Nurse Birdie says visitors



1932: Joe Kelly as CO of Stewart Field after WW II with Ike and Supt Wilby.

mean a lot in the therapy so we've arranged a sked for the trips which are about 3 hrs turn around from San Ant. We coordinate with Roscoe's brother who lives here, Pat & I go separately on different days, and take other willing guys like Tom McDonald, Jimmy Godwin, et al. If the system works, and I think it does, it's worth any effort.

A month earlier, Joe Kelly drew his last hand at Ft Walton Beach, FL. When Joe ret from the AF in 64 as a 4-star general after commanding the world-wide MATS, he was at the top of the heap.

During WW II he led a bomber group in pre-D-Day operations and the Normandy invasion, for which his unit won a Presidential Citation for dropping more bombs and flying more sorties than any similar group in the European Theatre. He had known Pres Eisenhower and Gov (later Chief Justice) Earl Warren. While commanding Travis AFB, he and Dinny had 2



1932: Joe with Gov Earl Warren, later Chief Justice, U.S. Supreme Court.

days notice that Pres Truman would be their house guest en route to his historic meeting with Gen McArthur in the Pacific. An old newspaper photo shows a cozy tête-a-tête among Pres Truman, Joe and Harpo Marx.

Upon ret, Joe went to Paris with Dinny for a dream job as VP of Gen Dyn in charge of their European operations, with an office near the Etoile and an apt on the Bois de Boulogne.

Shortly after, however, he returned suddenly to the US to have his cancerous larynx removed. For the next several yrs he remained active in Gen Dyn Wash office and while his voice didn't carry to the far corners of the room when he told his jokes at parties, people came to his end of the table to listen to them.

Joe and Dinny left that for their final ret in Ft Walton Beach, FL, near Eglin AFB and Pensacola; an ideal setup on the Gulf Coast with 2 children in the vicinity and

the 3d not too far away in Montgomery, AL. Things went fine until last Xmas when Joe had a bad fall and dislocated a shoulder. From there on it was a rocky time and with his other physical problems, Joe never really recovered.

At the funeral, Dinny had much help from Lou Coutts who flew in from MO, Click & Mary Rees who came from the other side of FL and Stan & Esther Wray who live nearby. Dinny arranged for a simple service at St Simons Episcopal Church but so many hundreds of people wanted to pay their final respects to Joe, that it took a major march plan by the FL State Police with every trooper in the area helping, to move the long cortege from the church to the Nat'l Cemetery at Barrancas. Later, Click Rees said with awe that he couldn't see the head or the tail of the miles long column from where he was.

As of this writing, Dinny is going to visit Claire & Farmer Jamison in Oct for the '32 dinner in DC among other things.

Two wks later, Click & Mary Rees were walking out their door to go shopping when Click suffered a severe stroke—out of the blue with no previous troubles at all—his right side paralyzed. He spent a month in the hospital and when the time came for him to go to a nursing home, Mary decided it would be to Click's home, with her as Chief Nurse under the prescribed program with regular visits by the physio-therapists and other specialists to help him along the way.

With all that going on, Click suffered a heart attack but the man won't quit. That's why the city of Orlando named Gen Rees Dr after him when he ret after running the powerful Air Photo & Charting Svc at the old Orlando AFB. Mary says he has good days and bad days but can see improvement. Fortunately, he's fairly mobile and can walk about. She is confident and prays that they will both be at our 50th. Ed & Bee Suarez were marvelous throughout.

Mary wrote, "How can I ever say thank you to the wonderful friends of 1932—Ed & Bee Suarez—he has been a gem—Marion & Don Hardy, Ruth Sutherland, have just been great. Rita & Barney Bunch, Lou & Mary Coutts, Zitzmans, Dave & Mary Schorr, Bob & Billie Terrill, Arch & Helen Lyon, Dick & Helen Hunt, Eddie & Ruth Farnsworth, Claire & Frank Jamison, Dinny Kelly, Midge Hillsinger, Bill Ellery."

It's a sad beginning for my resumption of this column, but as the man said, to-morrow is the 1st day of the rest of our lives.

While you have this before you, send a little note to Dinny Kelly, Dossi, Roscoe, or Click & Mary.

Pop Duncan writes that since ret from the Yerkes Planet of the Apes, leaving behind a simian prodigy named Duncan, he and LaTrelle have spent a great deal of time exploring this planet. Visited with friends in the mts of NC and 2 wks at Sea Is, GA. Visited Joslin Morris in Alex, VA, attended the '32 luncheon in Aug and then spent a wk with Joslin in her lavish condo in Ocean City. Pop especially enjoyed being in "Morris Country" on the Eastern Shore and seeing the many places connected with Luke and his family. Returning to Wash, they all took Dossi and young Bill Davidson to an intimate luncheon.

In Sept, Bee Suarez made the circuit to visit her children in Savannah Beach, Charlotte, NC, and St. Louis. During that time, Ed spent a long weekend with his dau

Diana in Chattanooga. Reminiscing about Joe Kelly, Ed recalled that he and Click Rees ret the same day at AF bases hundreds of miles apart, both under Joe's jurisdiction; but Click was one of Joe's commanders. At the exact moment of Ed's ret, Joe phoned long distance to tell him why he was attending Click's ret ceremony instead of Ed's. Another example of the class that stuck out all over Joe.

With Click's current incapacity, Archie Lyon called Ed Suarez to ask him to take over as the '32 Regional Vice Chmn for the Southeast, and of course Ed said he would be honored.

Pleased to report also that Oley Hansen is doing fine after a lens transplant, an operation which is now becoming quite commonplace but still strikes me as a minor miracle.

Sorting through material to write Jim Churchill's memorial article, I ran across a full page spread of USMA activities in the Chicago Sun Tribune of 6 Jan 29. Around the edge were pix of Bud Sprague, football capt; Spike Nave, qb, dressing at reveille; the old south area mess formation, etc. But the center-piece was Chris Dreyer and Chester Hammond squaring off in the ring during plebe p.t. Waiting their turn outside the ropes, with more or less anticipation, were Jim Woolnough, Sam Daniel, Al Schrader and Johnnie Pugh. Headlines on the financial page said "Jan Thaw Melts Wall St Gains," "London Finance Mart Cheerful as Yr Begins" and "Paris Bourse Spurts."

Nine months later came Black Tues and the Great Depression. Only yesterday, or was it the day before?

Speaking of the old days, I don't remember if Tom McDonald was a hop mgr 50 yrs ago at the Rockpile, but the gay young dog certainly shakes a hoof here today. One third of our Class came to Randolph Field on graduation and they all remember Shadowland, a big, old, lively dinner-dance place in a wooded grove a few miles north of San Ant, where the live band played dance tunes in the style of Glen Miller, Woody Herman, Guy Lombardo, et al. Today, it's called the "Roaring 20's," but otherwise it's virtually the same.

Tom made the chartered trip to Acapulco with 200 members of the ballroom dancing club (Maxine McDonald used to be superb), bringing their own orchestra along and made merry for 5 days of dancing, dining, swimming and related sports at the Princess Hotel, "one of the 10 best in the world," with not a clock in sight.

It sure beats fracturing an ankle at a Disco, and besides, I still prefer Red Nichols and his 5 Pennies to the Rolling Stones.

Benny Webster, the CO-HI commuter, always has interesting news. Herb & Frankie Thatchers' annual sojourn to NH was reason enough for a sendoff party chez Webster, with DB & Lib Johnson, Cal & Ruth Smith also in at the launching. The Websters visited son John (UPI exec) and his family in Albuquerque and welcomed a new grandau via their other son Tommy at Ft Collins.

Benny also expressed surprise that I was issued a visa to enter Egypt in view of the tenuous peace in the Mid-East after the disastrous results in Iran which followed my 2 yrs there. That doesn't bother me, however. Everyone knows I have a hide as tough as cheesecloth and remarks like that roll off me like acid off a duck's back—a plucked duck.



1932: All the Kellys, 1958.

It was a delight to have Chris & Phyllis Dreyer as houseguests on their transcontinental honeymoon. The 1st day, Ed Rowan hosted an intimate lunch at the elegant La Lousianne, after which we visited Eileen in their home. Sunday brunch, Chez Zitzman, included Dick & Helen Coiner, Jim & Fran Godwin, Chuck & Helen Clark, Tom McDonald, Ed Rowan & 10 graduated cadets of other classes with their drags. It was only the 3d stop on the Dreyers' 6 wks grand tour and as they departed, they seemed to have the strength to survive.

Bill Davidson's sudden and untimely death occurred just as the Class info letter and ballots were sent out for the annual election of Class Officers and there wasn't time to change the entry for Historian. Chmn Dick Hunt and the Exec Cmte have since designated me as the Historian until the next election, i.e., a yr from now.

I'm glad to do it, of course. I wrote this column from 1946 until I ret from the Army in 59 and went to Paris, which I felt was a little too far from home base to keep up with the news. As you all know, I contributed a portion of it with Bill & Dossi for the past 8 or 10 years.

It will be easy and a pleasure to write if you send in the news to the above address at any time. The pay isn't much (i.e., zero) but the perks are terrific. Ed Suarez wrote that his Dau Diana phoned him l.d., bubbling with excitement to say Molly Odom (wife of Cayce Odom, USMA '30) had invited her to a dinner party. Molly and Diana's mother, lovely Delphine, were girlhood friends in San Ant and Molly didn't know that Diana lived right nearby in Chattanooga until she read it in the last issue of this column.

Informal snapshots help enormously to brighten the column and I give Bill & Dossi full marks for developing that aspect. There isn't always space for all, but if you send them in, they can be spread over a few issues and s'll be timely.

I'll do the best I can for the next year and solemnly pledge the following:

I will submit copy to the editor double spaced, on one side of the sheet only. I will not sell paid advertisements in the 32 column. I will always adhere strictly to the truth unless it ruins the story.

Now you keep it rolling for the best Class I know of.



'33

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Our Class of '33 ASSEMBLY notes, suffering perhaps from too much support, have become unduly long. We'll try to make them briefer while still using your input and, as far as possible, your words.

From Soapy Waters comes "a sad information note for the Class. Joe Remus, one of the great achievers of the Class died on 19 Aug. He had suffered from a bad heart condition for some time and had been hospitalized earlier as the result of a stroke. He appeared to be recovering, but when pneumonia developed it was just too much... His wife, Vicki, got in touch with me immediately and asked if I would gather some classmates as hon pallbearers. Steve Fuqua, who does a great job at AOG, and I found 4 more who could make it: Ken Fields from Greenwich; Pinky Webster, who lives near Newburgh; Harlow Miles from Ocean City; and Bear Eyler from N. Jersey. After a funeral mass at the Catholic Chapel, Joe was buried in the old cemetery with full mil honors on 23 Aug. Sorry to bring this news, Bert, but I'm sure the Class will appreciate hearing about one of our best loved and highly respected members."

In Aug also we lost George Gretser, who died suddenly in San Ant, of an apparent heart attack, on 2 Aug. His wife, Edy, had died some time previously. They had 4 children—2 boys and 2 girls. Funeral services, at which his son George spoke with great eloquence, were held at the Post Chapel, Ft



1933: (Top): Moorman, Chapman, Smith, Gibbs; (Seated): Miss Atha, Svava, Ruth and Betty.

Sam Houston, with a number of our San Ant classmates in attendance; and he was buried at Ft Sam Houston Natl Cemetery.

The Class extends its deep sympathy to the members of our friends and comrades' families. They will be sorely missed.

Bill & Ann Blandford are building a "place in the country," near Charlottesville, VA. Bill continues his good work with Camp Tapawingo.

From Jim Boswell, after a long silence, a fine letterful of activities: "...ret frm real estate, but still Trustee of AOG, VP of Hillsborough Homeowners Assn, active in Rotary ... golf 2/wk & daily exercise, incl bicycle ... Pat & I spent 10 days in HI in Jan—4 delightful w/Polly & Hurly Hurlbut in their condo, then to Molokai and the Big Island. In Jun Pat went to France to visit our dtr Rosalind, married to a French vintner in Burgundy; they visited Crete for 10 days. I attended early Jun mtg of AOG Trustees, then flew to England to join 100 vets, wives



1933: Kacky Bowers, Fletter, Irm, Zierath, Shirl Larson, Gordon, Gladys, Ned, Ellee.

etc for trip to Normandy to celebrate 30th anniv of the Invasion. Only 2 West Pointers I saw were Omar Bradley & Olie Hansen ('32). We stayed w/Norman families, who still love us. Thence we bussed along old Patton route thru France, Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany; on last night we dined in Heidelberg with 60 officers and wives of the 6th & 15th German parachute regts we had fought in Normandy—what an experience! Our oldest son, married again, has a 6-yr-old and another on the way; our youngest, a 27-yr-old contractor-developer, plays the field, as did a certain Dad... We spent Aug at our place in mtns of W. PA, where we tried unsuccessfully to lure the Elys & Hurlbut (prior engagements)... Next Jan we hope to go in QE II on Carib cruise to LA; maybe we'll see classmates? Few here except Tripp & Clainos. All the best." Thanks, Jim.

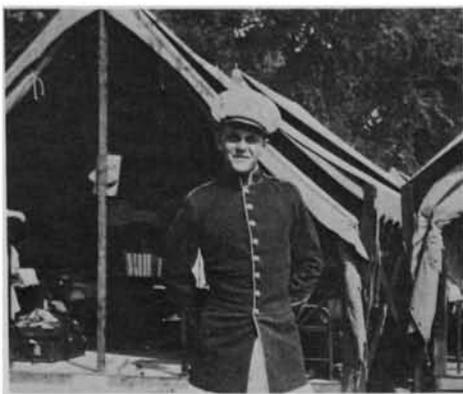
"The Colo Spgs contingent is still perking," says Chappy Chapman. "One of your better correspondents, Dave Gibbs, came thru and we had a mini-reunion: dinner chez Chapmans 17 Jun, which turned out to be Dave's & Betty's 46th aniv! Then 6 Aug we had another such: A.P. (Bub) Clark ('36) invited us all to their place because Bub's sister Mary and husband, Abe Lincoln, were visiting. Doubly fun because it happened to be Svava's and my 24th. Our next Class rendezvous is 17 Aug, when Rita & Pat Guiney will join us."

Floridians Johnny & Alice Ferris were in DC area early Sept for visit to Walter Reed to check on Johnny's throat condition, which requires follow-up treatment. Both look well & fit after summer in MI.

Ned Gee reports on Jun visit to Ft Lewis, WA: "to attend HS gradn of oldest grandson, Jimmy Bowers (son of dtr "Kacky" & Col James M. Bowers. Then Gladys, Kacky, grandsons Jimmy and Clarke and I spent 6 days in Victoria & Vancouver, BC. While in Tacoma area we saw Fletters, Larsons, Zierath, and Ann Drysdale (widow of Walter S. Drysdale Jr, Ex '33). Bill Fletter has full beard, looks like a distinguished sea captain. Their home continues to be more attractive than ever—hard work by Bill & Irm is obvi-



1933: June Sparrow, Irm & grizzled "Sea Captain" Fletter at The Tides (Gig Harbor).



1933: Memorabilia: Sim Whipple in Summer Camp, 1932.

ous. Had dinner with Fletters and with Larsons. Gordon & Shirl have a fascinating home on the waterfront of Harstine Is, Puget Sound, about 60 mi from Ft Lewis. It was a wonderful occasion."

Not to be outdone, Bert & June Sparrow ploughed the same ground 2 months later in the course of taking the AOG-sponsored Alaskan inland waterway 1-wk cruise rd trip from Vancouver on the SS Veendam in Aug—a memorable experience which will I believe be covered elsewhere in ASSEMBLY by our tour escorts, Dick & Sue Gruenther ('46). Present among the 66 in AOG Group (out of 600 passengers) were Bill Bailey's widow, Maxine, and Valerie Van Way. No less memorable was our enfoldment in '33's special brand of hospitality. Met on arrival at SETAC Apt by Bill & Irm Fletter in their VW Diesel Rabbit, we were their guests for 2 days at each end of the cruise, whisked up to Vancouver (at 55 mpg dsl), to Bill's delight and taken by them on successive nights to dine with Gordon & Shirl Larson, and with Fred Zierath and his charming new bride, Ellee (see Z below) at their respective & very beautiful homes—a superlative experience! (Note: This account would not be complete without mentioning that Fletter scored another first in my book by taking me in his pick-up to the Gig Harbor Municipal Dump, where we spent a unique if malodorous hour searching for a serviceable gas can . . . Some Freudian message here, perhaps?)

Gordon Larson, by the way, who had been somewhat out of touch with the Class since he ret (phys dsbl) in 45, proved to have had notable success in the engr field, incl resp for pollution control in L.A. for several years, and with an important consultant firm in Phila—a credit to '33!

When the phone rings late at night, it's likely to be a classmate. So I learned that Bill Given is still very much in the antique business in S. AL, where he & wife Jessie



1933: Dahlen, Dora Due and Cyr.

range over 5-state area, operating out of 3 good-sized buildings in Mobile. Bill, whose own Irish father came steerage to the New World in 1902, wanted to contact Bob Rayburn or Tom Foote ('34) in Ireland with a view to recruiting a young Irish couple to help in his work.

(Note: by telecon I've learned from Bill's wife Jessie, that although they were "right in the middle of it," they had minimal hurricane damage.)

"At June Week this year," writes Pat Guiney, "the (HK) Johnsons and Hurlbutts took Rita & me to dinner at Breakneck Lodge across the river—a thoughtful and appreciated gesture . . . Last June Week was really the last JW; henceforth gradn will be in late May; the week will be called—guess what?—"Graduation Week." And 79 is the last all-male class. The Old Order changeth . . . (2 Sept) Rita & I are just back frm 3-wk visit w/dtr Margie and husband Dr Ken Hopper, at Fitzsimons, where Ken is on 4-yr residency in radiology. Got to know our 2 grdchdrn, David 5 & Katie 2. In Denver we visited the Broshouses (pl Broshae?) and Maxine Bailey, who were most hospitable to us in their lovely homes. We rented a car for 1-wk and drove 1400 miles thru the Rockies, incl lunch with the Longleys at Brigham City, and dinner and the Broadmoor Ice Show with the Alan Chapmans in Colo Spgs, where we also saw Cal Smith. Our son Pat III has returned for his final year at Dartmouth."

At last local Class luncheon Ned Gee reported on recent visit with Hartels. "Fritz put an extension on their house and built an indoor swimming pool complete with equipment to assist Dottie in and out . . . Dottie looks very well, can do without her braces, and her vision too is much improved . . ." All very welcome news, an understatement.

As of mid-Aug, Madeleine Hoebeke was recovering from lung surgery at Wilford AF Hosp (Lackland AFB, TX), prior to undergoing radiation treatment. Of the staff, Adrian writes, "The dedication, the expertise and the optimism of all hands is heartening." You both have our prayers.—as do also the Hurlbutts . . . Hurly, who had a rough winter in and out of Tripler, was scheduled for surgery (aneurism) in Sept at Walter Reed; preliminary tests, however, disclosed a heart condition requiring open heart (triple bypass) surgery, from which he is now recovering. The frequency with which Hurly & Polly are mentioned by other classmates in these Notes attests to the affection they command from us all.

Mo Kaiser wishes it known that neither he nor his 52-yr-old Target Rifle has yet worn out. Mo won the Regional Prone Championship at Quantico on 15 Jul with a score of 400/400 on the Intl 50-yd Target which tied the National Record established by You-Know-Who in 70. Thanks to you, Mo, '33 is still making history!

From Gracie King we have a hilarious account of her effort to hang a silvery boat "mobile" from their cottage ceiling, in the course of which the ladder jammed and had to be sawed off; "we now have a long boat-mobile and a short ladder!" plus, she says, "a houseful of guests . . . Harry hasn't been swimming yet due to the cool weather. He planned to go yesterday with a charming young lady, but she chickened out—much to his relief!"

Posie Neely visited us here at Bailey Is for 10 days," writes Harry, "leaving Bob to tend the store in ID. She and Gracie drove over to Meredith for 2 days with Dan & Helen Parker. Bob & Margaret Thompson



1933: Hale, Whipple, Senter and Ely.

were also there, and Rod & Lydia Gott came over from Long Lake to make it a fine '33 get-together. Bailey Is is pleasant as ever, but I've resigned from swimming in the 53° water. A highlight of the summer for me was viewing, near Land's End, a blue heron wading over the rocks beneath the surface with its long legs, then flying away on its great wings (a 6-ft span). I was close enough to see all of this quite clearly and it was certainly a thrill . . . My mother, Leila, is 97½ and no longer writes as she did when she composed the verse on the '33 Mothers' Bowl . . . See you in Oct."

The Lincolns have broken the summer with trips to visit families in MI. Pres Abe has had trouble with his eyes, yet continues his wide-ranging efforts in '33's behalf (see Pres's Corner).

The latest Army "make list," just out, cites 68 nominated for BC, among them Hardin L. Olson Jr. ('57), the first son of '33, we believe, to be so honored (correct us if we're wrong). Ole, teleconned in Orlando, said it had been a good week for the Olsons: Billie had just won \$215 at bingo.

Hurricane David report on FL, while we're at it: The Whites and Gees at Vero Beach suffered quite heavy damage: the former from having a portion of a nearby roof blown in thru their dining room window; the latter with water damage resulting from loss of their roof (not the same roof). The Kaessers, recently moved to a new condo, suffered little damage but were evacuated and stayed with the Olsons. Charlie Chase (in ME at the time) suffered slight damage. (Charlie, we're glad to hear, is reported much improved in health.) No word from Tequesta or from Hilton Head.

Writer Jack Rudolph & wife Leora passed thru DC area twice en route to & from Smithsonian Assoc tour to Scotland. His report of activities:

—Jun: Leora & I to Denver for HS gradn of grdson Dan. Sold story to *American Heritage* (sched for pub in Feb 1980).

—Jul: Article pub in *Sports Illustrated*. Sold another to *American History Illustrated*.

—Aug: A (different) article pub in *American History Illustrated*. Sold pieces to *Civil War Times Illustrated* and *Wisconsin Trails*.

—Sept: 2 wks in Scotland. Beautiful country, wonderful people.

Great work, Jack—Mason Wright, Logan Clendenning, & '33 all proud of your achievements!

Dodd Starbird is quiescent by order, recovering from broken rib.

From Bob & Margaret Thompson, news of 2 summer trips:

—In Jun thru Mid-West to visit friends and rels. "M & I were guests of Clyde & Bea Jones for supper in their beautiful home on

Lake Quivera, KS. Present were dtr Linda, son-in-law Chris (AC) Lawrence ('59), Dick & Virginia Weber ('34).

-In Aug to New England: visited Kolls (Margaret's children) in CT, then 4 da with Dan & Helen Parker at their beautiful home on Winnepesaukee (Ed: See King note), saw Ruth Carroll... A fine trip!

And now, to sound the "Z": We were delighted to have notice that "Eleanor Compton Pavey and Frederick R. Zierath announce their marriage on Wed, 8 Aug 79, at Tacoma, WA"—and still more delighted to meet our new distaff member, Ellee, like her husband a credit to '33.

PRESIDENT'S LINCORNER

Our 50th Year—50 Year Book (FYB). Enthusiastic and prompt response to Bulletin is heartening: Jack Schmelzer has received more than \$2,000 as of 28 Sept and gives us the following (rounded) statistics: 80 will buy; 70 have paid, of whom 60 have paid or will if needed pay more than the requested \$25; 30 biog/sketches are already in, with 50 promised for soon; and 70 indicate they plan to attend Reunion (God willing).

Intriguing questions keep popping up; for instance, has anyone in the Class (other than Jim Skinner) earned a bona fide Doctorate? Who? In What?

50 Year Gift (FYG). This is moving again. We hope to get a Bulletin out soon (before these Notes reach you).

Darby Field, Fort Jackson: Formal invitations have gone out for dedication ("solemnization") 10 Oct. We hope to have story and pics from Frank Elder for next Class Notes.

Class of '33 Minireunion, San Ant TX, Oct 1980: Early indications are all favorable. Billy Harris is putting out a flyer on this which should be in the mails to all classmates as this is written.

SCRIBENOTES

Casualties, Illnesses: The laws of nature not having been suspended even for the Class of '33, these Notes must inevitably include sad news, as well as good. When losses occur they are reported at the outset, the event being of such climactic significance to the individual, to his family, and to those of us who knew him best. On the other hand, illness is reported in a low key, both to respect the privacy of the individual and because such news is necessarily outdated by the time (3-6 months later) it gets published. We try to print in these notes only what you as individuals want us to; and we can of course publish only such news as we receive.

Next deadline: 30 Dec. MERRY XMAS!

'34

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The thought that these notes will be reaching their many and varied destinations as the yuletide season draws nigh, prompts the desire on the part of your new scribe to express to all classmates, mates and other kindred souls of our Class, wherever they may be, warmest wishes for a very Merry Xmas and a New Year filled with continuing good health and much happiness.

There is a consensus which indicates that for our class 79 was, indeed, a vintage year, since that is what all the glowing comments about our 45th Reunion clearly reflect. For those who were able to attend, it was, beyond question, an experience which none will ever forget, for it provided the unique



1934: James E. Walsh III, USMA 1983 and his father, James E. Walsh II, stand behind grandmothers Walsh and Hauser, sister Terry, mother Phyllis, and brother David.

opportunity to meet, greet and fete one another under an aura of unforgettable memories and friendships which have stood the test of time. Moreover, the entire atmosphere was one which seemed to suggest that some new and potent spirits had been poured suddenly into a bunch of well-preserved old bottles and in some magical way caused just about everyone to express the feeling, "Let's do it again." Beyond a shadow of a doubt, our 45th also proved that the same old camaraderie which marked our kaydet days was just as strong as it ever was, or perhaps even stronger as many would attest; but now, with the elements of wisdom and know-how to enhance it, a whole new dimension to the "afterglow" period of our lives has been added. Considered in the light of this experience, it, therefore, might be helpful if every one of us re-established that long-ago practice of sounding off the days until the time of our 50th Reunion, that is, simply as a measure to bring about the maximum turnout possible when we gather for the purpose of celebrating one-half century of keeping in step with the Long Gray Line.

It is really not too early for each one of us to begin some thinking and planning with regard to our 50th Reunion. It may be difficult to realize, but already there are only 4 years and a butt until it will be time for us to pack up and head for WP. The way time flies at this stage of our lives, it is amazing why more things didn't happen yesterday, an observation which suggests that we pause here just long enough to say, "JAB" and thereby get the attention needed



1934: Cadet James E. Walsh III, USMA 1983.

for YOU to make NOW the decision that YOU will attend our 50th Reunion. Write down the date, May 1984 and put it where you will be able to see it every day. For those who may require a little more time for making decisions or getting ready, it may be helpful to decide, before the opportunity escapes you, what toothbrush, which hairpiece and which Valpac are going to be the privileged items to make it back with YOU to our 50th Reunion. Get it all together NOW and you'll be ready when that great day comes.

From coast to coast in this great land and particularly from the boondocks, on a rather limited and scattered basis, however, comes word to provide timely keyhole glimpses of who is doing what, where, when, how and sometimes why. Why did you do it?

En route home following Reunion, Mary & Frank Norvell stopped at the home of their son in Chester, VA, where a big family reunion was held. With the help of some wall expanders and everything else they were able to beg, borrow or improvise, 11 people somehow managed to fit into space normally occupied by 4, which just goes to prove that these days there is no place unaffected by inflation. For all the Norvells it was obviously a memorable experience because everyone wants to do it again.



1934: (L-R) Franklin, Peggy Neal, Dottie Franklin and the Fells.

It may be difficult to visualize, but apparently things are tapering off on the west coast for Jody & Paul Hanley who wrote that they were attending a fitness ranch (formerly known as a Fat Farm) which, in some ways, was reminiscent of Beast Days. Paul adds that while there was no reveille, a 3-mile hike was conducted each day beginning at 0630. Despite Paul's reputation for veracity, it is difficult to believe that on a 2-mile hike involving a total of 29, of which 27 were women, Paul came in 26th. O tempora! O mores! O the ravages of time!

Again from the west coast and this time from Teeny & Hal Browning comes word of the annual '34 picnic hosted by Peggy & Bill Neal in the garden of their lovely home in Novato, CA on 23 Jun. Those who joined the Neals for this festive occasion were: Fells, Hollingsworths, Erlenkotters, TT Browns, Killians, Franklins, Brownings and Art Inman. Features of the day included: homemade ice cream (peach, strawberry), plus Neal's own deals: beer (pale or dark), ale (light or full-bodied) and stout (Bill's black brew), all from Bill's own limited-capacity brewery. Alcoa can't wait! Can you?

In a message from Jablonsky, Jabo revealed a rather unique claim to fame. He was the only member of our Class, he claimed, to have 3 former roommates attend our 45th Reunion and they were: Jack Seaman with whom Jabo roomed 2d Cl yr and Okie

O'Connel plus Bob McKinnon with whom he roomed 1st Cl yr. For this obvious all-time record, the Class awards kudos to its well-deserved recipient, Jabo.

Eddrea & Harry Hillyard reported that by taking a circuitous route home following Reunion, they were able to have some most enjoyable visits with: 1. Their oldest daughter's family; 2. A fairly long visit with Harry's mother, who at 89 is in good spirits and enjoying good health and to whom our Class extends congratulations and best wishes; 3. Attend Harry's 50th high school reunion. For the Hillyards, the year 79 brought reunions few people have the good fortune to attend. Congratulations and best wishes for many more!

Hang on to your hats, for here's another blockbuster! In Aug, Francie & Johnny Stevens attended a Stevens Family Reunion at GA's Unicoi State Park located in the mountains 90 miles NE of Atlanta. Eight first cousins with spouses attended this nostalgic get-together, a milestone it would appear, worthy of the Guinness Book of Records, for this unique conclave was made possible by 8 individual unions, all of whom gathered to renew, strengthen and celebrate the ties which stem from their consanguineous heritage. Can anyone top that one? En route to GA, the Stevens stopped overnight with the Renfroes in Asheville, NC, and report that Ruth & Jack are happy and well in a really delightful home. The Renfroes kindly invited Isabel & Don McClennan along with Lucy & Somers Dick ('35) for the evening and a great time for reminiscences was had by all.

Fran & Si Gilman are now well settled in Quechee, VT where, according to Si, 80% of the state is still in forest. As a result of this currently most fortuitous happenstance, Si, having equipped himself with chainsaw, heavy gloves, safety goggles and safety shoes is sounding the call of "timber" as he fells trees and then cuts them up to assure there will be no lack of heat during the coming winter. Si says that the self-harvesting and burning of firewood warms one twice, once when it is cut and again when it is burned.

Nancy & Moon Northam report that they have had a very busy Jul and Aug at their summer home in ME with their daughters and the latter's families. As Nancy & Moon say, there is nothing like playing to a full house when you have an appreciative audience.

From their home on Contentment Is at Darien, CT, comes word from Madge & Jimmy Wells that they are keeping mighty busy. Jimmy is on the verge of completing a 110,000 word novel and whenever he can tear himself away from that time-consuming interest, the Wells put 2 hands on deck and go sailing on Long Is Sound. Jimmy didn't give the name of their boat which he referred to as their wee "yacht." He added, however, that it's a great ship for the shape he's in, but that he'll be in greater shape when his ship comes in.

In Mid-Aug Tete & Charlie Browns' charming colonial home in Reedville, VA, was the setting for a most delightful dinner-party for Lil & Bob Tyson and Janet & Johnnie Diefendorf. This pleasant visit was a memorable experience not only because it permitted friends of long standing to share together fine food in a convivial atmosphere, but also because it brought the almost unbelievable opportunity of having several days of unusually cool weather and the unheard of



1934: The Hollingsworths and the Erlankotters.

chance to spend some Aug nights under blankets in the Tidewater area.

Pete Ward reports that in Aug he had contact with Ellen & Pete Peca who were in the Tidewater area visiting their daughter, a law stu at the Coll of William & Mary in Williamsburg.

From Elinore & Jim O'Hara comes the expressed wish that our Class Notes be the medium for conveying to our Class at large their heartfelt thanks for the magnificent gift presented to them at the time of our 45th Reunion. Those who were able to attend the presentation ceremony will recall that as a token of grateful appreciation for all Jim & Elinore have done to make so many of our reunions the outstanding successes they were, our Class gave them a crystal tray and eight old fashion glasses, all inscribed with the West Point insignia. Both Elinore and Jim wanted everyone to know that this lovely gift is one which they will always treasure as it continues to remind them of the many happy moments and cherished associations our Class has made possible for them.

In the rush of all that transpired at our 45th Reunion, it was almost inevitable that something would be lost in the shuffle. As a consequence, the Reunion cmte has requested that our Class Notes be used for expressing to Elma & Ellis Davis thanks and appreciation from our Class for the timely assistance they gave the Reunion cmte on details connected with Reunion arrangements. And so, Elma & Ellis, from all your classmates, many, many thanks.

Unfortunately for our Class and for many others too, the month of Aug ended on a real note of sadness. Sometime during the night of 29-30 Aug, Ted Bilbo, who had been seriously ill for about a year, passed away quietly in Pompano Beach, FL. Although a card and flowers were sent at the time of Ted's funeral, the entire Class through the medium of these notes takes the opportunity to express its deepest sympathy to Ted's widow, Zora and to the other members of Ted's family.

Hal Edson recently reported that he has a limited supply of particularly well-executed, gold-embroidered '34 Class crests suitable for pin-clutch attachment to sportcoats. The embroidery has been done on a black velvet-like material covering a shield made rigid so as to retain its shape. For those interested, send \$12.00 check made payable to USMA Class of 1934 Fund to: COL P.S. Brown, 3590 Gleneagle Dr, Silver Spring, MD 20906. Stan will relay order to Hal who will mail out crests to all those who speak up with money down.

With reference to the matter of obituaries and to appeals made in the past for taking

care of this matter while the opportunity permits, it is reported that Perry Griffith was the only classmate who wrote in this summer to state that arrangements had been made to have his family send his obituary directly to the Editor of ASSEMBLY at the proper time. Hats off to Perry! And your scribe stands ready to doff hats again to any and all classmates who write in to state that similar action has been taken.

The word is out that Johnny Stevens underwent surgery at Walter Reed recently and although this experience was a somewhat prolonged and a rather painful one, it can now be reported that he is back home, almost back to normal and very happy to be able to say his complete recovery is now not very far away. That's the kind of finale it is good to hear and a joy to pass on.

With presstime drawing near, thoughts turn to Faith & Hal Edson now en route to Portland, ME, there to attend as delegates the annual meeting of the Mayflower Society. As they travel to and from this gathering of descendant patriots, the Edsons are planning an overnight stop with Carol Ice in Burlington, NY, a visit with Susie Telford at Derby Lion, VT, where Sid's boyhood days were spent, and then a nostalgic, farewell visit to the home of the Travis Pettys, who, in Nov will move from their present homesite in Wilton, NH, to their new home in Tiverton, RI.

A last minute effort on the part of our Class Pres just made it under the wire, thereby providing this opportunity to include some special news items. Under Harry Hubbard's able chairmanship, our 5-member Gift Cmte, having made astounding progress over the summer months, is scheduled to meet with Alumni Affairs of the AOG in early Oct for the purpose of submitting proposals which hopefully will lead to an AOG-ap-



1934: The Brownings, Inman, and the Killians.

proved class-gift project and subsequent submission of this action to the Class for its required consensus of approval. Harry's cmte is certainly deserving of much thanks from the Class, not only for what has been accomplished in such a short time, but also for the diligent and dedicated effort which made that possible. Lou also made it a point to indicate how gratified he was to receive so many favorable comments on that many faceted status report which he published and disseminated soon after he assumed the presidency. But that was not all, for with accretions to the Class gift fund amounting to \$2844 since Reunion, that roommate claim to fame discussed earlier in these notes has now been broadened, permitting our Jabo-Okie-Bob triumvirate to be cited for their singular 100% participation in responding to the pres's letter and in adding substantially to

the gift fund. And so a special accolade to this trio is in order for their outstanding contributions which have resulted in more principal and interest to our gift fund and greater support for what our Class is attempting to accomplish. Incidentally, more inter-roommate correspondence might be an effective way to boost the gift fund as well as many other matters of importance to our Class. Let an old contact become a live contact through a renewed contact. Do it to-day!

The DC Group Luncheon held on 20 Sept at the A-N CC was an unusual occasion, for, in addition to classmates: Walsh, Fuller, Corrigan, Bruce, Luehman, P.S. Brown and Stevens, it also included as guests of Stevens: Harry Hubbard Jr., now assigned to the DA's CAA, and Sid Telford Jr., who, after some 4 years as a marine, is now serving as a Foreign Service officer. The Class can be proud, indeed, of these 2 fine sons.

These notes are brought to a close with a plea from your scribe for more news from more classmates. These notes can only serve their purpose of providing classmate-to-classmate news if your scribe is permitted to fulfill his middleman role of collecting the news, wrapping it up in a neat package and getting it to you through the courtesy of ASSEMBLY and the U.S. mail. So treat yourself to a 15¢ bargain and enjoy the luxury of seeing your name in print along with whatever you care to trump up. We aim to please; you aim too, please, with a timely strike on target located at scribe's address. And now there's time and space for just one more strike. Hear that echo—Get Navy! Gotcha!

Note Class roster change: Heyne—delete Box 444, add Wharton Manner, Rusk St, same town.

'35

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Russ Smith had a heart attack last Apr and after several brief periods of hospitalization seemed to be improving, but another attack came on 7 Jul which he did not survive. He was buried at WP on 11 Jul. The accompanying photo is of Russ and his new wife, Emelyn, the day before his death.

Bob Glass had chest surgery in late 77 after our reunion in Guadalajara. He and Phyl attended the NW Roundup in late May 79 and both looked well. However they did not go to their summer home in ME this year, and when Bud & Jill Schlanser phoned them in mid-Aug to find out when they were coming, the answer was to the effect that it



1935: O'Neal, Rhoades, the Joneses, Leah Rhoades, Ellerson, the Stones, Morgan, Fran Murphy, Collette Heckemeyer, Jane O'Neal, Heckemeyer, and Murphy.

just wasn't a good time to travel. No hint of Bob's illness. On 24 Aug Bob entered Letterman and on 28 Aug he died. The funeral was held at the Presidio on 5 Sept with a large turnout of classmates and friends, and burial in the adjacent National Cemetery.

Wm. Bradford Means died at Letterman on 3 Sept and was buried in the same cemetery on 7 Sept following a large funeral at St. Lukes Episcopal Church in San Fran.

Bob Greenlee of Punta Gorda, FL, became ill in early summer and was found to have cancer and that was complicated by a stroke, leaving him comatose. He died in Community Hosp Ft Myers, FL, on 9 Sept and was buried in Arlington on 13 Sept after a large funeral attended by family, friends, classmates and wives.

Our hearts go out in loving sympathy and sorrow to the families of these 4 classmates along with the 2 we lost in Jun, Art Frye and Floyd Pratt. It is apparent that the summer of 79 was a hard one for our Class, taking 6 in a period of 3 months.

Frank Osmanski was in and out of Walter Reed last summer and we hope that all is well with him now.

About the 1st of Sept Norm & Gail Skirrod moved to the new home they had built at 1342 Butterchurn Dr, Herndon, VA 22070. Tel: 703-430-0737. A few days later Gail began to feel poorly and after a number of tests at Fairfax Hosp they removed an enlarged spleen on 15 Sept. Norm says they are planning to bring her home on 28 Sept. We all hope she is fully recovered soon.

Bob McDonald has ret from teaching at UTX at El Paso and he and Helen have spent most of the summer at Virginia Bch with Bob's mother and brother Lucien (USNA '38) and his family who live nearby. Bob and Helen came up to DC for a few days to show Helen the sights and stayed with us. Charlotte and I got them out on the Bay one day, a first for Helen.

We are indebted to Bud Schlanser for a photo of the NW Roundup group after lunch at the winery near Seattle on 1 Jun. Names can be found listed in the last issue of ASSEMBLY.

Both before and since the Roundup Jack & Leah Rhoades have traveled extensively in their posh mobile home and Jack sent several nice photos. One is of the group of classmates and wives gathered at the Joneses "Annual Easter Sunday Brunch" in Tucson last Apr. I guess Butch Morgan must have taken the picture with Jack's camera. Another good shot is the Roundup Cmte with the only classmate who showed up in the "prescribed uniform," jeans and boots, Charlie Jeffus. Since that time Jack and Leah have toured WA, Canada, MT, WY, the Black Hills of SD, and then to Santa Fe where they saw Jim & Margaret Walsh who urged them to put their roots down there when they come back to live in the U.S. In Roswell, NM, Jack and Leah attended a mil prayer breakfast and a supper meeting at both of which Ralph Haines spoke. Jack says he was highly impressed by these talks.

Al & Jean Robbins have tripled their grandparenthood with the arrival of Jessica Choate Robbins, daughter of David and Karen in Newington, CT, last 3 Apr, and the arrival of Kathryn Patricia Robbins, 2d daughter of Andy and Patty in Roanoke, VA, on 13 May. These events were responsible for Al and Jean being unable to make the Roundup.

Somers Dick sent a copy of a small newspaper, Color Guard Valor Tours, Ltd., which



1935: Roundup Cmte: Jeffus, Wallace Farnsworth, Leonard and Proctor.

is published in San Fran, and contains a detailed coverage with pics of the big anniversary celebration on Corregidor of its recapture by George Jones' 503d RCT. This event was mentioned in the Mar issue and again in the Sept issue. Somers also reports that they



1935: Emelyn and Russ Smith, 6 Jul 79.



1935: Class NW Roundup, 1 Jun 79.



1935: At the Leonards' 28 May 79: Leonard the Glasses, Marge Leonard and Leah Rhoades.

saw Clyde & Ann Zeigler twice at dinner while they were up from Charleston, SC, at Black Mt for vacation, and that they both looked fine.

At the annual convention of the 24th Div Assn in Lexington, KY, on 11 Aug 79 Les Wheeler was elected pres of that assn. The 24th Div was in HI at the outbreak of WWII and had many engagements in SW Pacific and W Pacific, and was highly instrumental in successful completion of the war. The div was reactivated at Ft Stewart, GA, 3 yrs ago, and as this is written Les is on his way there at the invitation of the CG to an Organization Day ceremony as an honored guest speaker.

Kelso Clow is a faithful reporter both written and telephonic (fortunately there are also a number of others). Kelso's latest report is that Curly & Joanne Edwards have moved to San Fran. The address is 1925 Gough St, Apt 51, zip 94109; Tel: 415-776-4019. He also reports that the Edwards, the Clows, the A.C. Wells, Berniece Means, Lee May (Art Frye's fiancée), Jack Sherden, Austry Maroun, and Joe Moore all enjoyed the 22 Sept game with Stanford and its gratifying result, and that the Edwards were hosts at a delightful post-game celebration in their lovely apt.

A note from Ruth Hawkins reports that Bud Russ is out on the golf course and swimming his 200 laps.

Keep those contributions toward our Soldier's Memorial coming in.

'36

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The famous 1936 International Golf Championship will transpire next weekend, but will be ancient history when you read this. For the first time, this year Williamsburg, VA, will be honored by our presence. And the success of this year's reunion will be solely the hard negotiating results of Dave Edwards' last 3 yrs. At this date 19 members are scheduled to appear: Austin, Dawalt, Dorland, Curran, Edwards, Evans, Broyles, Layne, LeMoyné, Joerg, Pack, TC Rogers, Quinn, Stokes, Turnage, Twaddell, Westy, Holterman, and Spencer. Mac LeMoyné is coming the farthest and shows for the first time; other new faces are Austin, and Twaddell. Stokes who has been missing in recent years comes this time with his beautiful new bride, Tina. The above listings by no means represents all who had signed up, but had to make late plan changes and cancel. Since several "him"icanes have already blown their gustiest and the humidity and heat have transformed into pleasant cooling autumn

temperatures, this year's golf tourney should be one of the best.

Next Reunion News: Eddie Dunn is deploying his forces and issuing field orders (the first of which you should have in Oct), so that San Ant will equal the success and fun of HI and Monterey. He says (in Sept) that already several classmates have given their commitment to attend. Jane Ellen Dunn has been successfully negotiating with the St. Anthony's (hotel) and we are not only getting renovated accommodations but no rate increases. Considering the beautiful area, the nostalgic background, the proximity to many '36ers, and the promise of desirable "un-inflated" rates—1980 in San Antone should be a "must" on all of our calendars—Mon, 5 May thru Fri, 9 May!!!

The youngest (Robert) of the Dickens' 3 wonderful sons passed away the middle of Sept. Lazelle and Randy have been wonderful parents and this tragedy can only further test their strength and love in the drama of life in which we are all but helpless players. None of us knows how to help; some of us have had the experience; all of us can turn to the Maker of all men.

Jesse & Barbar Drain hosted a small '36 reunion at their new Satellite Bch home in Jul. The occasion was the visit of Bob & Sally Safford to those parts. The only prospect I had for a picture in this column Jesse sent me of this group. However, like my futile efforts, his subjects were too small and fuzzy. Their names were Jesse & Barbara Drain, Marion & Hank Mucci, Lucy & Bob Fisher, and Bob & Sally Safford.

Bobbie Gillespie called one day from airport on her way to see her nephew in FL—and perhaps some classmates. She says Frank is appraising real estate in OR, and that they may both get to San Ant next spring. Gargantuan constr engr and fast pacing COB Tommy Hayes has moved into his company's (IEC) new San Fran hqs building. Your scribe has been screwing up the address of the smartest-man-who-ever-graduated Haywood. I apologize, and your soon to be received Class list should show "that you are still married to Helen"; that you are no longer a "Jr"; and that "you've moved." Ollie said that Rod Drake has bought a place near them on John's Is; and that they see each other at Aspen. Helen Hess wrote that she's repainted a good part of her home inside; that Al takes care of the outside and continuously plays golf; and advised that her youngest, Beth, was coming to Atlanta for a few days. She did and we spent a good day's part hearing of our favorite Hess' through the description of a youthful married female. Ernie Holmes changed address. In late Aug attended a Sat brunch at Kellys'. The occasion was a visit from their oldest daughter, and besides 2 Gages almost all the beautiful Kelly siblings had congregated from a distance: Micki (oldest) from Figi, Dick from Austin, Aileen from DC, Rin Rin from Puerto Rico, and Tim and Ce-ce—local. Also in latter Aug Larry Laurion called upon returning from an Alaskan cruise which he said he and Peg enjoyed very much. All aboard were West Pointers, but no other '36ers. He says that he's had no further problems with his stomach. The week before attending Williamsburg, the Laynes had a classmate party to which they kindly invited Rev Phil Gage (who was no longer in DC, unfortunately). Grace expected Larry, and daughter Cheri, Sievers too. Opened the newspaper one morning and there was a picture of Bruce Palmer shown as a member

of an intelligence gathering group working for the Administration. Virginia Persons wrote the Cordes were in San Rafael in Jun and the 4 went up to the P's cabin in the Sierras. They all may go to Mexico for a trip in Jan. Perhaps all of you noted in a recent ret. bulletin that Bev Powell is head of the Retiree Council. Pat Simpson sent in a new address and then when Liz was passing thru L.A. in Sept, she was invited to a Simpson party that very day (which she couldn't attend). However, the Chappellears, Finkels, Jones, and maybe more, did. Clint True chatted from airport with several months' news. He was on his way to a WW reunion at Colo Spgs. Other than Hosmer and Sibert he's not been with any '36ers for a while.

Westy was in Atlanta for a 4th of July celebration. He showed me some pictures of the 36/35 Statue taken of miniature made by F. deWelden. This seems to be acclaimed by most cmte members, but as of this writing no distribution for your viewing has been made. Dawalt wrote that Westy was recently making a crossing (Atlantic) on the QE II and made international headlines by becoming the famous ship's champion golfer. Although many specific details are missing, the gist of the news was that when pitted against better shooters, all missed (tee or hole?). The recognized procedure was then invoked: flip of a coin for winner. On every flip our Westy won; and his fame continues. Hope he maintains his honor at Williamsburg.

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Received too late to include in last ASSEMBLY, a sad note from Dubb Haltom saying that his everloving Margaret died on 22 May after a 2-yr battle with cancer. She was buried in Austin Memorial Park on 24 May. Many of us had the pleasure of meeting that lovely lady at the 30th and 35th Reunions. A few days later I received a note from Chief Evans who had recently talked to Dubb. He also informed that regarding the auto accident in which Dubb's son was seriously injured and which caused them to cancel out of the 40th Reunion, a trial recently found the other driver guilty of various charges. In the absence of further info I assume and hope that Dubb's son is OK. Chief's dau Carol finished in the top



1937: Host Cosgrove with new brides, Ellie Ohman and Ruby Brant.



1937: Hendricks, Moseley '78, Losaitis, Connelly.

third of the women's Boston Marathon but apparently was unaware that our durable Stan Connelly also ran. He heard from the Grahams that they were temporarily grounded by family problems. Dottie's stepmother died in the early summer and Eph's mother had to be moved from her home to an apt after she fell and broke her arm. Rudy Hall, Dubb's roommate who was found at the end of yearling year, lives in Hickory, NC, and spends his summers at Blowing Rock. The Halls plan a trip to China in Oct. He spent some time there with the Marines toward the end of WW II. Claudine had her one-man art show at the prestigious Centennial Club in Nashville last spring and was very favorably received. Congratulations! Scott Hall had tipped us off previously to the high quality of your work. Chief and Claudine sent their best to the gang.

We were all surprised and saddened to learn from ASSEMBLY (Last Roll Call) that Bob Herman died 20 Jan 78 in Altamonte Spgs, FL. Our belated condolences to his family about whom I have virtually no information except that he married Imogene Duffy, 12 Jun 38.

Beau Brummel's ashes were interred at WP 24 Aug in a simple graveside ceremony attended by Marcella and their children. He had donated his body to Case Western U for rsch, having died from a rare and incurable disease. Marcella thanks the Class for our floral remembrance. The services were conducted by our own Class son, Chaplain Colin Kelly III, who is stationed at WP. On the following Sun, memorial service was also held at Chippy Brett's church, the Temple Hill Baptist Church, Bethesda, MD. We joined the Gildarts, Jim Duncan, Jerrie Stumpf and Chippy, who was Beau's USMA roommate, and the parishioners in an impressive ceremony in this beautiful old church.

Luncheons continued through the summer in spite of heat and absent vacationers. There was a small but enthusiastic group in Aug—Chippy, Finn, Gus, Andy Hartnett, Delk Oden and me escorting my No. 2 dau Barbara. She had agreed to help me select something at a nearby bauble shop to commemorate Frances' 40 yrs of servitude. She was the center of attention. Her reaction—what an ego trip!

Pete Kreiser stopped over at the Lee Martins on his way to Lebanon, PA, to attend his mother's 100th anniv. According to Lee, Pete spends his time in FL counting his money when he isn't Space-A-ing around the world to places like Yugoslavia, Greece, and the Philippines. The Fraziers visited relatives in Nova Scotia in Aug and then John departed for England and Scotland for 5 weeks, taking along his dau Muffi and his son Doug with wife Chris. Pat remained home. She doesn't like to fly. Dau Suzie will

join them for a spell. John is keeping an accurate diary and we expect some interesting tales when he returns mid Oct. The Halls recently returned from their annual vacation to their ME home where the vacationing Lows visited them. The Halls' children and grandkids also spent some time with them. Scotty and Ann stopped by the Registers going and coming and report that they are in good health and have their large farm in great shape. Charley is still working hard at Sanders Assoc.

The Mercados had an extended visit to San Juan to redecorate their condo on the beach. They also made a side visit to Antigua with the Lopez-Dupreys where they were guests of Nick Fuller ('44) at his Callaloo Beach Hotel. The accompanying photo (hopefully) shows 3 carefree beach boys whooping it up amidst the palms. Frederick and David spared them both there and in San Juan. Rene and Ada later visited the Mercados in McLean on their way to a John Hopkins fraternity reunion in Baltimore. He studied there after his 6-month course at USMA. While here, he attended the Sept luncheon while Ada, Sally, Fran and Corinne went on a shopping spree in Old Towne Alexandria. The luncheon was well attended by the regulars—Brett, Diercks, Harnett, Maliszewski, Mercado, Oden, Prentiss, Shive, Wilhoyt, Unger; Whittemore with a stylish patch over one eye, recovering from his recent cataract operation; and Hank Byroade, recently returned from his Northrup job in Saudi Arabia and happy to be back in good old USA after spending most of the last 23 yrs away. He was Ambassador to Pakistan before ret from State 2 yrs ago. He is now fully ret but working harder than ever making his Potomac home livable for his bride and 14-yr-old dau. Finn was presented a copy of Lewis Walt's book, "The Eleventh Hour," in appreciation of his dedicated service to the Class. Chippy is promoting the "Friends of Beauvoir," the Jefferson Davis shrine at Biloxi, MS. Any other unreconstructed rebs can contact him for details.

In spite of difficulties involving Walter Reed, Kellev Lemmon hopes to take Mary on a delayed vacation to Canada in Oct. Dave Parker has had some more tough luck. After a stint in Walter Reed with his heart condition, he fell in his apt and broke several ribs in early Aug.

Betsy Hardaway called us 24 Sept as they passed thru DC on their way back to Greenville after a swing up thru New England. They thoroughly enjoyed SW Harbor and Booth Bay and visited dau Katie whose husband is stationed at WP and due for a PCS to Colo Spgs. Their son Bill and family are moving to Greenville to a civ job. He was an AF CPT stationed here in DC for the past several years. Speaking of SC, we were wondering how the Eubanks' sandpile on Sullivan's Is weathered the hurricanes. Jerrie Stumpf called and found that all is well. Their strongly built home came through OK, minus a few sand dunes in front. Their son Houston and family are back from HI and are now residing in Charleston. Son Lawrence was married in Salem, OR. Randy & Marge Hines borrowed their son Pete's trailer and went to the wedding. The Steelys who live in Salem also attended.

News from San Antone—Frank & Jean Harrison visited the Norvells in Lawton, OK. Jim and Betty both have health problems but are making the best of their situation and their morale is high. The Harrisons later spent 2 wks in Chapalo, Mex. While at the Mercados, Rene Lopez-Duprey called Frank



1937: Lopez-Duprey, Mercado and Nick Fuller '44.

to find out how his old friends were doing. We were sorry to hear that Jean has been in the Ft Sam hospital with serious problems. Frank expected her home towards the end of Sept.

Jack Tolson moved to a new address in Raleigh—1610 Canterbury Rd, ZIP 27608. The Gildarts had a 3-wks back-to-nature vacation with their son Bert and his family in Glacier National Park; 10 of them in a log cabin scheduled for restoration by the National Park Service; Ginger slaving over an old wood stove to cook a turkey (which Bob claims he didn't poach); 21 miles to the nearest PO, and 45 min to the nearest trading post. With the children and grandkids, they fished, hiked and thoroughly enjoyed their Golden Years pass to Glacier Park's natural wonders. Bert is a professional writer and photographer specializing in outdoor subjects.

Curt & Barby Low moved to 2720 Springmede Ct in Colo Spgs. They spend summers in the family cottage in ME and have a small sailboat and canoe on Webber Pond near Augusta. He flew back home to attend a reunion of the 81st Bomb Sq (M) of which he was the 1st cmdr, flying B-25's over the Western Desert 42-43. His older son, MAJ Curtis S., just transferred to Beale AFB from Loring. His younger son David lives in Aurora, CO and is an engr with Hughes Aircraft, working at Buckley Fld, Denver.

A welcome and interesting letter from Stan Connelly with a good clear print with a story behind it which is my pleasure to relate. Stan joined Focus:Hope a year ago as a vol staff member for fund raising. It is an organized movement of 15,000 metropolitan Detroit vols whose sole objective is integration, with the immediate purpose of uniting white and black people in a common struggle against racial injustice and in promoting interracial tolerance, understanding and appreciation. Stan spends his time with the organization when he is not at his A-frame in northern MI. Recently, the Republican Natl Cmte, 150 strong, spent a day and a half with them and decided on Detroit for the convention site. The young lady on the left is Ivey Hendricks, Vassar '79, who will be married in Oct by their boss, Fr Cunningham, to the young man holding hands, Lt Marvis Moseley, USMA '78. Next is Eleanor Losaitis, Stan's immediate boss and co-founder of the organization. Turn the collar around and you could have Monsignor Connelly on the right. He will be happy to give any of us a tour of their activities at any time.

A late bulletin from McDowell dated 24

Sept—Geo and Rae have been visiting San Antone. With her mother in Brooks, Rae has been caring for her 90-yr-old father, COL L.S. Woods. During one weekend they took in a party at the Cosgroves attended also by the Brants, Johnsons, Clagetts, Holcombs, Grahams, Densons, Ohmans, Cheals and Louise Gray. Geo Holcomb, weighing in at 5lbs less than at graduation is determined to keep it that way. Some anxious moments for the Harrisons—while Frank was visiting Jean in Brooks, he broke in for a heart problem. Geo McD. saw him several times over the weekend and expected him to be out Mon.

Bill and Ken called today, 29 Sept, with a count of 81 for Honolulu and minor changes to schedule—Thurs at Hale Koa, cocktails, etc, 5:30-7:30, followed by the famous Hale Koa luau. Reservations should be made for the luau several days ahead at \$12 per. The Aloha spirit and dress will prevail except coat and tie for the Cannon Club dinner Sat nite. The 28-30 Jan alternate plan is pau (dead). Johnny-come-lately even at this late date can try Armed Services Tour & Travel Corp for cancellations. Aloha.

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Regretfully we learned of further losses to our Class. Gus Broberg died of ALS (Gehrig's disease) on 12 Sept and is survived by his wife Kay and 4 children. Bill Sundlof represented our Class and recited the Cadet Prayer at a memorial service for Gus on 12 Sept. Gus had worked at Chicago State U after his ret and played golf regularly with Bill until his illness. He donated his body for research and after one year his ashes will be interred at WP. Bill told me, "Gus faced this illness extremely well and without complaint." The Sundlofs and Brobergs went to our 40th Reunion together. Bill said, "Gus was in great pain, but thoroughly enjoyed himself and received much spiritual uplift. This was the first reunion he & Kay had attended." On 10 Sept, Ken Wickham wrote, "I have endeavored to track down our classmates in this area. The most important and saddest news is that Ches Chesarek, who lives in nearby Los Altos Hills, lost his lovely wife Jayne about 25 Aug. She had been ill for about 18 months and made a valiant but losing fight. I called Ches on 24 Aug and he told me that he was taking her to the hospital within the hour and did not expect her to survive another day. After her death he told me that he was returning her ashes to her home and memorial services would be there. Ches said that he was going to take a couple of months for travel before he decided upon future plans for himself." In memoriam Ches wrote, "Our flag is at half mast, not because my beloved wife Jayne has joined the legions of God who reside in Heaven, but because she has left us here on earth. Paraphrasing an old and poignant song: **The Angels were lonely:**

They took her because they were lonely
Now we're lonely too, dearest Jayne.

During over 40 years of living as husband and wife, Jayne and I together survived 3 wars in the Army and another wartime equivalent in the arena of intl business. I write her eulogy with an admixture of pain, anguish, respect, love, adoration and reveration. Jayne was one of the strongest of all women: steadfast, determined and true to her standards of decency, honor, clean living



1938: 40th wedding anniversary—the Bixbys with daughter Bonnie and husband, MAJ Kenneth Zitz, USMC.

and beauty. She epitomized what every man must seek: a woman possessing all of those traits and qualities as his mate for life. Thus surely I praise and thank God for my lengthy rhapsody with Jayne—an epic life most men cannot even dream of, but a life I have experienced intimately. In my anguish at her loss, I am comforted by the thought of our wonderful friends who have helped so much during her travail, and who meant so much to her during her exuberant life. God in his wisdom has claimed Jayne as His own. I thank God to care for her and nurture her spirit. There is none better in all of his Kingdom."

Attending our Class luncheon in DC on 20 Sept were couples: Beverley, Bixby, Collins, Conell, Corbett, Hannum, Izenour, Johnson, Lewis, Miller, Missal, Mrazek, Sibley, Stilwell, Taylor, Thomas, and singles: Catharina Brown, Chevasse, Kopscak, Ward Ryan, Bill Smith, and Walson. Dick Stilwell told us briefly about Gus & Jayne and on behalf of the Class expressed our deepest sympathies to the bereaved families.

Frank Miller announced at the luncheon that the Brownings were in FL; the Damons were in Rehobeth; the Lahtis sightseeing with family from OR; the Harringtons left today on a 20-day cruise of the Eastern Mediterranean; Kitty Hutchin is at home after a serious illness; Tess let Arpad come alone to be with her golf playing in the VA State Championship at Winchester; Jim & Charlotte Taylor about 1 Nov are moving to Hilton Head; Catharina Brown has sold her house and is moving locally to an apartment at Bailey's Crossroads. Conell, Harrington and Kopscak set fine examples for all of us in overcoming major health problems with much help from their families. Despite his knee surgery and subsequent fall which kept him out of circulation for many weeks, Jesse Thomas & Barbara were at our luncheon. We are pleased that he is making such progress. Kitty & Johnny Johnson are going to FL during Oct and on to Central America and Panama before returning here next May. The Lewises, now that Miriam has ret., are going to Greece & Egypt during Oct.

Ken Wickham wrote, "I talked to Matt Altenhofen who also lives in Los Altos Hills. His son is an engr jr at UCLA and his daughter is working for a branch of Xerox Corp. Matt is doing some tutoring in math for the local community coll. Bob Kasper also lives here and I believe continues to work for Bechtel Corp. Pat & Ruth Pattison live across San Fran Bay (east side) and have been there for about 3 yrs. They have a son and grandchildren in this area. Pete & Judy Peterson live in San Fran. I talked with Pete who plays

golf regularly but reports no marked improvement in his score. Helen and I have been in Los Altos for 8 yrs and are satisfied that we chose the proper place for ret. We are both well and busy. We have a daughter and 2 grandsons nearby and I am the one-man staff for an annual conference at Stanford."

From HI Chuck & Dottie Jackson report, "Carl & Dot Dapprich spent some time in Honolulu during the summer while he took a course at UHI... Carter Duncan hopes Tony Chanco can stop and visit on his next trip from Manila... Clare Beck, upon ret. as exec dir of the Honolulu Downtown Business Assn for 12 yrs, will no longer have to commute from Kauai as of the end of this year. He and Pat have a dream home built to their specifications. Clare will enter the realty field in Kauai and, in fact, has already made his first million dollar sale. With both Clare & Ben Sternberg having real estate broker licenses, who knows but what they might form their own company. Hal & Mary Kelley are doing their 6-month stint in San Diego, but will return to Paradise on New Year's Eve. Keep in mind our mini reunion here in '81."

About our 40th Reunion Book Bill Strand comments, "I appreciate all over again what a priceless record it is of our Class." Ward Ryan, 9297 Bailey Ln, Fairfax, VA 22030, has 30 copies remaining. An appendix contains a roster of the names and addresses of all living 208 classmates. Upon request he will furnish the roster free and the Album cost \$26.00.

From San Ant Strand and Polhamus have sent me so much information that some must wait for the next column. Here are some excerpts, "Neil & Marge Van Sickle left the snows of Rapid City last spring for a visit with Bill & Dotsy Strand during the TX bluebonnet season. Neil has phased out his horse ranch activities and they have recently completed a new home in the edge of the Black Hills west of Rapid City. Neil is in politics as a county commissioner. Bill Strand has started another year of teaching math at Ed White Middle Sch. Bill & Dotsy have had a busy summer with 2 granddaughters visiting them from CA. Many hours were logged by all at the swimming pool. Mert & Jean Singer left on 5 Sept for a business trip to New York and Boston and then on to France for a vacation. Mert is Exec Secy, Rsch & Dev Assoc for Mil Food & Packaging Sys. A big title for a big job involving lots of travel, and Jean travels with Mert a lot. Hugh & Jean Wallace moved to San Ant last year and live in the Windcrest area near the Strands and Coiras. They have been re-decorating their house, getting a swimming pool built, and entertaining their 7 grandchildren and parents in relays this summer. They are going to Ft Leavenworth to see their new grandson. Their son Butch there is scheduled to receive MAJ's leaves in the near future. Art & Jane Smith will visit here 25 Sept to 2 Oct for a reunion of the 3d Div. We are hoping that he will have time to visit with some of his classmates while here." Doug adds, "Classmates here are looking forward to the annual USMA picnic in MacArthur Park on 5 Oct. These outings are always well attended by all West Pointers in this area. Omar & Maria Knox are planning a month's trip around the USA to visit their children in Oct and several trips to Mexico later this year. Lou & Ellen Coira contributed to the deficit of the national balance of payments by traveling to

Ecuador this past spring. They now plan to stay home for awhile. Jack & Jo Ryan will be visiting son and family in FL late in Sept. Jack plans to give his son some pointers on how to run his new squadron—that is if the info is requested. Doug & Lou Polhamus, their children and grandchildren were marooned on Galveston Is for 2 days by Hurricane Claudette. Paul & Mona Preuss are to be commended for staying home. Paul cuts the grass once a week. Ski York helped open the white wing dove hunting season in Mexico. He reported a successful outing but left a few birds for other hunters. Bill Kiefer took 3 of his grandchildren on a camping trip to AK. They visited Bill's & Maggie's son who is stationed there and found all well with the family." Ted Sawyer added that he and Doug Polhamus play golf weekly. Ted & Elizabeth drove to CA and back to check the gasoline shortage. They found ample fuel and only several places charging \$1.15 per gallon. They visited grandchildren and parents there and in CO plus other relatives. At Las Vegas and Reno Ted rationalized that he "profited by 1460%—annualized that is, but it was better than losing." On 15 Jul Dave Sherrard wrote this news to Art Collins from Gainesville, FL, "John & Pat Coleman have launched a new 25-ft O'Day sailboat on their Lake Santa Fe. They were visited by Willie & Margaret Earl Langford last Memorial Day. Langfords have visited here several times. We enjoyed having them and the Colemans to dinner at the Gainesville Golf & Country Club. Back in Apr we had a pleasant visit by Gene & Myrtle Kelsey from Cocoa Beach. Gene and I played in our member/guest golf tournament. We reminisced about our tour in Brazil where we had adjoining apartments in 1951-53. John Boyt visited us from Sarasota May 4-6 weekend—more golf. Gene Anderson stopped by for the night last month on her return trip from her property in CA to Naples where Andy is hizzoner, the Mayor. Mary and Jack Jacunski are flitting back and forth from their home here to their condominium on Crescent Beach. They left last week for Japan to visit their son George (MAJ, JAG) and his wife Pia, at Zama. Mechi and I are still traveling as though it were going out of style. Imagine our surprise to run into George & Betty Bixby in a barber/beauty shop in Auckland, New Zealand, Mar 23d! On Jul 21st we leave for Kobe, Japan, to board ship for 14 days visiting several cities in China winding up with 2 days in Hong Kong. Like others, our family is scattered. David III is working for a computer services co. in Atlanta and Nani is married to CPT T. J. Hughes and living in SHAPE, Belgium, with their 2 daughters Bridget & Valerie. Cliff & Bea Riordan are leaving 18 Jul to attend the Seventh Army QM reunion at Ft Lee and to visit daughter Bambi at Durham. She has just been accepted in Duke Med Sch to get her Master's in nursing." Jim Taylor sent me an article from the Hilton Head "Packet" dated 12 Jul about a series of wood plaques made by Fred Dean for the Parish House of St Lukes Episcopal Church there. Twelve of these plaques provide symbolism about Jesus' 12 disciples. Fred has been the Senior Warden for this church and on this occasion has demonstrated his skills with hand tools and artistic design, with help from their daughter who completed two years of commercial art at Appalachia Coll in Boone. Jim & Charlotte Taylor were at Hilton Head the last 2 weeks in Jul. Jim found that Fred "shoots a precise and acceptable game



1938: Miller 40th Wedding Anniversary.

of golf." The Maloneys were away during that visit. George & Betty Bixby celebrated their 40th wedding anniv with a delightful cocktail buffet supper in the Castle Room of Ft Belvoir Officers Club on 23 Aug. A beautiful party! About 20 classmates and wives plus April Adams, Catharina Brown, and Lennie Lemon enjoyed this occasion along with members of the Pohick Church congregation and many other friends. Their daughter Bonnie and her husband, MAJ Kenneth Zitz, USMC, had recently arrived for duty at Quantico. Brother Bill Walson was the other family member present. During Sept Betty and George visited son Bob and wife in Denver, then son Bill (Class of '72) and wife at Ft Lewis, and on to Seattle, and to western Canada. Mel & Frieda Russell go to Missouri in Oct to attend his 50th high school reunion. Frieda wrote Mary Missal, "We will go to Dallas to visit Mel's brother and mother. He was just there for 3 wks to help her celebrate her 100th birthday on 6 Aug. . . ." The Russells are planning a trip to Europe next year. Carl Dapprich wrote to Jesse Thomas from HI 4 Jul, from Sri Lanka 18 Aug, and from Bombay, 21 Aug. Excerpts: "Actually we're going around the world again this year. It wasn't really planned this way but when we get to Sri Lanka we are closer to Phila than if we were to reverse our steps. Had considered a stop in Iran, that's out! Tourists are not welcome in Riyadh, so our next stops are Athens, Rome and Paris. It's always nice to visit familiar places. . . . Resting up on the beach at Trincomalee (Sri Lanka) after a hectic couple of weeks visiting ancient temples and fortresses. Even lucked in and saw the annual Kandy Perera (parade), complete with elephants, Kandy dancers, et al. . . . Are waiting for our connecting flight here in Bombay. Tried to get an earlier flight but got fowled up in red tape. . . . However Dot picked up a couple of snakeskin bags and such so our time was not wasted. . . . After HI we hit Guam (to break up the trip) and later Singapore for same reason." Such stamina!

On 21 Sept Peggy & Frank Miller celebrated their 40th wedding anniv at a surprise reception and cocktail buffet given in their honor by their children in the Castle Room of the Ft Belvoir Officers Club. MG and Mrs. Prickett ('16), Peggy's parents, 6 of their 7 children, 5 daughters-in-law, and 8 of 12 grandchildren participated. Frank Jr. commands an Engr Bn in Germany and was not present; however, his wife will visit them here on 23 Sept. About 20 classmates plus wives and Catharina Brown enjoyed this fine party along with numerous other old friends. Peggy Jr did an outstanding job in

arranging everything with lots of help. A highlight of the evening was the presentation of tributes by the children and of a king-size quilt made by all of the children and the Pricketts. It includes 52 squares embroidered to depict the family tree, complete with names, and to show events from Peggy's and Frank's life together. Another beautiful party! At our Sept luncheon here, Dick Stilwell announced that our mini-reunion is still planned for Feb 6-7, 1981. He and Tracy Harrington have arranged for Armed Svs Tour & Travel Agcy to send a flier to each classmate or widow this fall giving pertinent details about room reservations and travel. Mr. J. Godfrey Crowe will accept on behalf of the Agcy reservations from us individually after we have received this flier, which will be authenticated by Stilwell. On behalf of our Class, Dick thanked our ret. scribe, Jesse & Barbara Thomas for their fine services.

Strand, Polhamus, Wickham, and Chuck Taylor have agreed to send me news quarterly from their respective areas. Many thanks for their help and for all individual contributions. Black and white pictures, letters, notes, phone calls, any information you may send will be considered for future columns.

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Mike Krisman asked all scribes to condense their notes, consequently this is an abbreviated version of P. J. Long's complete report of the first meeting of the Class Standing Cmte appointed last Jun: a) re a statue of Nathan Hale at WP—cmte agreed it was the consensus of the Class not to support this project; b) a new Class gift to WP—decided that as we had just given a substantial gift, there appears no urgency to initiate another; however, they do believe that a new project will arise; c) agreed not to change the manner in which the Class fund has been managed pending further study by the treas to see what real tax advantages would occur; d) decided not to support a Class award to the first female graduate of the Class of '80; e) agreed that annually the Class Pres would appoint classmates to be responsible for proposing nominees to officer positions in the AOG and for the Thayer Award.

Frank Mildren had heart surgery at Walter Reed last summer and has made a fine recovery. Bill Hinterhoff who moved from CA back to CT came down to the big steak fry and party at Chet Lennhoff's last Sept. While in the DC area he stayed with the McCafreys. Bill Hinterhoff said all his best friends were in the East so why in the world would he want to stay way out on the West Coast? Hack Connor came to the States last summer for a visit and returned to his teaching job in Ireland.

Clyde Sutton received this information from the Mayor of Marshfield, WI in Jul. Karl Ockershauser suffered a heart attack in the late afternoon of 19 May and died immediately. It was a shock to all of us who had come to know and like him so much. He was an outstanding individual. His death was even more of a shock for his wife as they were a very devoted couple. Her address is 1320 N. Wood Ave, Marshfield, 54449. Clyde Sutton is continuing his cam-

paign to keep Atlanta's highways clean. This latest is from the Atlanta Clean City Comm news letter, Aug 79, briefly extracted here: "Something of a celebrity, COL Sutton, Chief Law Enforcement Officer for Atlanta's traffic courts, has been written up in numerous publications not only in GA but nationwide as well. For him Atlanta's roadsides are a country club and he the grounds keeper. 'This is as much fun as if I owned a big estate out in the country' said he surveying a stretch of I-20 not far from the Capital. This colonel has been picking up litter for 20 yrs, 3 times a day, 7 days a week. 'It combines improving the environment with doing yourself some good' said he. Some people jog or play golf but Sutton, armed with plastic bag and shovel for burying dead animals, makes the rounds of the city, keen eyes alert for litter. Six years ago he found a woman's body that had lain dead for three days, another time a sack containing \$500."

A note from Joel Walker in AZ which is extracted below, came just one week late to be included in the last ASSEMBLY: "Our highest compliments to the cmte for our stupendous 40th at WP. After the Reunion Sarah and I went to NYC with Iris & Mac MacFarland for a brief stay, then we went to DC. We stayed at the A-N Club and had a lot of fun with Perry Hoisington who had a room there. Ed Hamilton entertained us at the Ft Myer Club then took us out to visit my old boss, GEN Bolte. Here's a chuckle, thanks to Perry, that we found in the Scottsdale newspaper when we returned home: "Nothing ruins a reunion like the classmate who has managed to stay young looking and get rich at the same time."

From a letter of Wayne O'Hern: "My heartfelt thanks to all our wonderful classmates and their wives who were so helpful to Carrie during her traumatic 4 days at WP after my collapse at the Reunion. I was released from the hosp Sun, 3 Jun, and flew to San Diego with Mary Lou & John Scholl. My doctor slapped me in the hosp for 5 days and reran every test with the net result they don't know what went wrong. I did have 2 cracked ribs from the CPR procedure. I feel so good that we rescheduled our canceled trip to England and Scotland for Sept."

The following final statement of our finances for the 50th Reunion is provided by Mickey Laitman:

RECEIPTS

Registration-Received	\$ 7,061.60
Class Activities-	
Receipts by mail	11,656.75
Cash at Reunion	317.00
AOG Ticket Sales	67.75
Xtra mementos sales-cash	120.00
Bus transportation	168.00
Total Receipts	\$19,391.10

EXPENSES

Room deposits, payments and refund of deposits	\$ 7,061.60
Bus transportation	224.00
Name badges	271.24
Wine	365.94
Band	400.00
Mementos	1,476.44
Dinner Dance-Thayer Hotel	3,453.97
Buffet Dinner	2,015.00
Cocktail Party	148.00
Class Luncheon	2,003.44

Refunds	584.75
Miscellaneous (printing, flowers, gifts, etc.)	436.72

Total Expenses	18,441.10
Net Profit to Class Fund	\$ 950.00

You should note that not only was this \$950.00 turned over to the Class administration fund, but classmates donated another \$1,930.00 making total now in this fund—\$3,229.17. Our thanks to Mickey Laitman for his efficient management of our funds, and also again for his great job on the Reunion.

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As you read this, the Navy game has become another statistic. Those of us who haven't PCS'd to sunny climes are worrying about fuel bills. We're all close to running the usual late on our Xmas cards. Another, more pressing problem though, is that if you haven't sent in your reservation form and your deposits for the 40th Reunion, you're about to be turned in as absent from the formation.

The problem arises because Frankie Devlin must, in mid-Jan, turn back any of the rooms he has booked, but for which he doesn't have firm reservations with deposits.

So dig out that multiple letter you got from Kermit Dyke, Frankie Devlin, and Tony Wermuth back in late Sept. The letter from Frank covered arrangements for the Reunion, 21 through 24 May 80, and enclosed a reservation form. Fill it out and send it with your deposit check (\$40 for room plus \$5 per head in your party) made out to MG Richard S. Abbey, 1735 Belle Haven Rd, Alexandria, VA 22307. If you can't find the form, tell Dick how many will be in your party and whether you need a room or prefer to make your own arrangements; but, in any case, send your request to Dick with your deposits before Xmas.

If you overlooked sending in your reservation form, you may also find that you forgot to fill out and mail the questionnaires that were enclosed with Tony's letter. If so, you've missed the Thanksgiving deadline, but perhaps not by too much. The damage may be repairable. Go ahead and fill out your questionnaires as a matter of urgency and send them to their appropriate recipients, who may be able to include your statistics in their summaries. Speed! You're late!

I've still got a list of missing classmates. Please drop me a line and AOG or call if you can give a current address for any of the following: LL Clarke, RL Colligan, BF Delamater, RI Dice, RR Dodderidge, CG Esau, JP Kreitzer, JW Leedom, PC Loofbourrow, WHH Mullin, JM Ridgell, JL Smiley, or JR Wilbraham.

I'm sorry to report a couple of items of bad news. First, Bruce Brousseau died on 13 Jul at the hospital at Keesler AFB as a result of a brain tumor. Burial was at Ft Sam Houston, TX. Also, Bill Farthing died on 26 Aug at Sacramento. He and Mary had been living not too far away in Clarksburg, CA.

As I checked over my addresses, I realized that I didn't have one for Bill & Kathy Porte after their move last year from Des Moines to Denver. I could have saved myself the worry. Came a letter from Bill; seems that



1940: Class Officers—Wemuth, Hist; Mayo, Secy; Dyke, Pres; Dixon, VP; Leahy, Treas; and Devlin, Reunion Chmn—at DC area luncheon, May 79.

in mid-Oct he left Denver again, going back to Des Moines to be Senior VP of General United Life Ins. Until they decide to resume this shuttle once again, the Portes will be at 4105 SW 28th St, Des Moines, IA 50321. This move will force a change in the Porte life style, too. Bill says that Kathy and he have been climbing mountains—some of these climbs in company with Budge Bingham. They've also been on several back-packing trips above 11,000 ft, to say nothing of Bill's 23d ride with the Pikes Peak Rough Riders near Cripple Creek.

In Carmel, Eben Swift got out his writing materials and passed on a few thoughts: "For the past 3 yrs, I've been teaching college history for Chapman Coll aboard Navy ships in the West Pac in the Navy's PACE (Program Afloat for Coll Educ) program. It has been an enlightening experience, contributing a little bit to the family income, and my travels have included port calls to Pearl Harbor; Guam; Taiwan; Hong Kong; Okinawa; Pusan and Inchon in Korea; Yokosuka, Beppu, and Sasebo in Japan with side trips to Hiroshima and Tokyo; and most recently through the Strait of Malacca to Diego Garcia and to Mombassa in Kenya. From the latter port, I went on a 2-day camera safari near Mt Kilimanjaro (just call me Bwana). Since the West Pac Fleet is based at Subic Bay, I spent considerable time there. Coincidentally, I had celebrated V-J Day at the Naval Officers Club at Subic Bay in 45, when my battalion was there taking amphibious training to prepare for the invasion of Japan."

Eben went on, "During last year's cruise, aboard the frigate Albert David, the ship was suddenly given a special mission to monitor the activities of a Soviet naval task force near Guam. We followed them until they passed through the strait between Hokkaido and Sakhalin on the way to their base in Vladivostok. The situation was reversed during this year's cruise aboard the guided missile destroyer Robison, escorting the carrier Midway through the Indian Ocean to the Gulf of Aden during the recent furor in the Middle East; this time the Soviets started watching us. On both occasions, I had an opportunity to observe ships of the Soviet Navy, including cruisers, destroyers, and supply ships. Once on each cruise, a Soviet destroyer moved within 400 yds of our ship. Although I'm no naval expert, it was obvious even to me that these ships were not shabby, but fast, modern, and armed with latest type missiles. Moreover, we were honored with an overflight by a Soviet 'Bear' reconnaissance aircraft just NE of Singapore. These experiences dispelled any doubts that I may have had that the Soviets are challenging our seapower in the majority of the oceans of the

world. Also, I discovered on these cruises that our Navy comrades-in-arms actually earn their pay."

Eben continued, "On each of my trips through HI, I was entertained royally by **Ed & Coby Black** at their beautiful home near Diamond Head. Among other delights, Ed serves a great Wild Turkey dinner—the bourbon, not the bird. Tell our other classmates who may run into Ed in Honolulu to beware. **Bryce & Sherry Denno** were equally hospitable when I called them before shipping out from San Diego. They have a delightful apartment in Coronado across the bay. I understand Bryce gains revenge for some of our recent Navy gridiron disasters by taking the money of a few USNA grads at golf."

Eben wrote that he sees classmates living in the Carmel area less frequently than he would like. He says, "Hank Adams is a modern pioneer, an expert on the wild but beautiful Big Sur country, where he and Marge have a quaint retreat on a mountain top overlooking the ocean. Hank just returned from MT where he was considering buying a gold mine. **Sam Webster** is also a real estate tycoon, even owning a development in Palo Alto called Webster Square. He visits us fairly often in Carmel, but we couldn't get-together at the Stanford game as I'd hoped, because he and Kim were then taking a boat trip down the Danube. **Lee Cagwin** works at the Monterey Inst of Foreign Studies, where he runs a program orienting business execs on the political, social, and economic affairs of the foreign countries where they may work. Incidentally, a couple of years ago **Dave Parker** gave the best lecture at the Inst I have ever heard on the Panama Canal situation. He and Betty stayed overnight with us a few weeks ago. And we had a wonderful time, except that Dave would not admit that I used to beat him regularly, like a drum, at tennis.

"We don't see **Tom & Mary Muller** very often, but when we do, Tom and I reminisce about the lacrosse team and the game during our First Class year when we beat Navy more decisively than ever before. **John Pidgeon**, who lives in nearby Salinas acts as a marshall at the Bing Crosby golf tournament here at Pebble Beach every year. His wife Betty is a lady golf champion—I don't know about John. **Georgina** and I visited **Fred & June Yeager** at their lovely place in St. Croix in the Virgin Is last year. June is as vivacious as ever and Fred, with his quiet sense of humor and his consideration, made the visit a memorable one."

Bryce & Sherry Denno wrote from Coronado as they were about to leave for a visit to China; their trip included Hong Kong, Canton, Shanghai, Peking, and Tokyo. Back home again, Bryce notes that, after 2 yrs in Coronado, things get even better. He says, "The initial strangeness of associating with so many ret Navy people has worn off. I've even adjusted to my ex-NWC classmate (Class of '40, USNA) who hums "On Brave Old Army Team" when I'm addressing an especially sensitive putt. And classmates turn up, too. **Lee & Gloria Bell** live in nearby Solana Beach and we get together from time to time. As you know, we bumped into **Ray & Lucille Renola** in the Hotel del Coronado last year. Subsequently, the **Binghams** visited and later **Freddie White** spent a week with us. The **Shanahans** stayed with us in mid-Jun during the graduation of one of their sons from the UCA in San Diego. And Eben

Swift turns up occasionally to board ship for one of his Navy teaching cruises."

Jeanne Brewerton wrote to report that she's moved to the Westchester area and can now be reached at 174 Highland Ave, N Tarrytown, NY 10591. Jeanne also finds that she has 3 extra 25-yr books, of those done by Hank, and wonders if any classmate might want a freebie. Write Jeanne to ask. After 3 moves in 3 yrs, she says, she just can't tote anything more with her—the mementos alone fill a bookcase.

From Grand Junction, CO, **Len & Vi Haseman** report, "We don't find enough time to do all we plan. We're deep in community work—Vi serves on the Bd of Dir and manages the hospital volunteers for the county Red Cross program. We still drive 'Meals on Wheels' once a week. I'm interviewing senior citizens to assemble a tape history of the early days in Western CO and in free moments I am serving as secy of the local water co and mgr of the community improvement assn."

Len went on, "Things got a bit busier for us when I showed up with a case of cancer of the prostate in early Feb and was operated on at the VA Hosp in Salt Lake with what turned out to be complete success. After that, we took an R&R trip to our summer home in eastern Ontario, which we've now decided to sell. In its place, we've bought a site in the high Rockies—about 9200 ft and centered on several promising trout streams and lakes."

Len continues, "We're looking forward to the Reunion and are trying to coordinate a plan for a family gathering that will fit in with the Reunion schedule. With children in Australia, Java, Canada, Miami, DC, San Clemente, and one still in college, a computer solution is required. Incidentally, we went this summer to the graduation from med sch of #3 son, a former abn ranger artyman. Thus, both of our WP grad sons have now left the combat arms—one is a medic at Walter Reed and the other, an ex-Engr, is now a lawyer with Ford Aero-space in southern CA."

From Key Biscayne we've heard from **Scott & Priscilla Case**. Priscilla writes that Scott is thoroughly engaged in helping to build Miami's new rapid transit system; he serves as their inter-governmental liaison man. What with doing that job, fighting off passing hurricanes of each sex, and tripping off to Denver every 2 wks for treatment of his old leg injury, it's not hard to accept that Scott is busy. Priscilla went on to say, "We have an ever-expanding family, including 6 lovely grandchildren ranging in age from 2 to 14. Our San Diego daughter, Priscilla, is expecting her 2d in Nov. Our TN daughter, Jamie, and her youngest are featured on the cover of the Aug issue of *Parent's Magazine*. It is a beautiful picture which no doubt will be included in the numerous photos I will pack into our luggage for the Reunion next May. On the other hand, Scott has just finished editing about 18 hrs of films of our 4 girls growing up, of various Army posts and friends and WP Reunions, and of countless camping trips. I promise we won't bring the films to the reunion."

Stu McKenney, who gets around a fair amount himself, says he recently ran into Ed Black in the parking lot next to the Army-Navy Club in DC. Ed was a long way from his Honolulu stamping ground, but was happily engaged in being one of those "entrepreneurs" we heard about in first class

economics—he was helping a German sales rep who wanted to sell aircraft shelters to the Koreans.

Walt Lavell writes that Loma and he just returned from Victoria, B.C. where they visited their daughter who is married to a prof at the U of Victoria. Walt still works for American Airlines in Tulsa; **Charlie Banks** still works there for the City; and both see **Larry & Pat Klar** now and then during the Klars' periodic stays there to work with Larry's brother in the jewelry business.

Bill Roedy wrote from Satellite Beach, FL to give the address for the long-lost **Bob Delaney**: P.O. Box 43, Corinth, WV 26713. Bill went on to say that he had seen **Gerry & Marie Brown** some months back; they were in the process of closing out their doll museum in Dundee, FL and preparing to move to the St. Petersburg area.

Phil & Chic Elliott sent a postal from Ontario in Aug; they were at it again—cruising the North Channel of Lake Huron. They proposed to tear themselves away from the fishing and food and to rush back to the FL keys to do some more work on their new lot next door, which they plan to turn into a park of flowering trees.

Frank Colacicco wrote from Melbourne Beach, near Cape Canaveral, to say that he's now the Secy/Treas of the local WP Soc. Frank was anxious for news of the Reunion plans—now he's happily filling out forms with the rest of us to get ready for the 40th.

More and more classmates keep writing in to announce intentions of attending the Reunion. **Pappy Briggs** says that 7 of 9 in the San Ant area are coming, which is a right fair batting average. **Wendell Coats** hastened—after gentle chiding from Benny Lee—to add his intentions. **Harmon & Dorothy Rimmer** are going to let the rest of the NASA staff keep the Shuttle program going while they join us. **Swampy & June Marsh** have it marked on their calendar; **Steve & Ann Silvasy** write frequently to reconfirm. **Jack Dibble** phoned from Canaveral to be sure they were included. **Lanny & Nora Witt** wrote, then called as well, from El Paso to be sure they were on the record.

And that's not the end of the list. To coin a phrase, climb on the bandwagon—come join us at '40's 40th!

Marge and I offer best wishes to you all for the Holiday Season and for a happy and successful New Year.

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Colorado Springs—on 12 Sept **Burt & Kay Andrus** hopped one of those big birds and sailed skyward to the West on the first leg of their one year safari. Pretty gutsy for a 62-year old PhD candidate, eh? Prior to that, on Labor Day weekend, **Dave & Mary Gauvreau** and **Tom & Jean Corbin** had hosted a farewell picnic for them. In addition to all the locals in the area, **Bob & Audrey Tarbox** from Denver and **Bill & Jerry Brier** from Cheyenne came down to wish them well. **Burt's** first teaching assignment was Clark AFB, Philippines, but by the time you read this they will be nested in HI—tough soldierin'! If you want to write, their address is: B.C. Andrus, Lele Pono Condo 98-099 No. 3014, Uao Place, Alea, HI 96701.

Also in Colo Spgs 8 Sept was the inspiring ceremony for **George Brown's** receiving the



1941: Bon voyage, Kay and Burt.

Thomas D. White Award. Skip and the family were there to accept it on a beautiful weekend. This is the AFA's equivalent of the Sylvanus Thayer Award, and in receiving this 18th Annual Award (starting in '62) George joins such distinguished and varied former winners as Edward Teller, Curt LeMay, and Igor Sikorsky. The citation closed, "It is with great honor and pride that the USAFA presents posthumously the 79 Thomas D. White Natl Def Award to a distinguished American Airman, GEN George S. Brown." From the pictures, you can see that Skip was her usual lovely, gracious self, and as far as we were concerned, the First Lady of the AF that day. The Class extends them congratulations and best wishes.

Many thanks to the correspondents who replied with poop to my form letter sent to 20 different locations. I got 9 or 10 responses, pretty good for a bunch of fuds! Those, plus the ones Burt already had, make up this letter.

CA, OR, DC—Ben McCaffery who lives in San Diego, sent us this report from a ferry in AK, one hour out of Ketchikan. Oh, well, that's '41 style: "We don't see too many classmates in San Diego, but Jul and Aug were big months. Perk & Jane Perkins came for a



1941: Skip with Escort, Cadet Northcutt, at Review.

2 months stay (Phoenix too hot), so in Jul the locals, Johnnie McIntyre and Jack & Dottie Harris came over for a barbecue and croquet fling and had a great time. Then in Aug the Jack Harris' hosted us at their beautiful home in Ranch Bernado, where Babe & Marg Hendrickson joined us and had all kinds of poop on the Black Gang. Expect to make the 40th. See you then." Thanks, Ben. Another CA note is that Pooge & Bucky Curtis finally made the jump from PA to Monterey in Sept. Contact them at 200 Glenwood Circle, A-3, 93940.

In another '41 twist, we have a communique datelined Corvallis, OR from Dick Scott who resides on the east coast of FL. Hm . . . We were sorry to hear the following: "I picked Corvallis—where one of my daughters lives—to have a slight heart attack. No big deal, but perhaps a fair warning to watch it. I'm supposed to stay off the smokes, keep the weight down, and my hair cut short." No problem on the latter, partner. Just take care of yourself.

And from Mercer Is, WA, old faithful Rip Collins says he couldn't make the CO Mini last summer because of a priority commitment to visit his parents on their 100-acre farm west of Richmond. "Mother, 86, still drives locally, and Dad, 96, enjoys news programs, with loud volume." As for local classmates, Win & Jean Curley have been making the best of their mobile home, Bill Purdy still dabbles in real estate, Whit & Mary Whitaker are glad to have their progeny in the area, where Whit has completed 14 years as a Community Coll teacher. When Wally & Doris camped in their mobile home in the Officers Club parking lot for the Seattle Founders Day, Wally woke up the Navy troops when he forgot to turn off his burglar alarm. Joe Myers is recovering from a slight hip disability, and himself, Rip, is in his 3d year as pres of the Arboretum Fndn, UWA and is involved in resettling refugees. Wife Ray is doing likewise, as well as Ikebana.

Frontier Days, Cheyenne, WY—Here again we have an Easterner, Cocky Cochran, reporting that super annual affair hosted by Bill & Jerry Brier. This time Ray Schnittke from Aspen, the Butch Risings, and Tom & Jean Corbin also enjoyed rodeo, chuck wagon races, breakfasts, etc. "Imagine our amazement to find that the first 3 bulls in the world championship bull riding contest were named 'COL Cochran,' 'GEN Corbin,' and 'COL Schnittke.'" And on an East Coast note, Cocky confesses he won first prize and blue ribbon in the bread baking contest at the FL State Fair this year, amid female mutterings about male chauvinist cooks. Nice going, old chap, and awfully glad you are back on your feet.

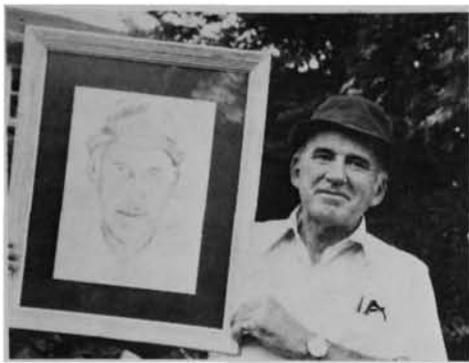
Southwest—2 reporters here, Swampy Marsh and Delly McMillan. The latter said that he and Judy were house hunting in Tucson, having sold their MD home and headed west for good. On the way they stopped in San Ant and saw Swampy and the San Ant gang, and in particular Bucky & Isabel Miller who hosted them and had a Class get-together for the locals. Buck does some small aircraft piloting and is a nut on electronics; builds all his own stuff for his house. Swampy said that the gang there gets together about twice a year normally, an Oct picnic and the Founders Day dinner. He told me the following was background and not for pub in the ASSEMBLY. But since it is not classified and non-libelous, here goes. New arrivals to San Ant are Clint Ball, wife and daughter. They are in "good hands" with Jim McKinley as their construction advr (Jim builds spec homes and teaches the subject at San Ant Coll) and Pete Crow doing their financing. Heaven help you, Clint. Louise Barney is doing well, has moved to a townhouse at 397 Fenwick 78239. Bob Detwiler has been working as an accountant with a local co. And finally, Swampy and Helen . . . "I've been a licensed Home Improvement Contractor since ret., but I'm about ready to hang up the paint brush and hammer. Helen finally ret. in Jun after 11 years with USAA." A newsy rundown, Swamp. Thanks.

Mid-sort of-West—The closest to a mid-west report was a Louisville, KY missile from Zeke Edger, describing his artistic efforts. The drawing shown here won a 3d prize in the Louisville Artists Club annual contest, of which Zeke is justly proud as he is a neophyte. It seems he beat out wife Mary Anne who "is a fine artist." His goal is an art degree from the Louisville Sch of Art, and I for one applaud such efforts as a way of keeping young. Keep creating, Zeke.

East Coast—Let's begin in New Engl with Potter Campbell from Melvin Village, NH—



1941: LTG Tallman presents the Thomas D. White Award to Skip for George as GEN Ellis, CINCSAC, looks on.



1941: Edger excels. Vanity of Vanities . . .

what big city is that near, dumbquat?—and then sweep south toward FL. (Speaking of “sweep” Jim & Phil Healy tell of being in the eye of hurricane David, but suffering little but a few roof tiles blowing away. But I get ahead of my story.) Many of the Easterners report a planned big 20 Oct weekend for the Baylor game, which will be history as you read this. Hope it was a great one. Hosted by the New Engl contingent of the Class, they expected 46-50 people. How about some pics of that, you guys? Our photo journalism is falling off. Potter says Atterberrys and Greenes visited them, with Mike still on a cane from a sprained ankle (yes, we saw him with it in CO). Newest arrival is Tom Fisher who bought a house on Lake Winnepesaukee 9 miles away. “My bride Betty just won the Pres’s Cup in the Ladies Tourney at Bald Peak, our club.” Straight take-away, Potter . . .

Two Pennsylvanians checked in with us, Bill Clifford and Al Dalby. For the latter, glad to hear from you, old company mate. It’s probably 38 or so years. Bill says he and Marie get-together with Jock & Ruth Adams, the only other classmates there, frequently. They represent the Class at the annual WP dinner, with Art Meyer journeying down from Wyomissing, and Al Darby sometimes coming up from Phila. Al Muzyk, of DC, has built a weekend retreat on top of a mountain north of Gettysburg, and the Cliffords recently got together with Al and Evelyn, and Lucy Cooper, visiting from DC. “Al was cutting wood for his winter’s fuel supply.” Al Dalby, who writes a newsletter for the Valley Forge Chapter of ROA, says writing is tough, as is newsgathering. Yeah. “Daughter Patricia going into first year med at Pitts-burgh, and son in 3d year NROTC at Cornell.”

From DC one letter this time. Rod O’Connor, who is off on his yearly visit to Chile until May, says that Ed Rowny’s wife Rita suffered a stroke shortly after he ret. Her condition in Walter Reed is steady, and we all wish her a speedy recovery. A phone call from Lucy Millikin in DC confirmed that she was recovering well from a hospitalization last summer. Again we have the sad duty to report that 2 more classmates passed on to join the Long Gray Line last summer, Gordon Gould in DC, and Bob “Wire” Coakley in Virginia Beach. Gordon died of a heart attack at Bethesda Naval Hosp. At the time of his death he was IBM’s mgr for federal sys. Burt received a nice note from Bob Coakley’s daughter Judy . . . “Dad’s classmates continue as a constant source of love and friendship for mother and all the family. We are very grateful that he has found the true peace of Our Lord and is now beyond all pain and hurt.” The Class sends our love to both families.

Continuing down the Atlantic coast, Joe Knowlton in Tryon, NC apparently declined brother Andrus’ offer to buy the AFA 25th Anniv book and gave the order form to his neighbor, an AF type named Evans. And speaking of that name it was just great to get a letter from Andy Evans after a very long time. Keep them coming, all you guys and dolls. And finally from way down in FL, Jack Kelsey offers 3 things: (a) he is still in the diamond business, and their prices “may hold at current levels until the recession is over,” (b) there are quite a few classmates nearby—Dick & Doris Kline, Mickey & Marianne Moore, Max Hall, Pete Dilts, George Pittman, and Frank Stainback, all of them with wives, and (c) why don’t we put out a supplement showing what we all are doing now. “I’ll bet some surprises would turn up—under water bottle collector, brothel manager, chicken plucker, what not . . .”

Thanks for the last idea, Jack. You’ll notice—if I get a Xmas flier out to you—that I had the same thought. Have a joyful Xmas, all, and I’ll see you in Mar.

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Deadline for this issue coincides with the date of departure from WP at the conclusion of the Mini-Reunion. No stats on hand here as to prospective attendees but I hope that you were one and dragged home with a silly smile! Full report next time.

It has been a sad quarter for '42. First was word that George Rew had died on 11 Aug in the VA hospital in San Juan. No details as to any illness. Burial was at WP with the Murphys and Kathy Flanagan in attendance. Ray took care of George’s brother while he was there for the services.

Next was a call from Bud Ryder reporting Hank Urrutia’s death on 30 Aug. Hank had done such a great job of bouncing back from a stroke that he was back on the golf course where he suffered a heart attack. A week in the hospital seemed to do the trick, but he had another, fatal, attack his first night at home. Burial was at Fort Sam.

Bud and Caldý were reported on their way to Nantucket, presumably for a seaside vacation. They had recently brought Caldý’s mother to a nursing home in San Antone.

The happy news is the 21 Jul wedding of Sissy Shelton and Harry Stanford, a widower living in Naples who met her on the golf course and found her game in need of full-time supervision. They’re living in Harry’s beautiful home at 325 Hawser Lane, Naples



1942: Kathy, Tim '77 and Brendan '79.

33940. We’d met Harry in Naples, giggled with mutual friends over the 2 of them learning to date again and made bets as to whether they’d hold out until Xmas! Obviously the “nays” won! Much happiness to you both!

A small scallion to the Editor and one to me for not anticipating. My clever remark about the only AF face in the DC Founders Day picture of '42 died when Nate Twining’s picture on the wall in the background was cropped.

The weatherman dampened our bodies but not our ardor, and the annual outing at the Cockrills was another success. Rain kept us out of the pool and off the lake, but a happy Happy Hour, good chow and John Westenhoff’s slides of all the guys and gals made it a fine occasion. We owe Jeff Davis and Ben Hill, plus our benevolent host and hostess, a big thanks. Pete FlorCruz brought his sister along, Dick Scott attended but left Flo grand-



1942: Big Tom tells it like it should be.

child sitting, Duke & Jane Grimshaw timed a trip to do the maintenance on their old homestead to coincide, and Bob & Bay Brugh were here on purpose, courtesy of an invitation from the Davises. Things must be tough in Chicago because Bob even wrote a note to say how much they’d enjoyed seeing all the local rowdies.

The Plotts have Marilyn at home, complete with hospital bed and all necessary impedimenta. The joys of small-town living—the Rescue Squad ambulance went up to Dulles to pick her up! Consultations with some high-powered DC specialists are being held to determine if a very new operation should be tried. If not, she and young Bill will go back to HI. Think positive.

A welcome word from Ike Eisenschmidt, now at 735 E. Broadway, Cushing, OK 74023. A change of address was due because he ret from Civil Service—a year ago—and they set out to tour the SW in their motorhome. They are now in Cushing because of Ike’s mother’s death in Apr and the need to settle her estate. He certainly has had more than enough family grief in the recent past. Let’s hope for some sunny skies for a long time to come.

A note from Mercedes Townsend in connection with son Robin’s VA Educ Benefits. They were summering halfway between the Costa Brava and the French border. No, I don’t know where it is either, but it sounds delightful. The locals were complaining about a shortage of tourists, but Mercedes said that the reduced numbers suited the Townsends just fine!

Ec Cutler sent an admittedly belated report on the presentation of the bookends to Brendan Flanagan just before Graduation Parade at the Murphys’ quarters, with all

Flanagans in attendance to include brother Tim who wangled leave from his unit in Germany. Brenda is the #41 Class son to graduate and completes the 6th pair of brothers. Ec had been searching for a suitable photo, Kathy brought some—too distant—in Jul, Meaghan promised to send me a better one. — Please note empty space! And now a last-minute rescue by Kathy, pictured herewith.

Eric Orme sent a note on last year's News-letter form! Almost a year after moving into their new home—about an hour NE of Sacramento toward Tahoe—the outside painting, decking, hot tub and landscaping were completed. To celebrate, they trailered up the CA coast and through OR and WA, visiting Bill, forester with Diamond Intl, Trish in Portland (with spouses) and Mike who is studying to take Bill's job.

Fran Roberts has had a tough year, reportedly playing serious golf only at the U.S. Seniors in the Bahamas and Intl Seniors in Scotland! He and Polly spent part of Jul at the Harvard Alumni Coll taking a course in Chinese, Japanese and Indian Art before a spell at the Cape. Staying at Otis AFB in the JFK summer White House helped erase some of Fran's 1937-38 memories when he policed the sand as a pvt in the 26th Inf Div!

The summer brought us the pleasure of home-and-home suppers with Nicki Horridge Seger and Bob who is enjoying, experiencing, undergoing a tour in the Pentagon. They have a nice home and 3 fine young'uns so it has been fun for us.

Am anxiously scanning the initial Xmas letter input in hopes of some reassuring word from the Halpins and Roses that they didn't wash out to sea when Dave or Freddie or one of those blowhards hit Ft Walton Beach.

With the passage of some 7 weeks, most everything in the DC area has returned to normal following Tom Rienzi's ret and attendant festivities. Dottie & Jeff Davis earned gold stars by providing bed and board as well as the site for a Rienzi-Davis cocktail party, warming up for 31 Jul. Doc & Enid Hyde tossed in a pool party on the Sun before and were blessed with swimming pool weather. Somewhere along there, Max Cleland, VA Admin and Tom's former aide, found time to appoint Tom a VA Chaplain. The bisexual luncheon on THE day brought out scads of the locals as well as some Claire-Tom relatives. John Sheffey mc'd a pretty good roasting of the Deacon to which Tom responded in good grace. John had found a cartoonist to prepare a memento of the occasion for Tom, and it turned out very well. (Plan a trip to HI to see it!) At 4:30 most of the same crowd assembled—with '42 umbrellas to be unfurled and furled at the proper moments—for the ret ceremony. Tom had insisted that it not be held on the regular parade ground but in front of the senior officers' quarters by the flagpole and overlooking the city. How fortunate that he prevailed and what a lovely setting on a gorgeous day. Tom's remarks—which he had been invited not to make—were typical Tom—thoughtful, forceful, patriotic and appreciative. A very moving experience, undoubtedly strengthened by the champagne we enjoyed afterwards!

Late bad news in the form of a call from Rip Young that Aulene Hewitt died on 21 Sept. She was cremated and her ashes spread over the blue Pacific. Aulene had had a long, tough road, and we can only be grateful that she has found rest. Deepest sympathy to you and the family, Jay.

Also word that Norma Cockrill's mother

has had a severe stroke and will be moving in with them. And the news that Gloria Hamilton's mother had died.

Mae & Larry Caruthers were vacationing in ME, stopped in Bennington, VT—and ran into Frank Clay. Ain't nowhere safe! Frank was up there to get his daughter established in her own digs.

I presume that it is the non-readers of ASSEMBLY who have not been giving to the AOC. In any event, the summary of Class giving in the last issue shows '42 in a sorry light. Shame on all of us!

Ye olde editor was carping about the lengthy notes in the last ASSEMBLY. As you can see from the length of this effort, we should bone a few files this time! How about flooding me with news this quarter to change his smile to a frown?!?

Best wishes for the Holiday Season—and maybe a hopeful BEAT NAVY!

JAN '43

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Some 36 members of the DC contingent of the clan assembled at the venerable Army-Navy CC for their annual fall caucus and election of new Class Officers for FY 80. After discussing a few little problems to be solved by the incoming Class admin, Jose Benson (our outgoing pres) announced the following nominees, who were unanimously acclaimed as our new officers for FY 1980: Pres: Ted Seith, VP: Dee Armstrong, Treas: Gregg Henry, and Secy: Johnnie Norris. In addition to the many familiar faces present for this lunchtime caucus, we were pleased to welcome Ike Behn, Fred Ladd, Johnnie Nazzaro, and Ed Sheley from the local DC scene, as well as Tom Flatley and T.Q. Donaldson from the Carlisle area of PA. Among the bits and pieces of information gleaned from here and there, we learned that:



Jan '43: Knowlton places a flag on the tomb of General Lafayette in Paris.

• Bill Knowlton has been extended as the U.S. Rep to the NATO Mil Cmte until 30 Jun 80, but has been observing Al Haig's current lecture tour with interest. As Bill remarked, "Maybe he needs a B-Squad."

• Frank Camm has resigned from his position as a Dpty Dir of the Def Intel Staff



Jan '43: Meyer and Tate '50 escort the Hon Walter La Berge at Meyer's ret.

to accept the position of Dpty Dir of the new Federal Emergency Mgmt Agcy (FEMA) for Plans and Preparedness.



Jan '43: A gathering for Hood: Foreground: Carey, Conmy and Lowry; Background: Heltzel, Hood, St. John, Harrington and Cook.

• Stew Meyer, who retired as the commander of the BMD Command on June 30th, has settled in Dallas for the moment, but is consulting in the Northeast—which sounds like Stew is "on roller skates." According to the Huntsville Times, Stew told the audience at his ret ceremony that he is "so concerned about the sad state of our national defense



Jan '43: Seith, our new Class President thanks Benson, our outgoing President.



Jan '43: Shaw, Sheley and Thompson at the Army-Navy CC.

that his ret is leaving active duty only, but ret in no other sense of the word." Stew was presented the DSM (1st OLC) by the Honorable Walter LaBerge, Undersecretary of the Army.



Jan '43: At the A-N CC: Russell and Naz-zaro.

• **Johnnie Nazzaro** plans to ret from the Civil Service at the Army Intel & Security Cmd, Arlington Hall Sta, VA in May, which just happens to coincide with the time when he can reverse his flow of Social Security dollars. This will be John's 2d ret, but his wife will continue working as a registered nurse.



Jan '43: On the roof of the A-N CC: Har-rington, Wehrles, Henry and Benson.

• **Bill Fritz**, who prepares the budget for the DCA is "up to ears" with the annual budget presentations.

Well, that "fellow with a bundle" finally knocked on Pappy/Jane Doyles' door at 37 Mango St in Clearwater, FL, so they sold their home and moved to 2678 Clubhouse Dr N in Clearwater (33519)—just across the road from the country club. According to Pappy, the "fellow with a bundle" was a Greek from OH who literally had "a small wheelbarrow full of that green stuff"—all in Series E Savings Bonds. When they went to the bank with this bundle, it literally took 2 women the better part of 2 hrs to calcu-

late the value of all those \$20 and \$50 bonds. In addition to their house, Jane and Pappy also sold their 2 condominiums, so now they'll just "have to confine their activities to bellying up to the bar and dangling their toes in the pool at the club." Also down in FL, the St. Petersburg Times announced that former Sen Henry Saylor was appointed to a one-year term on the State Ethics Comm, which is supposed to ensure that State and local officials comply with the State's tough financial disclosure requirements and ethics code.



Jan '43: Happy hour with Grimm and Cook.

Burt/Marcia Hood were welcomed to DC as they returned from an enjoyable trip to England. And speaking of travelers, Bill/Peggy Knowlton spent a 2-wk vacation in NH, while Ernie/Dottie Raulins visited London and Greece. Bill Knowlton stated that an American flag flies over the tomb of Lafayette days and nights. However, "once a year, on the 4th of Jul, an American mil leader exchanges the old flag for a new one." Bill did it once before in 75, but "this is the first time in a century that a specified American has been asked to perform the rite a 2d time."

In closing, we offer our congratulations to Judith Faust (daughter of the Ed Fausts), who married John Mueller in Funes-Villnoss, Italy, on 21 Jul.



Jan '43: At the Army-Navy CC (from left): Isabel Spann, the Thompsons, Penny St. John and the Bensons.

JUN
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PASS IN REVIEW On a sunny afternoon, the end of Aug the Old Guard trooped the line for LTC George Cantlay marking the end of 36 yrs commissioned service to our country. At the time of his ret George was Dpty Chmn of NATO's Mil Cmte. He and lovely Billie will be living at P.O. Box 1335 Kailua, HI 96734. This leaves only Bernie Rogers, Chief Engr Jack Morris and "Big



Jun '43: Bernie and Ann host DC contin-gent, Qtrs #1, Ft Myer, 31 May 79.

Ditch" Hal Parfitt still manning the ramparts, and interestingly enough 2 are serving overseas, although Hal's tenure is a little shaky.

COUNT OFF A sad mission brought Joe Weyrick to Temple, that of seeing to the arrangements for his brother Leroy who passed away 27 Aug at a local hospital after a lengthy illness. Joe's mother and other surviving brothers assembled here for the services and later interment at Ft Sam National Cemetery. The Class was represented by Peggy & Dan Cullinane. Leroy was a command pilot in SAC and a parachutist before his ret.



Jun '43: The Paces and Scotts at Qtrs #1, Ft Myer.

A nice letter from Bob Dwan, Tom Love's roommate, gave us the information we've sought. After ret Tom moved to Centreville, MD, where he opened his own aviation business specializing in aerobatic flying while wife Jane worked on her PhD. Tom had a FAA clearance for aerobatics at 200 ft and was rehearsing for an unrestricted clearance when the crash occurred. Because of his skill and experience either physical incapacitation or plane failure is suspected. The investigation is not yet complete. Bob feels that Jane would like to hear from friends and classmates. In addition to Jane, Tom is survived by 4 children and 7 grandchildren. Bob continued on indicating that he is a high amateur golfer and a whiz of a mechanic, a trade he learned while keeping his kids' VWs running. For the nostalgia set he reports that Beanie Millard's 2d wife is still running the Prep School in Bandon, OR, and his 2 sons confirm that it is still a no-nonsense operation. Bob further confirms he gets a "gotcha" on the first tee.

OH, PURPLE MOUNTAIN MAJESTIES. Will Cover was the recipient of a couple of postcards trekked out of the State of WA by an off-duty bear. Close scrutiny revealed they were from Mountain Man Pete Langstaff who appears to be retracing the route of Lewis & Clark, but let's read it in Pete's own words, "Wow, what a hike. More than I bargained for. More snow, more mountain, more bears, more cold and exhausting and more isolated. We haven't seen another back-packer in nearly 600 miles and only an oc-

casional Paul Bunyan, Smokey Bear, or Isaac Walton and one Nelson Eddy when we had to go around rather than over a mountain and got into Canada. Also, more beautiful views, magnificent red cedar, Ponderosa pine and Douglas fir and more elk, deer and moose moving delightfully among alpine flowers and meadows and more odors and varied sensations crammed into each minute than I dreamed possible. We're about halfway (sic) through by navigating on maps xeroxed from a library in Mankato, MN, but they're old and some of the 30-year old trails have about disappeared. Step easy, Pete." We urbanites thank you Pete for the vivid description of your travels. Let us know how the last 600 miles turned out!



Jun '43: The Christys, Hutchin, and Schroeders at Qtrs #1, Ft Myer.

A TIP OF THE TARBUCKET to Maggie & Bill Ray, Betty & Tom Johnston (Don't anger Sam), Evelyn & Ralph Jones and Walker Jamar for their alacrity in responding to the appeal for funds for our reunion project. I am sure there are others who have made their contributions direct to USMA. With a trail so well blazed let's hear from others who are taking the same route. Remember, it doesn't have to be all at once unless you are so well heeled that you need to do it to get into a lower tax bracket. It can be done gracefully and just as completely by smaller graduated payments but don't delay—start now because all the good intentions in the world do not add up in the plus column.

NOTE TO SCRIBE. Stop lecturing your classmates! Walk Jamar's letter included this personal note, "Life continues apace in the north. One or 2 leaves are beginning to turn, the ducks are schooling up, come next weekend about half the docks will be taken in from lake places, and I have already bought my season ticket for skiing our local 'mountain.' Duluth is a bit off the beaten track, but the door is always open and there is still ice



Jun '43: Schroeder and New Beard Hamblen, Qtrs #1, Ft Myer.



Jun '43: Rundell, Umlauf and Jones at the Surkamps'.

in the refrigerator (does this mean BYOL). Spirits are high, health is good, mind reasonably sound, the bank account indicates that during the next 12 months I don't have to worry about not having enough, nor about having too much." Regarding the gift he goes on, "I would hope that it could be reasonably tangible and relatively permanent. However, more than anything else I hope it would reinforce what I have always considered to be West Point's uniqueness, namely, the emphasis on character and personal integrity—Duty, Honor, Country, if you will." Well said, old friend.

NEWS FROM PIEDMONT AND TIDE-WATER For the 7th successive year Barbara & Art Surkamp have magnificently hosted the DC contingent and outriders at their Fieldmont Farms in Middlebury, VA. As Cover put it, "For many of us who habitually live cramped in the steaming urban and suburban densities of DC it is a refreshing, even therapeutic, relief to get out to the green, rolling rural scene of the Shenandoah foothills, sit on the broad lawn and discourse with old friends, admire Art's sleek horses, and even, in the case of some (not including me) swim in the pool. Art and Barbara, in hosting this annual event, have surely made a unique contribution to the life of our Class and that spirit of friendship and cohesion of which we are justly proud." As you can see Will does go to any length to keep from ending on a preposition. Those recorded as present before Will folded for the afternoon were Charley & Betty Benson, Ned & Nikki Burr, Deke & Betty Anne Childs, Rex & Nancy Cocroft, Willum & Cecile Cover, Charley Crane, Threfinger & Barbara Grady, Arch Hamblen, Harry & Ruby Heintzelman, Lee & Ann Hogan (Satellite Beach), Gabby & Brecky Ivan, Alan & Lynn Jones, John & Peggy Lucas (Virginia Bch), Dick & Connie McAdam, Dale & Helen McGee, Bob & Vivian Mattox, Joe & Joan O'Hare, Jim & Helen Phillips, Nick & Cynthia Parker, Keith & Pat Pigg, Sam & Helen Pinnell, Bob & Florence Plett, Bud & Nancy Rundell, Sandy (Tamaqua's Gift to the South) and Chris Sembach, Dick & Caroline Shaefer, Sy & Annabelle Sylvester, Gordon & Marion Steele (from UK) and Dutch & Ginny Umlauf. Keith Pigg's pictures are featured.

THE NAMES HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO PROTECT THE GUILTY. It seems that some months back an obit of one COL "Mooyer Neckback" appeared in a local DC paper without picture and listing the deceased in our Class when in fact it was just a name-alike. Two of our ret cloud punchers decided they would provide Class representation at the services although neither had made a positive identity check. To quote my correspondent, "At the funeral it gradually became apparent to these 2 goats that they didn't actually know anyone present, including the chap in the box. However, they carried it off. The situation, I mean, not the box." There was a time in England when one's family paid for criers and mourners in

order to embellish what might have been a drab turn out of next of kin. Perhaps our 2 were looking for recompense.

HERE THERE AND EVERYWHERE Lee Hogan relates that during the last weekend in Jun he and his 2 B-Co roomies, Bud Holderness and Ben Cassidy were re-united from HI, CA and FL to help the USAFA celebrate its 25th. Coming all the way from UK was ret Air Commodore Dan McDougall of the RAF who had spent some of the early days at AFA with the trio. Missed by all was Al Burdett who was Mr Army to all as one of the first members of Mil Tng Dept. While in the Colo Rockies Lee saw Ralph & Tody Hallenbeck who were preparing to leave for the Far East to do a stint of grandbaby sitting. Rog & Ann Kullman were paged but didn't answer however a back country phone hook-up found the Dale Sweats in the mountains where the report was that the "fishin's great." Although the latest edition of the Register shows our Class as 100% members of the Assn apparently this was before the last bills went out because I have on hand a list of those temporarily missing or from whom no communication has been heard for some time. They are HN Lockwood, JC Winn, ME Steinbring, RO Whitaker, JA Betts, Ralph Scott, RW Newman, Sam Jenkins, CW Richmond, RH Clark, Ernie Cragg, Harry Mazur, Dick McCord, Bob Hanna, Phil Eastman, WT Whittemore, Hal Rose, Al Gullion, EJ Renth, Walt Roe, Norm Frisbie, Paul Steine, Tom Jackson. I'M sure that most of these are just misplaced. Help us get them back and present for duty. Send the name, Cullum number, and current address to the AofG.



Jun '43: Mattox, Cocroft and Shaefer at the Surkamps'.

WHEN IN DOUBT PUNT. At this writing Army has run up a string of 2 victories and when you consider what TX A&M did to Penn State perhaps there is hope for another mil coll that's gone co-ed.

A late note from Mark Boatner via Will would seem to indicate that plantation living in LA has its good points for the old historian (now massa) is planning to branch out into the hotel renovation business seeking the trade of national firms that are expanding businesses in his area. Any of you who still can fit in your old cadet uniforms and would like to moonlight as bellhops apply to Mark at the Penrith Plantations address.

Latest information lists the following early birds to the Class fund: Al Bowley, John Hull, Wes Maughan, Fred Herres, Dick Orphan, Sam Pinnell, R.C. Grady, Ernie Hinds, George Moe, Johnny Lucas, Del Perkins, Rocky Rhoads, Charley Abel, Harry Heintzelman and Dick Snyder. Great Going Gang—Dan'l Flannel.



'44

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The last day of Sept. Along the Potomac, I shut my eyes and the mist and the fog feel like the North Sea. A European autumn is upon us, now and then punctuated by a belch of warm moist air from the Gulf of Mexico to bring us home to VA and reality. Still, my vines have tender grapes, my lawn grows green and too quickly and we await the turning leaves eagerly. What a time of year as our hardy band defies the scythe of time.

Didja know that old '44 had its first member to reach age 60 in Nov 78? Another made the grade this past Jun, 2 in Jul, 7 in Aug, 5 in Sept, 8 in Oct, 10 in Nov and a total of 46 by year's end. All are expected to continue disco dancing. Before bewailing the seasoned maturity of our years, please remember that reaching 60 (or more) isn't so bad when one considers the alternative. We elected a Class Pres, but from now on, **Bob Pickins** is my Class Dean: Long may he reign!

Speaking of Deans, contrary to my last report, **Fred Smith** is still aided at WP by the same bride; **Kitty** it was, and is! Further, I'm pointedly reminded that **McAuliffe** is not the last to ret from active duty. **Fred Smith**, **Jack Pollin** and **Ernie Graves** are still booted out of bed and stuffed into uniforms by their better halves. *Mea multi culpas*; but it is reassuring that somebody is proof-reading this poop. You'll see more of these goofs as we approach our 40th; what worries me is that they may be unintentional.

At long last, **Phil McAuliffe** finally got Congress and the Carter admin organized long enough to get enabling legislation signed to activate the Panama Canal Treaties—with 2 days to spare. At the crescendo, **Phil** hung up his uniform on 30 Sept and was nominated by the Pres to be Admin of the Joint U.S.-Panama Canal Comm. Now if **Kathleen** will substitute at the Senate confirmation hearings, I'll call that real mgmt.

Accompanying that good news is the report that **Phil** is to be succeeded as CINC Southern Command by **Ernie Graves**, perhaps as reward to **Ernie** for the close-out of mil assistance to Iran??? Some guys will go to some lengths, No?

We had a Class luncheon at the Pentagon early in Jun. Arriving late, I didn't spot any out-of-towners there; it was a pleasant get-together. **Win Scott** got an informal go-ahead to let a contract for lighting the Class windows in Washington Hall so they may be seen from inside at night. This is not an official Class project, but is being undertaken by individual subscriptions from members of the Class. Anyone who wants to make a tax-deductible contribution may speak with **Scotty** or me; however, this is not a solicitation. My personal view is that the Academy didn't give appropriate recognition to the Class gift which, although dedicated at our 30th, was then incomplete. When lighted, it will show spectacularly by night as well as by day. There's not a Class gift at USMA that can touch it!

The **Parsons** have had another lapse of judgment, which has been smothered by generosity in their invitation for 20 Oct for a Class bi-sexual country-day at their chalet in the Blue Ridge. It promises to be great fun

amid spectacular autumn scenery. The list of games escapes me, but I recall skeet and an oiling my old pump which has a couple-hundred dove and pheasants in its pedigree. To affirm my initial assertion—guess who's coming to that dinner??? Yes, **Frances Johnson** from Chatham, MA—great! But she's bring that husband of hers. His postal card warned us, but we can think of no graceful way out, and to support the reputation he deserves, his note said "Tell Lee Smith - - my next totally irresponsible act is to fly a Messerschmidt to the AF Museum at Dayton and to the Aerospace Museum of DC. Eat your heart out, Lee." Well, Chas, keep your head on a swivel in that bird; remember, just one more enemy aircraft would make me an Ace! A tank driver turned sailor, turned ersatz fighter pilot; of all the nerve!

Jerry Mickle was kind enough to send a list which identifies all in the Class Reunion photo. The list is available from **Jerry** on request. **Doc Greaves** checked in with an "alive and well" note from San Rafael, CA.

Jim Connell officially has thanked **Chuck Davis** for his professional audit of the Class fund which he completed in Jun. His report says the records present "fairly and accurately" the activity and status of the fund. No major deficiencies noted but some changes in format are being adopted to make the treas's annual report easier to read, especially for math goats. So **Hayman** passes another audit! Whew!

We regret that en route home from Reunion, **Ted Bartz** stopped over in San Ant with congestive heart failure for a week in the hospital. Thereafter, **Mary** flew **Ted** to LA where he spent another week in the hospital preparatory to his 3d bout of open-heart surgery in Sept for work on a mitral valve. The news is good and **Ted** is well on the road to recovery, we hear. Hang in there, **Tiger**!

I'm still waiting to get a debrief on the **Mahoney-Steger** mission in So France this past summer. Bet it was a corker.

Spoke with **Bill McGlothlin** recently by phone. He's practicing law in San Ant, **Jeanette** is continuing her renovation of their old mansion on King William St.

Finally reached **Dave Henderson** on the phone in St. Pete, FL. He stays close to home due to physical problems but the spirit which made him one of the best fighter pilots in the AF is undiminished. We have some overdue war stories which need airing and I must get in condition for that. **Polly** is in great form.

After Labor Day I pick up my phys tng schedule a bit, conditioning for ski season. This year I threaten the **Porters** at **Vail**, the **Weavers** at **Aspen** and the **Browns** at **Purgatory** that I intend to accept their invitations. You're warned.

One of our speculative classmates has ruminated on our observation of the number of very senior grads at USMA last Jun. Class of '09 had 3 members present of 11 living; '14 had 2 of 19 there; '19 had 37 of 100. By statistical projection, '44 may expect to have at its 50th Reunion in 94, 247 alive and 150 present; at its 60th in 2004, 167 alive with 62 present, at its 70th reunion in 2114, 51 alive with **Pat Neilond**, me and 12 other guys present—quite near the head of the Long Gray Line on Alumni Day. You dozen other guys may sign up on the B. Board in old 1st Div.

A Cheery Merry Xmas, Happy New Year and GSOYP,A! wherever you are.

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In the last issue I wrote about **George Dexter's** home project. Now I have a letter from **George** giving more detail. **George** said he started thinking about the project before ret. Then in Austin where they stayed for the first ret year for a son to graduate from HS, he took a carpentry course at the local comm coll. When they moved to Albuquerque they found the lot they wanted northeast of the city near the mountains and spent 8 months drawing the plans and taking courses in plumbing and electrical wiring. They broke ground in Apr 77 and moved in at the end of Oct 78 even though such finishing as bathroom doors was still needed. The house is a massive solar adobe having some 7,000 adobe bricks and 360 sq ft of south facing glass. Having 8 kids available during the construction was a big help. The sun heats the house by shining through the windows, and when the sun goes down styrofoam shutters are lowered to keep the heat in. The reverse procedure assists the cooling in the summer. Sounds like a great project, **George**, and I know you're proud of it.

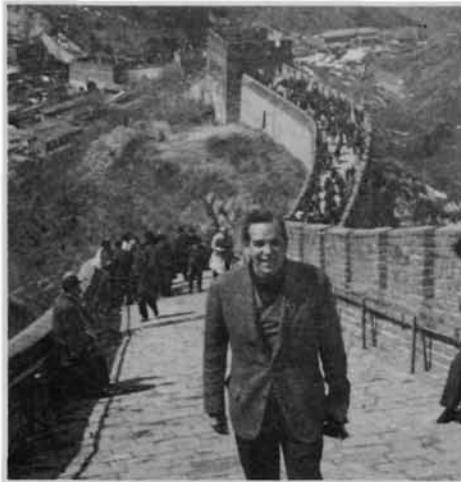


1945: Dexter's self-constructed home looking from the solar side.

Other news from the **Dexters**: **Katy** has been working as a visiting nurse for the past 2½ years to support the housing project. All kids are in NM—4 out of college and on their own, 2 still in college, and 2 in HS. The oldest, **Mary Melinda**, lives with her husband near Taos, with the rest in Albuquerque. **Vera Callahan** died from cancer in Aug 78. **Pat** recently earned his Master's in Ed and plans to teach in the public schools this fall. **George Garman** is also attending UNM and has picked up a 2d Master's in Ed Admin and expects to get one soon in Counselling. His major field is counselling (being Pres of NM Alcoholic Counselors Assn) though he claims it doesn't interfere with his golf game. **Wilson Hurley** worked last winter on a series of paintings depicting the APOLLO program and is now working on a new series of western landscapes. He and **Roz** are planning a new home studio to be built near ghost town of Madrid between Albuquerque and Santa Fe. **Don Henderson** stays busy as pres of Owners Assn for his housing area and is handling some local land investments—but he and **Dorothy** get a lot of travelling in with their trailer. **Dexters**, **Hendersons** and **Findells** (the newest classmates in the area) had dinner together and heard about **Max Findell's** ideas for solar energy which he hopes to develop via the grant route. **John Stoer** is a pilot instructor—one of the few with a regular job. **Dexter's** son **Mike** visited the **Prestons** in Key Biscayne when he was in

FL on business in Jan 79. Thanks for a fine report, George!

Larry Fox has been running again. He completed the 100-mile Western States Endurance Run in less than 24 hours, and received the award of the Silver Hermes Belt Buckle. (In the 6 yrs that this race has been conducted, less than 80 buckles have been awarded.) The run goes over the historical Western States Trail from Squaw Valley to Auburn—thru the Sierra Nevada mountains. Larry says the strategy is to walk up the hills, jog the flat part, and run down hill. In his case there wasn't much running after the 70-mile point, but he was able to shuffle in under 24 hours. If anyone else is interested, the address is Western States Trail Ride, Inc., PO Box 1228, Auburn, CA 95603.



1945: Sam Lessey in China.

Sam Lessey's letter had a number of news items. He visited Hal & Julie Moore in Crested Butte, CO in Feb 79. Bill & Edmae Coombs were there at the same time for great skiing. Sam had a 3-wk trip to mainland China in Apr visiting Canton, Shanghai, Soochow, Nanking, and Peking. Sam reports that Boots Blesse was critical of reports that China is building its first golf course recently, as he remembers playing in Shanghai before WW II. Sam was at WP on 5 Jun to present the award he gives to the outstanding soccer player in the grad class, and joined Ray Murphys, Argos, and Van Cleves for presentation of Class medallions to Harry M. Argo and David Van Cleve, '79. In the small world dept, Sam reports meeting an on-the-ball young AF pilot, CPT Chris Johnson in the pentagon recently who turned out to be Maxwell O. Johnson's son. And on the Mary Jane chairlift at Winter Park, CO last Feb his chairseat companion was John Gatlin, one of Jesse Gatlin's sons. Thanks, Sam, for all the news and pix.

A letter from Nick Chase reports that his wife Fan died in May 78 after a long illness with lung cancer. Nick has re-married and says his wife Joyce is a real doll. Nick has just completed 25 years with Lockheed and plans a few more. He is Lockheed's Base Mgr at Cape Canaveral AFS. They recently completed the highly successful dev flight test of the Navy's Trident I-msl. Nick says that despite his close working relationship with the Navy, BEAT NAVY!

Pops McNeil sent me a very slick brochure recently distributed describing "Fowler-Blum Energy Consultants, Inc. Del Fowler's picture is prominently displayed and it leads off with: "Announcing Fowler/Blum Energy Consultants, Inc.—a new firm dedicated to meeting our nation's most pressing need—ENERGY—formed by 2 established professionals: Delbert M. Fowler and . . ." Del was a regl dir for Dept of Energy and then worked for a consulting firm in Austin before starting this latest venture. Good luck, Del.

Marty Brewer wrote me about the AF Assn dinner at Vandenburg AFB on 8 Jun. John Pauly was the speaker returning to Vandenburg AFB for a visit from his current assignment as CINC USAFE. Rocco Brett is the only other classmate still on AF active duty in his 3-star slot as Cmdr AAF, So. Europe. Marty says that he and Jane are hale and hearty and look forward to a visit from any classmate who can stop by near Vandenburg AFB at their home.



1945: Fox, 56 years old, doffs his cap on Western States Endurance Run.

A phone call from Jim Elkey today (29 Sept) told of the death of Dorsey T. Mahin. Burial is to be in Arlington the first week of Oct. His wife Helen is at their home in



1945: Van Cleve, son David; Harry M. Argo and Argo at Class medallion presentation at '79 graduation.

Richmond, VA at 8326 Audley Lane, 23227. Our thoughts are with Helen's and Dorsey's family.

Our Class Bd of Gov is hard at work on the plans for the Class memorial gift to WP and on our 35th Reunion. As reported in previous issues, our memorial gift is an enhancement of the walls and grounds of Eisenhower Hall—the Cadet activities building. Further details are planned on direct mailings to all of us in the next month or so. As a reminder: If you can make our 35th Reunion, be sure to get in your reservation as soon as possible. If you are able to contribute to the Class memorial fund for the purpose of making our Class memorial possible, please send your contribution in now!

Have a fine holiday season and the best of New Year's. Send me your news, and a good time is right now!



1945: Brewer and Pauly at AFA dinner at Vandenburg AFB, 8 Jun 79.

'46

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1945: Decoration of classmates' graves at Arlington, Memorial Day 1979.

(132) Opening day at Michie Stadium found the usual contingent of classmates present. The regulars were there and we have been joined, for this year anyway, by John & Bertie Stratis. Their son John is a First Classman and they will be driving down from the Boston area for each game. Also saw Phil Frank in the season ticket area; don't remember seeing him last year.

While I was on vacation this summer my daughter Susan received a phone call from Paul Kelley, in the Pittsburgh area, to tell us that Jerry Halloran died 19 Aug 1979 out in San Diego. To Jerry's family and friends, may I express, for the Class, our heartfelt sympathy.



1946: Charley Daniel.

Last Aug 18, Scott C. David, son of Shirley David and the late Bert David, married Amy Warstler in Gaithersburg, MD, her home town. Scott is a LT, USA. Harl & Judy Koch are in the middle of restoring an antique house in San Fran. They hope to get in before end of year. This past Jul, Harl was visited by Dave & Nancy Bryant and then later by Russ & Mary Van Burn. Dave had just finished playing golf at Pebble Beach and Russ was on his way home to NM after a visit to HI.

John Bodley has been transferred from the Dept of Labor to HEW in Sacramento, CA, still as an Admin Law Judge. He'll actually be going back to his home, which he left 6½ years ago thinking he'd only be in DC a year. John said Steve & Mary Clare Edwards are building a home in Williamsburg. John and Helen are looking forward to again being close to their married son and younger daughter and her husband.

On 30 Jun MG Charley Daniel ret. At the time of his ret. he was CG, Army Electronics R&D Cmd, Adelphi, MD. During the ceremonies Charley received a DSM. He also has a SS, LM (with 2 oak leaves), a DFC, BSM (with 4 oak leaves), JSM and CM. In addition, he has both Korean and Vietnam govt awards. Daniel has both an MS degree and a PhD in nuclear physics from Tulane which he received in 1968. One of his troop commands was I Corps (Gp) Arty, 8th US Army, Korea in 71. We wish Charley and Ann the best as they enter their ret.

Rec'd a belated Founders Day picture from Roger Lengnick down Austin way. Actually the picture was of a Class group the day after. GEN Bryce Poe, as the guest speaker at the Austin Founders Day was very happy the next day to relax with the Class group. Bob Ehrlich '47 was the host for the group. He had started USMA as a member of '46. Roger's son Tom '74 is back from a year in Korea. He is currently at Williams AFB, AZ and has been on TDY at Kelly AFB, San Ant for the last couple of months. Naturally the Lengnicks have enjoyed being able to visit him there.

Our new class pres, LTC Randy Adams, is starting things off with a bang towards getting things arranged for our 35th, which will take place 27 to 30 May 81. His first request is that all classmates keep their ad-

resses current by writing Randy at Qtrs 22, Bolling AFB, DC 20336, whenever their address changes. His 2d request is that all classmates should be made aware that they should make their own reservations for reunion with the Holiday Inn in Suffern where the Class has obtained space. This was the best arrangement they could make for our large class, since Ladycliff was not available. Reservations can be made starting now by writing Mr. Bob Smith, Director of Sales, Holiday Inn and Holidome, PO Box 637, Suffern, NY 10901. Tell him you are with the Cl of '46 Reunion. Rooms may be cancelled up to 14 days before arrival. As soon as other info is ready you'll get it. Randy's looking for volunteers to help with the arrangements, so get in touch with him if you will be able to help in any way.



1946: Austin, Texas, 25 March 1979 at the Ehrlichs.

'47

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Your scribe hopes that this will be a short column because he is painfully propped up in a brace typing in short fits until he must lie down again. Suffice it to say here that for the past month or two I have been practically prone until it is decided how I should be resurrected to the upright position.

June & Jean Burner reported in from MI (Cecil Mackey, Pres of TX Tech U here in Lubbock has switched to MSU prexy) that grandson Scott MacKool is successfully recovering from open heart surgery at 11 months old. Mother Leslie is still working on her master's and should have it completed now. Burners attended Willy Webb marriage to Kay Eberle at St Josephs, abt 120 miles west of them on Lake Michigan, on 14 Jul. "Lovely wedding . . . all the Webbs were there—George from Germany, Bill & Mur and Cindy & Licia from DC, Uncle George and Grandma Hinson from NJ and cousin Joe Eberle and kids from VA." Jean had to go to Mackinac Is for a weeklong series of conferences and while there it is reported



1947: Willie Webb Jr. '72, Wildrick, Kay Eberle Webb, Meade Wildrick Jr., Ex-'78, Muriel Webb, and the Edingtons.



1947: Laurie and Joe Addison

from a good source that he beat out most of the 20-year old runners in a local marathon race.

Two of the 4 of our contingent from HI sent newsy letters: Meade Wildrick says, "All is well in HI; there are 4 of us here, not bad for a small class on a small Is! Being pres of WP Soc of HI has kept me going. Have Army basketball team here over next Xmas for UHI Rainbow Classic. Look forward to seeing the Rogers." Marylou Edington indicates that the pics are courtesy of Jim's expert old camera, taken around Founders Day.

Laurie & Joe Addison sent a long letter from San Fran area. Joe emphasizes that they, never having made a reunion, will return for the 35th! Joe is still with Lockheed in Sunnyvale as mgr of Integrated Logistics. Dau Susan and husband live in Visalia where she teaches and he is in insurance. Son Bill owns a Western Auto store in West Point, VA. Their youngest dau, Janet, finished her 2d yr at San José State U and is spending the summer teaching riding at a girls' camp high in the Sierras. Joe joins the USAR ret list at the end of Aug.

Bob & Bev Rosen join the ranks in the San Fran area. After a long year, Bob stops commuting for Bechtel to the major cities of continental USA and goes to work for the City/County of San Fran.

Jill & Jack Faith are excited about departing for Europe again where Jack assumes command of the 1st ARM Div in Ansbach, APO NY 09326. They leave behind the kids and grandkids with heavy heart: son John has new job with the Securities and Exchange Comm; granddau Jennifer is now 10 and in 6th grade; Dau Teri and family leave Knox for Riley in mid Sept.

Two postcards from the postcard bde came in: Barbara & Dick McAdoo report nothing is new from Rockville, MD; apparently there was no DC Class meeting this quarter . . . Jane & John Mastin have moved to 2803 W. 8th St, Roswell, NM 88201, very close now to the Dunhams. Jane says that John now has lots of projects.

Patt & Duke Duquemin report in after a long interval from Ft McPherson, GA. Duke heads Army RR IV there and, of course, does a lot of travelling. "You asked how many of our classmates are left on AD. To the best of my knowledge, we have 7 left in the Army: LTG Bob Baer at DARCOM in DC; MG Jack Faith, CG, IAD, Germany; MG Bob Haldane, CS, USAREUR; MG Jim Johnson, Dpty Engr, Wash, DC; MG Lou Rachmeler, CG, MICOM, Huntsville; MG Bill Webb, ADCSPER, DC, and yours truly, CG, ARR IV. Johnny Guice is head of the Army NG in DC. I believe Fox is still active in the AF as a MG—we have visited the Congress in Birmingham several times and Bill and Betty are working hard in their privately owned co called Dixie Chemical Co. We have managed to see George Bland here in Atlanta and at Pinehurst, NC. Mike Maloney stopped in the other day from CA and indicated all is going well with him and his family. Gwenne & Ron Heiser (my brother-in-law) are enjoying Sarasota where they are building a new house. Ron is pres of the new college part of FSU."



1947: The Scovilles, Mary Lou Edington, Wildrick and Edington.

Over the weekend of 23 Aug, Bobbie and I met the Haskins in Santa Fe as planned to attend the opera and win SW sponsored tennis tourney. Unplanned was my back being out so I was barely able to walk. Doc went on to win doubles with another partner. Pat reports that they saw the Rachmellers in El Paso at Ft Bliss CG dinner party, earlier in the month.

I regretfully announce that Mom Boerger has recently died. I know that many in the Class knew her. Our condolences go out to Betty and Pete and Barbara and Frank.

Al Haig stays busy on return to the States conducting a study of the security of the U.S. and its Western allies for the Foreign Policy Rsch Inst, being elected to the Bd of Dir of Texas Instr and Conagra, Inc., and travelling around the country on a speaking tour. He visits Lubbock latter part of Sept.

Lean pickings this time. Get in your Xmas cards each and everyone.

'48

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Among the Pres's latest judicial appointments was that of Dick Cudahy's to the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals, which is comprised of much of the upper Midwest and is located in Chicago. Congratulations, Dick. We're most pleased for you, but hate to see you leave the DC area.

Bill Mounger made the 2 Sept 79 issue of Germond's and Witcover's column in the Washington Star. The pundits were discus-

sing the MS gov's race, and Bill's key role in the primary and general elections. By publication date we should know whether the Republican candidate was a winner.

A note forwarded by the AOG informed me that Blaine Butler was awarded the Best Teacher award by the student body of Purdue U's Dept of Freshman Engr. Great going, Blaine. The U Alumni annually present the award. Blaine and Ann recently returned from a trip to England. They have a farm near Lafayette, and Blaine is into the rather interesting (and somewhat hazardous, I'd say) avocation of raising bees.

Charlotte Webber reports that son Kenny was off to the Advanced Class at Knox. His brother Kurt has been engaging in the sport of rugby. Kenny was due back home in late Nov, hopefully in time to be present when Karen delivered Charlotte's next grandchild.

Audrey Kastris wrote in the Star about their trip to the beach in yesteryear, complete with sheepdogs. The sunburn, the flies, the jellyfish, dressing up for meals, the noise from the ever-necessary air conditioner and from the rooms on either side, and the thoughts of all the things left undone at home, have turned her and Jack into non-vacationers. She is now the "Serene Stay-at-Home, the Hopelessly Happy Homebody" who has seen what's over the next hill "from London to Manila" and likes what she sees in her own backyard the best.

The wedding of Marianne Kiernan's older son, Joe, and Sharon Coyle was perfect from every standpoint. The day turned out to be beautiful; the Washington National Cathedral provided a magnificent setting, both in St Mary's Chapel, where the ceremony (a joint Roman Catholic-Episcopal one) was performed, and outside in a courtyard with fountains playing, where the receiving line was held; and the Kenwood Country Club provided a fine repast, dancing and opportunity for conversation with old friends and new acquaintances. The happy couple live about halfway between med schs, although they hope to graduate together from Med Coll of VA if Joe makes the intended transfer.

It is not too early to mark your calendar for the 80 DC Winter Party at Arlington Hall Sta on 16 Feb 80. Bob & Beji Ward are soliciting ideas, etc, for the party theme/motif/activities. We hope many of you from out of town will make it. It's always a great time.

'49

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It is with deep sorrow that we begin this column by relating the recent deaths of 2 classmates. Ted Hervey succumbed to an illness of several months on 1 Sept 79. Ted underwent brain tumor surgery several years ago and made a great recovery, he was one of our regulars at the Class Luncheons in DC and will be sorely missed. Ted became ill about the time of our Reunion and lost strength rapidly. A number of classmates were present at the funeral service and at the gravesite at Arlington. Ted is survived by his wife Nene and 3 children, Ted, Geoff and Mrs. Paul Grimm, as well as 2 grandchildren. Ted Jr is an Episcopal minister in San Ant and said the prayers at the burial. Nene can be reached at 3033 N. John Marshall Dr in Arlington, VA 20227.



1949: Abner B. Martin.

Thanks to Ed Wilford and Charlie Cheever, we learned of D.D. Klein's death on 29 Aug at Lackland AFB in TX. According to Charlie's note, Don was air-evacuated in Dec from Denmark to Wilford Hall Hosp in San Ant suffering from complications from a serious spinal injury suffered in Vietnam about 10 yrs ago. Last Apr or May, after undergoing several spinal operations, lung cancer was discovered from which there was no hope of recovery. Don is survived by his wife Mary and daughters, Carol, Cynthia and Deborah. The Kleins had purchased a home outside of Randolph AFB and Mary expects to remain there—8303 Hera St, Universal City, TX 78148. Doug Weart and Cheever represented the Class at the funeral. Our sympathy is expressed to both families and we'll miss our friends and classmates.

LTC Dick Henry, Cmdr SAMSO, has been named "Military Man of the Year" by the California AF Assn for directing and managing the planning and acquisition of space and missile sys vital to the U.S. and its allies.

MG Jim Stansbury, AFSC DCS/PROC and MFG, has been selected as "Engr of the Year" by the San Fernando Valley Engr's Council. Jim was cited for supporting application of new manufacturing technology to space and aero programs plus contributions to educational and governmental agencies for maximum use of scientific and technological resources.

Saw Jack Fatum at Ft Monmouth just prior to his ret on 1 Aug. He is joining Northwestern Mutual in Shrewsbury, NJ, and has bought a home in Eatontown.

Ab Martin recently ret as a LTG has joined Sperry Corp as Exec Dir of Def & Aerospace; he will have direct responsibility for the Sperry and Sperry Flight Sys divs. He will also coordinate Univac's Def Sys Div and Vickers Aerospace Marine Def Div.

Someone sent me a clipping from the N.Y. Times of 12 Aug relative to Ed Marks and his flourishing firm in NYC—I think it was Charlie Palmer—I'll give him the credit anyway. The article is entitled, "Carl Marks, Investor," and runs on in fascinating detail about the Marks' venture; they never deal with the public, have never joined a major exchange and yet is one of the nation's leading market-makers in foreign securities. They are principal owners of about 90 American companies, etc. Most of these investments



1949: The Millikens, Lambert, the Hinchions, Wilfords and Greenleafs.

grew out of venture capital start-ups. Looking back some 30 odd years ago, Ed had to make good in the financial world, he never had a good curve ball as a pitcher at WP.

Ted Swett is diving into his civ occupations—consultant on Latin America to Cyprus Inc and also consulting for Stone & Webster in Boston. On a recent trip to Boston, ran into Ken McIntyre recently ret as a BG who is working for S&W and just before Ted's visit had a brand new Honda stolen. Cay Swett shattered an elbow during a fall a couple of months ago and is slowly healing but had to wear her cast for their son's recent wedding in Richmond, VA. He is presently a student at the UVA Law Sch.

John Costa has completed his summer studies at Middlebury, VT, and is back teaching at WP preparing to take over the Foreign Languages Dept next year. John has already been in touch with the AOG relative to the Lodge. The AOG has agreed to place a large rustic sign on the front of the Lodge designating it as the '49er Lodge plus the placing of directional signs about the base to make the Lodge a bit easier to locate. COL Herbert from the AOG has also agreed to hang the framed photos donated by Bob Ennis in the Lodge interior. In future years, as a Class add-on project there is

still the need for a parking area which should receive consideration.

Bob Pfeiffer has joined Leisure World in Silver Spring, MD, as Community Mgr—this is a large adult community with all of the



1949: At the Togashis: The Rusnaks, Grunstads, Christensens, Andersons, Togashis, Ballaghs and Johnsons.



1949: Co. H-1 (L-R) back row: The Kimballs, McCarthy, Liz Nordin, the Rosses, Alberts, and Norbys; Front row: MacKenzie, Nordin, Dirkes and Goering.

amenities; golf, swimming, tennis, etc. and Bob has all the problems of any town govt. He and Sue are ineligible to live in the community because they still have young ones at home. On a recent trip to his old hometown, Dayton, Bob looked up Charlie Anderson who has been wrestling with a kidney problem for several years. Charlie has combined his hobby with his ret., playing the commodities market.

George Wentsch packed it in in early Sept as an MG and left our DC ranks for the first time in some years. George and Marie are headed for TX and a new home some 30 miles from Austin—they were supposed to have moved right in, but due to some contractor problems, George is now going to become his own genl contractor and hopes to be in by Xmas—I think that was his last word. We're going to miss both of them here in DC—always pitching in to help and a couple of their house parties were classics—good luck Marie and George.

Thanks to Huck Long picking up Ed Yell-

man's slot as Luncheon Chmn, we are still meeting every other month in the SA's mess in the Pentagon. Thanks to Ed for a job well done over the past 2 yrs. Ed is spending all his free time rooting for son Greg, who is receiving good publicity as a fast halfback at Ft Hunt high school in VA.

Accompanying photo was taken at Ed Wilford's ret. at Ab Greenleaf's office in the Pentagon. Ab did a nice job tracing his relationship with Ed back to Cadet days and flight training. Ed is now a Marketing Mgr with AEL in Colmar, PA. After the ceremony, the Millikens hosted a party in the Wilfords' honor including a large group of classmates. Walt, incidentally, claims the honor of being the only 0-6 from the Class still on active duty in the AF—he's presently on the staff at ICAF. Gil Kirby and John Costa share that honor in the Army, both on the faculty at WP.

Other names you haven't seen for a while: Bob Andreen missed the Reunion even though he's living in Newburgh; Ted Boland caught him on his return from a trip before the Bolands headed home from WP. Lew Baumann, now ret and working for the State of VA in Environmental Protection; Bob Black back in the States, ret and going to settle in their home in Potomac, MD. Jack Carr has ret and built a new home near



1949: Horstman and Bennett celebrating class' 15th anniversary at the Giordanos'.

Stafford, VA. Al Culbertson, who did make the Reunion, is with Kollmorgan Corp in the Amherst, MA area. Harry Griffith, after first being announced as the new Cmdt at The Engr School, got switched to head the Ohio River Engr Div out of Cincinnati. Tut Hendricks still horse farming in lower MD has recovered from the facial kick from one of his charges. Norm Katz ret in the DC area, Charley Lehner has left DARPA to join AAI in Cockeysville, MD; John Magnotti passes on word that there are now 4 classmates with BDM—John, Jack Cronin and Duane Smith in the DC area and Bob O'Brien in Albuquerque. Gene Mechling in the real estate business in Aspen, CO. Virg Millett still on Long Is says he has ret and turned over his business to his son. Paul Monahan ret in Reston, VA, doing consulting work in the Comm area. Ray Moss newly ret from AF will stay in DC living in Burke, VA. Orton Spencer has a son playing for Bear Bryant at UAL—defensive halfback. Joe Tye is gaining prominence in the commercial art field down in San Ant and finally, Jack Kiely and the writer made our annual pilgrimage to New Boston, NH, to visit Pat & Pop Wason—they're still farming away each and every day and still restoring their 300-year-old farmhouse. They're eating well, nothing but home-grown meat and vegetables, fruit, etc.

'50

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I'll begin this column with a request that was deleted from the last issue for reason of a lack of space. I have found on several occasions that I have neglected to put news in this column that I'm aware of, but simply forget. Usually, it concerns people I see most often, but if the classmate doesn't take the time to write down the details of our conversation, I have no reminder to nudge me at deadline time. Blame it on advancing age or whatever, but please if you have family or classmate news you would like in ASSEMBLY (and DO we want it!) put it in writing and give it to me at least a week before deadline time (roughly 30 Mar, 30 Jun, 30 Sept, and 31 Dec).

Emmett Lee was a summer visitor to Boston to attend a seminar for port officials. While in Beantown, he had dinner at the home of Lish & Burke Lee, with Marilyn & Leo Romaneski. Emmett reported on events in his and Rowland's life: departure from Saudi Arabia in Oct 78; new job as Dpty Dir of the Port of Tampa in Dec 78; new home with secluded (skinny-dipping) pool. Now that they're getting settled, they hope to contact the growing no. of classmates in

the Sunshine State—and Emmett says, "Y'all come see us."

Wendy & Penny Phillips had a busy week last Jun. Chuck was graduated on Wed from WP and Suzie the following Sat from V.P.I. Chuck received the MG Joseph P. Cleland ('25) Memorial Leadership Award, presented by Mrs. Cleland. See the Class of '25 column for a picture and write-up.



1950: Warner-Walker wedding. (Photo by Albert Moqzec).

Stu Wood called in May when I was away, and my "secy" takes full credit, voluntarily, for the fact that it wasn't mentioned in the last column. Robin had a nice talk with Stu, but unfortunately didn't put the note about their conversation in our ASSEMBLY drawer; she found it in clearing her desk in Jul. Anyway, Stu has an Engrg Mgt firm which does business with the Postal Service, and that's why he was in the DC area in May. Stu and Pat live in Littleton, CO, and they have 4 offspring: Meredith is 23, has just started teaching; Stuart is 20 and is a student at Ft Lewis Coll; John, 17, is in Denver and Peggy, 14, is the only one at home. Stu mentioned that Mark Hanna had had lower back surgery at Fitzsimons Hosp not long before, but I don't know anything more, and I haven't Mark's address. How about some news from the Hannas? Are you still playing bridge?

Bob & Martha Morrison have found their ret home in Irvington, VA. Bob is still on active duty, stationed at Ft Monroe, but he goes home on weekends, and in between, too. They can walk to the yacht club and their boat is in a cove in the back yard—needless to say, they're enthusiastic!

Bob & Gwyn Groseclose called from Shreveport, LA, in Sept. They've been hopscotching around the country since Bob ret, house-sitting for friends, teaching some classes, and taking others. At some point they'll settle in Longwood, FL, where they've bought a home, but now they're enjoying the changes of scenery and the chance to visit friends. Also they're only 4 hours from daughter Donna and Jerry Carlin in TX, so they drive over occasionally, and see daughter Nancy as well.

Lou & Rose Genuario spent several days with Volney & Janice Warner at their beach house at Topsail Is, NC in Jul. The Warners were on a 2-week vacation there and then were to return to Ft Bragg for a final round of goodbyes prior to reporting to Volney's new asgmt as CINC—REDCOM at MacDill AFB, Tampa, FL, on 1 Aug 79. Volney received his 4th star on 30 Jul at the office

of the CS at the Pentagon. While at Topsail, the Genuarios also saw Jack & Bev Mackmull who were spending the weekend at their beach house nearby. Jack and Bev are still at Ft Bragg.

We were so happy to see Joe & Mary Pharr Love one eve in Aug when they were in Alexandria prior to taking daughter Robin to UVA where she is a freshman this year. The Loves have lots to keep them busy in Jacksonville, FL, and the nicest part for them in being there is that 3 of their 4 girls are nearby; not many of us are that fortunate.

Dick Hoffman was able to see son Rick and his wife Pat plus granddaughter Chrissie in Jul; Rick is a LT at the Naval PG Sch in Monterey. Daughter Kathi and her husband Terry are enjoying life in HI with their 2 youngsters Page, 6, and Becky, 2. Dick and Bidy live in the DC area where we run across them occasionally. Bidy continues painting, and maybe we'll have word of another one man (one woman? one person?) showing for you before long.

A long letter from Ed West arrived in Jul, telling me of "The Event" for their family which occurred 17 Jun 79. On that "Super Sunday" Becki West became Becki Lev, and Stephanie West became Stephanie Lieberman. Weddings usually have a few crises while plans are being made, and their situation was no different. In spite of a heart attack and triple by-pass surgery for one of the in-laws, and a necessary change of the place of the weddings from Pittsburgh to NYC, all went well, and the ceremony and reception were "absolutely delightful." Ed wore his uniform by popular demand: "It felt good—and it fit!"

The picture of Kevin & Dawn Parsons Kearns (Terry's and Joan's daughter) with Joan and Terry (in Scottish kilt) was taken 19 May 79, the day they were married at historic Pohick Church in Alexandria, VA. The one of Valerie Jean Warner (Volney's & Janice's daughter) and her husband, Keith Christopher Walker, was taken as they left the Ft Myer Chapel on 2 Jun 79.

There are a few other weddings to report: Lois & John Rutledge wrote that their daughter Debbie married Stephen Roesch on 19 May and then on 11 Aug son Randy married Nancy Lee Spicer. Kristina Marie Crittenberger (Jack's and Pookie's daughter) married Lance Grayson Brockmeier on 25 Aug 79 at the Ft Myer chapel—and the next day out in AZ Catherine Anne Banister (Grady's and Bess' daughter) married Neil Dwight McLeod. Congratulations to all of these young people!

Sam Smithers reports that George Ball is back in the DC area, working with the DCSPER Review Board, and beginning to look toward a new career in ret. Also a newcomer here is Bert Aton: Bert's biggest news is his marriage last Jan to Mary Cordes of York, PA. Bert joined us at the '50 lunch in Sept, and it was good to catch up on him. For any of you that may be in DC on the last Wed of the month, we meet in the Flagship Restaurant at 11:45 a.m. or give me a call at my business phone 527-7575. No reservation is needed.

Graham Sibles was at Bragg on TDY recently. He managed to catch up with G.G. Thomas, who is really enjoying his asgmt with the Abn Bd. Sib said Ray & Gladys Maladowitz have bought a home in Charleston, SC, although they are still stationed at Ft Bragg.



1950: Parsons-Kearns wedding.

Leo & Marilyn Romaneski were in DC in Sept—Leo on business, and we didn't even get to see him, and Marilyn to spend an extra night to see her mother and a few friends. They lead a busy schedule in Boston, and a couple of reasons they particularly like being there are son Mark and his wife Karalee. Mark has just begun law sch under the auspices of the Army, and Karalee is in grad sch in music; they feel fortunate to have them nearby.

For those of you who follow the Congressional scene, you may have seen John Brinkerhoff testifying on manpower in the Reserves. John is the Asst to the Dpty Asst SECDEF for Reserve Affairs in MRA&L. If any of you want to discuss calling up veterans, or draft registration or similar topics, John always offers a chance to discuss some interesting issues, if you will just drop by.

Bill Howe has issued a challenge. He has a grandson born 29 Oct 71, now approaching an 8th birthday. If anyone has a grandson or granddaughter born earlier than that, please drop me a line (and enclose some other news, by all means).

Lou & Rose Genuario and Robin and I are about to leave for Chagrin Falls, OH, to spend the weekend with Bob & Lee Werner, who have been living in that suburb of Cleveland since Bob's ret several years ago. In the next column we'll have some news of them for you, and maybe a picture if we can remember to take the camera.

Ralph Detherow sent another fine letter in Jul. He and Corinne were gone the month of Jun, travelling to and from Andover, MA; apparently, gas was no problem on the way up, but they really scrambled for it on their return. Paul & Ruth Gorman visited Phil & Helene Barger in Sept. Paul reports they all attended the Foxfield Steeplechase, capping a fascinating day the day before at the Bull-Buying Convention at Staunton, VA. Apparently Phil's well-endowed bulls did well for him, but he didn't fare as well at the Steeplechase; all in all, however, they had a great time!

Morris Herbert ret 31 Jul at WP and is now working for the Alumni Assn. He and Faith are living in Highland Falls, happy to have their lives busy with friends and activities at WP. Daughter Caroline is living in the DC area; Morris graduated from USMA this past Jun; Faith is back in college after her year in Spain; George is the one offspring remaining at home.

Ardath Wilson wrote in Aug from Indian Rock Beach, FL, all set to begin her fall schedule. Scottie is living in TX; Kelly & John Kritsas are close by; Tracy is back at TX A&M for her final year before graduation; Clay has returned to UFL. Borden is the only one at home, accompanied Ardath on a trip to Houston during the summer to visit Gail's parents, COL & Mrs. Wilson.

Ardath started the H&R Block Tax Sch in Sept, so these next few months will be busy ones for her.

Sid & Jeanie Steele took a trip to Miami in Aug to see daughter Peg and her husband Ray Raposo. En route home they stopped in Charleston to see Art & Barbara Blair. Art is head of the Eng Dept at The Citadel; Barbara is a vol guide in the homes there and hence a good source for history of the area. Daughter Leslie is an Ensign, stationed in Italy, and the Blairs had just returned from 3 wks in Europe, when they were with her; son Peter is in Law Sch in Columbia, SC. The Blairs are looking forward to the Maladowitzes coming to Charleston when Ray ret; with Al & Irene Flynn already there, that group can have a mini '50 Reunion at a moment's notice.

I almost forgot to mention the wedding of Jack & Joan Scandlings' son John to Martha Dorn here in Alexandria on 15 Sept. The newlyweds met while students at the Medical College of VA in Richmond, and both are in the Residency portion of their education, at the hospital in Morgantown, WV.

Must get this in the mail to meet the deadline. WRITE!

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Frank & Holly Vellella deserve our sincere appreciation for their outstanding coverage of Class activities during the past 2 years. However, we are not allowing them to sever their connection completely since Frank and I will alternate as authors of the column. This will begin as soon as Frank realizes that working with GRC also includes some free time—possibly with the Apr issue. Both Jean and I were fortunate to be able to join Frank and Holly at his ret ceremony on 31 Jul. The past 3 months have included both happy and sad moments. One of the brightest included the announcement by Sandy



1951: The Meyers, Stumms and Connally.

Sanderson and Ginny Daly of their engagement at a Class party hosted by Sandy. Vivacious Ginny at 33 has already been exec asst to the purportedly richest man in the world, advertising dir of the world-wide Princess Hotel chain, and for the last 3 years head of her own firm called, "Ginny Daly and Friends." Our best to both of you! A total of 117 people attended including 33 classmates, their wives, families and friends. Activities included lobster cocktails, polo matches, an exquisite lobster buffet, much friendship, and many more drinks. Bob Lins, who is in the lobster business in Portland, ME, provided the lobster; in addition, he brought along his latest publication, *Entante*, an almost autobiographical book related to ac-



1951: Bob and Iris with 3 Yerks children at Class Polo Picnic.

tivities in Europe during and following World War II. Both Shy & Carol Meyer were deluged with congratulations; Shy explained that his interview with Pres Carter involved not telling anyone, including Carol, until the final decision on his selection as CSA was made; meanwhile Carol was slavishly packing for their trip to Europe—! Bob & Rita MacDonald went on an AK honeymoon cruise in Aug. Rita, an Allegheny Airline stewardess, also cajoled Bob into a trip to Yugoslavia in Oct. Delores Bohlen expressed her appreciation of '51 support during the very trying period following Maggie's death. Howie Steele and Pete & Ellie Beczkiewicz were particularly instrumental in assisting Dolores. Thanks for all of us.

Recent Class marriages include: the previously mentioned Bob & Rita MacDonald, Frank & Delores Bashore, Bob & Kathy Prehn, and George & Ann Meighen. Joe & Carolyn Fant have moved from Tampa to Atlanta when Joe was recently assigned as ADCSOPS at FORSCOM. Attempting to get in contact with Paul Summers during Sept has been impossible; he has been completely absorbed by his raising and showing horses in the Charlottesville, VA area. Bud Bacon is looking toward more active support by Paul in Class activities during the coming year. Bud and Bette are located at Langley AFB where he is the TAC CS. Dave Abshire, who is chmn of the Ctr for Strategic and Intl Studies, and Joe Lafleur, with the Nuclear Regulatory Comm, have been getting considerable publicity for their recent efforts in support of each area.

Recent movement of persons to the DC—VA area include the following: Don & Dottie Zurawski—back with the NDU; Jim Lower recently transferred to DC and is working for the Federal Trade Comm; Paul



1951: The Byers, Ellie Beczkiewicz and Sanderson.



1951: Farewell to the Peixottos—Front: Holly Vellella, Ernie, Kay Boatner, Jean Leffler, Mary Akers; Rear: Vellella, Boatner, Akers, Leffler, Libby Peixotto and Sanderson.

& Sara Coughlin—Inter-American Def Bd; Fred Henny—Dir, Adult Educ, Thomas Nelson Comm Coll, Hampton, VA; Bob & Tinky Hyatt, IG INSCOM, Arlington; and Earl & Joan Keesling ret and returned to Bethesda, MD.

News from FL indicates that Jack Martin continues to be sports minded; in addition to finishing No. 2 in handball for FL Seniors (over 50), Jack was inducted into the Greater Ft Lauderdale Sports Hall of Fame. Tom Odderstol, NJ regl rep reports playing golf with Jean & Dick Perry in CA, where Dick is practicing pathology in Rancho Santa Fe area. Tom Jr. incidentally recently was awarded his diploma for completion of the EngrO Basic Crse by Howie Steele. Bob Arter, new CG, MDW, and close friend of many '51ers talked recently with Danny & Marilyn Sharp. Both are doing very well in Boise, ID. Marilyn is looking forward to coming east in the spring; but Dan's work with the hardware business may delay her plans. Bill Lemnitzer, despite a stroke which paralyzed his left side, continues to devote himself to national interests; his efforts to develop a nuclear process for conversion of sea water to energy may provide major contributions to our U.S. energy efforts. Incidentally, Bill and Lydia, Jean and I attended a banquet which honored Dr Howard Rusk, one of the U.S. pioneers in Rehabilitation Medicine. Dr Rusk stated that Bill's recovery is one of his most outstanding



1951: Guyer can still run the marathon in 3:46.

successes. Lydia is now a bank mgr in the DC-VA area. Congrats Bill & Lydia!

On 23 Sept Shy & Carol Meyer hosted approximately 150 classmates and wives in the DC area at a Sun Brunch in Qtrs 1, Ft Myer. Related activities were perfect to include the weather, cuisine, home, and the host and hostess. Out of town guests included Arlie & Paula Sherman, George & Ann Meighen, Ab & Missy Webber, Bob & Kathy Prehn, Dan & Noreen Wardrop, Bud & Betty Bacon, and Ken & Estelle Herring. Also attending were the seldom seen John Hinton, Rick & Julie Buck, Chan & Anne Goodnow, and Saint & Jean St. Mary.

Arlie & Paula Sherman invite classmates to visit them in Aspen, CO—tel 303/925-9153. Arlie says the skiing and drinking are great and the scenery isn't bad either. They are obviously proud of their 3 boys who are now in wide-spread locations. Peter with the Peace Corps in Thailand, Joe in Law Sch in DC—Georgetown, and Thomas, a student at



1951: Holly Vellella, Szymczyk, Lins Myer, CPT & Mrs. Roberts with children and Sandra, Betty and Joe Smith.

Cornell. Our DC members of the class were particularly sad to bid farewell to Ernie & Libby Peixotto who left for Heidelberg on 26 Sept. Their fresh, honest, contagious approach to life will be missed. In addition to Ernie's dedicated admin of Class activities, all feel the loss of 2 close friends. Prior to his departure, Ernie asked Al Akers to chair a Coordinating Cmte to facilitate mgmt of Class activities during his absence. Members asked to participate include Gary Sanderson, Bill Edler, Frank Vellella, Tom McMullen, Howie Steel, Joe Smith, Sam Dickens, Don Zurawski, and myself. Joe Fant, Jim Rockwell and Ernie will participate when travel opportunities permit. Al welcomes assistance from all volunteers as well. Incidentally, because of his numerous trips to DC Joe Fant is now able to actively participate in Class activities in this area.

Plans are now being finalized for a reunion at Pauley's Is, Litchfield, SC, during the period 12-14 Apr 80. Activities are being supervised by George Meighen, assisted by John Tatum and myself. Persons interested in attending are requested to contact me or Al Akers for additional information. Last year's reunion was held at St. Simons and attended by 30 couples. Attendance for this year's event is expected to be even greater. Meanwhile Gary Sanderson is continuing to plan the 30th Reunion activities with Al and other members of the cmte. Class response as of 1 Oct to Gary Sanderson's questionnaire indicates that of 193 replies! 103 will attend; there are 34 probables, 44 stated too soon to know, only 12 replied No. For the future—let's keep the faith—your news and pictures of Class and related activities would be greatly appreciated.



1951: Libby Peixotto and Dotsy Steel with Edler and Connally in the rear.

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Nobody sent me any details on the Jun annual party (except that the 6 Sept Class luncheon reminder contained a public "thanks" to "the cmte that organized and put on the fine party at the Army-Navy CC in Jun" (from Hank Lowder) so I can't report on it as I promised in closing in Sept's article.

Between the time the Sept article was written and the time it was published, Dave Martin succumbed to the cancer he was fighting. I received a call from Bill Schroeder informing me and rounding up classmates to be pallbearers. I was unable to attend and I haven't heard from Bill as to who was able to make it. We shall all miss Dave very much.

Another FL classmate, Bill (Tex) Ritter, wrote to welcome me right after my last article was mailed. Bill settled in Ft Myers after first trying, "the Bob Woodward route



1952: Stubblebine assumes command of ERADCOM.



1952: Malones, Burkheimers, Jones, Morans, and Woodward.

in an effort to re-locate. Unfortunately the Pers Dir, City of Palm Bay, painted such a bleak picture of employment opportunities that he ran us off. We visited there in Apr, here in Jun, found a home and left Cleveland, OH area after 2 horrendous winters, for the sun and warmth of the West Coast of FL. We have not been sorry." Bill went on to offer assistance to classmates looking for a point of contact in FL to feed information and to assist in a search for a ret or 2d career location. Bill is not only on the spot but he and Mary Ann are both licensed real estate people with ERA and a National Franchise. When you get to Ft Myers, look up Honor Realty, Inc.

Also right after my last article was mailed, I received a press release that King Coffman had arrived in Wheaton, IL, and been appointed pres of Christian Service Bde. He was also appointed pres of Four-Way Sys, Inc., a data processing corporation wholly owned by CSB. King says that Chicago is a busy crossroads and the welcome mat is out. Congratulations, King.

Bert Stubblebine, in Jul assumed command of the Army Electr R&D Cmd in Adelphi, MD. He transferred from command of the IntC at Ft Huachuca, AZ. Bert and Gerry will live in McLean, VA, with Stuart and Sharon.

Paul Malone wrote from sultry Annandale, VA, to report on an informal travel group, affectionately called Horney Holidays, which toured Acapulco in Jul. Twelve couples made the trip—half of whom were '52: Carol & Jack Burkheimer, Jean & Wes Jones, Ann & Paul Malone, Emilia & Otis Moran, Claire & Don Sells, and Vera & Jim Woodward. All but the Burkheimers live in the DC area. Each couple was issued a Horney Holidays tee shirt for esprit and identification. Their motto was, "Pack your socks and get off your rocks." They stayed at the truly impressive Princess Hotel in Acapulco and the one week excursion was a great success since they're talking about doing it again at a different location. Paul ret. in summer 78 and joined the full-time faculty of the Sch of Govt and Business Admin, GWU. He says, "Faculty life is a bit different, but I am enjoying it."

Jim Jagers reported in from ret in TX to inform us that he and Cherrie attended the Jul wedding of Bonnie White, daughter of Pat White Davis and Ed White. "It was indeed a delightful occasion. Bonnie married John Allen Baer, and they plan to make their

home in Dallas. In addition to visiting with Pat, we had the opportunity of renewing acquaintances with Ed's son Ed III, Bonnie, and Ed's uncle, Jack White. You will probably recall that Ed's father passed away earlier this year. His mother still lives in St. Petersburg, FL; unfortunately, however, she was unable to attend the wedding."

Dave Lyon, who knows the value of names for the column, sent me a letter full of names in reporting the news from Central TX. "There are only a few '52 in the Ft Hood area. I am CS at TRADOC Combined Arms Test Activity (TCATA) at Hood; I've been at Hood a little over a year. Jagers was CG of TCATA until his ret Oct 78. He and Cherrie now live in Belton, TX, from where he is managing a growing conglomeration of his own enterprises. Lou Henderson was a Dir and then DCS at TCATA until his ret 1 Aug 79. He and Ramona have gone to Mobile, AL, area where Lou will teach as he recovers from serious hip surgery. Hains is a recent arrival at TCATA as the Ft Lee Log Ctr Rep. He is living in Austin, TX. Pete's wife is seriously ill and this arrangement permits him easy access to Brooke Med Ctr at Ft Sam. Jack Driskill and Mona were at Hood until mid-winter. He was Dpty Post Cmdr and has since ret to the better life. Jim Rink is in the area as Army Ln to 12th AF at Bergstrom AFB since last summer, following a tour on the III Corps staff. Saw Bill Snyder in the airport at El Paso recently. He is on loan from TX A&M as a visiting prof at the AWC."

When Hurricane David was preparing to pass along the east coast of FL, I was watching Channel 6 for info and saw the friendly face of Joe Santilli, the CD Dir for Orange County in Orlando. Joe supervised the assistance they provided for the many families that evacuated the coast. We who stayed home through the event didn't have too many problems but I'm told that David wasn't nearly as severe as it could have been.

Bill Raiford writes that, "Warren Hayford was in DC today (4 Sept) on business in his new capacity as President and Chief Operating Officer for Intl Harvester. Warren left Continental Can after 24 years of service ending with its presidency also. He and Marylou (whose brother, Shy Meyer, USMA '51 is ACS) are now residing in Winnetka, IL . . . Chase and I have just returned from NYC this past weekend where number 3

son Bill has been enrolled in the Columbia U Sch of Engr. He will be playing basketball this fall. At 6'6", what else? Number 2 son Dave is a jr at MIT in bio-chemistry and hopes to pursue a career in pediatrics. Number 1 son Rich is a senior at Purdue in aeronautical engr. Chase and I still reside in the MD countryside and have lots of room for visiting classmates and families. It's not too soon to begin planning for our 30th at WP in Jun 82. Al Griffin mentioned just this morning that we began planning for our 25th about 2 years before and we were about one year late! So I hope all classmates, wives, and widows will begin to organize your lives (haven't we always!) so that our 30th will be even more exciting than our 25th."

Jim Woodward wrote with good news about a classmate whose name has been conspicuous by its absence from Class columns: Juan Burciaga. Jim writes, "On a recent trip to Albuquerque, NM, I had occasion to get-together with Juan in his law offices. As you know he is a partner in the law firm of Ussery, Burciaga and Parish. It was a surprise to find out that Pres Carter had nominated Juan to be one of 4 federal judges in Albuquerque. The appointment should be confirmed in Oct when Juan appears before the Senate Judiciary Cmte. The appointment is for life. When I visited Juan he was busy closing out his law practice and was already boning up on his new duties and responsibilities. It was interesting to talk to other attys in Albuquerque during my visit. They all expressed the opinion that Juan would make a fine federal judge as he already has an excellent reputation as an atty who is firm but fair. Besides having a very active law practice, Juan has been active in the NM State Bar Assn on the ethics cmte and has been a lecturer at the UNM Law Sch. Juan, a widower with 5 children, has also had a busy home life. Being an atty, I can very well appreciate the magnitude of Juan's success. Achieving a federal judgeship is the ultimate but very elusive goal of most practicing attys. Our Class can be singularly



1952: Malone and family.

proud of Juan's recent success." Jim also included an article from the front page of the Albuquerque Journal including a large photo of Juan talking on the phone, in which his USMA '52 Class ring shows up as clear as life. Extracting from the article, "Burciaga had been the leading candidate for the new judgeship since last Mar . . . He was one of 5 NM attys whose names were submitted to the White House last Jan by the state's Federal Judicial Selection Cmte . . . A native of Roswell, Burciaga is a 63 grad of the UNM Law Sch. He served as law clerk for U.S. Dist Judge H. Vearle Payne for a year be-

fore entering private practice in 1964 . . . After graduating from WP in '52, **Burciaga** served 8 years as a pilot in the AF and resigned in 60 to enter law sch . . . A widower, **Burciaga** has 5 teen-age children, including 2 sets of twins."

Ron Obach reports that, "At 2 p.m. on 1 Jul 79 I was married at the Cadet Chapel to **Ellen Walch** of Long Branch, NJ. **Doug Slingerland** was my best man and **Marie Grieco**, **Ellen's** sister, was the Matron of Honor. **Chaplain McDowell** officiated. Our address is 411 Riverdale Ave, W., Tinton Falls, NJ 07724. Tel: 201-542-8604. I'm not sure that I mentioned before that I ret on 1 Jan 78 and subsequently went to work in NYC for **Ebasco Svs Inc**, which is in the business of designing, engr and constructing nuclear, fossil-fuel, and hydro-electric power plants."

From the Engineer Wives Club Newsletter: "Maxine's and **Jack Gilkey's** son **John** graduated from the UOR as a Distinguished Scholar this month (Jun). We hope that **Jack** got back from **Tel Aviv** in time."

From **Army Times**: "A 7th Inf Div gymnasium has been renamed in honor of a div soldier who posthumously was awarded the MH for heroism during the Korean War. **1LT Richard T. Shea Jr.**, a member of the **Bayonet Div's A Co**, 17th Inf, was last seen sorely wounded from bullet and knife wounds battling enemy soldiers in hand-to-hand combat. Present at the dedication ceremony were his brother, **William**, his sister-in-law **Barbara**, and his nephew, **Sgt. Michael Shea**, assigned to **Ft Knox, KY**." **Gar Weed's** father, **GEN Mahlon S. Weed**, was among 9 recently selected for induction in the **KS NG Hall of Fame**. **Dick Larkin**, **DATT**, **Moscow**, has been named **CS, DIA, DC**, effective 13 Aug. **Rets: 30 Jun—Al Lawrence**, **Warren Spaulding**, **Bert Toepel**, and **Bob Turner**; **31 Jul—Wayne Elliott**, **Neal Lespasio**, and **Hank Meyer**; **31 Aug—John Cooke** and **Jim Crow**.

Don't forget to send me a Xmas card and jot down a few comments about yourselves and/or classmates! Until Mar then, please keep those cards and letters coming.

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It's my sad duty to report to you the passing of **Ken Sweeney** and of **Tinka Rote**, **Tom Rote's** wife. **Ken** died 11 Sept at **Holy Cross Hospital** in **Wheaton, MD**, after suffering a heart attack. A full mil honors funeral was conducted at **Arlington** with the **Ft Myer Chapel** filled with **Army** and **civ** friends, classmates, and family. **Sons**, **Patrick**, **Brian**, **Kevin**, and **Brenden** and a family friend were hon pallbearers. The **3d Inf** performed a most proper tribute to a fine soldier. **Ken** and **Joan** had been living in **Silver Spring, MD**, since his ret. **Joan** and **sons** continue to reside there.

Tinka passed away 4 Sept in **San Ant, TX**, of cancer. She is survived by husband **Tom** and children, **Tobin**, **Thomas**, **John**, **DeWitt**, **Hugh**, **Catherine**, **Ann**, **Josephine** and **Elizabeth** all of **San Ant**. **Burial** was in **Ft Sam Houston National Cemetery**. **Abbie McLennan** and **Muriel Leland** attended the services. The **Class** extends heartfelt sympathy to **Joan**, **Tom**, and their families.

A meeting of **Class officers** was held in **Sept** to discuss activities for the coming year. It was suggested that a renewed effort be



1953: Rog Peterson

made to raise monies for the **Class fund**. The current pledges total \$18,000 vs the goal of \$30,000 or more. Inflation has certainly changed the situation from what we perceived it would be in 83 when the presentation is to be made. Adjustments to the fundraising campaign appear in order, to include a new pledge and re-pledging program, and a higher goal. See the Sept issue of **ASSEMBLY** for details on the fund and the current status. Remember to mark any donations to the "WP Fund of the Association of Graduates" with "Class of '53." **Keith Born** (1303 **Altamira Court**, **McLean, VA 22101**) is your fund chmn.

Social functions for the **DC Group** were outlined for presentation at the **Oct business luncheon**. There will probably be a change to the routine of monthly luncheons and annual schedule of evening socials. Contact a **Class Officer** for details. I normally have the poop.

Getting the poop was another topic of discussion. A mailing is being planned which will include current issues. Accurate knowledge of the whereabouts of classmates is essential if the **Class Officers** are going to be effective in getting the word out. Please let the **AOG** know where you are. (Send a **PO change of address card**.) Those of you belonging to a regional/local **WP Soc** check in and insure your address is correct. Someone from each **Society** check to see the information gets to the **AOG**. A note of reassurance—no one who does not want to actively participate in **Class affairs** will be pressured to do so. The desire to know the whereabouts of everyone is for the purpose of passing the word. Another thought—maybe a classmate who was a dear friend would like to know where you are so that he might contact you? The **AOG** could provide that information.

Other items discussed by your **Class Officers** included nomination of a classmate for the **Ben Castle Award** (for distinguished service exemplifying the ideals of **WP** in either a mil or civ capacity), the status of obituaries, the gift for **Class offspring** who graduate from an **Academy**, and the latest version of the **Class Constitution and By-Laws** (copy available upon request).

In the **DC Area**, **John & Fran Bingham** are back from **AFSOUTH (Naples)** to **Army Discharge Review Bd**. **Chuck Fiala** departed

Belvoir to be **DCS Engr USAREUR**. **Gus Otis** was promoted to **LTG** and assumed duties as **DCSOPS**. **Jim Stuart** gave away daughter **Mary** to **Richard Schwab**, med stu at **Northwestern U**, at the old **Ft Myer Chapel**.

Around the **USA**, **Ed Davis** is **Prof of AF Science** at **Rutgers**. **Bob Karnes** is **VC TAWC**, **Eglin AFB, FL**. **Frank Drew** is **VC TFWC**, **Nellis AFB, NV**. **Rog Peterson** ret and joined **St. Louis-based Booker Asso, Inc.**, engr, architects and planners, as dir, proj mgmt. As dir, he will be responsible for the engr mgmt of all **Booker projects**. **Rand Araskog** was elected **ITT pres** and chief exec on 11 Jul 79. He is a member of the exec cmte of **ITT** and has been a dir of the corp since 77.

Overseas news has **John Seigle** to **Izmir, Turkey**, as **DCG AFSOUTH**. And in **HI** **Mike Cousland** serving as **ADC**, **25th Inf Div** was promoted to **BC**.

That's it, folks. How about you characters that belong to **WP Societies** appointing one classmate to be your local scribe and reporting to me (or whomever gets this task)? Those of you overseas try to organize an input into the column from your cmd. The rest of you reading this drop me a note. I will keep your contribution anonymous if you desire or credit the effort. **Happy Holidays**.

'54

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Class notes were so lengthy and the pictures submitted so numerous from all classes in the last **ASSEMBLY** that the staff was required to edit and delete some items. In a complete turn around this time, I received a single letter.

Bob Hunt from **Birmingham, AL**, reports he participated in a 26-mi marathon race at **Jackson, TN**, and was shocked to find he finished within 18 secs of another classmate running in the race—**Jim Higgs**. **Jim** is a dentist in **Jackson** and from the newspaper article he is an avid runner who enjoys passing the younger guys in the races. **Bob** regretted they were both too exhausted to get more details about each other.

On a business trip to **San Ant** in **Jul**, I was able to meet with **Dave (Lem) Sugg**, who is with the **Air TC** and **Al Jennings** at **Log Cmd**. Next trip I will attempt to have a get-together with more classmates there.

MG Jim Ahmann has been transferred from **ADCS Plans, Hq USAF** to **ACS/Operations, SHAPE**. **BG Rudy Wacker** from commanding the **81st Tac Ftr Wg, USAFE/RAF, Bentwaters/Woodbridge, UK** to **Cmdr, 42d Air Div, SAC at Blytheville AFB, AR**.

Meg Anderson, Darrel (Andy) Anderson's wife passed away here in this area in **Aug**. The **Class** extends our sympathy to **Andy** and all the children.

A **Class party** is planned here in **late Oct**. Hopefully we will have some pictures and more news from those attending.



'55

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We were all saddened by the loss of Bill Wilcox in Sept. Bill had put up a terrific fight the past year and was an inspiration to all of us who had a chance to visit with him. He was buried here at WP, and the service was conducted in the Old Cadet Chapel. There was a host of classmates in attendance. Dick Bean read the scripture, and Howie Stone delivered a befitting eulogy. The world is a better place for having had Bill in it, and there is a mighty big void now that he has departed. If any of you want Natalie's address, drop me a line.

The plans for our 25th Reunion are well underway. The Class of '55 "net" has been established, and each of you should have heard from your company POC by now. If you haven't, provide me your correct address, and I will get you on the distribution list.

The stars continue to fall on the Class of '55! The last BG list saw 5 of our classmates selected for promotion. They were Richie Cardillo, Todd Graham, Hugh Quinn, Whit Whittaker, and Fred Woerner. Our warmest congratulations go to each of these guys. We are proud of you.

Matt Schepps has corrected the Sept report concerning his asgmt. Matt is in Ecuador, not Venezuela as reported. He reported news on several classmates who are, or were, in an attaché asgmt. Jack Poirier is in training for Venezuela, and Bob Henry has begun training for Budapest. With Bob Wiegand in Brazil, Skip MacDonald in Argentina and Bob Joseph in Thailand, old '55 is well represented in the attaché world. Matt also reported that Jim Brokenshire has recently returned from Chile and plans to ret.

Got word from out CA way that Al Cini is in San Jose and sends his regards to all of his classmates. He should be running into Bill Hadly soon. Bill ret in Sept, and rumor has it he is returning to CA to get into teaching.

Carl & Jo Ann McNair have returned to Ft Rucker where Carl is the Dpty CG. Jim & Billie Darrah recently moved from Rucker to Hattiesburg, MS. Jim has ret and will work at the USMS as an academic counselor.

Ted Gay has moved since my last report and is in the Chief of Engrs office in the Pentagon. Jim Drummond recently spent a couple of days visiting with us here at WP. Jim was on his way to Canada to deliver an address to the Canadian Staff Coll. He corrected my remarks concerning the fact that Russ Parker was our last bona fide bachelor—Father Oscar Raynal should also fit that category!

The Sept report indicated the sons of '55 who entered in Jul with the Class of '83. Bob Jackson has informed me that we must still

be chauvinistic here because I neglected to mention a daughter of the Class of '55—his daughter Michele. Bob has lived in Woodbury, MN since leaving the Army and has been with 3M Co for 21 yrs. We hope to see Bob and Marcia at the 25th Reunion.

We hope to see all of you at the Reunion. Start planning!

'56

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The most exciting news by far is that 13 more '56ers have been selected for promotion to BG. They are Doc Bahnsen, Jim Dozier, John Foss, Gene Fox, Dick Kem, Mal Kirk, Don Morelli, Jack Nicholson, Don O'Shei, Charlie Prather (Saint), Bill Roll, Mark Sisyak and Ken Withers. A most deserving group if I ever knew one. Our heartiest congratulations to all and their proud families.

Also received a notice from Johns Hopkins that Lew Sorley was awarded the Dr of Phil degree from the Sch of Advd Intl Studies. Elsewhere in the DC area, some 50 classmates and wives turned out for a spur-of-the-



1956: Ken Withers with son George III, Class of '79.

moment—Class party this past Jul. A "Texas-casual" cocktail buffet was the event; renewing old friendships and talking about those not there was the entertainment. According to Dave Palmer, who was thoughtful to send me a report on the party, a valiant distaff volunteer made an excruciating search to locate all classmates in the DC area. If anyone failed to get the word, it means: (a) you were on vacation, (b) your phone was out of order or (c) your name is not on what passes for a local roster. Dave says a gallant effort is being mounted to update that roster, so if you weren't contacted, call him at 684-9070 to be included. If you don't, you risk missing the next event, too, and being talked about—again. Those new to DC at this writing include Charlie Prather, Bill Roll, John Wall, Ken Withers, Bob Hammond, Sam Kem, Mike Lion, Tom Griffin, Morgan Mayson, Jack Nicholson (with a new baby daughter!), Mike Sirkis and Dave Palmer. Recent departures from that area are Gus Johnson (to PA), Mike Conrad (to Germany), and Hawley Oakes (to WP).

Speaking of WP, Roger & Judy Roots' lovely daughter, Susan, will be married to Lt Richard Jordan on 3 Nov 79. The wedding is to be at the Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity, WP; the reception at the Hotel Thayer. There were 3 "first" sons of '56ers graduating this past Jun—Conrad, Knowles and Withers. Myra Withers tells me their son, George K. III, has chosen the Inf. Following basic and ranger schools, he will report to the 3d AD near Frankfurt, Germany. Ken Withers left his Engr Dist asgmt last Jun and is now in

DESOPS at the Pentagon. The Withers have seen John Wall, a new BG, who is Dpty Dir of Mil Progs in OCE. Sam Kem was a guest for supper with the Withers. Sam will wear his new "star" as Dpty Asst Ch of Engrs. Myra's older brother, Don Little is ret and working for the govt as a GS14. Don and wife Carole live in Frederick, MD. Their son Greg entered USMA with the Class of '83 and another son, Donald, enters the USMA Prep Sch this year.

Myra Withers has learned that Don O'Shea and Dick Curl will be the 2 Engrs in charge of the 2 airfields the U.S. is building for Israel on their soil. Dick & Louie Curl have two sons at WP; Jim graduates with the Class of '80; Jeff entered this year. Their youngest, John, graduated from high school and will be going to coll elsewhere. The Withers have recently moved to their home near Mount Vernon. They also have 2 daughters 15 and 13.

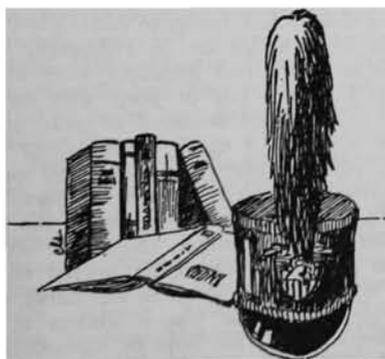
Dick Pierce is ret. He and his wife Zada are living in VA near DC. Zada is teaching Sp Educ Classes and has a master's degree. Both of their kids are at William and Mary this year, as is Sam Kem's daughter Michelle.

Carleton Coulter sent a most welcome note and a photo of himself rowing a boat at the Somerset Rod and Game Club in Forrest Hills, NJ. He spent the past summer in ME at Orrs Is and was planning on returning to his home in West Palm Beach, FL with a few stop-offs at colleges to give lectures. Carleton is enjoying his new career as a writer and novelist, but complains that it goes slow for him.

Maury Cralle is completing his 3d year as Asst Dpty Admin for Fin Mgmt and Constr, the number 3 man in VA. A half billion dollar annual constr prog has been added to his responsibilities. Maury and Penny have 7 children; 2 girls in college, 3 girls in high school, and twin boys further down the line. Maury was very thoughtful to send me a Federal Computer Conference brochure for an event to be held in DC on 6-8 Nov 79. Two of the people serving on the Program Advy Cp for this conference are none other than Jack Sharkey, Chief, Data Automation Div of FCC, and Marty Zimmerman, Dpty Asst CS for Automation and Comm, DA.

Steve Boylan will probably have been promoted to COL by the time you read this. He and Margaret have moved to Koblenz, Germany, where Steve is a U.S. LnO assigned to the III German Corps. Their boys, Peter, 17, and Kees, 14, are in German schools for the second time in their lives. They have a lovely home with a view of the Rhine. Steve has seen both Rick Brown and Arv West while on maneuvers in Germany.

Many thanks to Art Evans for his efforts to round up the '56ers in the L. A. area. He sent me some notes on what most of the guys in this vicinity are doing, and I am pleased to pass this poop on to all of you. Gary Hall recently ret. He now works for Kentron Intl on the cruise missile program. He also heads his own aerospace consulting firm and is a licensed realtor in this area. Gary and his wife have 3 children. Alan Florea is pres of Doral Building Svcs, Inc., a company he owns and recently formed to perform building and maintenance svcs. Dex Shaler heads his own company also, Minute-man Printing and Business Forms. Dex also recently earned a Master of Science degree in business admin from Woodbury Coll. Jerry Ankenbrandt just ret and is starting a





1956: Carleton Coulter.

new job at Hughes Aircraft Co. Larry Fitzgerald has just ret. I very much regret having to report that his wife Sharon was one of those killed in the recent DC 10 crash in Chicago, which made all the headlines. Our sincerest condolences to Larry. Chuck Scott is a minister with the World wide church of God and has a congregation in Pasadena. He also invests in and manages real estate income property. Jerry Skatvold is asst to the Pres of the Wassco Gp in El Segundo. He lives in San Marino. Les Mc-Christian is at SAMSO in the L. A. area and working on classified projects. As for Art Evans, he is an investor and owner of New Age Properties with offices in Hawthorne, CA. He and his wife Alice and their kids, Victor (17), Martin (6) and David (2) and one on the way, live in Manhattan Bch, CA. Art has an MS and PhD in learning psychology, was a college prof 6 yrs, has written 3 books and was in the movie business 10 plus years as a VP of Paramount Pictures and Sr VP of Pyramid Films. Art, Dex Shaler and Chuck Scott are also on the Bd of Dirs for the WP Soc of L. A.

As for the Wilkers, we now have our daughter Carolyn started as a freshman at the UCA at Davis, and we manage to stay well occupied with our professions and hobbies. We are still authoring price guides for antique slot machines and trade stimulators and travel around attending all the auctions of these items, as time permits. I am also the pres of the local chapter of the National Contract Mgmt Assn (the second largest such chapter in the nation).

Once again, we thank you all for your thoughtful cards and words of encouragement, and hope to hear from many more of you before the next deadline.

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Greetings and Happy 5740. For those of you who don't keep up with the times, that's the New Year according to the Hebrew Calendar. With the New Year came some joyous news for at least 4 of our classmates. Don Whalen, Jerry Schumacher, Church Matthews and Hardin "Ole" Olson all came out on the new Army BC selection list and will probably get their star within the next 6 months. Congratulations to you all, and I must say that this selection list

restored my faith in the system. Although there were more names that could easily have been included, the ones selected are certainly first rate. Just remember me if you ever get to sit on a board. Of course I'll probably be ret. by then. I have not heard any news about AF selections and would appreciate an update from someone out there. As a matter of fact, I'd appreciate any mail. All I got this month were letters from my most faithful correspondents, all of whom have become ghost writers in disguise. I'm thinking of retitling this, "The Life and Adventures of Bill Seely," because without him I'd be in even more trouble. Bill sent a picture taken during their visit to Pat & Don Ley in Chichicastenango, Guatemala. Speaking of pictures, I have not changed my name—they just printed it wrong under the picture on p99 of the last ASSEMBLY. How embarrassing! (I bet you never even noticed.) They also left out the punch line following the first sentence at the beginning of the article. It should have concluded, "Would you believe that



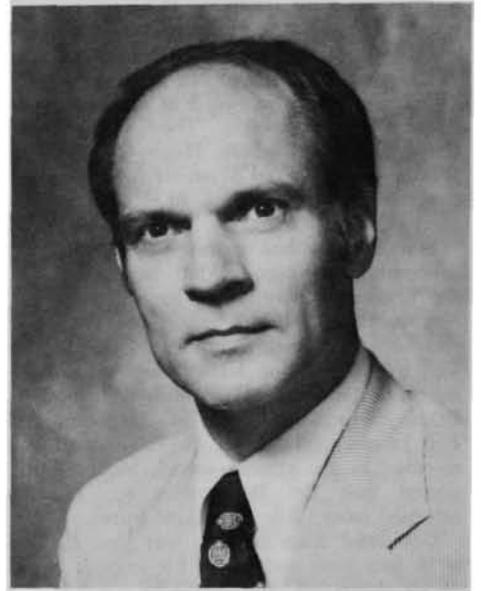
1957: The Seelys and the Leys.

it's really coming down out there (the rain, that is) right now—complete with thunder and lightning, and I'm glad I'm in here writing this." Coincidentally, it's raining now—but I'm not glad I'm writing this because it's way past my bedtime.

Got a note from Jose Olvera, who's a bit further south than Seely. He is the Chief, AF Section, USMILGP, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He saw Ben Waller at Randolph AFB last May, and Ben is busy recruiting (Airmen, that is). He also saw Bob Gadd, who is a planner for ATC at Randolph. Unfortunately, Bob introduced him to "Horses," a sometimes costly dice game for the uninitiated, and Jose had "the privilege of buying round after round of beer at a TGIF gathering in a very dark basement of the O Club." No wonder you lost, Jose, you probably couldn't see the spots. Jose also mentioned that Fred Smith, who preceded him by a couple of years in Buenos Aires, is the number 2 "Flesh peddler (personnel)" at TAC, Langley AFB, VA and is looking for someone to speak to him in Spanish. Message to Joe Quiros—send your NY address to Jose. For the rest of you, you're all welcome to drop in for home hospitality the next time you visit Argentina.

Got a pleasant note from Alex Vardamis who is now stationed as AA in Oslo, Norway. You may remember that Mike Keating is DATT in Stockholm, Sweden, and Justin La Porte will be reporting in a few months as AA in Copenhagen, Denmark. As Alex says, '57 has Scandinavia under control. Special congrats are due Alex's daughter Sharon who graduated Phi Beta Kappa,

Magne Cum Laude from Smith Coll this summer, with a dual major in Astronomy and Religion. One could also consider it a dual path to the heavens. She is now a 1st year grad stu at the Harvard Divinity Sch. Alex also mentioned that he had an article published in the Spring 79 issue of *Foreign Policy*, for those of you who read the serious stuff. That exhausts my mailbag, except for some press releases. Dick and Etta Dean have left the Nav WC—and the student life, but I don't know where they went. Oh well, anything has got to be good after being with the Navy. My daughter will get me for that. Jim Chernault also graduated from the NWC. Tom Keeley has been appointed to the position of Tng & Dev Mgr at the Hoover Co. in N. Canton, OH, after being Headmaster at Canton Country Day School for 6 yrs. That may be "county" but who



1957: Thomas W. Keeley.

am I to second guess a press release. I have it on strong rumor that Bill Champion has ret and is now living the good life in Atlanta. Is it true Bill?

The Class had the annual party at the Iversons on 22 Sept, but I, unfortunately, missed it. Maybe I'll have some info from it next time but don't count on it. Write! Otherwise, the next column may be shorter than this one.

'58

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Thirteenth column. I am not superstitious; however, this column has been even more difficult than normal to get started. Thanks to a reminder from the Editor today, I am typing this while listening to game 3 in Pittsburgh (the Orioles are in Pittsburgh, your scribe is not). Good intentions were unfulfilled: I took a box of poop with me on leave in Aug and managed to write not a single word. Next time! A word about next time. You will have to write or call me at Watertown. I took the liberty of promoting myself a little early. The power of the pen.

John Morrow Stanton, 16-year-old son of Annie and Jae, was fatally injured on 22 Sept when a car in which he was riding went out of control. He was a student at St. Stephen's School for Boys in Alexandria. A number of classmates attended the funeral



1958: GEN Rogers, Jack and Lynne.

service at the Ft Myer Chapel. Those of us in the packed chapel sang the St. Stephen's Hymn, the third verse follows:

A noble army, men and boys,
The matron and the maid,
Around the Saviour's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed.
They climbed the steep ascent of heav'n
Through peril, toil, and pain:
O God, to us may grace be giv'n
To follow in their train. Amen.

Expressions of sympathy may be in the form of contributions to St. Stephen's School for Boys in Alexandria, VA 22304.

On the 16th of July I was asked what I would do the next day, the day the selection list for colonel was to be released. I responded that I was going to a funeral and had to go on to explain that I was going to Ft Myer for the funeral of a classmate, Jack Carson. The night before the funeral, the night before the list, I gave some thought to how I would handle reporting the news of those of us selected for promotion and those of us not so chosen. Jack Carson's untimely addition to the Long Gray Line caused me to contemplate that as important as the colonel selection was, there are things far more important than selection or non-selection. Good health, families, peace with one's self are such important subjects not covered nor published in DAPC letters or circulars.

The foregoing serves to keep in perspective



1958: CSA and BG Bradshaw.

the news I'll now report. There were 136 of us in the primary zone, 2 of whom had been previously considered. Sixty-six were selected: LeMere, Willis, Manges, Ramsden, Hayden (Bob ret on 30 Jun), Kernan, Makowski, Melin (Pat ret on 30 Jun), Bellows, Sibert, Groh, Madigan, Dey, Johnston, Hudson, Gongola, OK Hill, Packard, Hamilton, Moscatelli, Webb, Weis, Bons, Mathis, Waskowicz, Gerry Mitchell, Gall, Daley, Sampson, Kulik, Schurtz, Stone (John ret 31 Jul), Andreson, Montgomery, Nuffer, Tony Bauer, Kosmider, Hutton, Raymond, Cockle, Rhodes, Brintnall, Hidalgo, Schwar, Kyle, Wilson, Stanton, Serchak, Tredway, Mahler, Donovan, DiMau-ro, Olson, Garlick, Maxson, Wentworth, Det-

lie (Doug ret 30 Jun), Tomlinson, Gibbings, Barrie Williams, Bahnsen (Pete ret 30 Jun), Van Fleet, Mace, Harvey, Brad Johnson, Griffin. To the 61 new colonels (Chuck LeMere was promoted 1 Sept, 9 more are to follow on 1 Nov, All Saints' Day, and the rest should make it on 1 Dec, tho the forecast for Dec is not out yet), congratulations. To the other 70 I can say that your omissions have detracted from the pleasure of selection for the ones being promoted. At the 20 year mark we were a bit below the DA average for selection to RA LTC. At the 21 plus mark we are a bit below the DA average for selection to AUS COL. Neither difference is significant statistically. I just find it hard to believe that we aren't more competitive than that at the 20-21 year point. Are we failing our Alma Mater? Has she failed us? Is 58 doing better, worse, same as 54, 55, 56, 57 did? Questions which I cannot answer. Perhaps someone can or should.

Meanwhile, our classmates ahead of us "due course" types are continuing to excel. Add 4 more Army files to those selected for stars and our new total is 8 in the Army and one in the AF. Hearty congratulations and best wishes for continued success are extended to Dick Graves, Ben Pellegrini, Chuck Teeter, and Linc Jones! Please remember your scribe when the ceremonial pictures are returned. I'd like to share your big day pictorially in the column. Thanks are sent to Jack Bradshaw for the pics which arrived via Dick Reynard. All I need now, Jack, is your write-up on the Oct 78 Class meeting on the subject of Class gift giving. Your new suspense is 31 Dec 79, a quick year since your first missed suspense of 31 Dec 78.

USAF Colonels. My fears were confirmed: they were promoted on 1 Sept. Congratulations to Bujalski, Crowley, Doucette, Durkee, Don Edwards, Hansult, Dan Johnson, Kubiak, Burt Miller, Phillips, Porciello, Rudolph, Ruud, Ryan, Shellenberger, Frank Smith and Soper. Chuck Proflet ret to FL in Aug before getting promoted and locked-in for awhile. In case you forgot, the AF classmates had 18 selected for COL out of 60 in the primary zone. Add this tidbit to my foregoing remarks about Army selections. Sir, I do not understand!

Miscellaneous. The 10th Column covered the 20th Reunion. (Mar 79 ASSEMBLY), the 11th was mostly pictures and little news (Jun 79) and the 12th covered our losses of Tony Evans and Jack Carson, our first BG promotees: Jack Bradshaw and Tom Carpenter, and lots of ret. This time I'll try to catch up on the many notes and tidbits I've had for the past year and not yet reported. Please do not anticipate any organization to this and recognize that some of this old news is no doubt incorrect by now.

Jack May became a National Champion after winning the Sport Car Club of America title in Atlanta last year in category, F Production, in his Triumph Spitfire. The picture in 25 Dec Sports Illustrated would not reproduce for use in ASSEMBLY. Jack wrote that he's leaving all business operations in the hands of associates, moving to Europe to travel extensively and consult for some condominiums in Spain and, perhaps, write a book. Write again, Jack, I promise to report more quickly next time. Karl Oelke called before going to Ft Riley for USAR "counterpart tng" in Jul-Aug 79. He's still in Belle Meade, NJ. I'd like to get him in ODCSRDA as a MOBDES along with Garry Roosma. Any other USAR types out there

interested in Pentagon MOBDES tours? Let me know.

George Walker's parents called me in May while visiting the Carpenters. They reported seeing Mike Riordan who has "not changed one little bit." George's brother Rick is an AF COL at the Air WC.

Mimi Sigler wrote before their move to Galveston where Jim is now the Dist Engr. They have qtrs at Ft Crockett, a Coast Guard base. Jim Jr is at CO Sch of Mines; Cynthia is a frosh at UCO in Boulder; Robert is HS junior at home. Jim & Mary Ruth Peck are in Baltimore (Jim is Dist Engr). Don & Marty Palladino are in Ft Worth, TX, also in the Dist Engr game, as are Terry & Harriet Connell in Portland, OR. Orlie & Harriet Hill are also in Portland in recruiting duty, scandalous news you heard here first. George & Gale Robertson are back in DC after 3 yrs in AK. Next summer George may organize a picnic for the DC gang. Warning order!

Pete Shunk called in May. He's one of



1958: Linda, Pat and LTG Keith, Retirement 30 Jun 79.

the 45% who doesn't subscribe to ASSEMBLY. He reads his father's copy, number 10. Pete's at Ft Huachuca along with John Sutherland and Gary Kosmider. Pete's wife, Rosie, should be there now from Norway where she worked. I think they met while Pete was stationed in Denmark. My notes are virtually unintelligible. Pete reports that Hugh Morgan is a lawyer in Knoxville, TN; is part owner of a plane, and has 2 daughters and a son.

A-2 Report. John Holecek ret from Ft Dix and is in St Pete, FL, in real estate. John Nun ret in DC area. Ken Montgomery is in Pentagon in ODCSOPS waiting for seq no. 208. Jud Ellis is at Tyndall AFB, Panama City, FL (I hope he was overweight on the move because he still has the 1968-72 era DC party files I gave him in 1970). John Bradley ret from Ft Leavenworth, KS, to Houston, TX. Buz Bruzina moved from S1, USCC to Ft Riley, KS. Stan Toney is at Hanscomb AFB near Boston (scribe should get to see Stan in Boston area soon). Gin Lancaster is "somewhere in Germany, no one will tell." Willie Smith ret from Nellis AFB, whereabouts unknown. Les Gibbings is in Pentagon, ODCSOPS, waiting for no. 233. Bill Cooper ret from Pentagon in Oct 78 and may still be in DC area. Jim Roberts is in Dist Engr office, Huntsville. Dave Coury is rumored to be at Bragg, at Ft Meade, to have had a coronary. Lots of rumors, no poop. Phil Raign is Dpty Base Cdr at Reese AFB. Fi Faiola is realtor in Marin County (San Fran area) CA (I've heard he's recovering well from his coronary). Most of the foregoing was via Chuck Densford. Thanks.

More from **Chuck Densford**. **Joe Keyes** is a DA civ working at White Sands as is **Pete Byrne**. I think they are both in TRAS-ANA. **Chuck** talked to **Sandy Roosma** at Ft Hood. Will's the Corps IG while waiting for Bde cmd. The bde he was to get is being deactivated. **Poor Will**, now he's going to HI to cmd the 2d Bde, 25th Div. Who else but my roommate would go to Hood for command and wind up in HI? **Chuck** talked to **Mel Drisco**, commanding the 1st Bde, 25th Div. **Mel** is looking forward to **Will's** arrival in Apr. So is **Michener** who will write a sequel to HI to cover the exploits of **Roosma**, **Tank Reid** (at PACOM, Camp Smith) and **Dave Swanson** (PMS at UHI). Throw in **Ron Turner** for good measure, use your imagination and the story unfolds. The islands were beginning to recover from the 1958 onslaught as lieutenants 20 years ago. The bones of the missionaries and whalers will cry out to be returned to peaceful New England.



1958: Hruby and Van Fleet.

Chuck reported seeing **Brad Johnson** and **Bob Dey** at the Army-TN game last year! He also saw **Jerry Cook** who was in school in Atlanta. **Hugh & Margaret Morgan** attended the reception after the game. They didn't make Reunion because their flight home from the 15th was too exciting for **Margaret** due to poor weather and low fuel.

Joe Schwar is at SHAPE. Your mission, **Joe**, is to get the Class gift poop from **Jack Bradshaw**! **Dick Price** was at the US Mission in Brussels. He should be at Andrews AFB now. **Frank Wright** called to say he did not go to Somewhere, SD, but went to Grand Forks AFB, ND instead. He ran in the 4th Annual Merced Watermelon Classic. I am concerned for him because the running season is short—4 Jul to Labor Day.

Mel Drisko ran the NYC marathon in Oct 78 with his 14-yr old son. They ran the last 12 miles or so together and finished in 3+40. **Mel** ran Boston this past Apr and requalified for next year.

Jim Ramsden completed his orals at Johns Hopkins and will concentrate on research this year. He'll be returning to WP in Jun 80. **Hugh Trumbull** ran into **Dick Schonberger** at Ramstein AFB in Germany in Apr. **Dick** recently joined the Pentagon contingent in ODCSOPS. **Mike Daley** called seeking information on **Don Johnson** (still at Lynchburg Coll, though I did not see **Don** in the crowds while running the VA Ten-Miler on 22 Sept), **Ted Burke** and **Dick Schonberger** (whom I reported as being in San Fran as a lawyer . . . anyway, **Dick** is in Pentagon and **Paul** is the San Fran lawyer).

AWC corresponding studies included **Jack Downing** (a drop out since his Sept ret from ODCSRDA. **Jack & Margie** are remaining in DC area), **Neil Mathis**, **John Raymond**,

and **Joe Shea**. **Gene Wilson** is Post and Div IG at Ft Lewis. **Tom Morgan** is still at Lewis along with **Linc Jones**. **Gene** was here recently while attending the DAIG Sch. At his ret **Jack Downing** made thoughtful remarks about **Margie's** career as an Army wife and concluded by removing his medal pinned on by LTG Keith and pinned it on **Margie** saying, "I have one, this one's yours."

Dave & Mary Gene Depew returned from Thailand last Feb. The Mayfair Church of Christ withdrew its support. The **Depews** are now in Temple, TX at 2630 Marlandwood Cir, Zip 76501. **Ken Phillips** ran into **Lou Prime**. **Lou** is at Kirtland AFB in Albuquerque working in Nuclear Surety Agcy. Before he left, **Chuck Profilet** reported that **Stan Slater** is at Charleston AFB. **Stan** is recovering from a coronary and is contemplating ret.

A Christmas card, 1978 version, mentioned here to remind you to send your 1979 cards to me at Watertown immediately upon reading the ASSEMBLY, from **Butch & Ginny Saint**. **Ginny** laments our movement toward the front of the ASSEMBLY and suggests that the Class columns be scrambled. **Butch**, please send me a picture when you are promoted to BG.

Howard Donnelly, ex-'58, H-1, called while in DC. He is a math instr at Grossmont Comm Coll in San Diego. I gave him the addresses of H-1 files in DC, another violation of the Privacy Act, no doubt. I had a flyer for a party returned as not deliverable to **Ron Short**. **Ron** may be in New Market, VA. **Dick Reidy** reports that **Barry Zwick** is back in Sun Valley, "enjoying the good life." **Dick** also reports that **Mike Mahler** is enjoying Heidelberg, Germany.

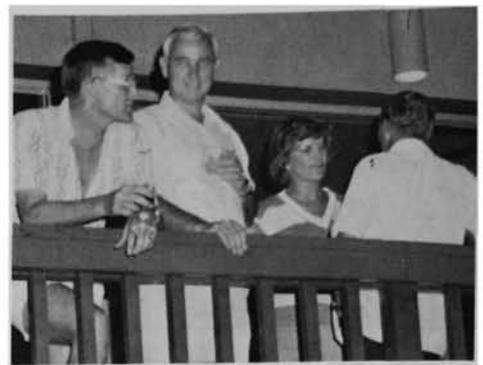
Bob Grete called from Hurlburt AFB, FL. I blew his mind by putting **Van Fleet** on the phone. **Bob** started a small Christian school in 73. It has grown from 22 kids then to 160 now. He may ret and go into the school fulltime. **Bob** expects to attend the spring 80 TEEN PAC (Political Action Clubs) convention in DC in spring 80.

Grandfather Lou Gennaro is still at WP. My reporting his ret was premature. **Grandfather!** **Lou's** daughter **Mary Lou** provided grandson **Jason Michael Sano** at 1737 hours on 22 Sept 79. Any other grandparents out there?

Jim Hall is the Dpty Div Engr of Middle East Div in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. I think that **Dee** and sons **Jamie** and **Michael** are in Albuquerque. More on **Noni & Josh Jaschen** who went to Naples to the NATO Def Coll en route to NATO staff asgmt. Seems they rented their house to their yearling son's roommate's parents. Just think, he can visit his own house while visiting the roommate on leave.

Plebes. I think that a **Finkenauer** and a **Hruby** joined the class of 1983. I'll try to work with Regt Cdr **Moscattelli** and 1st Classman **Kelly** to get a complete list of 58 sons and daughters at WP along with a group picture. Perhaps **Chuck Profilet** could arrange the same for offspring at USAFA.

Jim Chapman, at Reese AFB, may get to DC soon to visit his parents. **Jim** reports that **Phil Raign** has orders for Sembach AFB, Germany. He told me something about **Don McCullough**, but my notes shed little light. **Mike Harvey**, **Jack Bujalski**, **Dick Graves**, and **Gene Wilson** each get meritorious classmate awards for either visiting Scribe's office while in DC or stopping in to report arrival to DC. **Mike** is in JCS/J5. He reports that **Dick**

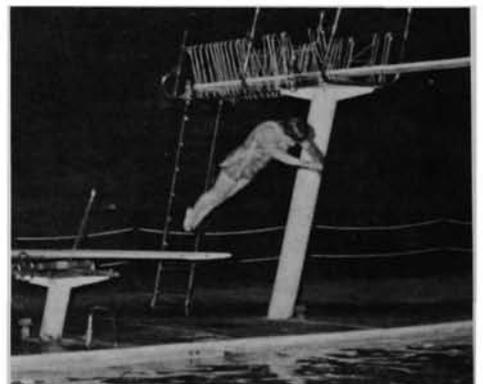


1958: Bradshaw, Profilet, Linda Mellin and Densford—Aug 78.

Bauchspies remained at the NavWC in the Mgmt Dept. **Mike** confirmed **Orlie Hill's** move to Portland. **Dick Graves** stopped en route to Ft Hood to become CS of 2d AD. **Jack Bujalski** is a new AF colonel on the Air Staff. **Chuck Profilet** gets a meritorious award for his 30 Sept letter wherein he wrote, "Finally read the Sept ASSEMBLY to find your next suspense is 30 Sept." He gets 3.0 for the proper response upon completing the column. **Chuck** ret 31 Jul and went to work 6 Aug for Reynolds, Smith and Hills, an AE firm in Ft Lauderdale, FL.

Don Williams ret from Pentagon. He will be curator and **Betty** the asso curator of the Fndn, Library and Museum on Americanism at Collingwood on the Potomac. The Fndn was initiated by the Sojourners, mil Masons. **Phil Pryor** called before the Army-Stanford game. He promised details later. **Jack Bujalski** reports that **Ray Hansen** is at Nellis AFB. **Ray** works in ACMI, the air combat maneuvering instrumentation range. **Paul Ruud** has been promoted out of his job in Math Dept at USAFA. **Mary Ruud** is still in real estate in Colo Spgs and hates to move. Back to **Bujalskis**, their son **Shawn** is at Harvey Mudd Engr Sch in Claremont, CA. Another son **Blaine** is working in Las Vegas while their daughter **Shelli** is at College of Santa Fe, NM.

Ken Herberger ret from Ft Monmouth, but is not at Lockheed in LA area. **Ken** is with **Kura-Alterman** in Wayne NJ. I received a letter from **Tom Claffey**. **Tom** hasn't heard from **Jack Bradshaw** lately and was amused by my continuing saga of **Jack's** AWOL info on class funds/giving. **Gary Kosmider** wrote from Huachuca, "The best kept secret in the Army!" **Gary** and **Mary** are buying in Sierra Vista and enjoying the weather, casual living, and his job as Cdr, USA Comm Mgmt Info Sys Activity. **Stew Willis** wrote to let me know that **Lou Gennaro** is still in Dept of Engrg, USMA, as is **Duff Manges**. **Stew** saw **Swede Olson** in Jun. **Swede** was cleaning



1958: Joan Andreson—Aug 78.

out his safe deposit box in Highland Falls en route to ret living in Minot, ND.

Gene Wentworth has gone to DLA, Cameron Station. Next summer he'll be going to USAREUR. Son Gib Wentworth is soph at TX A&M where daughter Pamela is a freshman. Seems the girls are called "Waggies." Hugh & Ann Trumbull have daughter Donna at Hood in Frederick, MD. Another Dist Engr, Sam Collins, is at Vicksburg, MS. Linda Waskowicz wrote about Frank's job as speech writer for the CSA. Frank's many years as scribe qualified him for the job; however, I want to reassure the Class as well as Frank that I have no aspirations in that direction. A column once a quarter is too much to handle, let alone 2-3 speeches a week! In his spare time Frank paints miniature soldiers which are popular gift items at Springfield Mall. The DC gang had its 3d annual swimming party on 14 Jul. My list of attendees is at the office; however, many were repeaters from the first 2. The pictures are from 1978 party, not released sooner because of using many pictures from Reunion. Our 10 Nov 79 cocktail party was cancelled because no one volunteered to organize it. Think I'll exercise the chain of command and pass the residual DC party funds to Tom Carpenter.

My next deadline will be 4 Jan. Follow the example of Chuck Profflet and write when you reach this portion of the column!

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This is another of those columns that will be overtaken by events: it's written in Sept, published in Dec, and most of us will have seen each other in the interim. I'm told that there will be some notes and photos of the Reunion in the front of the magazine, however.

I have only one photo to submit with these notes, and it's one of those big, full-color glossies that only the CE could afford. It might not print, since ASSEMBLY wants B&W glossies, so I'll describe what's in it. It's Al & Nancy Dorris being congratulated by MG James L. Kelly ('50), CG of Ft Belvoir, upon Al's assuming command of the Mobility Equipment R&D Cmd. Al is grinning, and Nancy is radiant.

Speaking of colonels, the new O-6 list is out, and after much squinting, I've culled the following names: Bair, Dick Bennett, Broocke, Cotts, Covington, Donlon, Enright, Evans, Guild, Haight, Darel Johnson, Kubo, Larsen, LeClerc, Lidy, Luther, Madigan, McConnville, Mc Nerney, Newberry, Andy O'Meara, Orndorff, Paschall, Tom Roberts, Dick Rogers, Schow, Socks, Tillar, Tex Turner, Weekley, and Wilson. Way to go, men! Many pardons if I missed anyone. Seeing Enright's name on the list makes me wonder why I reported him ret last issue.

Another reported ret last issue was that of Don Ingram, who writes that the report was greatly exaggerated. He's been away at NATO for 6 yrs, he says, and is now PMS at TCU in Ft Worth. The TCU news service wrote me to back that up, and says that Don not only has Master's in French and German, but also the Diplome Superieur d'Alliance Francaise Paris. Take that, MILPERCEN computer!

Howie Stiles called and we had a nice chat. He reports that Charlie Getz is G3 of



1959: Al and Nancy Dorris.

the 18th Abn Corps at Bragg and had a bde of the 82d for 22 mos before that. John Mc Nerney is in the G3 shop also, and George Harrison is XO of one of the bdes. Bunky Joh is flying for Delta Airlines and has a small law practice in Atlanta on the side. Lou Sullenberger is also in the Atlanta area. Howie was at Ft Hood in Mar and saw Jay Redding and Charlie Johnson. Em McCracken has recently taken cmd of the 96th Civil Affairs Bn, but my notes fail to reveal where that is. The most puzzling note of all reads: Jerry Mills, Simmons AF Ft Bragg ret com RE." I guess I forgot to ask Howie what he was doing. Getting senile.

Bill Zierdt wrote for the first time in 20 yrs to tell me, of all things, that I was right about his having ret. Let a guy get a little time on his hands and there's no telling what he's liable to do. Bill's now a private mgmt consultant specializing in exec dev, and at the moment he has a tech report for Ctr for Creative Leadership and a book for Xerox Learning Sys in progress. He runs some programs for American Mgmt Assn and for the Chaplains' School and is a special consultant for Booz Allen. This all, of course, in addition to his being director of training for the Ctr of Values and Mgmt of Santa Clara and Rabat, Malta. His oldest daughter is a business major at Ball State; the middle is finishing high school and en route to pre-med at Indiana U; and young Bill, at 14, still thinks the whole world's a hockey rink. Bill sends greetings from Box 16237 Indianapolis 46216, and regrets he'll miss the reunion.

Greetings also from Wally Wands, who says that she and Don had looked forward to the 20th. She is at R.R. 1, Timberland Estates, Morton, IL 61550, and is perhaps the only one in the world who knows the whereabouts of John & Margie Hyde and Tom & Sandy Soli. She is also in touch with Harry & Ida Walters and has seen Wayne Mercer recently.

I'm happy to report that Jay & Phyllis Walsh are moving back into their house, which burned last Mar. Old Jay wants us to note that young Jay is a plebe in D-4, his asst squad ldr ('82) is young Chris Thudium, and the 4th Regt Tac is old Ray Baugh. Both Jays are supposed to be in the '34 section this issue, and O.J. claims they look so much alike that we are advised that it is Y.J. in the cadet uniform. And Micki Williams writes that she delivered son Eric, 18, to enter the Class of '83 on 2 Jul. Bruce had to stay in Colo Spgs with Chris-

tian, 16, and Carla, 14, but he hoped to see Eric at WP sometime in Aug while on a business trip. Micki did see Diane & Ollie Langford, who were leaving their new plebe, Gary, but says she missed any other classmates. Probably overlooked O.J. because of his extremely youthful appearance.

Nothing else to report folks, except a couple of engraved announcements. One from the Atlanta law firm of Gambrell, Russell & Forbes, announcing that Doug Campbell is now a partner; and the other from the Alexandria office of Town & Country Realtors, which says that Pat Campbell (our esteemed Treas's wife), has joined the firm. Next time the real dirt on all those you suspected of staying at class parties too long!

'60

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Not much to report after the summer. Congratulations to all on the COL's list. The Class was well represented.

I must apologize for the misidentification of Bill Raymond as being in Korea for Founders Day. Will the real individual (Jack Hug) please stand up. Both wrote to tell me of the error! Making mistakes is a source (the only source?) of input for this column???

Bill Raymond passed on that he and Bette are at Ft Belvoir where Bill is assigned to the Material and Safety Div of the Nuclear and Chem Agcy. His previous job was as Chief, Nuclear Operations Branch, HQ AFNORTH. Their current address is 417-B Rossell Loop, Ft Belvoir, VA 22060. Their son William Jr. joined the Class of '83 in Jul (as did Dick Healy's son and Buddy Griffith's son). Bill Jr. is the 6th generation of his family to attend USMA (1825, 1865, x1888, 1923, 1960, 1983). All these grads were Raymonds with the exception of William R. Montgomery (Class of 1825). The Raymonds also have a nephew at USAFA, another at USNA (BEAT NAVY) and a 3d at USMA (Class of '81).

Jack Hug passed on that he is currently a military judge at Ft Ord (U.S. Army Judiciary, 4th Judicial Circuit, Ft Ord, CA 93941).

Prior to departing CONUS we saw Bob Burnell who was en route to the Dept of For Lang at USMA. I'm sure that he and Connie will enjoy that asgmt and will be a welcome addition to the WP community.

Here in Belgium I've seen several classmates. Johnny & Martha Hubbard live close



1960: Cadet William Montgomery Raymond Jr., Class of 1983, Co. I-3.

to us in Mons. Johnny works in Plans and Policy. Red Seaward, Les Langseth and Charlie Decko are also here at SHAPE. We had a brief visit with Chris Gigicos in Brussels prior to his departure for TRADOC. Bob Totten is also in Brussels and will be there until next summer when he will take over an Engr Bn at Ft Belvoir.

That's about it. I need help in the way of information on which to prepare this column.

BEAT NAVY!

'61

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No pictures, no news, no calls from the Class and only a week before deadline; but then the loyal few dropped me a line so the column will be short but not completely blank. The ASSEMBLY ed did send out a letter to hold down the size of the class notes because he was forced to cut down the length of the Bulletin Board, delete the Book Review, and completely scrub the newest feature, "Letters to the Editor," in the Jun issue so as to include the scribe's contributions. I will always try to edit your contributions to keep our Class article to a reasonable length, but it's difficult to keep the Class informed when I don't have the news. Thanks to those who have helped, and a special request to the other 90% of the Class to sit down now during the holidays and send me a card.



1961: From left: McBee, Baldwin, Clough, Gillespie and Heiman.

Congratulations to those who made the secondary zone on the new COLs list: Pete Boylan, Bob Chelberg, Rusty Dyer, Charles Green, Glynn Mallory, Phil Malory, Howard Roberts, John Solomon, Ray Starsman, Ted Vanderels, Jerry White, Frank Williams, R. J. Wooten, and Mike Xenos. My apologies if I missed anyone. Please write and I'll pick you up in the next issue.

Linda Hartford wrote from their new home in Pullman, WA. Jay, Linda, and children, Stacy and Jeff, moved from MI for Jay to take a position as VP (Business Finance) for WA State U. Army plays the WSU Cougars next year in Pullman so maybe a West Coast reunion is in order. Army plays well on the West Coast as Stanford can testify; so look out Cougars! The Hartfords' phone number is 509-332-6017 for those in the area.

Jim Strachan writes from Ft Sheridan where he, Kim and kids are stationed while Jim is the Ch of Public Affairs for the Recruiting Cmd. Jim must be enjoying the Ft Sheridan area or the recruiting duty because DA has just approved an extension for him until 81. Maybe the fact that his family includes Kim Trang, who just started at LA Tech U on a scholarship; son, a high school

frish; Hieir, in jr high; Kim-Melba, 7th grade; and Jame Gordon in elementary sch had some influence on his decision not to look for a new asgmt. The Chicago sch sys couldn't stand the shock. He did see Joe Czuberki who was on his way to the Presidio of San Fran where he will be the Post XO. Let us hear from you, Joe.

Harry Miller called from the project manager's office for the XM-1 in Detroit to set the record straight that he was the "unknown" in the Seoul, Korea, Founders Day picture in the last ASSEMBLY and that Ray Tillman was next to him. If the names had been right we would have never heard from him. Harry left his family in the Detroit area during his Korea tour with I Corps, and fortunately was able to return there for his present asgmt. Also in the PM office is Terry Alexander on the A-3/M-60 program, and Dave Mace on the Fighting Vehicle Sys. Warren Miller is stationed with the AF at SHAPE in Brussels.

Also returning from Korea to the DC area for a tour with OTEA, if DA has their choice, is Frank Gibson. Hoot had thoughts about returning to WP and we wish him the best, but if an asgmt to DC is in his future, Trish Buckner has a good real estate investment for him.

The female offspring from the Class are making their presence felt in the N. VA Swim League and the AAU team at Ft Belvoir. Tom & Brenda Blanda returned from HI a year ago with a whole family of swimmers. Juli, 13, swims distances up to 1500 meters and butterfly; Holly, 10, set 3 records and took 1st place in the 50 meter breaststroke to make the N. VA All Star team; Kathy, 9, swam undefeated in the "8 and under" free-style and backstroke events in the NVSL this summer. Bruce & Barbara Lammers returned from Europe where Brandi, 10, had been swimming on a team coached by Joe Maio. She captured a number of ribbons in the NVSL and is now practicing with the Ft Belvoir Sharks AAU team at 4:30 a.m. Todd Counts' daughter, Christy, 9, has been competing on both teams. Jennifer Anselm, 8, has been swimming back, free, and butterfly, earning a number of ribbons and trophies for the NVSL in the past 2 seasons and is now swimming at Ft Belvoir too. Maybe not Moscow in 80, but look out L.A. in 84!!

Don & Jan Landry passed through Hilton Head Is, NC where they ran into Bert Yancey. Bert is still teaching golf at Hilton Head and doing very well. Don is stationed with the CE Study Ctr which keeps him busy running between the Pentagon and other Federal offices in the DC area.

Stan Clough organized a mini-reunion of the Class contingent at Ft Monmouth. At the reunion were Chuck Heiman who is Dpty Cdr HISA and lives in Jackson, NJ; Byron Baldwin who just returned from a tour in Taiwan; Don McBee who is in the PM office for SINCGARS, lives in Little Silver, NJ, and attends law sch at Seton Hall at night; and Frank Gillespie who is the Dpty Comdt of USAMAPS. Stan is in the PM office for Army Tac Comm Sys and also passes on that he ran into Joe Russo who is teaching in Long Beach.

From Izmir, Turkey, Al Hokins writes that he is on his way to DC for an asgmt on OJCS-Crisis Mgmt Comm Tm. A move from Turkey to the Pentagon should provide many interesting and challenging experiences under normal conditions, but Al is coming with family and 2 registered TN walking horses. Good Luck! Chuck Westphaling is also in Turkey with COMLANDSOUTHEAST-NATO. Chuck had just received word of his

selection to the AWC so he'll be returning in the summer of 80. Al visited Weisbaden and met Jay Brooks who is now the Ch Mental Health Clinic of the USAF Hosp.

Bill Tobin called from WP where he is working in the Athletic Dept with Bob Cairns. Also stationed at WP are Carl Bacon, Dir of Inst Rsch, Bruce Halstead, in the Dept of Engr, and Pete Heimdahl, a perm asst prof of Mech. Pete Gleichenhaus left WP about a year ago to take a command at Ft Hood. It has taken Pete a little longer than usual to reach his next station, but considering the schools and military posts visited en route he did make pretty good time. At the AWC he met Jack Dorr on his way to Europe to command an Engr bn. Howard Graves on special asgmt waiting to go to Ft Bragg to take over an Engr Gp, Bob Broyles, chief of Protocol, and Chuck Armstrong on his way back to ODCSOPS at the Pentagon. At Ft Leavenworth there were Jay Olijniczak and Bill Tyler. Larry Budge and Pete Offringa were passing through on their way to take over the 3d Bde of the 1st AD and an Engr Bde in Europe respectively. Pete is planning a spring get-together for those of you in the TX area so contact him at 52341-2 Billoxi Court, Ft Hood, TX 76544. AVN: 747-2770/2508.

A late call from Channing Greene in Arlington Hts, IL where he is advising the 12th SF Gp (USAR). Channing was assigned to the 10th SF prior to his present asgmt. While with the 10th SF at Ft Devons he did attend a dinner of the WP Soc of New England and saw Brian Schultz and Bob McCarthy who live near Foxboro, MA. Bob has been elected to the State Senate and Brian is with an engr firm.

My best for the holidays to all of you and keep in touch AVN: 227-8899/0459. The deadline for the next issue is 31 Dec 79.

'62

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Finally we've begun to go to the "birds" what with a COL list sporting the crowd the likes of Reimer, Prince, Gorden, Goldberg, Downing, Py Browning, and Billy Thomas-Good Show-Now a few stars wouldn't hurt the picture. Adding other honors were 2 MSM's awarded to Gorden and Grimshaw. CONGRATS . . . you-all.

My southern accent comes from a great toot in Atlanta where tell the following souls reside as area birds: Culver, Harrison, Johnson, McElhose, McKay, Price, Shope, Wertz, Williams, Wylie, and O'Brien. If you want more data, phone to my carousing partner in crime, lawyer Chuck Ivy at (404) 659-1000 for the poop.

Reached Merle Williams who reported a prospect of heading back to the navigation business because of rated shortages in the USAF. Matt Whelton was put in the same position. Merle is at DCASR as exec in a Tri-service outfit reaching the eight SE states. He resides there with wife, Jo, and young son, Todd (10). Tried to reach Bill Harrison at Ft McPherson to find out if he ret-no luck either way. But, Karl Henn ret on us and wrote a letter to rub it in. He is with Fisher Body Div of GM as Sr Proj Engr. He lives near a lake in Troy, MI, and turns all his checks over to wife, Joyce and sons Karl (3) and Matt (1).

The Detroit area also has Tank Telenko stashed with the XM1 Battle Tank as the



1962: Steve and Liz Holderness with Rebecca, Lisa and Stephen.

first Armor officer to hold forth over production. Heavens, what common sense pervades. Tank went crazy over the logic and reports having a wife, Dana, with 4 young 'uns—Trent (16), Todd (15), Troy (13) and Tracy (10). Whew—while doing all of this he managed to acquire 2 master's degrees in Mech Engr and Engr Mgt respectively. He noted that Meeth and Mengel are proj mgrs in the same program; Scharpf in Fighting Veh Sys and Currin working for Jeep Div, Amer Mtrs. Schmidt is reported messing over the securities world for big bucks in Bloomfield Hills watching W. Ward being Marketing Chief for Cadillac Gage. Christopher keeps adding his list to a million law partners as a parallel to lawyer Dave Jones who is over the border in Toledo.

Now cometh Wilkerson with the poop that Ailing, Gross, Sholly and McEnany (Hello, Lil . . .) are spending time with change of cmd ceremonies and really ticking off all those parade rest troops. Rusty also met up with Storar who is reserve majoring as a 416th Engr Cmdr but really works as a chief proj engr for Beth Steel in PA.

Gus Zenker can write and his long letter from Sill says he runs the ORSA typing pool with some neat title to do with cannon cocking. But, his greatest assets are his reported 6 kids now all in school—Praises be, Mom—they being Darlene, lady of the house; Suzy (15), Dahri (14), Natale (13) noted as all boy crazy and vice versa; sons, EG (16) John (11) and Robert (5). Kindergarten today means Daddy's job tomorrow. Other reported Sillites are Holeman and Morin. Gus wins the gas award in earlier copy. Stamps follow with grateful thanks, Gus. . . .

Lane says to buy his book or you all get poop sheeted. He spent 3 yrs completing Rudder's Rangers which was released on 7 Aug. Write your scribe for how to get a copy and Downing needs 12. Ron's wife Sharon sells real estate with Century 21—Fireside in the DC area for those going that way. She actually is the real underwriter of his book by not only working but providing the wherewithal for Debbie (15), Ron Jr. (14) Robert (12), William (10) and Michele (the Paris baby, you see) who was 3 on 17 Jul. Now that is WP organization. Pentagon attendees noted were Chrobak, Rigby, Crowell, and R. Phillips. Biddison was seen lawyering in DC. Come on, Al, get the secy to write us.

Another author, speaker and gentleman of note is E. Webb, editor of *Military Review* at Ft Leavenworth as well as a Vantage Press work called the *West Point Sketch Book*. Get a copy . . . help a needy COL!

Speaking of needy colonels, Bert Goldberg finally got my hint and wrote to tell of his many operations at Fitzsimons . . . Luckily wife Sue keeps the many home fires burning and maintains peace among David (10), Julia (13) and Eric (16). The count is 2 yrs and 9 mo to ret.

Now the real dig to you clowns who read but cannot write—all thy grossness is showing when Frank Fiore can write all the way from the Panama Canal to report on Sammy Samaniego in Asuncion, Paraguay where Marcialito Samaniego resides with wife, Mercedes. Frank visited with Sammy shortly after the arrival of Tachito Somoza making for a real "ring-knocker" convention. Frank is regl mgr for Emerson Electric in S.A., Mexico, and thereabouts. He mentioned Marve Norwood headed to Bragg, Bondshu as CO 193d Bde, Comb Spt Bn and Dave MacLaughlin as Mil Ln at the U.S. Embassy in Quito, Ecuador. WOW . . . Keep the words coming. Frank lost his 62 HOWITZER in a warehouse fire and wants to replace same. If anyone can help, please call your scribe collect.



1962: Sherards, Hamiltons and Stewarts in Berlin.

Now, the scribe has been busy making news (in case the column failed). As the lowest ranking Class member serving as the only WP grad in the U.S. Coast Guard, Hudak spent 75 days active duty touring the inlets and beaches between Cape Ann and Cape Cod. Would you believe Airborne-Ranger CG cutter crews. Great sport looking for the Columbian gold on every boat afloat. Sorry to Bob Martin for not writing him at his new digs in Fairfax, VA. Wife, Catherine, now is resting after sending all 4 to school for this first year: Margaret (15), David (12), Susan (11) and Holly (5). Dad being Supt of Schools now makes him resident keeper of the kiddies for most of the day.

Steve Holderness sent a swell photo of his crew: Liz, Rebecca (12) Lisa (10) and Steve III (7) They reside in Cherry Hill, NJ, and Steve commutes into Philly where he is Sr Estate man at Girard Bank in case you wish to send him \$\$\$ for working capital.

Many, many thanks again to the intelligent wives who write—Carol Anne Sherard reports in with photo showing Hamiltons and Phil Stewarts. Ed and Phil are with the mission in Berlin. Stu is attending ICAF and the Sherards are now back in their Fairfax, VA, home after 5 yrs abroad. They think Pat & Barry Thomas are in the Springfield, VA, area while Stu shares studies with Jerry Janicke, who had better write or I'll send his broken hockey leg to Goldberg. Diane and Jerry are at Camp Springs, MD.

Jim Heldman travelled with T. McCarthy to watch the chg of cmd ceremony for W. Downing at Ft Lewis. Wayne is now at Air

WC. Scotty McGurk is with 9th Inf there and is the proud poppa of a first child this past Feb. Jim had lunch with Bob Meceda who is now Sr VP for Blue Cross/Shield for N CA/Oakland area. Bob has a new home in Moraga, CA. Hello also to Tina and Erika, my favorite Abn piano player.

For those of you who feel I am sounding more violent in this column, you are right. TV, the PTA, opening of the school year and the ARMY football season do that to you. BEAT THE NAVALS . . . USE NAVAL JELLY.

'63

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A hearty Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to "63 QUALITY." Our appreciation and thanks to Gary Coe for his outstanding tenure as Class scribe. We greatly appreciate the superb effort Gary has put forth and wish Gary and Pam the very best with 3/60 ADA in Germany. I would like to thank all of you for your unanimous vote as the new Class scribe; at least, Gary said it was unanimous. Anyway, I truly appreciate your tremendous response to Gary's solicit to support me as the new scribe. I did receive one letter since his appeal; it was from my mother.

Congratulations are in order for all of you not so obnoxiously eager new LTCs—you done good! Just when I was feeling good about the promotion, I received a notice about our first 0-6 promotion, old K-1 buddy, Cary Fisher. LTG Tallman, USAFA Supt, recently announced Cary's appointment as Head of the USAFA's Dept of Engr Mech and his promotion to the rank of COL. Cary and his wife, Betsy, have 2 children—Suzanne and James.

The Army, not to be outdone, recently announced the 0-6 selection of Bill Boice, presently at the NWC and Tom Carney, presently at AWC. Congratulations! It is heartwarming to see the guys wearing the White Hats progressing rapidly.

Other senior service DC newcomers include ICAF's Larry & Brenda Capps, Herb & Julia Ellis and Frank (previous 0-6 AF selectee) & Barbara Cardile.

Carlisle newcomers, besides Tom & Peg



1963: Colonel Fisher.



1963: Dwyer Beach Bash.

Carney, include Steve & Judy Silvasy, Dave & Judy Jackson, Dick & Sandy Scharf and Bob & Ada Sloane. Tony Johnston is with the Carlisle Staff & Faculty. Steve Silvasy witnessed the hotly contested national open mixed doubles quarter-finals tennis match between the team of Dave Jackson and Dick Scharf and Tracy Austin and Bobby Riggs. Are you sure that information is correct, Steve? Speaking of factual information, I hope Peg bought Tom an alarm clock for Xmas.

Dick Scharf reports Iain (Sig Bn Cmd) & Barbara Reilly are homesteading in HI, along with Gary (Arty Bn Cmd) & Mary Jane (The China Lady) Sausser. Bill Bosma is doing well in the IG Shop, Spt Cmd, HI. Jack (Lawyer) & Barbara Dwyer are doing well and have a lovely beach house where they hosted a '63 Family Beach Bash. Ted Yamashita has taken command of 1/14 Inf. Jack Adams has been in HI for several years and specializes in design of interior decor for restaurants and hotels. I understand Mike Jenks (Staff Engr), Doug Mosier (XO, INSCOM Det) and Mike Emerick are also in HI. Ed (XO, 183 Engr Bde) & Brenda Lee are in Germany, and Dick requests Ed's son, Kevin, to write him a letter, only one in the family he is talking to. Bob & Kay Boehlke are in Summit, NJ. Bob has been doing extremely well in the investment business.

It was good to hear from Ed & Marty Tezak at WP. Ed just received his PhD from VA Tech and is XO for the Dean. '63 football homegame tailgate parties are held in the area between Smith Rink and Lusk Reservoir. Advance warning is appreciated, but stragglers have been accepted and well cared for. Army football is off to an encouraging start this year, and by the time you read this, we will know if we BEAT NAVY! Many of us have children entering high school, and with a little effort, we may be able to influence a few blue chip scholar-athletes towards WP.

Other tailgating classmates at WP include Dick (Pediatrician) & Jane Eckert, Gary (Math Dept) & Barb Hall, Colin (Ass't Chaplain) & Susie Kelly, Dewey (Readiness Gp, Stewart) & Joan LaFond, Bill (Engr Dept) & Pam Lutz, Roger (Hist Dept) & Jo Manning, Sam (ES&GS) & Babs Thompson, Will (Cadet Counseling Ctr) & Barb Wilson and

at Middleton, NY, Jon & Peggy Van Zandt.

Gary Coe attended the German "Gateway" Cse in Monterey. Mike Barry attended the same course en route to a Sig Bn Cmd. Lionel & Trini Ingram attended a later course en route to an Armd Bn Cmd.

Newcomers in the DC area include Don (ODCSOPS) & Diane Conrad, Lee (DARCOM IG) & Mary Ann Ernest, Bob (OJCS) & Jean Farris, Bob (ODCSOPS) & Julie Foley, Al (OCSA) & Janet Varnell, and Ken (OJCS) & Sally Wall. We managed to have an enjoyable family cookout with Ken & Sally and their 4 lovely children, including Brick Wall. Lee Ernest is looking to finish his basement; he stopped over to check my work, a fatal mistake. Bob Foley is holding '63 B-Ball tryouts at the POAC (Pentagon Officer Athletic Club) for all classmates taller



1963: MG Boatner '51 and Pam promoting Gary Coe to LTC.

than Bob Farris. Don & Rita Siebenaler are currently attending DIS in DC in preparation for a MOSCOW attaché asgmt. T.J. Kelly is on the Leavenworth faculty. Bob Bruce and Joe Bianco are attending the PM Cse at Def Sys Mgmt Coll, Ft Belvoir. Bob is en route to CA, and Joe is at AF Sys Cmd, Andrews AFB. Bob O'Toole, Jack Wilson and Bill Little are at CAA, Bethesda, MD.

Don Conrad reports the following attendees at his DC L-1/promotion party: Tom (ISA OSD) & Judy Brendle, Charlies (1st Natl Bank, Baltimore) & Ann Hogg, Dud Hartman (Lobbyist), George (Cmd & Cont Tech Ctr) & Cy Sherrer, Ben (Lawyer) & Sunny Benjamin, Wendy (OTJAG) & Jane Anne Gideon, Al (Lawyer) & Claire Whitaker, Bob & Julie Foley, Mary Ann Ernest (Lee was in hospital), Dennis (Dept of Energy) & Lou Taille. Don has had contact with Dick (CACDA,

Leavenworth) & Di James, Gene (ODCSOPS) & Eddie Cargile, Heidi Heiden (Ft Ord), Bill Kelley (Ft Ord), Joe (CENTAG G-3) & Glenda Blackgrove, Dick (1/13 Inf Cdr, Baumholder) & Barbara Cole, Dave (1/87 Inf Cdr, Baumholder) & Judy Sallie. At Ft Lewis Tim Grogan is commanding 2/77 Arm and Ward Lutz 3/39 Inf.

Hal Nelson (Brussels) reports Bill & Elie Stryker are with CENTAG (Seckenheim, Russ Hanson with Procter & Gamble, Green Bay, WI, Steve Goth moved to Tulsa, OK from Canada and Jim Armogida is practicing law in Houston. Ran into Gordie Waugh in the Pentagon. He is DC Office Mgr of Software Tech Co.

Other QUALITY around the globe: Bob Scheideg (FAO, Paris), Richard Kosevich (Ln Mis, Potsdam), Ken O'Sullivan (FAO, Hong Kong), John Parker (Sp Trp, Vicenza), Bill Smith (HQ AFCE, Brunnsun), Frank Hall (Engr Dist, Saudia Arabia), Dave Mabardy (Ankara), Mike Allen (Mildenthal), Bill Miller-lile (Cadiz), Dae Garvey (SHAPE, Belgium), and Army Lujan, Dick Matteson and Craig Turpin (Korea).

Received a news release announcing the election of Richard A. Wilson as Agri-Trans Corp, an interregional cooperative river-trans co, Pres & Chief XO, at Sunset Mills, MO, outside St. Louis.

Steve Popielarski has joined the firm of Butcher & Singer, Inc. of Phila, which specializes in investment counselling, financial planning and brokerage services.

Al Clark is excited about his staff mgmt position with Gov Clements of TX. Jackie is teaching jr high sch and the children love Austin. Al has seen Buz Rolfe (Republic Bank) and Frank Lennon (Middle East Commerce) in Austin on business.

Jay Westermeir is hosting the 8th Annual '63 Fall Stag Luncheon at Ft Myer on 11 Oct. Jay entertained Mike (Executive Dev Co, Chicago) and Claire Vopatek, Dan Willsons (en route to USAREUR), Bill Boice and Foleys at the A-N CC.

Congratulations to Jack Silvey, Asst Dir, Office of Planning and Anal, Dept of Energy, on his promotion to GS-16.

Larry Anderson, former member of the K-1 Rio Ramblers, visited from Ft Bliss. Larry is Chief, Wpns Branch, Materials Sys Div, CD Directorate. Larry and Ann and their 3 children have a home in El Paso.

Keep these letters, photos, and phone calls coming; my next deadline is 5 Jan 80 for the Mar issue. I am establishing a file on each of you. We have approximately 205 remaining in the Army and 28 in the other services. Especially need updated info on all non-mil classmates. After tours in such out-of-contact countries as Laos and India, it is good to be centrally located and able to reestablish old friendships and make new ones. Phyll and I extend a warm welcome to all; we always have room for a few more.

May the Lord bless you and keep you in the New Year!



'64

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Very little news came my way this time, but look for Reunion coverage elsewhere in this issue.

Brendan Quann, still a lawyer in Dubuque, IA, says his latest claim to fame is that he has recently run 2 marathons. When Brendan comes to WP he can run against Carol Tetu, Bob's wife, who ran a 3:25 (or so) at Boston last spring. Ed Roby has been re-assigned from Richmond to be UPI's energy and environment writer in DC. Dick Piekarski has recently been appointed as a Sr Info Scientist at the Dept of Energy's Solar Energy Rsch Inst. Dick, his wife and 3 children currently reside in Golden, CO. Ed Winborn wrote to say hello, that he is still alive and operates his sporting goods store in Davenport, IA.

Ted Togashi wrote from Leavenworth last Jun with lots of asgmt news: Al Christensen to ODCSPER, Norm Anderson to XO of an Inf bn at Campbell, Bob Ballaugh remains at CACDA, Max Johnson goes to Hood and Ted goes to DIA.

Terry Rusnak also came to WP this summer to work in the Engr Dept.

Bill & Cathy Connor hosted a tailgate party for '64 prior to the CT football game. Besides the local WP folks, Jack & Liz Darrow and Jim & Gladys Kofalt blessed us with their presence—as they do every season. Rusty McCormack was also observed watching us beat CT that day.

A phone call from Jim McCormack let me know that he and Judy are doing well. Greg Olsen even called to say hello from Colo Sps. Tell me more stories and I'll give you more poop next time.



1965: Seymour, Zadel and Kuhn in training.

living. While Tom is a partner in a general mgmt consulting firm, she insures Xerox in CT never runs out of paper. At home and on the road, Tom has had an opportunity to chat with the following folks: Dan Christman and Sandy Hallenbeck (both Germany bound); Joe Anderson (more on Joe later); Sonny Ray (then en route to C&GSC); Art Roth (moving to GA to become GM of a Deering Milliken plant); Ken Yoshitani (just started a nuclear plant design business in Chicago—good timing Ken); and Harley Moore (transportation systems at the Dallas Airport). Closer to home, Tom has close encounters with Joe McChristian at Citibank; Ray Paske, who has moved from Citibank to American Express; Jim Murphy, a Marine recruiter; Chuck McCloskey, with the Engrs; and Jim Conley at Avon. If you're ever in the city and need a loan, or a few good men, or want to smell good, these gentlemen can take care of you.

From Troy, OH, to the land down under is no small move, but Bill Triick and his family can handle it. Bill was recently named Dir, Special Projects—Australia for the Intl Operations of Hobart Corp. Hobart Corp is the worldwide leader in commercial food equipment and produces Kitchen Aid appliances for the home. Congratulations—hope you have a decent kitchen down there Bill. At least if I have problems with my dishwasher, I'll know who to contact.

The same can now be said of your car, if



1965: William A. Triick.

you happen to still own a LeMans or GTO (so popular back in the dark ages). Joe Anderson was recently appointed as director of inspection control for the Pontiac Motor Div. Just shows you what an infantryman can do when he wants to. Actually, Joe's mediocre career began with the "Anderson Platoon," followed by grad sch at UCLA, followed by a teaching asgmt here, followed by a White House Fellowship in 77 as special asst to the U.S. Secy of Commerce. With such poor career mgmt by Inf, it's no surprise to me that Joe left the Army, but is serving in an Armor-type asgmt. We can expect a Grand Prix XM-1 with 120 mm smooth bore option in the near future.

No column would be complete without some good news from the West Coast. Thanks to the steady hand of Dave Kuhn, that contingent has not widened the San Andreas fault—yet. Dave does worry, though, for he is VP of Community Dev for a firm with projects spread throughout CA and HI. Dave, Rosemarie and their 2 children reside in Irvine, CA. He recently was involved in the planning and development of the Irvine Ranch, an 80,000 acre new community, and subsequently accepted the VP position of another firm. When he is not planning towns,



1965: (L-R): The Malpasses, Parcels, Seymours, Jones', Paske, and Lewis'.

he is playing around . . . at softball. Last summer he, Bill Zadel, (visiting from Houston) and John Seymour posted the first and only victory of the season. John, with his wife Donna and four children, has lived in CA for 2½ yrs and is West Coast Regl Sales Mgr for Imperial Oil. The clan gathered at the Seymours to discuss high finance. Denny Lewis makes excuses to leave his building and dev co in Ohio and travels "on business" to So CA. Don Parcels is with Far Eastern operations at Chase Manhattan, and on trips to Hong Kong he stops by. Bobby Jones with his new bride Karen were then expecting. Kate has since arrived. Bobby flies for AA out of San Diego. John & Dede Malpass reside in Fountain Valley, CA; John, still in uniform, works near the L.A. Airport.

All is not work, though. This past summer at a rowdy affair, Seymour, Malpass, and Kuhn (with a little help from their friends) won a beer-drinking contest, tore down the Navy poster, and beat out other universities in singing the school fight song. Malpass had to call the Central Guard Room here at midnight to have the guard recite "On Brave Old Army Team" verbatim. A typical '65 party. Before recovering, Seymour, Malpass, Lewis and Kuhn went fishing with the kids. Lewis was not used to the waves (being from OH) and became ill; Seymour caught the bottom of the boat; and Kuhn filmed the entire affair for our 15th Reunion. Malpass and the kids caught fish.

Dave forwards news of others: Chuck Pfeiffer and his wife Shelley are in Manhat-

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The Class of '65 sends holiday greetings to its friends and associates throughout the world. May you all enjoy a festive Xmas and blessed New Year. Be a real Santa Claus to those who mean the most—your family—with a hug and a kiss and moments together.

The platoon here at the Rock anticipates an extra long winter break (21 Dec-14 Jan) and looks forward to football season next year. For those interested in the 15 year reunion who were in the last section in Math 101, it's approaching. Mark these dates as strong possibilities for a fall festival (I was premature about this coming Graduation Week): 4 Oct 1980: Harvard; 11 Oct: Lehigh. Either one will be designated as the official Homecoming Weekend during which our Class will participate in the festivities. More forthcoming as I learn it.

Another piece of humble pie—Sharon Carlson, you are still married to a man named Terry. My apologies for the typographical error.

Congratulations to Bob Cato for completing the NavWC. The final exam for men in green consists of designating port and starboard, and Bob missed one.

Moving westward, the news from the Big Apple is heartening. Tom Barron, rugby player and supporter extraordinaire, and his wife Tosh, sing the praises of Manhattan



1965: Joseph B. Anderson Jr.

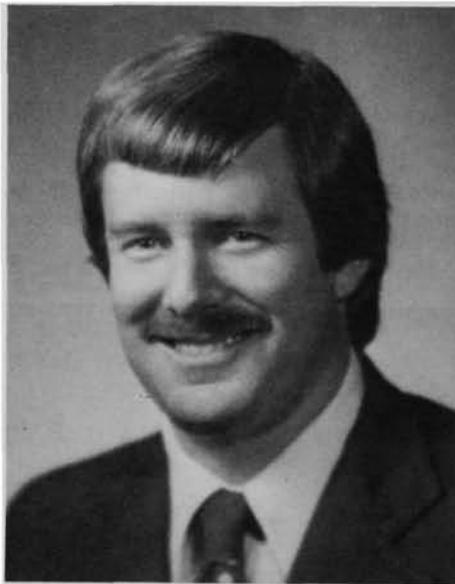
tan. Chuck produces Dentyne and Lite beer commercials on TV (nice combination). Dave ("Hands") LaRochelle is an orthopedic surgeon in Napa Valley, CA. Kala Kukea is relaxing in his home state, HI, and invites the entire Class to visit him at any time. Anyone heading west, check into the net with Kuhn and Co. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Chuck Shaw, Tom Genoni, or Adolph Zabka, sound off. Hope you all enjoyed that Stanford game. Aloha.

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Two things around this place are designed to make one feel old before one's time. Both occur during the daily trudge to the gym. The first is the reason for going—the semi-annual PCPT (annual if one can muster anything in excess of 400 pts). It would be easy enough to deny one's creeping mortality (we do occasionally wear those heavy weight greens that were over inspected by the TAC firstie year, don't we?) if all the younger guys on post weren't so eager to go over each day and prepare for the test. So, daily we all trudge in lock step just before the cadets get out of class. This saves saluting energy for the horizontal ladder. The walk allows time for reflection on how each year it seems to take longer for the body to respond. Then comes the 2d, fatal blow. The new plebes are getting out of plebe swimming and they stream toward the bks rendering those snappy salutes at regular intervals. There was something to be said for plebes marching to and from class. One could dispose of twenty of them with just one salute. I must admit that I asked for it. I spoke to one and asked where he was from. Middle America, sir. Then I asked when he was born. I don't know why, I just did. My God! He was born after we dropped our bags and reported to the Man in the Red Sash for the first time as ordered! I couldn't stop myself. I asked another and another when they were born. A large number of these kids are younger than my breastplate. It's a plot. I think that the age requirement has been relaxed.

As you might have guessed by now, your cards and letters have underwhelmed me with information. This is one place where no news is not good news. Here is what little I know. Jim & Pat McCallum dropped by with the kids for a brief visit in Aug. Jim is still sorting out intl affairs for the SECDEF while Pat is selling a local community coll and ferreting her way through its bureaucracy. Jim & Diane Connell have settled in an old (148+ yrs) farm house outside Cincinnati. Jim is inundating us all with opportunities to get a beer (commercials in prime time) courtesy of Procter & Gamble now that he is a Media Supervisor while Diane is watching over things at the airport for Delta Airlines. Then they both regroup to fight old furnaces, bursting pipes, and washed out bridges at the homestead. Our ranks thinned when Jim Lee passed on to the wild blue yonder—of the USAF. I was there to witness our loss and I must report that Jim looked super in his new blue threads. Jim, Zita, and the 2 girls are at Maxwell AFB at the staff college for the year and then on to NM. I was promised a picture of Jim's commissioning for this column. Where is it Zita? Our big loss is the AF's big gain. John & Regina Zierdt and Bill & Susan Rennagel just finished up the Nav WC. The Rennagels are now at SHAPE but I know not where the Zierdts landed. George Sandell is now a VP of Trust Co Bank of Atlanta. He is in their Real Estate Finance operations. Looks prosperous, doesn't he? That's because he is giving loans, not applying for them. Congrats, George. Bard Webster sent a card from Milan. He is a temporary replacement for a temporary hire at the Inst for Shroud Study. Frequent trips to Turin. Leigh Wheeler has just recovered from back surgery at Walter Reed. You would think that a grown man would know better than to



1966: George N. Sandell

play Rugby with a bunch of kids. Leigh couldn't make it to our first Class luncheon so rather than send flowers we elected him social chmn. If you are coming up and have any questions about Class get-togethers, call Leigh. If you've got a classmate, tried and true, . . .

And now this from the nether regions. Tory Wilson just passed his board exams for Urology. Passed with a 99 percentile! As I had to explain to the classmates in the gym, you can't get any higher. To get a 100 per-

centile means that you are better than yourself. That only happens on Inf OER's. Nice going, Tory. (Ed note here. I think we should watch him closely. I believe that the Russians have captured the real Tory Wilson and substituted a ringer. I roomed with the real one and he never studied).

Serious time. The Art Bonifas Fund needs about \$700.00 to be fully sustaining. That means that if each of us kicks in 2 dollars the fund can award its prize from the interest and not have to use its principal. Checks should be made to: The Association of Graduates, West Point Fund (Art Bonifas Memorial). If you do nothing else, lets get this one on its feet for all time. You have been generous in starting it. Let's finish what we started. It's as I said last time, if you don't remember you, who will?

My next deadline is 5 Jan 80. Send those cards and letters. Seen the new OER? The little men are back! Merry Xmas.

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Look out, friends & neighbors—it's time once again to find out who's doing what to whom—and my pen is loaded this time.

The best news first—we've got a brand new Class son and an almost brand new Class daughter. Carolyn & Alton Donnell became the proud parents of a son—their first born—on Sat, 22 Sept. Tyler Reed Donnell entered the world at WP weighing 6 lbs, 14 ozs at about the same time the Army football team was showing Stanford how the game is meant to be played. Two such grand events occurring at the same time has got to signify something great for the future. Also, Jim & Cynthia Weller have been blessed with the birth of their 3d child—a daughter, Stacy Catherine, born at WP on 17 Feb 79. Stacy weighed in at 7 lbs, 15 ozs, and is now sharing the limelight with her 2 older sisters, Lindsey (age 8) and Dana (age 6). Fair warning to all you folks contemplating a visit or tour at WP—this is very fertile ground!

Before going on to more hot poop, let me congratulate you all on your performance this past month. Response to the last issue has been pretty good, and as a result, I have not yet had to manufacture any news. The stuff you've supplied is, for the most part, printable.



1967: Mullane, NASA Astronaut.



1967: Boat trip on the Hudson, West Point.

Received a very nice letter and photograph from Mike Mullane's wife Donna. Mike completed his candidacy for the astronaut program on 31 Aug, and is now a full fledged NASA astronaut. As of this writing, he has not been assigned a specific flight on the Space Shuttle, but they are hoping that's not too far in the future. Mike is still on active duty as an AF MAJ. They have 3 children—twins Patrick and Amy (age 11) and Laura (age 8). Their address is 15707 Laurelfeld Dr, Houston, TX 77059, and would love to hear from classmates.

Need to correct one entry from last time—I stated that Tom Waraksa would be leaving WP in Jan to attend the Navy C&SC at Newport, RI—that is incorrect. He will be attending the AFSC at Norfolk, VA.

Other changes in the WP contingent since the last issue are the arrival of Alan & Ann Olson from CGSC this Jul. Alan took over Bart Bohn's job as the cse dir for the First Class Service Orientation Cse in DMI, and Bart became the sr Engr Br rep. That ought to cause a considerable increase in the number of Firsties choosing Inf this year!



1967: Baggett enjoying the boat ride.

Socially, the local bunch started the academic year off with a Class boat ride up the Hudson on the night of 13 Sept. Attending were Dave & Magda Baggett (and family), Jim & Cynthia Weller, Monty & Mary Ann Meigs, Rich & Diane Kiper, Jim & Suzanne Saine, Joe & Rosalie Dietzel, Dave Osborne, John & Ann Goodnow, and Freed & Suzi Lowrey, as well as a number of our "associate" class members. A good time was had by one and all, no one took a swim, and everyone made it home with the correct spouse—Dull Group.

The mail bag produced a letter from Bob Sellars full of hot skinny. Bob is living, drinking, and practicing law in W. Palm Beach,

FL (P.O. Drawer E, Zip 33402). He recently paid a visit to Brick Anderson, Dean Hansen, and Chris Pettit in CA. Brick and Dean are working for the same company—some independent oil outfit in L.A. That means they must be rich—if everyone else is filling the oil companies' coffers like I am these days. Brick is in construction and leasing; Dean is in computers. Chris Pettit is in San Fran and is, in Bob's words, a money broker. More news from Bob: Dick Gooding is in Chapel Hill, NC (we think); Bob Nolan is flying for Eastern Air Lines out of NYC; Scott MacFarlane is a sales mgr in Roselle, IL; and Jim Stewart is an atty in Detroit. Chuck Horwath was last reported living in Huntington, Long Is and working for Bethle-



1967: Boat Trippers—Osborne, Weller and Saine.

hem Steel. Warren Dempsey was on Wall St a year ago, but Bob lost touch; and finally, Bob thinks he talked to Dan Schrage on the phone one night, but as he was a bit hampered at the time, isn't sure—maybe Dan can enlighten us? Thanks Bob—I owe you a sixpack.

The Wellers' provided the following tidbits: John & Ginger Gale are now at Ft Hood, TX. They have 3 children—Sheri, Kim, and Tracey. Gary & Patsy Hall are living in Orlando, FL. Gary is working for a computer firm, selling software to banks. They have 2 daughters, Melanie, the older, and Lindsay, who was born this past spring. Gary & Pam Chambers live in Indianapolis and also have 2 daughters, Jennifer, 10, and Sara, 8. John Thiltgen—where are you? Jim Weller wants you to get in touch with him—write him c/o 4th Regt, USCC, WP.

After having been a faithful reader of the Army Times for most of my adult life, I had



1967: Suzi and Kyle Lowrey at Lake Popolopen.



1967: Dietzel hard at work in the Science Research Lab!

come to the conclusion that there was one recurring article that surely must be pure fiction, and that is the Locator File. Then, after years of faithful reading without ever seeing a name I recognized, it was there in black and white—someone was looking for a classmate—Bobby Whaley, where are you?

Monty Meigs chose a unique way to provide us info—he scribbled it out on a slightly used paper plate, left over from a Leavenworth picnic—so, if any of the following is garbled, blame it on a misplaced mustard stain. Anyway—here's Monty's input: Paul & Dede Kern are in Detroit, MI, where Paul's working with the Fighting Vehicle Sys Office; Rick & Caroline Grube are with the 8th Inf Div in Germany; Tom & Susan White are with the 11th ACR in Germany, where Tom is the Regt XO. Lee & Diane Murfee are at CGSC; Dave & Connie Tye are at Hq FORSCOM in Atlanta, GA; Jack & Judy Wood are in Bamberg, Germany; Bob & Roni Lenz are in England—Bob is attending the British Staff Coll; Mike & Linda Casey are with the 8th Inf Div in Germany; Cal Delaplain is going to med sch at the UMO in Kansas City, with plans to specialize in Radiology; Bob Frank is in Mainz, Germany; and Greg Rice is at Ft Carson, CO. Wow—thanks Monty—that's another sixpack I owe. All you people out there—write and fill in the details!

Had a nice phone call from Mike Delleo a couple of weeks ago filling me in on himself and a few others. Mike and family—wife, Carmela; children, Beth, Jeffrey, and David—are currently stationed at Ft Belvoir, VA, where Mike is the S3 of the 11th Engr Bn. They arrived there this summer from CGSC. Prior to that, they had a positively dreadful asgmt—in the office of the RsdT E in Athens, Greece. Life is tough. Mike spilled the beans on a few lost souls—Carl Jacobs is in the AGO in DC, after having completed CGSC this past summer. He and wife Joan are living in MD. Jim Allen has just completed the AFSC at Norfolk, VA, and is now at USNA as a Chem "P." I wonder how many football players at Canoe U can be found in one subject in one year? Bob Keenan is working for the Asst CE in the Pentagon—he and wife Lori are living near Ft Belvoir. Tom & Cynthia Jacobus are in Frankfurt, Germany, having arrived this past summer from CGSC. Tom is in the 317th Engr Bn. Terry & Ginny Hand are also in Germany—Terry's working in ODCSE at Hq USAREUR in Heidelberg. Asa Clark went from CGSC to Korea this summer, and is now on the staff of the UN Armistice



1967: The Dials with Pam's father after they completed the Philadelphia Half Marathon.

Comm in Panmunjon. Thanx Mike—there goes another sixpack!

Another phone caller last week was **George Dials**. George left the Army in '77 after grabbing down a couple of degrees from MIT and then a tour in beautiful downtown Korea. He's now doing very well, thank you, working as a lobbyist for the coal industry on Capitol Hill. In this role he spends most of his time working with and testifying before Congress and making speeches all around the country. His wife works as an interior decorator for J.C. Penney. They have 2 children—son Bill 11, and daughter Heather, 8, and are living in DC, just 10 blocks SE of the Capitol (222 10th St, SE, Wash, DC 20003). On 16 Sept, George, Pam, and Pam's father, age 60, all ran and completed the Phila Half Marathon—see the accompanying photo. Well done, guys! George also reports that **Harry Hoskins** is now an atty in New Orleans, LA.

Here's a few short bursts; **Dick Farr** is somewhere in Germany; **Chuck Sutton** graduated from the Naval Staff Coll at Newport, RI, this past summer, but I don't know where he is now; **Roger Heiman** is working in the office of the CE in the Pentagon; **Joe Theiss** is working for an oil co in San Ant, TX; and **Doug Brown** is the XO of the 20th Engr Bn in the 101st Div at Ft Campbell.

Gary Adkins called to report that he and **Susie** are now living in Houston, TX, where he owns an auto parts warehouse, distributing automatic transmissions throughout the SW. He got started at it about 5 yrs ago, and is doing quite well now.

Dave Hale is at it again, trying to rid the world of trout. This summer he and **Roger Waltz** took a fishing trip to Yellowstone, and in Dave's characteristically reserved manner, he let me know that there are now a lot fewer fish in those waters. Now, I've done a lot of trout fishing with Dave and I've seen the way he fishes. Send proof, David; **Roger Waltz** is now in Germany.

Digging into the mail sack, I came up with a nice letter from **David McAdoo**. David left the Army in '73 and went to work for the Corning Glass Works in KY. Last year, he got moved to the corporate staff in Corning, NY, as the co's energy planner. David got married to a girl named Betty from Shreveport, LA, who he met on a blind date in GA while still in the service. They have a daughter Susan who was born in 1975. David reports that **Phil Kinney** is also working for Corning in Bradford, PA. With David, Phil, and **Bob Keck**, we've practically got our own WP society in that outfit. The McAdoo's address is 87 E. 3d St, Corning, NY 14830. He also reports having bumped into **Jim Haas** in a midtown eatery in NYC a few months

ago—Jim is living on Long Is and working for a garment manuf.

Bruce Hedrick dropped a welcome line to report he and family are fine. Bruce is a Sr Chem Engr with AR Eastman Co, a subsidiary of Eastman Kodak, in Batesville, AR. They've been there since Apr '76, and are loving it. Bruce's family includes wife **Shirley** and children, **Tami** (9) and **Daniel** (4).

Jim & Karen Crowley are now well into their 3d yr in Germany. At last report, Jim was in the 11th ACR.

A lengthy letter arrived this morning from **John & Gael James**. They are currently at 1180 Porter Rd, Norfolk, VA 23511, while John is attending the AFSC. Prior to this, they were in Schwabach, Germany, for 3 yrs—John serving in various ADA asgmts in the 1st AD. They report that **Bob & Gussie Haefner** just completed AFSC this summer, and are stationed next door with the Navy CINCLANTFLT. Only the Crabs could come up with something like that! Other tidbits: **Slim & Sherry Hohman** live in Topeka, KS (1605 Plass Rd), where Slim is an atty and, at last report, a KS State Rep; **Glen & Linda Yuguchi** live in Manchester, MO (808 Paquette St, 63011); **Mike Kishiyama** lives in Alexandria, VA (110 Roberts Ln, Apt 301, 22311); **Mike & Ernestine Barney** are at Ft Bragg, NC; **Bill & Patty Lynn** are in Huntsville, AL; **Pat & Ed Locke**



1967: Class Picnic, Ft Leavenworth. Front row: Olson, Lenz, Winkel, Caldwell, Murfee; Second row: Jansen, White, Meigs, Frankiewicz; Third row: Brown, Grube, Jacobus, Tye, Meyer, Kern, Delleo.

are in Scarborough, ME, where Ed works for Merrill Lynch; **Steve & Ann May** are in Frankfurt, Germany, where Steve is the Asst DivE, 3d AD; and **Chuck & Janice Rankin** are now in CGSC. Thank you James! I am out of beer.

I'm going to brag about myself for a second—as some of you know, I've been an avid photographer for some years. Well, I chalked up one milestone with the last issue (Sept) of ASSEMBLY—the cover photograph of the 3 old grads from '09 was taken by yours truly. I had the honor of serving as their class aide this past June Week for their 70th (!) Reunion. What a trip!

Speaking of photographs, **Dave Hadley** dropped a short note to send the photo in this column taken in Palo Alto, CA, which was a very nice place to be. **Joyce Hines** dropped a line to fill us in on husband, **Jerry's**, recent exploits. Jerry, who has been an FBI agent for several years now, has recently distinguished himself as a tennis player. He recently represented the Houston FBI office at the TX Peace Officers' Olym-



1967: The Hadleys and Hickeys at the Army-Stanford game.

pics, and won the gold medal in the sr men's singles and the silver medal in the men's doubles. Pop it up, **Jerry**. The **Hines'** enjoy their life on the side of law and order; but as **Joyce** says, unfortunately the crime business is better than ever.

Our Class Prez, **Fred Barofsky** and his wife **Erica** are living in Hensdale, IL, a western suburb of Chicago. Fred is selling industrial real estate; and rumor has it they own the largest swimming pool east of the Mississippi.

Being overcome with a sudden fit of patriotic frenzy, I've decided to do all I can to alleviate the ravages of rampant inflation as it continues to make paupers of us all—at least those of us still in uniform. I am announcing the quarterly Class of '67 Old Corps Trivia Contest. This month's question—you'll have to dig into the black memories of Plebe Year for this one—who can correctly identify the "MEYER-SNIFFEN POOP?" Prizes will be awarded based on earliest and most correct entry. First prize is \$1.23 in Military Payment Certificates; 2d prize, \$13.23 or a sixpack of Rolling Rock beer; 3d prize is an 8" x 10" glossy of a Krugger-rand. Void where prohibited by law.

O.K. sports fans, that's it for this time. You've done pretty good for your first effort, but don't rest on your laurels. As soon as this trickle of information starts to dry up, you're going to start getting a blow by blow account of my son's first efforts at talking, complete with translation of each word. And, if I have to, I'll start publishing the good stuff—like why **Dave Hale's** wife won't be seen in public with him, or why **Ed Dewey** is no longer stationed at WP. So write. Remember—my deadline for the Mar issue is 5 Jan. When you get this, it will be the Xmas card



season—put me on your list. You may also put me on your gift list if you wish—nothing ostentatious. I have a fondness for fine wine and bamboo fly rods.

Take Care. Keep the Faith and May the Good Lord Hold You in the Palm of His Hand. BEAT NAVY—

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The first news this time came from AL, when Bob Echols graduated from Sanford U Law Sch this past May.



1968: Doing the honors at Eric Kunz' promotion to MAJ are his wife Sharon and his cousin, Gerry Dillon.

Jun brought a note from Ed & Beverly Hammond here at the Point. They had welcomed their first child, Katherine Anne, at Keller Hosp. Ed is the OR for the USMA Varsity Basketball team and he mentioned that he hoped to see any classmates in the San Fran and HI areas when the team was there. Tom Burnette wrote from GA where he was on leave after finishing C&GSC at Ft Leavenworth. He had graduated first in the class, winning the Marshall award as Distinguished Graduate, and he mentioned several classmates: Paul Baerman, Bill Lynch, John McDonald and Rick Wright, who were honor grads; and Larry Jordan, Dave Neyses, Bob Pinzuti, Rich Rhoades, John Ryneska and Dan Schulte who were all on the Dean's List. '68 evidently made a respectable showing in that class. Tom also mentioned that his next asgmt would be XO of the 2/22 Inf in Wiesbaden, FRG.

Jim Altemose wrote from Bolling AFB in Jul. He said he had returned to DC to work in J5 OJCS. He mentioned seeing Bill Nash and Glenn Hewitt, as well as having heard of John Armstrong, all in the DC area.

In mid-Aug I received some bits and pieces of news to include the word that Brian McKenna was in Saudi Arabia as an Asst Area Engr; that Andy Dull was then in Huntsville, AL; and that Eric Thomas had left the Army and was working in Birmingham, AL, and his wife Rhonda had a child last fall. Charlie Lieb has also left the Army to work for FMC. Here at the Acad Bob Kelly was recently selected as a Permanent Associate Prof in Pol Sci in the Soc Sci Dept. Bob makes the 3d of our classmates selected for permanent jobs at the Acad. Also in Aug I met John Westerlund who was teaching ROTC at UT State U and enjoying the skiing there. John mentioned Bill Campbell who was an orthopedic surgeon in FL, and Russ Olsen who was assigned to the Toole Army Depot in Salt Lake City. The Navy informed me in Aug that John Mayer had graduated from the NavWC equivalent to our C&GSC.

Lou Davis wrote in early Sept to say that the AF has assigned him to the DC area to work in the Nav/AF program developing cruise missiles. Lou is still involved in sport parachuting and was jumping again after a year's hiatus for a broken back. He has over 1800 jumps now, and the AF is finally getting around to promoting our classmates—Lou expects to pin on his MAJ's leaves this coming Mar or Apr. I also heard from Andy & Alice Stratton in Sept. They now have 3 girls; Jill 9; Merri 7; and Anna 2. They are living in Jacksonville, FL, now where Andy is the gen mgr of an insurance agcy. Andy mentioned seeing Bob & Jo Echols and Neil Hughes in the area.

I heard just before deadline time that Gordy Sayre welcomed twin girls, Anne and Alexandra, on 5 Sept.

Here at the Point recent arrivals of classmates include John Ryneska in S3, USCC; Chuck Vehlow in the Dept of Mech; Paul Baerman in the Dept of Hist; and Chuck Besanceney as a pathologist in Keller Hosp. Bob Alexander was promoted to MAJ on 1 Oct in a ceremony in the ES&GS dept.

Finally, the Reunion Book is in its last stages of completion, as I am informed by Fred Johnson, and we may expect its publication sometime next year.

As is obvious to everyone by now, the notes this time are a bit threadbare. The only way I can rectify that is to hear from more people. You all write, you hear—and everybody take care!

Addendum: To begin with, some relatively old news that arrived by circuitous routes includes Eric Kunz's promotion last spring in an improvised ceremony at WP. Eric's hirsute appearance is attributable to his attendance at grad sch at Syracuse. There was also a short note from Tom Pence, who was in the Comptroller's Office of the 2d AD in FRG.

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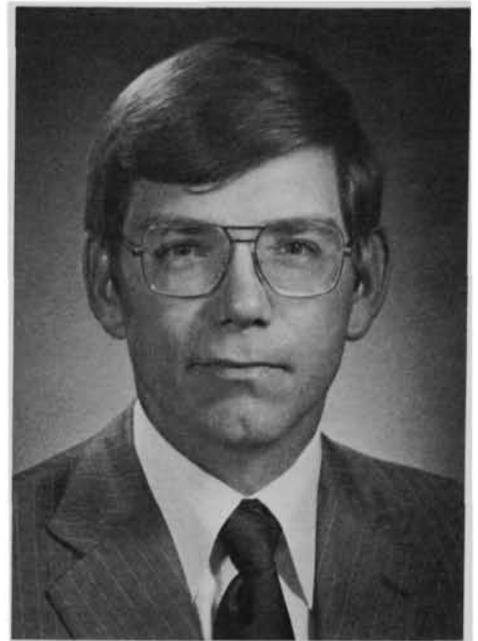
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This column is being written on 30 Sept, covering news received since 1 Jul. My next deadline is early in Jan, so please send your cards, letters and photos to arrive by 31 Dec.

For the first time in a number of years, I am obliged to start this column on a sad note. Dennis McKelvey, who had recently graduated with honors in elec engr from the UNH, was killed in an automobile accident in Shelburne, NH, on 7 Jun; and Ken Yonan, whose casualty status had been listed as captured was officially declared dead as of 5 Sept 79. Both of these beloved classmates were survived by their parents, and I am sure that I speak for the entire Class in offering our heartfelt condolences and prayers.

News this qtr has been scant indeed. I assume that people are still trying to catch their breath after the fabulous 10th Reunion. However, even at our advanced age, 6 months should be sufficient recuperative time, and I ask that you take time immediately after reading this column to update the Class on your activities. At the very least, please do not forget me or the Class when you send holiday greetings. Pics are also welcome, either black and white (preferred) or color.

Moves seemed to be the order of the day for those in the service. Patty & Bill Yonushonis have arrived in DC from Ft Lewis.



1969: Roger Vandenberg.

Bill is Chief of Animal Medicine in the ofc of the Surgeon General, while Patty is an atty with the Agriculture Dept. They are living in Burke, VA. The Casey Browers have left WP for the 24th ID at Ft Stewart, GA, while the Jim McCulloughs were due at Redstone Ars, AL, on 15 Nov. Casey was hoping for a tank bn S3 or XO slot, while Jim was in line to be dpty prog mgr for Laser-HELLFIRE.

Mickey & Lee Rempel wrote from Quantico, VA to announce the birth of their son Michael on 30 Jun. Michael required immediate evacuation to Bethesda Nav Hosp, but as Lee said, he proved to be a true fighter, and the prognosis is hopeful he will enjoy a full and active life.

Holly & I were privileged to attend Corrine & Dave Hofstetters' wedding in Augusta, GA, on 25 Aug. Those in attendance included Marilyn & Steve Metcalf and Pat Spann from our Class, and Debbie & Doug Williams from a considerably more senior class ('67). True to form, Corrine & Dave were in full swing at the post-wedding, post-reception party, but they did manage to catch their plane to HI right on schedule the next day. Hof will be in Atlanta until next yr, finishing his MBA, then is slated for a tour at WP.

Geoff Moran wrote from Ft Ord, where he is stationed after coming back on active duty as a chaplain. He, Ruth Ann, and daus live in Salinas, CA. Geoff mentioned that he had participated in Sheila & Doug Farels' wedding in Jun, and that Sheila & Doug were living near Ft Huachuca where Doug is a testing control officer for signal eqpt.

Bob Seitz wrote from Switzerland, where he had spent part of his vacation climbing the Matterhorn. Bob is now with the 2d AD (FWD) in Garlstedt, near Bremen. I also heard from Joe Cornelison, who is in the 1 AD SJA office in Ansbach. He, Jenny, and Tracey had been trying to do some traveling, although Joe's schedule sounded pretty hectic to me.

The last bit of in-service news that I have comes from Army Times. During ceremonies marking POW-MIA Recognition Day at WP, it was announced that Dick Anshus had donated to the museum the uniform he wore as a POW from 1971 to 1973.

Jay Haney sent the first letter from the civ side of the Class. He and Jena live in



1969: B-4 Reunion attendees.

Marietta, GA, and were joined on 1 Sept by their 2d child and first dau, Jennifer Ann. A new family member, Ryan Edward, had also recently been born to Susie & Danford Meischen, who wrote from Houston where Dan is with Merrill Lynch and is serving as pres of the local WP Assn chapter. Dan also located Jim Ruwet in Parkersburg, WV, and Al Lavelle with Futura Enterprises in Boise, ID.

John Suermann sent a card and letter from Bloomingdale, IL, where he works for the NRC. A move to DC may be in the offing, and while here for interviews, John kindly took Holly and me to dinner downtown. John also broached the subject of whether we should try to assemble a consolidated directory, by profession and location, for those classmates out of the service. John thought it would be useful for classmates interested in keeping in touch with or con-

tacting other members of one's profession, and also for those classmates leaving the service and looking into civ job opportunities. If you have thoughts on this, please drop me a note and I will pass the response to John.

Raynelle & Bill Damon were in touch from Grangeville, ID, where Bill is a computer specialist with the U.S. Forest Service. They recently welcomed their first child, William Earl III, into the world, and Bill asked that I tell the Class that they would love to see any classmates who find themselves in that part of the West.

Bits and pieces: Jay Wheeler sent a disgustingly picturesque postcard from Athens. One stop on his Greek Odyssey that is designed to prepare him for the rigorous life of a Los Angeles Atty. Ralph Crosby ran into Tony Burgess at the American Embassy in Beijing while accompanying the VP to

China. Tony is now with the State Dept. AOG sent me word of Roger Vandenberg's election as a VP of Narragansett Capital Corp in Providence, RI. Finally, Les Hunkele called to say he is out of the service but working with the Ch of Engr in DC.

Well, I told you that news was scarce this time, but I did not realize just how scarce it was until now. Let me see if I can beef this up somewhat.

First, Army-Navy will be in the history books when you receive this issue. Hopefully, we will have done well on the field, but win or lose, Metcalf and Hofstetter are planning a post-game party that will be a winner. Details next issue.

Second, you will hopefully have received by now a Class address list. Please help me by sending either to me or to Glenn Porter (Dept of ES&GS at WP) any addresses you may have that we do not. Also, as you and others move, please keep us, and AOG (ATTN: Address dept), informed of your new address and any others that you have.

Speaking of new addresses, Holly and I recently moved into our first home, and we look forward to repaying the hospitality so many have given to us. Our new address is 524 N. Oxford St, Arlington, VA 22203 (Tel: 703-525-6863), and I hope that you will get in touch when in town. Also, while I have enjoyed doing this for others through the years, I hope you will understand the special pleasure I take in announcing that we are expecting our first child on 24 Feb.

One last point in closing: Because of space limitations, the full listing of classmates attending the Reunion was deleted from the last issue. However, if not seeing your name in print was disappointing, I guarantee that even the shortest of notes will get you into the Mar issue, so please drop me a line.

Holly joins me in wishing you a happy and holy holiday season. Until the spring, God bless to all in '69.

'70

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Happy Holidays to the Class of '70 from John, Page, Ivan (7), and Adam (4) Reitz. Usually the process of writing a column 2 months in advance makes it difficult to feel and express the right tone (that Xmas feeling) in the column, but, thanks to my 4-year-old son reacting to the continual display of those "Daddy, I want one of those toys" TV commercials and my over-active imagination, I can picture the family gatherings, smell the pine needles, eggnog, and turkey, and look forward to the season of hope already. May we be the first to wish you Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

This column resembles a Xmas stocking with its collection of not so large but quite varied items for your entertainment. Besides the usual healthy stack of letters, we have some proud parents, collected information from WP, pictures, and more news about our Homecoming. Since this is the Xmas Season which celebrates the Birth of Christ, it seems most appropriate to begin our news with the birth announcements.

FUTURE CADETS: Mary Pat & Lynn Rolf announce the birth of Zachary Robert, 1 Feb 79, who joins Lynn III and Nicholas as their 3d son. Number one son for Bob & Carol Wetherill, Chad Christopher made his debut in the wee hours of 7 Sept 79. John, Cindy, and Daniel (2) Norton hear strange



1969: F-3 Reunion attendees.



1970: Steve & Gail Strom.

sounds at night since Kristy Anne, 17 Sept 79, changed the household routine. Patti, Dick, Ricky (4), and Elaine (1½) Moser announce the birth of their 3d child, Carolyn Elizabeth, born 16 Sept 79. Carolyn's doctor was none other than **Herb Roberts** who also delivered a baby for the Sidios.

Now to the letters, the big present for any class scribe. **Lynn Rolf** sent news from last Jun which, unfortunately, arrived 3 days after my last deadline. Lynn and Mary Pat are well into their 2d year at Purdue; Lynn joins the Math Dept at USMA this summer. Also at Purdue are **Mark, Char,** and **Meagan Quimby**. After **Mark** graduates this month, the **Quimbys** will move to Ft Ben Harrison. **Al Marple** is living in Lafayette near the **Rolfs** and **Quimbys** as he performs his role as the local recruiter. When **Ray Cassette** applied to Oral Roberts U this summer, he stayed with Lynn's parents during his visit to Tulsa. Ray lived in New Zealand after leaving the Army, but returned to San Diego to stay with his parents while attending school there.

Jenie, Dave, and **Steven (2) Schroeder** are in San Fran while Dave completes his Urology residency at Letterman. Jenie writes to say that **Lee & Kathy Carlson** left for Europe last Jan on a joint grand tour-skiing holiday that extended to late summer. Jenie also reports that the **Wises** moved from Greenville, NC, to Mobile, AL, last Jun. Whit and Nancy have 3 children now: **Matt (7), Jena Marie (4),** and **Russell (1)**.

Luke Brennecke decided to write, since the AMEDD Basic Crse offered little challenge. Luke did not find Drill and Ceremonies exciting at Ft Sam, but he did enjoy the hospitality of **Tom & Sally O'Meara,** and **Mike & Sara Kulungowski**. Tom is doing a fellowship in gastroenterology; Mike, an internship. Luke reports that **Bill Rose** left their basic crse for a residency at Letterman. **Luke, Barb,** and **Krista** are now at Ft Detrick, MD, where Luke works in R&D.

Doug Byrd updates the Class on his activities. **Doug** who is still in City Admin recently moved to a new town and a new job in Scotts Valley, a town in the mountains next to Santa Cruz, CA. Doug claims the citizens there enjoy the temperate climate of the coast without the fog—or is it smog—of the lowlands. Doug put his new hobby, collecting classic cars, to the test recently when he took his T-bird to the MGM Grand in Reno; he did well enough to consider trying

it again. When **Doug** discovered that **Tim Lavelle** lives in San José he called. Doug reports that **Tim** is "a corporate biggie for a large electronics firm." **Tim** keeps his connection with the Army by dutifully doing Reserve time: for example, this summer he endured a hardship tour in Oslo, Norway, with some Army athletes. I wonder who his connection is. **Doug** closed his letter with best wishes and high hopes for Army football.

Two good friends called this quarter. **Lanny White** called from his home in Canton, MI. Lanny and Pam will be in our area this month, and hope to make Homecoming next year. Lanny tried to locate **Mike Glawe** at O'Hare airport some time ago. Mike wasn't in, but another pilot invited Lanny back to the restricted flight crew area where Lanny left an uncensored note in Glawe's distribution box. That missive probably left Mike scratching his flight cap. Lanny reports that **Temp Cumiskey** and **Steve Hume** are also working at Ford now. **Terry Johnson** called from Anchorage, AK, to say that he and **John Roberts** don't have to hold a 2 man reunion next year. **Gerry Sidio** works in the Dist Engr office at Elmendorf AFB; **Bob Mason** is on post somewhere; and **Paul Seldge** resigned his commission to work for Petroleum AK. **Terry** and **Ginny** still like AK and, in fact, hope to extend for another year there.



1970: Fred & Geri Zillian.

Carol Wetherill sent a note along with their birth announcement. **Bob** continues work on his MBA at U Houston when he has time away from his duties with Worthington Pump Co. Although **Bob** still loves his job, his biggest thrill is being a proud daddy. **Bob & Carol** will spend Xmas in Fairfax, VA, with her parents (Gordy). The **Wetherills** are trying to locate **Pete & Christine Spivy**, but no luck so far. **Thom (Bear) Bradley** writes to say his clan is doing well out on Long Is. Bear is a claims mgr for Conn General. When his letter arrived in a co envelope, it almost went unread because I usually put all unsolicited insurance mail into the nearest circular file. I hope to see Bear soon either on one of his business trips to nearby New Windsor or at a home football game.

Dick Moser hung his stethoscope up, pushed the med records and prescription pads aside, and cranked out a long letter detailing the activities of '70's very own med bn at Walter Reed. The roster includes our physicians **Boslego, Dave Brown, Gandy, Blakelee, Herb Roberts,** and **Cramblet (MSC)**. **Dick** predicts a large turnover in this roster next June since he, **Boslego, Brown,** and **Roberts** are eligible for reassignment then. **Dave, Barbara, Scott (9),** and **Allison (2)**



1970: Wennerbergs & Van Vliets

Wagner came up from the SJA crse at UVA to visit the **Mosers** last summer. After **Dave** graduated from UFL Law Sch in 78, he moved to his new asgmt at Ft Bliss. Besides the **Wagners,** the **Mosers** are also in touch with B-4 classmates—the **Monacos** and **Beahms** who are all at CA Tech en route to USMA this summer. **Dick** and **Patti** would enjoy a call or a visit from any classmate in the area, especially B-4 members; they live in Rockville, MD (Phone 301-460-0540). The **Mosers** provide the first positive response to our Reunion Homecoming. Not only would **Dick's** oral board in Diagnostic Radiology have prevented their attendance in the spring, but also, and more importantly, the **Mosers** thoroughly enjoyed the Homecoming for our 5th Reunion, so they eagerly anticipate similar good times at our 10th.

Football season at WP can be one long tailgate party. This year, thanks to **Jim & JoAnn Crawford** who provide their yard and qtrs, '70 has a tailgate site where one and all gather prior to the games. The turnout for the first 2 home games has been good. The weekend we conquered UCT about 40 people joined the festivities. Visitors included **Mike & Judy Coulman** who were staying with Judy's sister **Brenda & John Reese**. That was Mike's last weekend before donning the USMC uniform with **John Reese** swearing Mike in. **Fred & Geri Zillian** hosted **Dick & Kathy Wennerberg** who drove up from NJ. **Fred** says **Dick** enjoys selling heavy equipment. In fact, **Dick's** job keeps him outdoors; he conducts many of his sales on the golf course—that is certainly more healthy than the 3-martini lunch. I would have taken an actual count of the attendees, but after putting my drink into the ready position while taking pictures I had no fingers left over to count with. At Michie Stadium we saw other visitors. **Bob & Cindy Millard, Page,** and I have seats at what has to be the busiest intersection in the stands. In our position we were literally bumped into by **Joe Faraguna** who had recently resigned from JAG and came up for the game as part of his holiday before beginning a job search. **Joe** says he will probably begin a practice in NYC. **Bob** and I also spotted **Pete Nell,** but we never got his attention.

Two weeks later we picked up where we had left off, still on a high from the Stanford game win. **Page** and I arrived at the **Crawfords** at noon to find the **Franks, the Billias, the Forsythes,** and the **Crawfords**. **Paul & Pat Frank,** houseguests of the **Crawfords,** drove up from NJ. **Paul** is now a Proj Mgr



1970: Wetherill and son Chad.

for Weyerhaeuser in their paper div. This is a new job for Paul who previously worked for another paper co which required his commuting to NYC plus weekly trips throughout his area that stretched from KS to the East Coast. Paul enjoys the new position especially since the commuting has stopped and they kept the same home. Pete & Celeste Billia came down from Ft Devens to stay with Barney & Jane Forsythe. Pete is a part of the SF "A" Team—there really is a Special Forces dentist. Pete finds this new job, with all the travel and the motivated team members, quite exciting. In a past column I said Pete went from dental sch to the AMEDD charm cse; Pete adds some humorous detail to that. Pete, Luke Brennecke, and Bill Rose donned their uniforms and looking STRAC with their Rang tabs, Abn wings and medals, they joined their classmates to learn how to salute, to recognize rank, and to march. The rationale behind their attending this refresher course was their potential as role models. Was this necessary: well, one instant LTC was so taken by his new status that he pinned his rank on the back of his saucer cap. Somebody send that man a cadet bathrobe.

To continue with the action, John Riley appeared from his qtrs next door to be attacked by Jim Crawford who wanted John's sandwich. After successfully defending his lunch, John said he saw Jack Sabia and Gary Cornelison at Stanford the prior Sat. Jack is still at NPGS; Gary commands a Navy installation somewhere in Oakland, CA. About that time Pete Lilly and Keith Jarrett ambled over to say hi, then they left to find their wives who had gotten lost somewhere along the way. As the Rutlers left for another tailgate party they passed a group that was just arriving: the Coxes, Churchills, Barbours, Bishops, Bartholomees, Rudledges, Addys, and others. Geri Zillian pulled out some photos of the previous tailgate which Page spotted and quickly claimed for this column. Geri graciously provided them, but Fred couldn't figure out how Geri took a picture of Geri and Fred. See what happens when you make MAJ. As I reached for another beer, I noticed that the Lillys and Jarretts had returned. Keith and JoAnn live in Boston. JoAnn works for Index Sys in Cambridge while Keith continues work on his PhD in Mgr Econ at the Harvard BS. Keith plays rugby on the

bus. sch team to escape the pressures of academics and work. The party broke up as we departed en masse for a frontal assault on the shuttle bus across the street.

During half time of the UNC game, Steve & Celise Swain appeared out of the crowd. They live in Greenwich Village, which puts Steve close to his job in Manhattan as an investment counselor for the Rothschild family business. Steve sees Mike (Duck) Johnson frequently as Mike travels to the Big Apple from his home base in Boston. As the Swains left to find Jim Hunn, I spotted Jim Price next to me so I grilled him on our Homecoming activities.

Our Homecoming reunion is in the initial planning stages. John VanVliet is our OIC; Jim Price is in charge of activities and Bob Laird is in charge of support. Jim points out that the only time available for an informal Class party is Fri evening because Sat offers a Memorial Service, Class Meeting, Parade, Game, and the AOG Dinner Dance while Sun will be spent on return travel. Bob Laird has a number of people planning the support. For example, Bob Bauman will handle accommodations. Detailed planning began in Oct. John Woloski and Tom Shadis will be putting the addresses into a computer program that will allow a quick and accurate mailing system to get the poop out.



1970: The Rudledges.

The Year Group has begun social activities on a regular basis: once a quarter. Our first party took place on 2 Nov with Dorn Crawford putting on a Disc Jockey show. We will probably break Gloom Period with a dinner-dance at STAS. Then to celebrate—unofficially and informally—our 10th for the classmates leaving this summer, we will stage a bootleg Grad Week Party. So those of you available this spring should consider stopping by. I cannot provide advance notice of these parties in this column be-



cause my deadline precedes the reservation schedule for party facilities, but fliers will go out on post about 3 wks in advance of each event. If you find yourself in the WP area check with a friend; you may be able to join the party.

On that happy note, I close the column for this quarter. Have a safe and joyous Holiday Season.

'71

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An abysmal quarter for news. The waning days of summer must have had us all hither and yon. Be not concerned, our mini-reunion news from Oct will be published in Mar.

Karen & Paul Andrew were married in a very warm ceremony in Westwood, MA in late Aug. Paul now works for McDonnell-Douglas in Chicago and waits for Karen who is finishing her MBA at Wharton. Jay & Dottie Bapple have added yet another



1971: L-R: Ritchie, the Elders, Weidners and Jean Ritchie in Madrid.

child to their fold. Their 5th, Tony, was born in August at WP. Not to be outdone, 4 other couples here were blessed with babies during the same month's period: Thomas to Dick & Sabina Bridges, John to Mike & Lori Kendall, Brian to Carl & Kathy Leininger, and Kristi to Bard & Suzzane Mansager.

Cal Benedict has returned from his academic environs overseas. He is now dutifully entrenched in IOAC. From Purdue, Larry & Meg Boice announce the arrival of Daniel Kieth born 3 Jul. During his PCS leave, Dell Dailey spent 30 days in a kibbutz in Israel before reporting to the 11th ACR. Frank & Carol Durum celebrated the birth of Sarah Elizabeth on 15 Jul. A different kind of celebration took place recently when Dave & Nancy Guerland were married. Don Hassin has transferred to Marquette Law Sch in order to join wife Ginny, who is finishing



1971: Paul and Karen Andrew.

her doctoral dissertation in counseling psychology. Also in Milwaukee are **Ted Tornehl** who works in tort litigation for insurance companies, and **Kieth Von Seegern** who is a pers mgr for a bank. **Dan Howard** now works as a lawyer for Dow Chemical in Midland, MI.

Mike & Rose Van Buskirk are now with the G1 office of the 3d AD in Germany. **Lou Wenick** is on an unaccompanied tour in Israel where he is constructing an airport runway near Tel Aviv.

From the Corps Has Dept, changes abound. Among them, there is no longer mandatory breakfast for cadets but rather a continental breakfast at their leisure. The morning formation is at 0715. PMI after 0930. No more plebe wrestling. More to come.

'72

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Greetings and Happy Holidays! I hope to get a lot of pictures of the many seasonal parties for next issue, so load that camera. Speaking of pix, there may be one adjoining this article that has to be one of the best "group photos" I've seen. **Jim Griffin, Bill Wilson, Dave Lueneburg, Dennis Wagner, and Tom Nelson** look like a team portrait of the Bad News Bears! Here's hoping it got into print so the world can be privy to a classic. **Jim & Kathy Griffin** are living in Falls Church, VA, where he works for BDM Corp. **Bill & Ginni Wilson** are not too far away in Springfield, VA. Bill is a 4th yr med sch stu at George Washington U in DC. He has applied for a residency in Orthopedic Surgery on the West Coast. Both **Lueneburg and Wagner** are Proj Engrs with Ford Motor in Detroit. **Tom & Carol Nelson** added a family member, Elizabeth Hope, last Dec. He is an instr in soils and pavement design at TES, Ft Belvoir. Wilson's brother-in-law, **Ron Murphree** is out of the Army as of last Jul. He and **Tori** are living in AL, where **Ron** is a civ engr. Thanks for the news, **Wilson**.

Bob & Kristen Strong have some big news that really was intended for last issue, but didn't quite make it. On 8 May 79 the **Strongs** added a set of twins, **Britta Katrina** and **Robert Alan Jr.** Big sister **Kristen**, "thinks they are great" says Bob. Congrats!

Got a couple of letters from prominent members of the Ft Bragg contingent. **Wayne & Yong Hui Kirkbride** are enjoying the duties of company cmd now after an S3 job in 2/504 Inf. Wayne says his leg has healed from the break and it feels good to jump again. Other bits and pieces from **Kirkbride: Tec & Donna Cahill** were in OK at last count, but may be at Naval BG Sch in Monterey, CA soon. Tec's sister **Caren** is a



1972: The Russells.

Yearling now. **Ed, Roz, and Star Vross** live in Goshen, NY, where he is with Avon. The **Milt Kogers** are with 1st Tng Bde, Ft Knox. Son **Matthew**, almost 2 now, keeps mom and dad busy, even when **Milt** is not on his war games. **Kirkbride** says he needs an update (address, etc.) on some H-4 buds—**Babington, Helgerson, Kiernan, Reiser, Ryan, Whitney, and Zurian**. Also from **Bragg, Dennis Gray** sends his quarterly report. First, **Dennis** saw the **Harry Browns** last summer at Ft Jackson O'Club. **Harry** is attending USC Law Sch. **Chris Ardleigh** has resigned and is working for Westvaco, a paper products co. His first asgmt is a sales tng program in Manhattan. **Jim Camp** departed **Bragg** in Aug for Honolulu, HI, and the Recruiting Cmd. **Jeff Donald** is now the S1 for JFK Ctr Stu Bn. **Jeff** reports that **Spike Latimer** is at the UMS, for his MA in Engl, and then on to WP and the Engl Dept. **Joe Drach** has changed jobs having given up his co cmd. He's now the S3 (tng) for 1st Bde of 82d. Last Jul, **Joe** went to Italy to coordinate an exchange of Italian and 82d Div Officers. While he was there, **Joe** gave a speech in Sicily on the 36th anniv of the abn assault there. **Al Geraci** is Co HHC, 82d Sig Bn; **Chuck Hiatt** is Asst Oprs off for 82d (and proud papa of son **Mike** born last Aug, congrats to **Chuck** and **Karen**); **Karl Johnson** is the 82d Manpower Officer (G1) in charge of all officer asgmts. Others at **Bragg** include: **Jim Holcomb** (SF to co cmd last Oct), **Paul & Kathy Labonte** (Celeste Marie born on Jul 20!), **Tom McNerney** (now CO, C/1/505 Inf), **Steve Powers** (daughter **Cara Colleen** born to **Steve & Elaine** last 20 Mar) is CO, C/2/505 Inf; **Joe Taylor** decided at the last minute not to resign as reported last issue and is in Korea (he attended the Compt's Cse prior to that), **Tod Wilson** is Tng Off for 3d Bde, 82d, and **Al Barlow** is with Procter & Gamble in MO (how did that get in the Ft Bragg report!). Thanks for the poop, guys.

Understand that **Craig Hatton** is now at the Uniformed Svs U of Health Sciences, MD. **Bill Guarino** sends his A-1 newsletter again, so we'll share it here. Though I haven't been able to figure out his exact status, **Tom Marks** is still in HI and coaching women's track at the U. He spent some time this past summer at Ft Huachuca on summer training. **Joe Edwards** received his MA in Criminal Justice from John Jay Coll last May. Wife **Pat** is also nearing MA completion. **Gary & Chris Dobija** are still in Germany (Wildflecken) where he is S1 for 2/15 Inf. Also in Germany is **Tom Pawlowski**. Tom is an Arty Det Cmd in Landsberg. Since he is the only German-speaking officer in his unit, Tom has to do the interpreting for everybody. Back stateside, **Tom Giboney** is still a leader-

ship instr at TIS. Last summer he spent some time at WP giving a leadership presentation to the ROTC/USMA workshop. **Steve Curtis** has started on his MBA at Indiana U. The **Wamplers** announce the arrival of number 4, **Ryan Joseph**, last 19 Jun. He joins **Rick Jr. (6)**, **Patrick (5)** and **Andrea (3)** to keep **Rick** and **Kathie** busy. Along with the **Wamplers** in the Canal Zone are **Bob & Valerie Phillips**, married last Jan. Congrats to both couples! Thanks to **Guarino** in Dearborn, MI.

Dale McDonough found time to write while between field trips at Ft Campbell. Sorry to hear you had to go from flying Cobra's to rifle co cdr. (B/2/327th). Those plush asgmts don't last long. You are right though, Dale, the trenches are what it's all about. Dale reports on some others he's seen at Campbell: **Jim Barnes** is on the staff of one of the Trans bn, **Tom Greco** gave up his co for a 3d Bde S3 job, **Tom Pollard** still with the 229 Avn, also flying Cobras, **Joe Scaniffe** was the S4, 229th for a while, but picked up an FA btry cmd. **Don Tilton** and **Jeff Spara** were once seen around there, but Dale says they have kept a low profile recently. **Joe & Agnes Adameczyk** are at Duke U for grad sch. One final note from Dale—all D-1 cohorts please give him an update on your whereabouts. He'd like to get a newsletter started. (**Dale McDonough**, 2249 Robin Rd, Oak Grove, KY 42262.) Thanks for the "Rocket" Dale!



1972: Pollard, Miss Brown and McDonough.

The long, tall Texan, **Bob Mattox**, has started work with a consulting firm in Houston. Biggest news for him and **Sarah** though, is the addition of **William Palmer**, born 13 Jul 79. Congrats! A note from **Jeff King** somehow got left out of the last issue and it may be old news, but here goes. **Jeff** took it upon himself to get a little info from the '72 contingent at Heidelberg Founders Day last spring. He provides the following on those not already mentioned: **Stan Florer** (1st Bn, 10th SF, Bad Tolz, Germany), **Jim & Deborah Morgan** (S4, 11th Avn Bn, Maurice Rose Army Airfield, Frankfurt), **Scott & Patricia Pepler** (Opns Off, Fac Engr, Wiesbaden), **Gary Walborn** (CO, A/1/48, 3d AD), **Doug Hoon** (CO B Co 16th Engr Bn Nurnberg), **Jim Kievit** (CO, 503d Engr Co, Ludwigburg, son **Jak 2**, and **Margaret 1**), **Gene Bailey** (POMCUS Staff Off, Combat Equip Gp, Landstuhl) and wife. **CPT Lynn** is with Coronary Intensive Care Unit at 2d Gen Hosp; **Ken Dzombar** (CO C/2/33 FA, Neu-Ulm) and wife **Diane** is speech pathologist at Neu-Ulm Mil Com Elem Sch; **Mark Bilo-deau** (S4, 5th USAAG) wife **Ruth** and daughter **René Marie**, age 5. **George Webb** is CO A Co, 1/64 Arm, Kitzingin (unmarried as yet); **Tom & Jacquie Walton** are with 2d Bn, 42d FA, Crailsheim. In Baumholder (dear old



1972: Griffin, Wilson, Lueneburg, Wagner and Nelson.

Baumholder!) with the 293d Engr Bn are Grant & Janice Smith and sons Michael and Karl. Finally, Stan & Kate Gray are in Schwetzingen with the 649th Engr Bn. I hope at least a few of these are still current.

That's it for this issue. Joy to all—

'73

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Merry Xmas all! I hope '79 is ending on a joyous note for each of you. It has been a super year and it's my pleasure to close out this year's ASSEMBLY notes with even more good news from grads scattered 'round the globe.

Jerry & Clare Miller (I-1) sent a photo of what they claim to be the family business dynasty taken in FL this past Jun. Jerry had just earned one of the 4 annual trophies awarded by Electronic Data Sys—the corp for which he is now an intl recruiter. He was #1 in the Operator Div Category for EDS recruiting and (in addition to the trophy) won a 4-day trip to Lake Tahoe. Please join with me in prayer that the Millers may endure the current hardships! Clare's parents are Regl Mgrs for Con-Stan, Clare's sister Aleen is Dist Mgr for Con-Stan, and Clare is Sr Regl Dir for Con-Stan; and lastly, Jerry "The Beak"—still sporting that domineering profile. Jerry and Clare, best wishes for your continued success!



1973: Roland, Gerry, Aleen Tausch; and the Millers.

Got a great letter from Bob & Kathy Holcomb (B-2) back in Jul reporting that Rebecca Marie was born on 7 Mar. Now Bobby Jr (4 yrs) has someone to play with! Bob explains himself by admitting he's been a "busy little bee"—keeping warm on those cold Bavarian nights, ya? Bob's had 2 battery cmds in the 1/18FA, Augsburg, is now the S2, and plans to PCS back to the Armor OAC at Ft Knox this month. "We're not sure why I was selected to go to the Armor Cse—I think it is because of my vast experience in Arty so impressed Branch that they want me to pass it on to the tankers. Kathy, on the other hand, thinks FA Branch has decided I'll never get it right and is showing me some other options, in their own discrete way." Kathy, I think you're right! No, seriously, after the career cse Bob is hoping for 2 yrs of grad sch and then a USMA asgmt in the Dept of Mech. In news of other '73 grads in the AO, Bob ran into Dave Vaughan recently. Dave "owns" the MP detachments in Augsburg, Munich, Garmisch, Berchtesgaden, New Ulm, and Bad Tolz. Not too much responsibility! I know my old roommate Dave can handle it. If he could live with me for 9 details total, he can handle anything. Thanks



1973: Top (L-R): The Iwanyks, Hollander, Reynolds, Sharon Takala, and the Smiths; Bottom: Caron Sheilds, Morris, Shannon and Bruce Takala and the Summers.

Bob for the good news. We're looking forward to seeing you back stateside.

Apparently Bob Holcomb's not the only busy bee in our Class, however. Kevin & Kitty Rice (E-2) are now proud parents of twins. Kevin Robert "Robbie" and Ian Scott were born on 11 Jul at Ft Bragg. Great news! Kev, please write and tell us more about the family and any Echo Co. grads in the area.

Reporting in for the F-2 Zoo with some really surprising news too are Jeff & Cheryl Cartwright. Jeff left the Army in May, moved to Greenville, NC, and is now a production team mgr with Procter & Gamble. Knowing the success Jeff had in the service, I was shocked to hear he's opted for civ life. When the reasons were given, however, I better understood. As an AG officer I am perpetually amazed at the Army's pers mismanagement. Not only did we lose Jeff—but Tom Frein (C-1) and Jim Gillcrist (F-2) too. Tom, Charlene, and Gregory Thomas will be leaving Ft Bragg next month and Jim, Judy, and Jennifer are already in Mechanicsburg, PA, where Jim is an engr for Dupont. Best wishes for continued success and happiness to each of you!

On Harvard U letterhead stationery (no less!) came a tremendous letter from Tom Shull (H-2). Tom's doing extremely well in the Harvard MBA program and reports that it's really a challenge. Mike Brown (H-3) is also in Boston attending the Kennedy Sch. "He and Ann and their 2 children, Lisa and Timmy, are doing well. I have spent many wonderful evenings over at their house—it's great to have another classmate around—especially one as super as Mike." Tom, I really appreciate hearing from you. Thanks for good news.

Last weekend after the Army-CT game, while walking down to "Buffalo Chips" field for a tailgate victory celebration party, I heard my name being called—turned around to see Jim & Marie Schultz. It sure was great to see another classmate—but the news I must report is with great sorrow. Beth Ann, born 3 Jul, died in her crib 20 Sept. The Class wishes to extend their deepest sympathy to the Schultzes. Our prayers are with you. In news of other classmates, Brian & Linda Rasmussen (H-2) were blessed with Kristen on 1 Apr (no foolin') and Pat Richardson

(H-2) in Korea. Joanie, JT and Kelly stayed in CONUS and are anxiously awaiting Pat's return from the Korean hinterland. I sure appreciate the H-2 update and I'm looking forward to seeing you again soon too.

This past May, A-3 held a mini-reunion at Ft McNair and I've been told a great time was had by all. John Morris sent a super news-packed letter with a photo and all details too: "Gene Iwanyk is back from Korea and he and Linda are at Ft Belvoir. Wayne & Sue Reynolds are now in AK where Wayne's working for the DE. Paul & Mary Grace Smith are enjoying living in the DC area (Paul's an MD in the OBGYN Clinic at Walter Reed), and Bruce & Sharon Takala are finishing up the EOAC." John is currently enjoying grad sch at the UFL in Gainesville and in his own words is studying under that time-honored, age-old, respected and proven adage and axiom "2.0 and go." In closing John wrote that "all the old war stories of Alpha-Tri were told and many happy memories were recounted. Our best wishes go out to all and hope to see you at the 10-year reunion."

Two letters came in from 4th Reg grads—the first from Lou "Wildman" Bartok of F-Troop fame. Lou is currently winding down on his asgmt as CO A/2/33 AR, 3AD, Germany, is anticipating a PCS back to CONUS in Jul 80 for grad sch, and had much news to report: John Daly is AdC to MG Nutting, CG, 3AD; Jim Bessler is CO B/1/33 AR, 3AD; Al Sciarretta is CO, C Troop/1/1 Cav; Mike Griswold is CO C/1/37 AR, 1AD; Glen Hawkins is CO A/3/63 AR, Augsburg; and Joe Gaziano is CO CSC/4/73 AR, Boblingen.

The 2d letter from Bob "Fass" Fasulo reporting in for Frat-4. Bob's CO of A Co, 8th Sig Bn, 81D in Bad Kreuznach and the Fasulos plan to be back in the States in Sept 80 with their 2 boys, Matt and Mike. Another F-4 grad closeby is Bob Hoffman, CO, D/6/52ADA in Wertheim. John Gay (G-4) is CO, A/143 Sig Bn, 3AD.

Lest I keep you in the dark, let me bring you up to date on my goings-on. By the grace of God I landed an asgmt in Atlanta in Mar 78 after the AGOAG. Spent 7 months in Readiness Gp Atlanta; Ft Gillem as Chief, Admin Tm/Advisor; 12 months as Chief, COMPACT, HQ Ft McPherson, and since 1 Oct have been a Pers Staff Officer,

DCSPER, HQ FORSCOM. I'm in a MS in Sys Engr Program at GA Tech and hope to finish up before PCSing. I'm also still single. Judging from all the classmates that have 2 regiments of kids already—it's high time I get with the program, eh? Is there any hope? (Readers are kindly requested not to answer that question. I know what you're thinking!)

If you get a chance, please write and fill me in on the latest. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

May the Lord especially bless you this Christmas.

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At this writing, plans and attendance at our 5-yr Reunion were looking up, and photos this issue should highlight it. I would like to thank everyone who could make it and helped out in the planning and execution of it. May our 10-yr be even better.

Suddenly appearing up in Natick, MA, is **Vin Maure**, where he, Michelle and family are staying. Vin is working on his master's in computers at Boston U, and is scheduled to join ES&GS in 80.



1974: Tom Turner swimming tracks at Hanover Lake, NJ.

Well Marv Searle and Carol Loop finally did go to the altar (was it really 6 yrs?) on 17 Aug in Jacksonville. **Don & Lauri Dubia**, **Pete & Gail Breton**, **Milt Spaulding**, **Cliff Krebs**, and me were in attendance and had a whale of a good time, especially at the notorious bachelor's party. Fortunately Marv made it to the church on time... with a limp... and never daunted, they had a super honeymoon at Acapulco. Now they're back at Gordon where Marv is still a co cdr.

The 3 classmates we do have at WP at this writing are: **Tom Downer**, **Marshall Best** and **Charlie Poure**. Tom is into Yearling (this name still authorized?) physics and bought a unique house on a mountain in Ft Montgomery. Tom was a tremendous help at the Reunion. Marshall is in ODIA with track and Charlie, Linda and Melissa Poure are living at Stewart Subpost while Charlie is asst opns off with DCOPS; also planning on grad sch in the near future.

The Poures note that **Mark & Janice Grazier** are out of the service, Mark with Mobil Chemical of Lowell, MA, and likes it. **Mike, Pip and Barbara Kelly** are at Bragg now. **Tony & Mary Hass** recently added Timothy to go along with Christina (4½); they're at Ft Greeley, AK.

This may be a little outdated, but **Charlie (-) Gleichenhaus** wrote in Jun while en route to Korea, where he will protect our Western Front as cdr of the UN Cmd Spt Gp. Charlie says anyone in Korea is cordially invited up



1974: CE types at EOAC, Belvoir: Doe, Benton, Smith, Norwood, O'Brien, Edwards and Metheny.

to Panmunjon; he'll safeguard (now you can worry). Also there is **Eric Fardelman**, an S4 and Supervisor of a Korean Svc Co; **Lou Vozzo** is cdr of B/1/38 Inf; also **Chuck Herrick** is cdr of CSC/1/17 Inf and grieves for the broken hearts he left behind state-side—16 girls?! Not the Chuck I know. A really "hardship" tour there is **Marty & Teri Giandoni**, he's in charge of officer asgmts at MILPERCEN-K; also **Steve Shambach** is cdr of A/1/19 Inf while **Vicki** is working in the Ed Ctr.

From Charlie's travels he adds that **Paul & Patti O'Sullivan** are at Campbell, he a section ldr of the new TOW Cobras, picking them up new in TX and flying them to KY. **Chuck Alexander** is with Union Carbide, concentrating on Nuc waste disposal for DOE, doing well in the Knoxville area. **Todd Troxell** is out of the svcs and is in med sch at the UNV/Reno. Charlie notes, "he's a better man than me if he can study in that environment." **Chris Bauman** is doing fine, living and teaching on Long Is. **Lee & Mari VanArsdale** are still at Devens, Lee cmdng a SF tm. **Denny Brown** and **Sean Murray** were rooming together at Benning while in IOAC, both headed for Ft Stewart next. **Bill & Deb Kenny** are still at Ord, a long tour. **Steve Stevenson** and **Frank Sablan** are both out of svcs, Steve with Bristol Meyers in Oakland and Frank with TX Instr. This last poop is so reliable that Charlie adds, "Steve, if I'm wrong, I'm sure you'll hear about it." **John & Deb Twohig** are at Lewis, John cdr of C/3/34 FA and looking great—young as ever. They were expecting #2 baby this fall. And "how is PMLH."

Art & Sherry Exten announce the arrival of **Cara Linn** on 15 May 79 at Campbell. There Art was cdr of A/2/320 FA and surrendered it to **Mark Jensen** on 15 Aug (keeping it in the E-3 style). The Extens are then off to AOAC at Knox and due for Germany in Apr 80. They add that **Al & Mary Ellen Lokey** were expecting #2 in Aug and were planning on exiting the svc and settling in Knoxville, TN.

Frank & Pat Janoski did a last PCS in Aug from Knox to Louisville, and the civ life. Frank began law sch then at the UKY, Louisville. He requests I add his address and welcomes any and all visitors, his local

specialty being KY Derbys: 1621 Linda Way, Louisville, KY 40216, 501-368-8560. Good Luck!

Hopefully with this column is a pic of some CE types, from EOAC at Belvoir taken on our 5-yr anniv. **Dave Norwood** informs on them: **Bill Doe** is now at UNH, **Rich & Dianne Benton** still at Belvoir, **Steve Smith** at UIA; **Dave, Jenny & Jeremy Norwood** at the UIL, **Ty & Linda Edwards** are with the Dist Engrs in Okinawa, **Bob Metheny** is in Korea while **Linda, Daniel and Rebecca** are at home in DE. **Dave** is pursuing his MS in CE at UIL, also there doing likewise is **Jerry Mohr** and **Terry Youngbluth**.

As usual, I hear about it if I goof up and **Bob Humphreys** set me straight that **John Shortal** and **Bob Pinson** were in G-4 and not H-4 Hogs (so what, 4th Reg-lax). **Bob and Judi** welcomed a baby girl—**Deni Boerger** last 6 Feb. **Bob** is the allied LnO at the IMA, Bragg and enjoys it.

On the West Coast, **Don & Beverly deLeon** added their 2d son, **Philip Daniel**, on 30 Aug. **Don** is just finishing his Russian at DLI, Monterey, and then off to SFOC in Jan and the 5th SF at Bragg. **Rich Neske** finished his German there and will attend the same SFOC. **Bill Chadwick** and **Dan Kulich** are taking Spanish and then on the CZ. **Bill and Don** are both putting in a lot of miles and running some marathons in that running paradise. On others **Don** notes that **Darryl Hoyle** is a civ and working for an oil co in TX. **Gene Richardson** is teaching HS math and coaching football in Kermit, TX (that's W, not E TX, Sorry). Also **Wayne Green** is cdr of an OSUT co at Benning.

Lou & Lisa Gelling are now at AOAC after rtnng from Erlangen, Germany. Then added **Jeremy Nathaniel** on 11 Jan 79. **Lou** expects **Hood** to follow AOAC. Also at Knox are **Jeff Anderson**, **John Haetinger**, **Bill McMillan** and **Mike Gehlhausen**.

From the silent majority comes **Jay Joyce**, who retred from Germany in Sept 78 and attended the Post-Grad Intel Cse in DC along with **Tim Tanner**, **Neil Krukar** and **Steve Trauth**; all three then proceeded on to Korea in Jun 79, **Steve** with a stop at DLI and **Tim** a stop in Huachuca. **Jay** is now in a leg slot at Bragg, working in INSCOM.

but hopes for a jump slot soon. Jay and wife Shirley were expecting their first child this Oct, and have bought a house. Others in the neighborhood include Norm & Carmen Andersson (married Jun 79, Norm is cdr of an engr co), Jon & Paula Adams. Jay notes some fellow E-1'ers out of svc: Steve Meibers, Duane Bickings, Tom Hoefert, Jim Pickett (Slim Reed), Scott Haswell, Mike Davis and Paul Fuhrmeister. Where are they now . . . ? Tony & Susan Stamilio are still in HI (2 girls and Tony is cdr of an MP Co). Terry Elmore is at Sill as is Rich (Greg) & Diane Kniskern (Rich headed for Germany soon). Steve & Linda Arn are at Bliss after IOAC and the Mtr Officer's Cse. Drew Ellis is cdr of Hq Btry, Divarty, Korea. Bob Bassler is at Bragg; Steve Rybczynski and Jerry Deponai are out of svc, both entered the seminary this Sept, Steve in Chicago and Jerry at Dunwoodie in Yonkers, NY.

Heard from our token Pentathlon ace—Ben Withers at Ft Sam. Hopefully a pic is in the column of Ben with Greg Losey ('72) in front of Lenin's Tomb, Moscow. Besides the Sparticade, Ben has competed in Budapest, Rome, and the National Sports Festival at Colo Spgs. Ben will remain on the team thru Sept 80. He adds that Jack & Kathy McGeehee are doing fine, Jack in his 3d and final year at St. Mary's Law Sch, San Ant.

Joe Bonnet is now cdr of HHC/4/20 Inf, as of 27 Aug, in the CZ after being Chief of Ind Tng at G3, 193d Inf Bde. So the Bonnets are in the CZ for at least one more yr. Mary is taking a break from teaching and is now an engr tech in environment/energy conservation with the Army elements there. The transition of CZ ownership is chging quite a few things there, to include the Bonnets' address: PSC Box 785, APO Miami 34004. They note that Dave McCracken and Ken Webber moved from the 3/7 SF to the G3 shop recently, both due for the adv cse in Jan 80, Dave for IOAC and Ken for AOAC.

Scott and Eady Myers put his uniforms up for sale and are in Austin, TX, where Scott is pursuing his MS in Mech Engr, as a civ. He notes Skip Sharp took over a tank co at Hood and Jeff Cerny is an engr in the Civil Svc.

Kim Jones writes that he is now a civ pursuing a grad degree in Petro Engr at the UTX, Austin.

Bob & Ruth Mixon are settled in CONUS after that long Germany tour. Bob is in the Marine Adv Cse at Quantico and his first impression was they are majoring in PT. Ah—ooo—gal

Greg Lucas has recorded an album called Facets of Love, easy listening music, and it is gaining in popularity in the N. Orleans and Phila areas. Anyone desiring a copy or having DJ friends in other parts of the country can write ASC, PO Box 387, Penberton, NJ 08068.

Anne & George Oliver had a house built in Fayetteville and George was recently selected as aide to MG Mackmull after finishing scuba and halo schs in SF. Greg Parlier was to take cmd of a btry on 4 Oct, Judy's birthday. Chris & Mary Pat Sinclair visited the Olivers recently. Chris has transferred to the AF and is now at Eglin AFB.

Don & Ruth McGrath are now at Clarion, PA, where Don is with the ROTC Dept, teaching freshman Mil Sci. Ned Chabot is in the ROTC Dept at N GA Coll. Jon Dutcher is in the DC area, he's with an

MI section that spts the DA staff. Dennis Blasko is also in DC. Dale Fletcher won the TRADOC ½ marathon in Jul at Ft L. Wood. Dave Rodarte was married in Columbia, SC on 28 Jul to Linda Louise Newman. Bill Hopkinson is an orthopedic resident at Fitzsimons, Denver. Dennis & Karen Gum added #4, Donald Eric, on 27 Jul here at Dix. Chuck Thebard OJT'd with the JAG at Dix over the summer, since retn'd to Carlisle for his 2d yr at Dickinson. Howard Berner entered Harvard Bus Sch this fall, still with the Army. Jim Hogan has now taken on Ft Devens . . . took over Jerry Dixon's SF team, Jerry now out of the svc. Roman Ciupak did not disappear on the Jersey Turnpike after-all, lives nearby in S. Jersey and works for Amco Transmissions, also playing semi-pro soccer.

Dave Buto had an MI co at Devens; started at UMD this fall. George Runkle is working on his master's in PE at U of Houston, headed for OPE at WP. Steve Monks is married and a co cdr at Ft Ritchie, MD. Pete Breton is at Homestead, FL, deactivating the Nikes and Hawks there. Cliff Krebs is a co cdr at Stewart as are Tom Turner, Al Banks, and Gary Bishop. The latter three, all in 3/19 Inf, spent Aug at Dix tng NGs. Al is headed for IOAC in Jan.

Dan Hulsey called up from San Ant. He's still writing texts for the AF, but off on TDY this fall to the Squadron Officer Sch in Montgomery, AL. Dan adds that Bill Fletcher is a wpn sys off in Germany, to rtn stateside next spring. Mark Lennon is at Clark AB, PI, flying in a F-5 Aggressor Sq. Tom Lengnick is instructing in T-37's at Williams AB, AZ. And Tom Gleason is out of svc, into the furrier business in Alexandria, MN.

Randy Studor called, he'll be at Ft Sam, Fifth Army Hqs for 6 mos. Dave Petraeus is presently the A/S-3 of 2d Bde, Ft Stewart. Bill & Franke Albrecht are now in Oklahoma City, where Bill is a drilling engr with Tenneco's mid-continent div.

Wow, is that all? Love those newsy letters, and Xmas cards even better, how about it. My next deadline is 3 Jan. Army started off well (2-0) maybe they can beat Navy!

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Merry Xmas! Hope everyone is enjoying their holidays. Plan on attending the reunion and let us know if your coming ASAP. Between SF missions, Mike Kirshner has been working hard to organize the weekend. Send any ideas you imaginative folks dream up to make this weekend a memorable one. Tentative plans have a ski lodge party, train station picnic/tail gate operation, AOG formal and a Sunday brunch. Whatever hotel is decided on we'll let you know in a Class letter along with other info.

This issue is being created after a long, enjoyable "Inferno" evening so bear with me. Sue Ford told Doc to come back with good ideas; from the amount of times his glasses got steamed up things look promising. Cheyenne was subtle enough to let some poor girl beat him with a whip while humoring us with high pitched screams of agony. Poor Rich Zak couldn't take the show so he left to play pinball returning only if the stage was empty. Luigi Magnanti decided to buy Vicki a big cape and leather boots. Gerry



1975: Chuck, Kathy and Allison Hamil, 1979.

Hill was observed with eyes like saucers but it could have been the beer. More on Benning activities later.

Rich & Angela Buckley wrote from Belvoir with a lot of news. They returned from FRG with Andy & Mary Hamlin. Angela wanted to stay at Belvoir but Leonard Wood gave Rich the nod so she turned down a terrific job in DC. At least Inf branch isn't the only one that is so much "fun" to deal with. Bruce Tyson is often found wandering around post gritting his teeth, hands on hips practicing his new CO image. John Fiedler, Tom Grubbs and Bill Britton are having wild parties. John's going to Carson, Bill's staying at Belvoir as Allied LnO, Tom's staying at Belvoir.

John & Nikki Rice have a dau, Jessica. Nikki happier in CONUS than in Karlsruhe cuz the only construction John does now is backyard flowerbeds. They're heading for Campbell after EOAC. Nick & Barb Kolar are headed for Eur with dau Tara. Tom & Susan Howard welcomed Rebecca Clare in Jul. Others in Belvoir AO are Joe Barget, Hank Bryd, Pat Finley, Larry Ghormley, Russ Glenn, Bob Magnifica, Brad Hall, Bernie Spence, Mike Tigner, Rick Boyd, Mike Ulekowski, Carl Aoki, Dave Purcell (FA transfer), Doug Campbell, Bob Hoopes, Tom Holden, Dave Ridenour, Dave Washechak, Neil Ahle, Ron Anderson, Dino Dickey, Trent Keeble, Joe Manzo, Dave Milton and Lynn Wahlgren.

Jim & Gail Slavin are in DC with son Christopher attending a strategic Intel Cse. They're hoping to be stationed in DC. Greg & Allison Moldoran are at Gordon with Jason born in Apr. He's already as big as mom with dad's hairline.

Jeff & Patty Hill have 2 daus at Ord, expecting another. Dan & Judy Kinsey are also there with son Ryan. Tim Wray has his normal marine haircut. He was DHG of his Rgr class.

Brad Hall, your note was well received at Ft Benning. Engrs at Benning include Jim Abcouwer and Frank Caputo. They're biding time and are found in the I bar on Fridays. Rich Cantwell is in a constr bn, Jim Morris is in a cmbt bn, both at Lewis, while John McMurray is working hard at MIT.

A-3 had a reunion in May at McNair. '75 reps were Ginger & Gerry Hopkins married Jun 79, Doug & Chris Chesnulovitch, Mary Ann & Jim Raney.

Jim Goldberg married Cynthia at 2 p.m.,



1975: From left: Shumpert, Bailey, the Ellisons, Durbins, Garvers, Amnens, Hunsekers and Antes.

29 Mar, in Copenhagen, Denmark. Jim's flying at Kitzingen while Cynthia is the head nurse in Heidelberg's hosp.

Les & Laurie Smith had a baby boy, Jason, in Apr at 9 lb 6 oz. They're at Muldrough, KY, with Les TDY at Knox for the Maint Cse en route to Riley. They miss Panama City already.

Greg Holder wrote from Stetson U Coll of Law in St. Petersburg, FL, where the AF is sending him to sch. His wife is still at Eglin AFB awaiting orders for McDill AFB in Tampa. He also feels bad that he's been a CPT awhile while we float along at sr 1LT's. Anyone from F-2 is welcome at Greg's at any time. Tom Helms is at Williams AFB, AZ, as a T-38 Instr Pilot. Pat Keating has moved from navigator to flt sch. JP Williams says he's staying in to spend a tour in Europe.

Knox has a group of hard partying classmates trying to stay hidden. Some of them are Ace Burkhard, Ed Braddford, Don Smith, Bill Troy, Craig Jung, Terry Campbell, Rog Kaplin, Steve Lollis, Red Burris, Ted Osuniga and Forest Crain. Ted is found every Tues playing Bingo. Forest left Maureen teaching at Campbell so he can relax at Knox before they head for FRG. He was the DHG of his Air Asslt class before he left Campbell.

Kathy Hamil wrote while Chuck's in Korea. She & Allison, born Jan 79, are staying in Union, MA. Chuck's unit was involved in battle scenes for the filming of "Inchon." Seems like a long way to go to be in the movies.

Dean & Mary Morningstar have a 2d son. Dean has a Reception Co at Gordon. Barry Pepper has procured a diamond ring for someone other than his mother but the poor girl is still unidentified. Someone did something to Barry at Sill, must be the water. Jim Swanson is getting married in Mar to Carol in Cincinnati.



1975: From left: The Chesnulovitches, Hopkins' and Raneys.

Steve Townes has finished his MBA. He & Suzy are expecting their first baby in Dec. He spent some time in Aug at Walter Reed getting cleaned up from his So American escapade. Steve sends a friendly hello to Bill Blankmeyer and other AOAC friends—their gracious letter was certainly meaningful to Steve.

Bragg has Paul Bonney and Mike Kirshner in SF. Paul's just about a vegetable. His famous line "I think, therefore I am a carrot" is coming true. Steve Roh has an AG slot with 18th Abn Corps while Bob McDonald and Wes Hayes are in the 82d's G-1 shop. Jim Tirey and Lance Jordan will be living together 'til Jun 80 when Lance gets married to Debbie in Atlanta.

Steve & Adrienne Walsh with Katie are at Sill with Dale & Jane Dvorak who have dau Sally.

Benning has seen a number of parties and lots of faces. Class 5-79 has arrived with Chuck Baker, Bill Reid, Phil Brewster, Howie Barton, Bob Caslen, Russ Musser, Mike Weinstein, and Frank Kolar. John Tilley is down at Stewart but works so hard he won't

come and party with us even when we call him special.

Class 3-79 departed leaving a lot of people in their wake. Tom & Cheri Austin had a baby girl this fall along with John & Lisa Lough. Dorian Anderson and Mark Siemer went back to Rgr sch with Bob Simons running the city cmte. What fun! Bob and Richie bought a house at Benning and are expecting company soon. A baby not just transient guests!

Before leaving, Tony & Beth Cerri had run themselves into rails. Tom Ryan is now on the maint cmte in Bldg 4. Jeff Perry switched from Jackson to Benning and is assigned to the Tactics dept. He's so motivated, I found him asleep on his desk the 2d day on the job. Vinc & Sue Gwiazdowski are snowbirding before stopping TDY at Benjamin Harrison en route to Polk. Jack Cage is snowbirding on doctrine development in Bldg 4 before grad sch while Cindy runs continuous laps around Willow Creek. Doug MacMillan left for Bragg but rtd for Pathfinder sch. Doug Stickley had his little brother down for a month. That kid partied harder than Stickman. Doug was ready to leave for Hood. Jim & Lydia Klemashevich are headed for Ft Shafter, HI, to enjoy the sun not the 25th. Rich & Mary Kline hibernated at Benning before slipping off into the sunset.

Art Harrold spent a lot of time complaining about all the hard partying he had to do at Benning while he was here. It broke our hearts believe me. Jim & Colleen Robon had a baby girl, Kristin, on 23 Jul 79.

Class 4-79 sleeps well during the day but comes alive at night and on weekends. Except for Zak, he has been slipping. He hides from people to avoid going to parties and twice claimed he had to shine boots instead of going to keg parties. He's got it bad and she's 6,000 miles away. But hope remains, his sharp tongue with the wives is still evident. Gerry Hill is still flying whenever he gets off time from the housework Sue gives him. Al Batey is considering a ski club at Carson when he gets there so anyone interested look him up. He partied hard when Michelle went away for 2 wks. He got kicked in the shins by Cookie Scully during one escapade but once Michelle rtd his time was controlled. She didn't even let him go to the "Inferno" with us cuz he misbehaves in public.

Denny Dresch has been running in marathons, he's bored. Tom Ayers and I cut fire-



1975: Tina and Cheyenne Harnois.

Campbell has Spider & Marty Marks and Greg & Debbie Howard. Spider has a Hq Co while Greg has a line Co. Joe & Jen Wasiak are now at Hood flying.



1975: Clark and Kathy Lynn, June 1979.



1975: The Iveys in casual pose.

wood to waste time and burn up energy. Mike & Debbye Cannon welcomed Christopher on 10 Jul 79. Greg & Debby Tharp spend their time controlling their 2 boys, Jeff & Byran. Greg's headed for flt sch. Cheyenne & Tina Harnois got out of their furniture store slot at Dix and bought a house here at Benning.

Jay & Cookie Scully enjoy yelling at each other, their Siberian huskies and whoever comes to visit. Which is quite often since they put on a great show. Cookie has managed to hurt her foot either kicking someone or falling downstairs at the last 7 parties. Count 'em 7!

Al Fehlings spends his free time reading. That includes lunch hours and class breaks. Wayne & Somphon Chalupa had a baby boy in Aug while Drew & Penny Stanley had a 9 lb 6 oz boy on 23 Aug. Mrs. Stanley was on hold so long we were all jumping at a telephone ringing in a classroom. Bill Whitesal is married and his wife's name is Donna. Now maybe his wife will stop beating him for not being mentioned in the ASSEMBLY. Ben Freakley has been nicknamed "daddy" since he doubles as the rugby coach, but the actual reason is he's always harassing the boys about partying and drinking the day before a game. He even shows up at parties just to check us out. He'll be headed for DC to be the aide to the cmdr of the Mil Dist of DC. Steve Bellene hibernates both in and out of class. John Chappel is as quiet as usual. Bob Ronne has settled deeply into the tracks of the happily married subservient man.

Bill & Debbie Ivey have Mickey and Sam, 17 mo and 4 mo respectively. One's a cat the other a dog. Bill has Debbie skydiving with Steve Tonello. He raised her insurance and has requested to be allowed to pack her chute. They are partying harder than usual since we work so much here. She has almost developed the ability to cook provided there's a glass of wine available.

The class party we had in Sept saw numerous kegs float through Scully's back yard along with 120 people. We started at 1300 and concluded about 0300 or thereabouts depending upon who you were.

We watched Fac Engrs come fix the bathrooms, MP's watch from a distance, neighbors come over to complain and join in as well as other interesting tidbits. Ken Decker appeared on his bike in a blaze of mud. Jeff Perry's truck provided the screen for an outdoor latrine. George Reynolds stopped in for a couple of pitchers before heading to the Inf Museum to pick up a civil war cannon. Louigi Magnanti brought a canteen cup to drink out of cuz he knew he couldn't break it. Needless to say, he didn't remember going home but Vicki spent a week reminding him of his technique.

Cheyenne & Tina Harnois lead us in a

midnight version of "Where is the Buffalo" which we enjoyed but the neighbors didn't. Doc & Sue Ford keep us motivated and cooled off by pouring pitchers of beer over everybody.

Mike & Liz Weinstein stayed to establish that parents of 3 can still party. Al Fehlings and Carol motored off to get 3 cases of Coke which no one drank. Sean Murray and Denny Brown, both '74, were our technical advisors. Wayne Chalupa showed to take a break from mom and the little one. Jim Klemashevich brought Lydia to help in the kitchen while he told us all how much he'll like HI while we work in TRADOC, naturally Doc Ford agreed with him. Greg & Debby Tharp were unbelievable. Debby pushed us away from the kegs and controlled the beer. Her best line was "Let me pump that keg, the more I pump the better I feel and I haven't felt like this since college." Greg never remembered leaving. Jay & Cookie Scully left the party and went to bed leaving Bill & Debbie Ivey to play house guard. A typical mistake.



1975: Michelle and Bob Caslen with Robert Louis III.

It was such a success we're planning a whole weekend when we get promoted. Which will be accomplished when you read this article. Even Al & Michelle Batey came to the party and it was Michelle who didn't want to leave.

So much for this issue. Remember to write, plan for the Reunion. Last but not least, enjoy that promotion it has to last for awhile. Welcome 1980!

'76

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Hello again. Hope all is well with everyone this Xmas season.

The first note is from Jerry Harrington. Sue and Jerry are in St Louis where Jerry's in med sch. They had their first child, Gerald Ray III, on 14 Apr and he weighed 9 lb 3 oz—a new record for the Class? Sue and he are trying for their residency at Letterman AH—good luck. Jerry sent news of Mike Wood who's at Ft Ord to study Italian starting in Oct, and when done is off to Italy. Paul Koch has extended in Germany until Jun 80 and is now trying to get into law sch. Jerry also says that Ed Cardenas is getting married to a girl he met in Germany, date unknown. PS: Scott & Sally Gillogoly, write to Jerry.

Kathy & Jeff Hughes sent the pictures



1976: In Hawaii: The Lamberts (visiting from Ft Hood), the Mosers, Kathy Hughes, Cindy Golis, Wolfe (visiting from Ft Stewart), Golis.

from HI. Ed Markiewicz was married to Jerri Cooper at Schofield Bks on 30 Jun. The other picture is of the old I-3 group that attended. Kathy and Jeff are finishing up in HI and are heading to Ft Gordon for SOBC in Jan 80. Pat & Rosemary Lusk will also be heading thataway in Jan. Pam & Buz Moser arrived at Schofield this past spring for their 2d assignment. Kathy and Jeff are expecting their first child who should be born by the time this article is out.

Got a note from Kip & Sally Edwards at Ft Riley. Kip's going to branch transfer to MSC and is going to specialize in building hospitals. He and Sally are heading down this way in Nov (Ft Polk) where he's going to be working on a 46 million dollar hospital. We plan on seeing them at Pat O'Brian's here in N.O. in the very near future.

Rob Drescher wrote from CA to say that he's now in the Southern CA Coll of Optometry in L.A. Four years from now, he'll return to active duty as an optometrist. He appends a note saying that Bob Spiridigliozzi was married last May.

Ann & Dave McSween sent the picture of them with their new daughter, Allison Therese, who was born last 28 Oct and is growing like a weed. Supposedly she eats more than Dave does. The McSweens are due to head to Ft Knox in May for AOAC. Dave saw Dennis Murphy recently at Ft Riley and Dennis is now an aide after returning from HI. His first KS winter will definitely be a shocker! Joe Saffer should be now in Panama with SF. Karl Grunwald



1976: Lt & Mrs Ed Markiewicz, Schofield Bks, HI.

is still at Ft Carson after taking off TDY at Ft Huachuca learning all the intelligence that MI folks are supposed to have.

Got a good letter from Mickey Ives. He's now in Korea while Donna is attending school at UTEP. Mackey says that Amy & Jack Myers are still enjoying Germany and are doing well. John Stinson is in Crilsheim and also enjoying the European life. Jimm Webb is likewise in Germany at Frankfurt.



1976: Ann, Allison & Dave McSween.

Paul Ligman is with 1/23 Inf in Korea and is kept really busy with IG's, ARTEP's and reaction force missions. Karen & Greg Dyson are doing well in Bamberg and both are looking forward to the advanced cse in Jan. Glen Krc is enjoying college life at MIT where he is busily studying nuclear phys. In his spare time, Glen has maintained his swimming ability in intramurals with a 50 yd breaststroke in 30.7 secs. Jim Bob Rollins' unit just passed their AGI and is now back to enjoying life at Bad Hersfeld. Sherry & Bruce Hoover were blessed with the birth of a 7 lb 5 oz baby girl, Devon Rebecca, on 13 Jun.

I recently got a letter from, hail to the chief, Jim Warner. His sister recently married his ex-roomie Keith Walker in Jun. Jim's current roomie is Bruce Jackan who will be moving out to Ft Lewis to join JC Brown at the Ranger Bn. Jim says that he just got a hold of an old after action report on a 5th Reunion that will soon be in the planning stages. Jim said to plug it so, We'll expect to see EVERYONE at the 5th reunion, rain or shine. Jim's soon heading to Germany. Jim also says that he wants to get a sponsor for get-togethers at far away posts—I assume he means during the 5th—if anyone wants to help, please write.

Joe Fernandez recently sent word that he's now at USMA working in the AdmO until he heads to the advanced cse at Ft Sill.

JC Brown, now at Ft Lewis, is really enjoying his new job with the Rangers. John's been reading up on foreign affairs and will soon rival Kissinger with his knowledge. (Having been his former roomie, I'd say it'll probably take less than a year.) John's coming back to MS around the first of the year when a bunch of us will try to get-together. The folks will include Dick Jackson, Jackie & John McDaniel, JC, and Donna and me.

Bruce Harding sent a great letter from Aschaffenburg, Germany, where he is with Jim Donovan. Apparently Mike Beal is just down the road from the other two. Lydia's and Bruce's boy, Lee just turned 2 this Aug and Lydia should have had no. 2 just before this issue gets to you. Karen & Jim Donovan are expecting their first child in Dec. Barb & Stan Stajdenham had a baby boy, Andy, back in Jan.

And now, the Finkelstein Christmas issue: Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to all. It doesn't seem like a holiday without H-4 banging on the door or the phone calls saying I'm here. To J. T. and Slick (old friends) your phone call was like a ray of sunshine. I still think you were "bombed out." Hoping to hear from all and to see

you soon (What am I saying!).

Dave Hutchinson's letter opens with, and I quote, "It has been truthfully said 'my name is ne'er mentioned 'ere there is something I must provide,'" and this letter attests to that fact. Thanks for the plug, now everybody else might write. Dave, in cahoots with Rick Ryles, John Cal, and Randy "Dancing Feet" Rogel, are all basking in Italian sunshine.

Mike Wood sent a note confirming his trip to the Presidio and then Italy. He also confirms the birth of Jerry's and Sue's son but says that his real name is "C.J." Apparently, Jack Dunne is also in the Presidio learning Italian and will be in Italy about 3 months before Dave. Bill Newnam will be heading to Korea over Xmas this year. Mike closes, sending his best to Ann & Jake McFerren, Jan & Paul Koch, Pat & Rhett Hernandez, Melinda & Doug Ward, and Rachel & Ellis Olson, all of E-4 types in fair D-land. Lastly, sorry Mike for the typo of your name altho you must admit, "Weed" is a little humorous.



1976: Sue, Jerry and "C.J." Harrington.

Unfortunately, that's all I've got this month—hope it was coherent—had a bad call night last night on OB and I'm still a little punchy. Hope everyone has a terrific holiday season. How about an Xmas resolution to send your recent life history to me, we'll have a ten-page column yet.

'77

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Howdy Folks! As Xmas season and the beginning of a new decade are fast approaching, I hope this letter finds all in good health and spirits. Here's the news.

John & Donna Pruett are both doing fine at Ft Riley, KS. John will soon become Mortar PL in the 1/2d INF, while Donna teaches at the Post Sch. His exploits over the past year have included Reforger, Jungle Sch, Mortar PL Sch, and purchasing the latest thing in mechanized inf equipment—a 78 Corvette. John requests the following former F-2 Zooers—Dave Chadwick, Denis Zambetti, and Barry Bomier—to write him c/o CSC, 1/2 INF, Ft Riley, KS 66442.

From Ft Carson, Scott & Barrett Anders announce the birth of their first baby—a girl named Carolyn—on 30 Mar 79. Scott is currently the support PL for the 4/40th AR. Also in the 4/40th AR are John Turowski, soon to be BMO, and John Prall, Mortar PL. John & Sarah Prall are expecting their 2d child in Dec of this year. Scott also writes that Dave Hruska and Mark Schmidt are CO's in the 2/34th AR. Also in the



1977: Pruett at A.O. "Scorpion," Panama, CZ.

2/34th AR are Craig Peringer and Tom Garver. Scott sees Ken & Dottie Miller often and writes that both Ken & Pete Selleck, both with the 4th Engr Bn, are doing fine. Furthermore, Scott has seen or heard from Mark Donahue, BMO for the 1/8th Inf, John & Sue Cicerelle, who have just had a baby girl named Christina, and Steve Barton. And lastly, Scott requests that Tom Begines write him at Qtrs 7269B, Ft Carson, CO 80913.

George & Nancy Mitroka announce the birth of "Airborne" twins, their 2d and 3d, at Ft Bragg. The girls, named Kathleen May and Kristine Marie, "came through the door" just before midnight on 20 Aug 79. Both George and Nancy are kept very busy with their Abn brood, but Nancy says that George can keep up as he just recently went to jumpmaster sch and loves "standing in the door." Nancy further writes that Kent Cuthbertson and his wife are expecting.

From Ft Sill, Phil Pierson, who will soon be defending the free world in Germany, writes, "Pete Welsh is getting ready to take over a BCT Co. Mel Goodson is a BC now for an FA unit. Phil Campbell is the S2 in the Bn. Trent Frederickson is also at Sill and is an A/XO. Bill Greer is with an 8-inch unit. Wes Walters is going to flight sch. Kiggins & Greg Adams are also at Sill. Greg is with the BCT Cmd. Cliff Harris is married and doing well. At the only Inf Bn here on post Paul Richardson is the XO for an Inf Co and Wally Frankland is the PBO." Thanks for the news Phil.

From Manila in the Philippines, Matt Pridgeon writes that he is an aide-de-camp to BG E.S. Korpala in a 35 man JUSMAG. He says that he occasionally sees Eric Javier, who is a Bn S3 with the Philippine Constabulary operating on Mindanao. He also has heard from Greg & Linda Robinson in Germany, Andy Bowers at Schofield Bks, and Mike McGinnis at Ft Riley—all of whom are doing fine. Matt further writes that if anyone passes through Manila and wants to enjoy doing some of the fine Scuba diving in the area or just wants to see the sights, then contact him at the JUSMAG at Clark AFB and he'll put you up and show you around.

Mike & Des Church announce the birth of their 2d baby—Kimberly Michelle—on 21 Jul 79. Both Mike and Des are happy about the new addition and about Mike's new job—FDO for C Btry, 12/20th FA, APO NY 09358. Both Mike and Des would also like to hear from their long lost friends—stateside or otherwise.

Dave & Mary Ann Cole are doing well in Germany. Dave is XO with A CO, 34th

Sig Bn, and is one of the star players on the Officer's Soft Ball Team. Mary Ann is trying for a job as a draftsman appointment with the 5th Gen Hosp. In their spare time both are cultivating an interest in Art Hist (not the mil kind), by taking art tours of Pompeii, Pisa, and other cities. Pompeii, a city buried under volcanic ash in 79 BC, being the most exciting part of the tour, Mary Ann writes.

From Upstate Med Sch in Syracuse, comes word that Steve Spaulding is alive and well and training now at a hospital on the St. Lawrence Seaway. He's heard from Mike Montelongo, who still plays a mean guitar, Steve Morrow, who's at Ft Bliss, Kevin Gardner, who's with an Inf Bn in Germany, John & Nancy Geiger, Bob & Betzi Bankey, and Joe & Joanne Santilli.

Nick & Pat Iorio just wrote a letter from Ft Bragg saying that Nick has just recently graduated from Ranger Sch and is now XO of C Co, 27th Eng Bn. Pat is putting in the hours as well—she is an Engl teacher in the Adult Educ on Post.

That's all the news for this issue. I hope everyone has a Merry Xmas and a very Happy New Year. Take Care and May God Bless.

'78

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Hello friends, hope everyone had a pleasant fall and will have a Merry Xmas. Here's all the news made fit to print.

Jim Budney married Denise Merriken (Jim's sister) on 9 Dec 78. James is an XO at Ft Dix and he's starting fit sch in Apr.

Mike Johnson married Lynn Amico last 27 Jan. They reside at Ft Lost in the Woods. Mike says Darryl Mobley may make the Olympic team/handball team.

Kevin & Debra McCaffrey were married on 2 Jun. "Shultzie" was an usher. Kevin is stationed at scenic Ft Polk. Happy anniv to Mark & Sherry Buck, Eric & Robin Franks and Pat & Debbie McGaugh.

Jim Steiner wrote and said he and Diane were married 30 Jun in NH. They live in Ft Lewis. He sees Jim Sullivan, Bo Basilica and others around. Bo Beaudry is requested to drop Steinmetz a line too! Jim sent a Ranger pic with more names than I could



1978: Bill and Karen Lake.



1978: Founders Day at Fort Leonard Wood.

ever print, so congrats to all winter ranger grads. Hope everyone's hair grows back and nobody got frostbite.

"JA" John Armstrong sent some "wild and crazy" pics that I'm surprised Kodak printed. JA is in Bamberg with Dennis Sydoski and John Grosse. He saw Roy Panzarrella in Augsburg. Can't promise they'll print your pics J, but we'll keep trying.

Darryl Mobley says Curt Harris is getting married soon. Also Craig Gilbert and Joe James are trying out for the Olympic team. They are all TDY at Ft Carson which breaks their hearts.

Crazy Carl Tegen wrote from Deutchland. He claims a steady diet of beer and women. Carl is avoiding marriage and has a pilot's license which scares the hell out of everyone who flies. Tegs says Jeff Foley lives quite comfortably. No details though. Tegs write



1978: Jim and Denise Budney, 9 Dec 78.

me again, I lost your address—Tabasco.

Had a really sweet letter from Carol Benchich, Jeff's wife. They seem to be undecided about whether they like Ft Benning or not. Carol says nasty Ed & Mary O'Neill were expecting last May, no word from Eddy though. Andy Grimalda and Mike Skaggs live together in HI where I'm sure they suffer terribly! !

Herb Herndon married Sharon Young on 22 Sept in Houston.

Slash Sienicki wrote from Germany. He thinks Germany is a bachelor's paradise. He wants Rex, Rob Lindquist and T. Greene to write him at APO 09751, 1-51 Inf.

Bill & Karen Lake were married 16 Jul in AL. Bill graduated from fit sch and I hope God smiles on you both forever.

Louis Caldera wrote and said he, Eric Hughes and Benny Hedden went to Bruce Knapp's (old I-3) wedding to Lee.

Speaking of former classmates, Dennis Mansfield our first class pres called soliciting funds for his Congressional candidacy. Seems



1978. Kevin and Debbie McCaffrey.

ol' Denny has the Republican nomination and if he's elected he would be the youngest congressman ever. He lives in Ontario, CA, so give him a ring!

Chuck Austin wrote to renew his subscription and announce the expected arrival in Apr of a little Chuck. Congrats!

Jim & Cathy Coffman had a little baby girl in Sept. They enjoy Italy with Leo Cyr, Andy Soldo, Matt Roberson and Pete Torok.

Jim McNeill and Ken Graves spent the summer as instrs at Buckner. I'll bet I can think of at least 10 million better places to spend my summer.

I saw Roland Smith at Kirkland AFB. He and Lynn live happily at Ft Bliss and we are in the same fit sch starting 13 May 80. Ken Rackers and I were at the AF Mt Rescue Sch. I kept asking myself, as I hung off 600 ft cliffs by my fingernails, why I volunteered for such lunacy but us poor Transpo officers need a thrill every now and then.

The following people are going flying with me at Ft Rucker: Rick Morrow, Ward Silvola and Jim Wookey. Orky got an ARCOM, Congrats.

The boys from Sill, Jugger, Racks, Buddah, Abe, Andy, Charlie, Smitty, Grant and all others wish everyone a Merry Xmas and a drunken New Year's Eve.



1978: Caldera, Hedden, Knapp and Hughes.



Greetings—I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable 30 days followed by a smooth transition from grey to green. With all the moving and TDY it is easy to understand that most everyone is too busy to write.

Jim McGorry wrote from Ft Benning. He seems to think the Class has not split up yet. Almost every time he turns around he is bumping into another Class member. Jim reports that this makes the night life at Ft Benning very enjoyable. However, the regres-

sion from MS 401 Div OP-ORDS to IOBC squad orders and individual movement techniques seems to be a little discontinuous. The guys there are developing the fine art of pine cone punting and rock throwing. Also Jim reports that there has been no change in the assembly and disassembly of the M16A1. Well, at least enjoy yourself at Ft Benning.

Dick Orr stated that a similar situation existed at Ft Knox. Many classes seem to be 2 hrs of material stuffed into an 8-hr day. The highlight of AOBC will come in the near future when the LT's get to drive the tanks.

Carl Blackburn says that everything is going as expected in Ft Belvoir, everyone is doing fine and the EOBC is going slow. The

guys at Belvoir seem to be trying to get that last party together before putting half the world between them. But, don't despair, there is hope ahead.

John Turner and Sam Merrill were roommates at school, both went Ordnance, got married over leave to Debbie and Linda, lived in the same apartment house at Aberdeen, the same apartment complex at Redstone, are both going to Germany, to the same Army Depot, the same Bn, and even the same Co. Not everyone can stay quite this close together, but we will all be members of "TOP OF THE LINE '79" forever.

So take care and keep those not so close in distance close in mind, by dropping me a line. Good luck and may God Bless.

If Only Horses Could Talk

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I would guess about four feet—straight and sharply pointed. It was keenly honed on both edges. A frightening armament!

The rider stretched forward over his horse's neck holding the saber in prolongation of his own stiffly outstretched arm. He then directed it by maneuvering the horse, much in the way that the forward firing guns of a fighter plane are brought to target. The accuracy of this weapon system was not high and I do not recall much damage done to the suspended sacks of straw at which we aimed. It occurred to me that the procedure was wasteful. If the target, be it straw or man, were skewered successfully, the weapon had to be released and, presumably, abandoned.

My own strength and size were inadequate to handle the saber. I was acutely aware of its long sharp edges and feared that I might sever my right ear whenever I was called upon to execute the manual. It never happened but I am glad, all the same, that I never had to demonstrate my proficiency upon a Field of Honor.

The horses are gone now and the ranks of those who remember them is thinning. The old Riding Academy at West Point is now the Academic Building, its great spaces filled with auditoriums and classrooms. One end houses the old Ordnance Museum. It is a good use of a facility that has outlived its original purpose, but old cadets of the future will have to find something else to talk about.

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applause is more properly directed to the best students.

According to current Army Regulations the order of promotion into the Regular Army is as recommended by the Superintendent to the Secretary of the Army. This is done based on "class standing" and is generally the same as it has been for many years. In addition, order of merit is used during the cadet's first class year to facilitate branch selection and the first duty assignment.

The USMA mission given in Butler's article is correct as stated and we believe best states our intended goals and objec-

tives in the process of preparing our young men and women for service in the Army. The mission statement evolved over the years as the Academy grew to meet the needs of the Nation and the Army. I thought you might be interested in the mission statement at the time of your graduation and asked the USMA Historian to investigate. His response follows: "The significance of the Academy's mission statement of the 1920's does not appear to compare with the significance the statement is given today. Indeed, it is rather difficult outside of Academy Annual Reports and Board of Visitors Reports, to determine what the mission statement was at any one point in time. We do know, however, that the following general statement was made in the 1920 *Annual Report* and repeated in the 1921 *Board of Visitors Report*:

'With the termination of the World's War the mission of West Point at once became the preparation of officer personnel for the next possible future war.'

"A more extensive mission statement, formally approved by the Academic Board, also appeared in the 1920 *Annual Report* and by 1923 was considered to be the Academy mission according to the annual report of that year. It was prepared as a result of experiences in World War I and the reorganization of the USMA curriculum to a four year program.

'The function of the Military Academy is to give, in addition to that character-building for which it has long been famous, and in addition to the necessary military and physical training, such a combination of basic general and technical education as will provide an adequate foundation for a cadet's subsequent professional career.'

Down The Field

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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY (6-6)

First-year track and cross country coach Ron Bazil saw his troops make it to an even 6-6 mark on the season. Senior Mike Grogan has been the top performer for the Cadets this fall and he has been helped considerably by team captain Tony Thomas. In the first meeting of the

year between the Cadets and Navy, the Cadets dropped the match to Navy by a 16-47 score.

WOMEN'S TENNIS (7-1)

Women's tennis has been made a fall sport for the first time this year. The crisp air of autumn has been kind to the women netters as they posted a seven win versus a one loss record. Leading the team under first year coach Steve Medoff are two yearlings, Holly Harlow of Shawnee, Oklahoma, and Joan Schiel of Huntington Beach, California.

SWIMMING

In a closely matched contest between the USMA Women's Swim Team and Alumni swimming greats from the past, the Alumni managed to hang on by a slim margin 53-51. The highlight of the meet was the 300 yard freestyle relay which brought together six members of the undefeated 1945 swim team. "Rock" McBride, Dan Hickey, Ray Thayer, Bill Glynn, Jim Edwards and Jack Truby were just touched out by .06 second by the Women's Team which was valiantly anchored by Heide Brown '81. Other relay swimmers for the women were Deanne Capotosto '83; Michelle Jackson '83; Nancy Harman '81; Joan Fowler '82; and Team Captain Bobbi Fiedler '80. Fiedler, who is the Company Commander of D-2, was recognized by the members of the '45 team for her outstanding performance in leading the women as Team Captain for the last three years.

Women's Academy Records were broken by Shelby Calvert '83, in the 200 Free (2:05.8) and Cindy Blamick '83, in the 50 Fly (29.0). The Alumni victory confirms the fact that Army is still the best! A new cheer was introduced by the men:

Rah Rah Ray! Rah Rah Ray!
Hoorah, Hoorah, Army Rahl!
Women! Women! Women!

ORIENTEERING

The cadet orienteering team dominated competition at the New England Orienteering Championships at Quabbin Reservoir, Massachusetts, Oct 6 and 7. Cadets received five team and eight indi-

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Be Thou At Peace

We, sons of today, we salute you—You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.



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Henry Fairfax Ayres

NO. 4719 CLASS OF 1908

Died 9 January 1979 at Shaftsbury,
Vermont, aged 92 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery,
Arlington, Virginia



HENRY FAIRFAX AYRES

HENRY FAIRFAX AYRES was born 23 April 1886 near Leesburg, Virginia, in Oak Hill, once the home of President James Monroe. He was a son of Colonel Charles G. and Elizabeth (Fairfax) Ayres. His grandfathers served on opposing sides in the Civil War—Major General Romeyn B. Ayres, USMA 1847, with the Union forces and Colonel John Walter Fairfax with the Confederacy.

Colonel Ayres came from a long line of soldiers. His seventh great-grandfather, Sergeant John Ayres, was killed by Indians while serving as a selectman of Brookfield, Massachusetts, in 1675. A great uncle designed the Confederate flag and died from the same volley that killed Stonewall Jackson.

As a toddler Henry was in the cavalry camp at Wounded Knee, the last major battle against the Indians, in which his father fought. Visitors to Fairfax Ayres' Shaftsbury farmhouse were regularly regaled with stories of the Civil War, and they were told as freshly as if Ayres himself had been fighting with Stonewall Jackson or General Grant. Actually he was recalling stories he had heard as a youth from ancestors who served on both sides of that fratricidal war.

He followed four uncles to Virginia Military Institute, where he was a middleweight boxing champion. At West Point he played end on the football team for two years and was an intercollegiate fencing champion in 1905. General George Patton was a roommate of his at West Point.

He resigned from the service after graduation leave in May 1908 and took a job as an apprentice and foundry foreman in a finished castings company. Later as manager of the New York office of the Union Spring and Manufacturing Company he was noted for perfecting a pressed steel railroad brace for the Company.

Mustered into Federal Service in July 1917 in World War I, he served in France and was cited for gallantry after action in the

Argonne Forest and under the 17th French Corps east of the Meuse.

He returned to civil life as president of the Navy Gear Manufacturing Company in Port Chester, New York, from 1919-1922 and later became a securities broker in Rye, New York.

Moving to Shaftsbury in 1937, he became interested in farming and maple syrup production. He devised a milk sterilizer, a farm fire alarm and a syrup pressure filter. He also invented the hydrotherm, a device for weighing maple syrup, which was sold throughout the United States and Canada.

As chairman of the legal committee of the Vermont Sugarmakers Association, in 1949 Colonel Ayres helped pass a syrup-grading law and pushed the concept of "the \$7 gallon" for syrup, an unheard-of price at that time but one which gave a fair return to the sugarmakers. In one of his memorable phrases, Ayres urged the sugarmen to stop allowing farmers to spit out their syrup on the chicken coop floor—a reference to the practice of selling low-grade syrup to tobacco companies as a binder.

In political and environmental matters, he became an enemy of excessive salt on the highways, of too-heavy trucks on roads and bridges, and of billboards. As chairman of the Vermont Roadside Council, a coalition of garden clubs, agricultural groups and political figures, he helped design a local option ordinance that was adopted by 57 towns before a state law in 1968 outlawed all off-premise signs and billboards.

He was a charter member of the Bennington County Regional Commission and retired as Shaftsbury delegate in 1976. He was always a vocal participant at Town Meetings and was memorable for usually having his pince-nez resting over an ear as he spoke.

In recent years Colonel Ayres designed a crosswalk system that offered safety to pedestrians while easing vehicular turns. He personally sold it to the Bennington selectmen and it was adopted for Putnam Square almost as he envisioned it. The chains which he suggested, to keep pedestrians from crossing in the wrong places, were replaced in 1976 in Putnam Square by landscaped walkways and shrubbery that serve the same purposes.

Colonel Ayres was a Master Mason, having joined the organization in 1921. He gave land and designed the present temple for the Red Mountain Lodge in Arlington. He was a Life member of the Manchester Veterans of Foreign Wars post and belonged to the Arlington American Legion post.

He publicly predicted in November 1941 that "Japan would sink the United States fleet," and his views were published in *The Bennington Banner* at that time. He was proven correct weeks later when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor to launch World War II.

Colonel Ayres re-entered the service as a colonel in the Air Force, convoying pilots and flight crews to the Pacific and to Europe. He served in New Guinea in 1944 and in Rome and Anzio, Italy, in 1945, earning a Commendation Ribbon and three Battle Stars for his service.

He was injured while on a PT boat reconnaissance raid in the Dover Strait off the coast of France in 1945.

Colonel Ayres leaves his wife, the former Mary Elizabeth Sherman, a native of New Bedford, Massachusetts; a son by a former marriage, Henry F. Ayres Jr. of Greenwich, Connecticut; a grandson, Henry F. Ayres III, also of Greenwich; a nephew and cousins.

Robert Sears

NO. 4832 CLASS OF 1909

Died 9 January 1979 in Atlanta, Georgia,
aged 94 years.



ROBERT SEARS

BORN IN PORTLAND, Oregon, on 30 November 1884, Robert Sears had fond memories of a boyhood spent "on the edge of the primeval forest." The son of Judge Alfred F. Sears and Ellen Carver Sears, young Robert led an active outdoor life, developing athletic skills that would later bring him awards in boxing, fencing, swimming, and marksmanship.

After a year and a half of high school, Bob joined the United States Geological Survey team mapping the southeastern Oregon desert. In 1905, at the age of 21, he was appointed to West Point from Oregon. The oldest man in his class, he was a letterman in fencing and captain of the fencing team. After graduating in 1909, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the 1st Infantry, and stationed at Vancouver Barracks, Washington.

Bob was promoted to major in the Ordnance Department in 1918, and remained in that department for the rest of his career. He completed the two year Ordnance School at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1924, and attended the Army Industrial College in 1928-29. He served as Ordnance Officer at a number of posts, and was in charge of the Automotive Testing Division at Aberdeen Proving Ground from 1929-33. In 1938, while serving as Executive Officer of the Springfield Ordnance District, he was promoted to the grade of colonel.

Disappointed by not getting a combat assignment during World War I, Bob was determined to play an active role in the Second World War, despite his age. In the summer of 1943 he went to Sicily as Ordnance Officer with the Engineering Amphibious Brigade, and after the successful Sicilian campaign, remained on the island as commanding officer of the Italian Base Sector until April 1944.

Detailed to the Infantry, Colonel Sears commanded the 35th Division during a grueling sweep through France from July to November, 1944. At the time he was almost 60 years old, the oldest combat officer in the European theater. Among other decorations he earned in the campaign, he was awarded a Silver Star, a Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the French Legion of Honor.

His battle experience was, for him, the culmination of a long military career.

Bob retired on 30 November 1944, his 60th birthday, but returned to active duty the next day and served as commanding officer of the 69th Ordnance Group of the Third Army until the following April. Returning to the States, he commanded the 93d Infantry Training Regiment at Fort Hood, Texas, until he was relieved on 18 January 1946, after 36 years of active service.

At several times during his career, Bob was given temporary assignments to take part in athletic competitions, and he had numerous medals to show for these events. He achieved an international reputation as a fencer and a marksman, and his record in the Surprise Fire event still stands. Probably the highlight of his athletic career was his participation in the 1920 Olympics, in Antwerp, Belgium. Though he was almost 36 years old, Bob distinguished himself in three of the five events of the Military Pentathlon, winning medals for marksmanship, riding, and fencing.

Bob was married in 1911 to Marguerite (Margo) Hume, a Portland native and a graduate of Smith College. They had three sons, Roderick, David, and Robert. Robert followed his father into the military service, graduating from West Point in 1939 and retiring from the Air Force in 1962 with the rank of colonel.

After his retirement, Bob and Margo traveled extensively in South America for five years before settling in San Francisco, and finally, in Atlanta, Georgia. A devoted couple, they enjoyed a long life together until Margo's death on 11 September 1977.

Bob lived his last years surrounded by family and friends, respected and loved for his unflinching gallantry, exuberance, and courage. A true gentleman of the old school and a brave and faithful soldier, he remained active and dynamic until the very day of his death, which came on 9 January 1979 in his 95th year.



CARL CONRAD BANK

all his life, and therefore seized every chance for self-improvement. He became very studious in his spare time, studied at night, and eagerly devoured every text book he could lay hands upon.

When he was in his eighteenth year, he learned that the Congressman from his District was paying a visit to his community. Carl promptly sought him out and asked for an appointment to West Point. He was informed, however, that both the principal for the appointment and the first alternate had been designated. However, the Congressman told him the second alternate position was available, if he chose.

Carl accepted with alacrity but without great hope that anything would develop from the matter. Imagine his joy upon receiving a communication from the War Department that the principal and the first alternate had either failed the examination or was not interested in further pursuing the matter; and that, in this circumstance, Carl had been appointed as Cadet at the United States Military Academy and was to report for duty in June 1911.

Thus began an illustrious military career. Carl graduated in 1915 in the upper half of his class and was assigned to the Cavalry. As a junior officer he served the usual stint of his classmates: company duty and service on the Mexican border. He was finally transferred to the Field Artillery and was sent to France as a major in the Artillery in 1917. He served conspicuously; and in consequence of this and ultimate later service was awarded numerous decorations, among them the Mexican Border Service Medal, World War I Victory Medal with three battle clasps, German Occupation Army, American Defense Medal, European-African Service Medal with five stars, Croix de Guerre with silver gilt star, Chevalier of the French Legion of Honor with Palm, Italian Cross of Military Valor, and the Distinguished Service Medal.

Carl served in many capacities and in many locations both in France, Hawaii, and the continental United States. For his conspicuous service as commander of the 13th Field Artillery Brigade in Italy, he was promoted to the grade of brigadier general, and his conspicuous service in this capacity represented the high point of his military career. It may, in fact, be said that in 36 years of devoted service, he fought with front-line units in two World Wars, served with two

Armies of Occupation, collaborated importantly with outstanding officers of the American and Foreign Armies, and was instrumental in the perfection of a plan which enabled a breakthrough of German Army Forces by American troops in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy, which had defied the combined efforts of American and British troops for five months in World War II. He retired 30 September 1947 and took up residence in Redlands, California, where he lived a useful life among congenial friends for twenty years prior to his death.

No assessment of Carl's service in the annals of West Point would be complete without recognition of his character and his fierce adherence to the precepts and motto of his Alma Mater. To him "Duty, Honor, Country" were more than words; they formed an invincible creed by which he molded his life. He did not temporize, he did not deceive. He looked in the eyes of other men without shame and without pretense. He was loved by his subordinates, enlisted and commissioned alike. So also was he respected and revered, even envied, by his superiors. Stripped of the trinkets of pride and folly, he spoke his mind convincingly and honestly with a fervent belief that needed never retreat behind a veil of silence. He was ever concerned with life—how to improve it, how to enlarge it. He knew rough times and he knew the delicate touch which salved another's feelings. He realized that the world—the context of life—could be wild and large yet narrow at times and complicated, but it was his world and its imperfections were a challenge thoroughly his own. And he was ever willing to listen and to understand the sepulcher of ignorance is itself the abode of death, and though determination is not an end in itself it is the means of discerning the end. So also though work may involve disappointments it has an indissoluble glorification.

We come at last to know that Carl has joined the Long Gray Line. We feel a stir and a brief widening in the ranks, and a welcoming clasp of friendship for one whose job has been well done.

*"... should honor die
Then man himself were dead!"*

—J.E.H. '15

Carl Conrad Bank

NO. 5365 CLASS OF 1915

Died 20 January 1979 in Redlands,
California, aged 89 years.

Interment: Forest Lawn, Glendale, California

*"... the wind and the waves
Are on the side of the ablest navigator"*

WE SHALL ALWAYS remember him for his forthright virtues, his kindness, and for an exemplary conduct as a true son of West Point.

Carl was born in a log cabin on a farm in the early days of southeastern Iowa. The log cabin was an "improved" structure—in that weather boarding has been nailed to the outside, and the inside was plastered. He honored and loved his parents for their care and for their laborious sacrifices necessary to provide a living for the family. In his own words, Carl "could plow a furrow as straight as any other boy on nearby farms; learned early to use a hoe; and was able to milk the cows and 'slop' the hogs with the best of them."

Carl started his education in a one-room country school at the age of seven; but thereafter his educational opportunities were very limited and he became largely a self-educated man. He had firmly made up his mind that he did not desire to be a farmer

Walter Wilton Warner

NO. 5632 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 13 December 1978 in Barrytown,
New York, aged 85 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

WALTER WILTON WARNER was born on 8 January 1893 in a small farming community in upper New York State, Deer River. His love of the soil, flowers, animals, all growing things of nature remained with him throughout his life. He always made himself at home on new assignments by creating spacious gardens which gave pleasure to all his associates with fresh vegetables and cut flowers. Even during World War II in Europe, he nurtured the gardens and indoor plants for the families whose homes were occupied, so if they returned, there would be brightness amidst the war. He was married to Almira Troy in June 1924 in a military ceremony in the gardens of her family home on the Hudson in Barrytown, New York. This is where he died on 13 December 1978, surrounded by the country beauty of Barrytown. Almira, whom he had



WALTER WILTON WARNER

loved for 60 years, had died a few months earlier in April of 1978.

Education and love of the military characterized Walter Warner's life. To the last moment he was alert and active with his West Point stature. Before entering the Academy, he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from St. John's College in Annapolis, the Class of '13. He was commissioned in April 1917 from West Point. He continued with graduate work at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1932. Three separate assignments took him back to West Point as instructor in the departments of Tactics, Mathematics and Ordnance & Gunnery. His daughter Helen was born on the last of these assignments.

The Ordnance was his early choice of service, and he served from October 1921 until retirement in January 1953. His first assignment, after being married, was at Augusta Arsenal, Georgia. His son Troy was born at this time. He then served two assignments at Watervliet Arsenal, New York, and one at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland before going to the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. During World War II he was Ordnance Officer of the II Armored Corps, the Fourth Army, and the Ninth Army in Europe. Decorations included the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Service Medal, Red Star of Russia, Croix de Guerre avec Palme, among others. After the war years, he was Ordnance Officer of the Second Army at Fort Meade, Maryland. His final assignment was commander of Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois.

The years at Rock Island Arsenal were the highlights of his career. Major General E. L. Ford wrote of his "superior performance as an arsenal commander: able, sincere, sound judgment, clear thinker." Brigadier General E. L. Cummings wrote, "Outstanding arsenal commanding officer—very able, alert, reliable, self-assured, sincere." "No commanding officer was more loved and respected than Colonel Warner," wrote Mr. Max Shiffman. Mr. Shiffman, as Chief of Management, had had daily contact with him and upon hearing of his death, he wrote of his fond memories: "When the Colonel was compelled to retire when he reached retirement age, seven thousand employees, as well as community organizations, signed petitions to keep the Colonel on the job. The effort was successful, and he stayed on for another year." Among the pre-Korean and Korean war activities, "The Colonel was instrumental in getting the Army Management Engineering Training Agency estab-

lished at Rock Island Arsenal. About seven thousand service personnel pass through the portals yearly. As a result, this school brings thousands of dollars to the quad-city community."

Upon retirement, Walter Warner enjoyed his trees and flowers in Barrytown, Red Cross volunteer work, and Memorial day speeches. He was happy to be near West Point where he and his wife now are buried, among many friends, surrounded by much history and tradition they loved, and in a place they always cherished.

—Helen Warner Koernig

George Francis Wooley Jr.

NO. 5708 CLASS OF APRIL 1917

Died 7 August 1978 at Phoenix, Arizona, aged 83 years.

Interment: Post Cemetery, Fort Huachuca, Arizona



GEORGE FRANCIS WOOLEY JR.

GEORGE FRANCIS WOOLEY JR. was born 26 September 1894 in Clinton, Iowa. George's great-grandfather, George Wooley, born in Monmouthshire, England, came to America in 1833 and settled in Pennsylvania. George's father, George Francis Wooley Sr., was born there in 1858. He married Effie Amelia Root, whose great-grandfather, Jonathan Clark, served in Colonel Wiggleworth's Massachusetts Regiment in the Continental Army during the American Revolution.

George Wooley was a tow-headed youngster of 18 when he entered West Point in June 1913 from Nebraska where his father was Assistant County Assessor of Douglas County. George had set his mind on the Point while enrolled in the Reserve Officers Training Corps at Omaha Central High School, and had prepped at Shadman's Columbian School in Washington, D.C.

He was dubbed "Fuzzy" as a plebe, but there was nothing fuzzy about George in his ability to think or act in accordance with his high principles which were a hallmark of his career. He made the baseball squad and represented his class in tennis tournaments his First Class year. One of George's most attractive qualities was his innate modesty. He never pushed himself forward as a cadet, but the Tactical Department gradually recognized his leadership ability, and in his senior year he became First Sergeant of "E" Company. George graduated with his class on 20 April 1917, a few weeks ahead of

time because of America's entry into World War I.

He was soon a captain commanding the 17th Infantry's Machine Gun Company. Duties at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia did not prevent George, who always had an eye for an attractive girl, from charming, and being charmed by Mary Elizabeth Ringwald of nearby Chattanooga. Mary had returned to her family home from Atlanta where she had been studying voice, piano and the violin at the Atlanta Conservatory of Music. They were married in Chattanooga on 21 December 1917.

George served throughout World War I at Fort Oglethorpe, Charleston, South Carolina and Camp Meade, Maryland. He was awaiting transportation overseas with the 11th Infantry Division when the dread flu epidemic of that era postponed troopship sailings. Along with most of the 11th Division George came down with the flu. Camp Meade's hospital facilities were overtaxed just at the time when Mary, sick with pneumonia, was expecting the birth of their first child. With the war over, George decided to retire from the Army and take Mary to his parents' home in Omaha, where their son Robert was born and where George managed an insurance office. However, George's love for the Army was so compelling that on 1 July 1920 he returned to the service as a first lieutenant.

Despite the loss of thousands of files in rank, George Wooley buckled down, without a word of complaint, in command of Company B, 53d Infantry at Camp Grant, Illinois. In 1923 George transferred to the Field Artillery and commanded Battery E, 10th Field Artillery at Fort Lewis, Washington before attending the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill in 1927-28. In 1928 he was sent to The Signal School at Fort Monmouth. A year later he was selected to take a course in Communications Engineering at Yale, from which he graduated with a Master of Science degree.

Returning to the Field Artillery School, he served as an instructor in electrical communications (1929-1933). Thereafter, Captain Wooley commanded Battery D, 24th Field Artillery (Philippine Scouts) at Fort Stotsenberg in the Philippines; served as S3 for the 68th Field Artillery (Mecz) at Fort Knox; and then was Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Harvard University.

The outbreak of World War II found Lieutenant Colonel Wooley happily commanding the 67th Field Artillery, 3d Armored Division at Camp Polk, Louisiana. In May 1942 the War Department, critically short of trained communications officers, detailed George to the Signal Corps without consulting him. Though sad at leaving his artillery command, George showed his flexibility and was soon promoted to colonel and appointed Signal Officer, IV Corps.

On 9 March 1944 General Alexander M. Patch succeeded in requisitioning George as Signal Officer for his Seventh Army in North Africa and Italy. George participated in the planning for the amphibious invasion of Southern France; and also was responsible for the support and supply of the First French Army and Air Corps units in the drive of the Allied Armies from the St. Tropez beaches north to Epinal and thence across Germany to Augsburg. The top-notch performance of his Signal "team" in this campaign earned George the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the French Croix de Guerre avec Palm, and the star of brigadier general, Army of the United States.

Following V-Day in Europe, General Wooley was assigned as Signal Officer, Fourth

Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The next year in the wake of reduction in strength in the peacetime Army, he reverted to his permanent rank of colonel in the Regular Army. In February 1947 the Chief Signal Officer brought George to Washington as Chief of the Signal Depot Branch, in which capacity he served until 30 April 1949, when he retired as a brigadier general, United States Army, after over thirty years service.

George Wooley's Army service is aptly characterized by the following quotation from Omar N. Bradley's 18 May 1949 letter to General Wooley: "... I know how very much General Patch depended upon your ingenuity and foresight, as his Signal Officer, to provide communications under the most challenging and complex circumstances during the amphibious landings and rapid advance of the Seventh Army in Southern France. The brilliant handling of this situation, when the axis of communications changed often and supply shortages were critical, was a great achievement and one that played a major part in the final defeat of the Axis. Your capable leadership and sound judgment in overcoming these problems was characteristic of the zeal that has marked your outstanding service."

To the delight of their host of friends, the Wooleys stayed in Washington after George's retirement. George became president of the Washington chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and a National Trustee of the Sons of the American Revolution. In 1972, in order to be near their son Bob and his family, George and Mary moved to Phoenix, Arizona. George suffered a heart attack in their home and died 7 August 1978.

Mary is living comfortably at Hayden Manor near her only son. She would love to hear from her friends, care of Robert L. Wooley, 5741 North 70th Place, Scottsdale, Arizona 85253.

—Joe Collins



ROBERT JOHNSON HARR

During World War II he served at various Field Artillery and Infantry replacement training centers in the United States until he was honorably discharged as a colonel, Army of the United States, in 1946.

He lived in Palo Alto, California, from 1950 to 1967. He had a great interest in playing duplicate bridge and he attained a Life Master rating.

It was 22 July 1967 that he married Kathryn in San Antonio, Texas.

A friend of many years has written, "After retirement from the Army in 1946, Bob did a great deal of traveling by train, plane, freighter and cruise ship. He was meticulous—a trait that was a virtue in him. He was a man interested in life and in living it. He was curious about people, all classes. He was an insatiable reader. He liked most sports. This man had almost total recall about his life, his experiences, all in great detail. A man of strong likes—and some dislikes as well. He could be—and he was—charming, debonair, yet holding strong opinions. In short, Bob Horr was a good friend to have, a man to remember."

He is survived by his widow, Kathryn, and by his daughter by an earlier marriage, Mrs. Elizabeth Shattuck, of Sacramento, California, and by two grandsons.

He is back at West Point where he wanted to be.

—Growley Gruhn, a Classmate

John Peter Dietrich

NO. 6092 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 25 June 1978 in Kingman, Arizona, aged 81 years.

Interment: Highland Cemetery, Fort Mitchell, Kentucky

IN SPITE OF having to be in a wheelchair or on crutches throughout his 60th Reunion at West Point in June 1978, John was extremely happy to be with his classmates and at his old Alma Mater. And how pleased were they to see that old fighting spirit still dominant. They knew that an old football injury was instrumental in his early retirement in 1925, only six years after graduation, terminating the military career of a very popular cadet, effective, well-liked officer, and a career he loved. During the years immediately following his graduation John served in the Corps of Engineers, taking the courses at The Engineer School with his class and making the

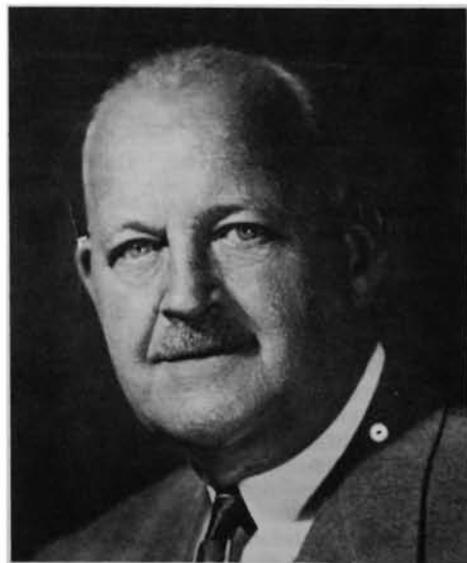
1919 visit with them to the World War I battlefields of Europe. Coincidentally, as he arrived in Brest, France, he met his brother who was waiting return to the United States from service during the war on the Western front. Upon completing The Engineer School he served with the 2d and 3d Engineers in Camp Travis and in Hawaii.

During John's cadet days he took a very active interest in football, which he played, and he held an almost equal interest in music, singing in the choir. Both of these interests held throughout his life, he was an avid sports follower and always loved music.

John was born in Kansas City, Missouri, on 11 February 1897, one of eight children of David and Maggie Kaiser Dietrich; he had four brothers and three sisters. Before entering West Point he had one semester at Kansas City Polytechnic and worked for a book publisher who was preparing mathematical text books. Before publication of a text John was used to solve the problems in a given time. Should he not be able to accomplish it, the problem was not used in the text.

Shortly after his retirement he became Deputy City Manager of Cincinnati, Ohio, under Colonel C.O. Sherrill, who had done much in Washington on construction of many of the memorials there. While in Cincinnati John met Jean Culbertson of Fort Mitchell, Kentucky. They were married 4 June 1927. By 1928 John became Engineer and City Manager of Fort Thomas, Kentucky, but by 1929 he moved to San Francisco where he was with the California Highway Department until the outbreak of World War II. During the war he was with Wright Aeronautical Company's engine plant in Cincinnati as a production planner, turning the plant over to the government in 1946. He returned to San Francisco with the State Highway Department, from which he retired in 1965. He immediately joined the consulting engineers for the Bay Area Rapid Transit District until he was forced to leave due to some back surgery in 1967. He and Jean then made their home in Pacific Grove, California. He lost Jean in 1969 and early in 1978 he moved to Kingman, Arizona, to live with his sister, Margaret Morgan.

Margaret accompanied John to the Reunion in June that year, and on their return to Kingman they stopped by Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, where John's wife Jean was buried—her old home town. Little did they realize at the time that it would be but a few days



JOHN PETER DIETRICH

ASSEMBLY

Robert Johnson Horr

NO. 5932 CLASS OF JUNE 1918

Died 27 November 1978 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 81 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

BOB WAS BORN and raised in Portsmouth, Ohio, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Newton Horr. Numerous relatives still live in the Portsmouth area.

As a youth, he had thoughts of being a doctor but the life of a soldier became his first choice. He entered the Academy in 1915 and graduated on 12 June 1918, ranking 41st in his class of 137. He was assigned to the Field Artillery. After a short course at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, he was selected to be an instructor, Department of Gunnery, 1918-20. Duty as Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics, Princeton University, ended with his honorable discharge in November 1922, whereupon he joined the Officers Reserve Corps in the grade of captain.

As a cadet he was a serious, argumentative file (when he felt that he was right). This quality befits military leaders, more so for those wearing stars than for those wearing bars, one on each shoulder.

He was employed by the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York City from 1922 to 1931. From then until 1942 he was an instructor at the Hunt School for boys, at Princeton. He had earned a Master of Arts degree in education at Columbia University in 1936.

after return to Kingman that John would be returning to Fort Mitchell to rest beside Jean. He died on 25 June 1978. While ironical, it was hardly sad as John had lived a very rich, full life, accomplishing much, handicapped as he was. He always held the utmost respect and affection not only of his classmates but of his many peers in civilian life. That courageous, adjustable spirit is missed by all.

John Trites Brown

NO. 6204 CLASS OF NOVEMBER 1918

Died 6 April 1977 in Stone Mountain, Georgia, aged 80 years.

Interment: Savannah, Georgia



JOHN TRITES BROWN

JOHN TRITES BROWN was born in Pennsylvania on 23 February 1897. He was appointed to the Academy from Pennsylvania. He attended grammar school and high school in Media, Pennsylvania. Upon graduation he chose the Infantry. He was assigned to Fort Benning, Georgia, and then to Camp Merritt, New Jersey. He resigned his commission in March 1919; however, this was not the end of his military history which included: captain, 111th Infantry, Pennsylvania National Guard, 1922-29; adjutant, 111th Infantry, 1929-30; major, 111th Infantry. John volunteered to accept a National Defense position in World War II. He filed papers with the Air Force and took a physical examination. He served from 1941 to 1946 and was separated as a lieutenant colonel.

In 1919 John became a member of the firm of George Brown's Sons, Lenni, Pennsylvania. He was in charge of plant production from 1920 to 1930. From 1930 to 1942 he was sales manager.

In 1921 he married Mildred Fulton Rhoads of Media, Pennsylvania. They had two children. Their son was in the United States Air Force. He was killed in an airplane accident. Their daughter and her husband live in Media, Pennsylvania. They have three boys.

In 1958 John married Helen Hawkins Betencourt who had six children, five of whom were living at home. He worked as state sales manager for National Distillers, Inc., until he retired in 1970. He received numerous sales awards from National Distillers. In 1972 he also received the "Old Timer's" award from the city of Media for his athletic achievements while attending high school

there. After retiring from National Distillers he purchased a retail liquor store in Atlanta, Georgia. He was shot twice in a hold-up attempt.

To those who knew him well John was a fine man, honorable, well liked by anyone who came into contact with him. He loved this country and his family. He liked to play golf, and did so when he had time.

After a long bout with cancer John died at home. He is survived by one child, three grandchildren, his wife, and five stepchildren.

—J.G.C., Classmate

Park Brown Herrick

NO. 6713 CLASS OF 1920

Died 10 August 1978 at Fort Collins, Colorado, aged 82 years.

Interment: Grand View Cemetery, Fort Collins, Colorado

PARK BROWN HERRICK was born in Springfield, Vermont, on 15 August 1895, the son of Everett Albee and Marion (Brown) Herrick. After graduation from high school he attended Norwich University, Northfield, Vermont. He was appointed to the Military Academy in June 1917, and as the oldest member of his class fell heir to the traditional nickname of "Pop."

After graduation from the Basic Course Field Artillery School, Camp Knox, Kentucky, Pop served tours with the Field Artillery at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; and Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. From 1931 to 1938 he was Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Colorado State University. He graduated from the Quartermaster School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1939, and was Post Quartermaster at Quarry Heights, Canal Zone, and later at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. In 1942, serving as Division Quartermaster with the 91st Division, Camp White, Oregon, he was hospitalized for a series of illnesses which eventually led to a limited duty status. He was Post Executive Officer at Camp White, Oregon, and at Camp Haan, California. His final assignment was Commanding Officer, Separation Center, Camp Beale, California. He was retired as lieutenant colonel, Field Artillery, in 1945.

In August 1922 Pop married Rachel Ward of Springfield, Vermont. They had two children, Park Brown Herrick Jr., United States Military Academy, Class of 1947, who was



PARK BROWN HERRICK

killed in a plane accident in 1954; and Joan Herrick Severin, wife of Dr. Glenn A. Severin, Professor of Veterinary Medicine, Colorado State University.

Following Pop's retirement to Fort Collins, Colorado, in 1945, he was associated with the Prudential Insurance Company until 1960. In spite of physical handicaps he lived a busy and active life. He had great love for the outdoors and whenever his health permitted he was off on a fishing trip in the Colorado Rockies. After his second retirement in 1960, Pop and Rachel were able to continue many of the activities which he enjoyed so much in their Airstream travel trailer. They spent their winters near Riverside, California, where they could be near their son's widow and three children, or in Arizona or Mexico, returning to Colorado for the summers. When serious medical problems arose in 1976, they returned to Fort Collins, Colorado, to live the year round. Pop died 10 August 1978.

One of Pop's major interests throughout his life was football. He was awarded a Major A at the Academy and was a member of the championship team of the Hawaiian Division in 1924. He coached football while on duty at Colorado State University.

Pop was a quiet and unassuming man. West Point meant a great deal to him. He followed with pride the careers of his classmates and friends. Only those closest to him knew his disappointment not to have been able to continue in the military service.

He is survived by his widow, Rachel; his daughter, Joan Severin; a brother, Milton J. Herrick, and a sister, Mrs. James F. Buckley, both of Springfield, Vermont; and by seven grandchildren.

The legacy of his personal code that he leaves us can be expressed by this portion of the Cadet Prayer:

"Strengthen and increase our admiration for honest dealing and clean thinking, and suffer not our hatred of hypocrisy and pretense ever to diminish. Encourage us in our endeavor to live above the common level of life. Make us to choose the harder right instead of the easier wrong, and never to be content with a half truth when the whole can be won."

Harold Oliver Sand

NO. 6745 CLASS OF 1920

Died 27 November 1977 in Palm Springs, California, aged 78 years.

Interment: Palm Springs Cemetery, Palm Springs, California

HAROLD OLIVER SAND was born in Wilmar, Minnesota, on 24 June 1899, the son of Gilbert and Bertha (Dahl) Sand, who had immigrated to the United States from Norway, in the late 19th century. Harold had three sisters and four brothers. His brother, Alexander, two years older, was in the same class at the Military Academy—graduating in 1920.

Harold graduated from Wilmar High School in 1917, and he then entered the University of Minnesota as an engineering student. The next year he received a senatorial appointment to the Military Academy (his brother Alex received a Congressional appointment), and they both entered in 1918. At West Point Harold was known to his classmates as "Hans" or "H.O." The HOWITZER reported that Harold had no difficulties with his studies, and that he was helpful to those classmates who were having scholastic prob-



HAROLD OLIVER SAND

lems. Harold's compassion for his fellowman was one of his strong characteristics throughout his life.

Upon graduating from West Point in 1920, he was assigned to The Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas. Harold was a natural horseback rider. To see him jump a horse was as natural as watching a dolphin jump out of the water.

From The Cavalry School, Harold was assigned to the 11th Cavalry at the Presidio of Monterey, in Monterey, California. It was there that he met Margaret (Peggy) Wright, whom he married on 18 April 1922 in Monterey. Upon returning to Monterey from their honeymoon, Harold and Peggy were met at the railroad station by 11th Cavalry Officers who proceeded to handcuff them together, put them on a caisson, and paraded them through the main street (Alvarado) of Monterey, to the Presidio!

In 1924 Harold was assigned to Imperial Beach, near San Diego, California. In 1926 he was transferred to the 1st Cavalry in Marfa, Texas. In April 1928 he resigned his commission as a first lieutenant and returned to Monterey to work for his father-in-law, who owned several drug stores and other real estate on the Monterey Peninsula. In 1932 Harold assumed ownership of the Palace Stationery Store in Monterey, and in 1942 he volunteered for military service and was called to active duty in August 1942 as a captain in the United States Army Air Corps. He was assigned to the Western Flying Training Command as an administrative officer. His assignments in the United States included Randolph Field, Texas; Mather Air Force Base, California; and Santa Ana Air Force Base, California.

In November 1944 he was assigned overseas to the Bengal Air Depot, near Calcutta, India, where he was promoted to major. In February 1946 he returned to the United States, and in April he was discharged from active duty, but remained in the Air Force Reserve until his retirement as a lieutenant colonel on 30 June 1959.

In 1947 Harold built a home for himself and Peggy in his beloved Carmel Valley, California. He also built a real estate office in the Carmel Valley Village, as he was one of the principal developers of a residential subdivision in the Carmel Valley.

In 1960 Harold retired from active business and divided his and Peggy's time between their residence in the Carmel Valley, and one in Palm Springs, California.

How does one sum up the personal characteristics of Harold Sand? Simply stated, he was kind, compassionate, honest, quietly religious and courageous. He never forgot West Point.

Harold was survived by his wife Peggy who subsequently died at their home on 13 September 1979. Their only son, John, who is retired from the Central Intelligence Agency and lives in Bethesda, Maryland, and four grandsons and four great-grandsons, survive.

—John Wright Sand

Oliver Perry Newman

NO. 6951 CLASS OF 14 JUNE 1922

Died 8 October 1976 in Columbia, South Carolina, aged 76 years.

Interment: The First Presbyterian Churchyard, Columbia, South Carolina

OLIVER PERRY (OPIE) NEWMAN was born in Fayetteville, Tennessee, on 22 November 1899, the son of Mrs. Pauline (Anderson) Newman and Judge George H. Newman. Opie's early schooling was in Tennessee. In 1914 the family moved to Washington, D.C., where Judge Newman held a federal appointment and additionally was a member of the West Point Board of Visitors. A favorite uncle was Colonel William Newman, United States Military Academy Class of 1892, who had commanded infantry units during several combat campaigns and who strongly influenced Opie's lifelong ambition to do likewise. Opie attended Central High School, graduating in 1918; the class yearbook describes him as good natured, easy going, a staunch athlete, and a member of the school's football team.

Opie was appointed to the United States Military Academy from the Fifth District, Tennessee. He entered in July of 1918 when the (wartime) course was only two years; in January of 1920 he was turned back to join the Class of 1923 and, along with 29 other members of that Class, he exercised the option of graduating on 14 June 1922. As a cadet he is remembered for his intercollegiate boxing in the light-heavyweight class. He was a skillful boxer, and although at times his classmates saw him take some

brutal blows, nothing really bothered him for long. Even when walking punishment tours in the area, he wore a smile and had an amused twinkle in his eye.

Upon graduation Opie was commissioned in the Infantry. His first assignment was with the 11th Infantry at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. Subsequent company-grade assignments included the 33d Infantry at Fort Clayton, Canal Zone, the 28th Infantry at Madison Barracks, New York, the 12th Infantry at Fort Washington, Maryland, and the 27th Infantry at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. A significant assignment during this earlier period was as a company commander in the 29th Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia (1935 to 1939). These troops were demonstrating the numerous tactical principles being taught to the students of The Infantry School. Opie had graduated from The Infantry School prior to this assignment, and had also previously completed the Battery Officers' Course at the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. While at Benning Opie met Miss Muriel Collis of San Jose, California, who was then on duty as a second lieutenant, Army Nurse Corps. They were married just prior to his transfer to attend the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

In 1940 Opie was promoted to the grade of major and assigned to training duties at Fort Ord, California, and at Fort Lewis, Washington. He went overseas in April 1942 with the 186th Infantry Regiment, 41st Division. During the first year of combat he served as regimental executive and as a battalion commander, and then he commanded the Regiment until the end of hostilities in 1945; thus he realized his youthful ambition to command infantry troops in combat. Meanwhile, he had been promoted to the grade of colonel. His unit participated in the Papua, New Guinea, Luzon, and Southern Philippines Campaigns. It was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for services, and Opie personally earned a Silver Star for gallantry in action. When the unit occupied Japan, Opie served as division chief of staff. In 1946 he returned to San Francisco for hospitalization.

After a period of hospitalization, Opie joined the 3d Infantry Division as Chief of Staff. The Division trained at Camp Campbell, Kentucky, and at Fort Benning, Georgia, then moved to Korea for more combat. A year later Opie became assistant division commander with a promotion to the grade of brigadier general.

Subsequent assignments included the 9th Infantry Division at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and command of the Base Section, Communications Zone, United States Army, European Command. In 1954 Opie was promoted to major general and appointed Deputy Chief of Staff for Administration, United States Army, Europe. A classmate who was on duty in Europe at the time writes that Opie was highly esteemed by all and was considered a fine officer to be working for.

Opie retired for disability in 1958. His citations include the Legion of Merit, the Silver Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Ribbon, and the Combat Infantry Badge. Shortly after his retirement he wrote, "I have been happy and pleased with all of my Army assignments. Undoubtedly the most interesting and rewarding were the two assignments I had during combat periods. The first was with the 186th Infantry during all of its operations from Australia to Japan. The second was with the 3d Division during the Korean Hostilities."



OLIVER PERRY NEWMAN

During the first three years after his retirement, Opie worked in New York with a firm in which he owned an interest. In 1963 he and Muriel decided to make their permanent home in Columbia, South Carolina. He had never lost his love for athletics, and through the years with his many changes of assignment, there had usually been time for golf, hunting, and polo. Life in South Carolina would provide opportunities at least for golf and hunting. He was a member of the World's Senior Golf Tournament, participating in their first tournament at Green-eagles, Scotland. He had expected to play in their tournament at Palm Beach, but poor health forced him to withdraw.

During these years in South Carolina, Opie enjoyed a number of community assignments. He was awarded a life membership in the Columbia Chamber of Commerce because of his volunteer work in developing, editing, and publishing a plan for the orderly growth of the metropolitan community. He joined the First Presbyterian Church, serving as an elder and as delegate to the Presbytery. He served for three years as chairman of the local Salvation Army Advisory Board. He was president of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society. He was an active member of the Alston Wilkes Society, the Kiwanis Club, and the Torch Club.

He is survived by his wife Muriel and many friends.

William Remsburh Grove Jr.

NO. 7029 CLASS OF 1923

Died 22 May 1978 at his home in Venice, Florida, aged 76 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

WILLIAM REMSBURGH GROVE Jr., was born at Omaha, Nebraska, on 5 May 1902, son of William Remsburh and Flora Graham Grove. Pooper was no novice to military life, his father had served with distinction in the service of his country from 1898 until 1919. As a youth Pooper accompanied his father to many of the posts to which assigned, both domestic and foreign. From 1905 to 1907 they resided in Manila, Philippine Islands. In 1914 his father was asked to serve in the capacity of the Quartermaster, Panama Canal Zone, by Major General George W. Goethals. From 1914 to 1917 he was assigned to that post, during which time Pooper was allowed to accompany his father aboard the first vessel which passed through the completed canal. He was no newcomer to West Point either—from 1908 to 1911 his father was assigned as the Treasurer, United States Military Academy. With this military tradition behind him it was no surprise that Pooper entered the Military Academy as a cadet in 1919.

Pooper graduated with his class in June 1923 and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery. Many of his earlier assignments were to troop units, first with the 15th Field Artillery at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; thence with the 13th Field Artillery at Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii. In October 1928 he married Elizabeth Galloway Winans, daughter of Major General Edwin B. Winans. A son, William Remsburh Grove III, was born of this marriage at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont, while Pooper was assigned to the 7th Field Artillery.

During the Depression years, Pooper was assigned as aide de camp to General Winans, Headquarters, VIII Corps, the 17th Field Artillery, and again to the 15th Field Artillery.



WILLIAM REMSBURGH GROVE JR.

From 1936 to 1940 he served with the Reserve Officers Training Program at the University of Nebraska. In 1941 he was ordered to the Air Support Directorate, Headquarters Army Air Force, Washington, D.C. During this assignment he renewed his acquaintance with, and married Elizabeth Savage Hartnell, the widow of one of his classmates. In so doing he added to his family by two, a stepdaughter, Adeline Hartnell Pence, and a stepson, George W. Hartnell Jr.

Two days after his marriage, the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, and the honeymoon had to be postponed. He was assigned to the 13th Airborne Division Artillery, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in 1942, then to the XVth Corps Artillery, Fort Riley, Kansas, in 1943. He accompanied the XVth Corps to England in 1944 and served with distinction through France, Holland, Belgium and Germany, until World War II ended.

Upon returning from the war, he was assigned to the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, first as a student and then as a member of the faculty, from 1945 until 1947. During this period a daughter, Madge Campbell Grove, was born to the surprise of his relatives and friends. In August 1947 orders were received sending Pooper to China where he served with the Army Advisory Group, Nanking, China, until December 1948. At that time the Nationalist Chinese withdrew from the mainland to establish residence on Taiwan. Pooper and his family were returned to Tokyo, Japan, where he served as head of the Civil Censorship Detachment, and then Executive Office, G2 Section, Far Eastern Command.

Upon the completion of his foreign service and return to the United States, he was ordered to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served with the Army Field Forces Board until his retirement, in December 1952. Retirement before he completed his 30th year of active service was necessitated by the untimely death of his father. He retired to Laurel, Florida, where he ran his father's sub-tropical fruit business and looked after the care of his invalid mother. He sold the family business following the death of his mother, and moved to Venice, Florida, where he lived with his wife until his death on 22 May 1978.

Pooper listed among his more significant assignments and accomplishments his massing of the XVIth Corps Artillery in support of the Rhine River crossing in 1945; his assignment as an advisor to the Nationalist

Army of China in 1947 to 1948; and his ability to lift seven persons at a cocktail party whenever called upon by his friends. His decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, and the Collar Order of YUN HUI, Nationalist China.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Grove, who resides at 432 Bay Crest Drive, Venice, Florida; his son, William R. Grove III, residing at 310 Ponce de Leon, Venice, Florida; his daughter, Madge G. Messer, residing at 1265 Springmill Lane Road, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia; a granddaughter, Heather Campbell Messer, at the same address; his stepdaughter, Adeline H. Pence, residing at 8412 Fenwood Drive, Springfield, Virginia; and his stepson, George W. Hartnell Jr., residing at 11 Saint Andrews Drive, Lincoln, Illinois.

—George W. Hartnell Jr.

Alden Rudyard Crawford

NO. 7063 CLASS OF 1923

Died 24 July 1978 at Northport, New York, aged 77 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

"I like to see a person proud of the community in which he lives. And I also like to see someone living in such a way that his community is proud of him."

—Abraham Lincoln.



ALDEN RUDYARD CRAWFORD

THIS QUOTE MEANT a lot to the man over whose desk it has hung for years, and it was true of the life he led. Al Crawford was beloved by his community. It was shown to him on July 26 at the memorial services held in Northport where many attended to pay their respects to this kind, gentle, generous and caring man.

Dad was born on 27 November 1900 in Mount Sterling, Illinois. He graduated and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Service, 12 June 1923.

In the fall of that year he entered the Air Service Primary Flying School at Brooks Field, Texas, and in March 1924 he transferred to the Air Service Advanced Flying School, at Kelly Field, Texas. The following September he was graduated from the Observation Course at the school and rated a pilot. He then served alternately at Brooks and Kelly Fields as a flying instructor until June 1926.

The following month, he joined the 3d Pursuit Squadron at Clark Field, Philippine

Islands, where he served successively as education and recreation officer and personnel adjutant.

He returned to the United States in June 1928 for assignment as assistant post and personnel adjutant at Selfridge Field, Michigan. In October 1929 he became adjutant and assistant operations officer for the 1st Pursuit Group at Selfridge Field and the following July entered the Air Corps Engineering School at Wright Field, Ohio.

After graduating in June 1931, he was designated pursuit project officer of the Aircraft Branch, Engineering Section, Air Corps Materiel Division, at Wright Field. In July 1933 he was appointed chief of the Engineering Section, in which capacity he served until August 1935 when he entered the Air Corps Tactical School at Maxwell Field, Alabama. Upon his graduation in June 1936, he entered the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, from which he was graduated a year later.

In August 1937 he returned to the Philippines where he served successively in the Office of the Military Advisor to the Philippine Commonwealth, with specific assignment to the Bureau of Aeronautics, and as operations and commanding officer of the 3d Pursuit Squadron at Nichols Field.

Returning to the United States in October 1939, he was assigned as assistant technical executive of the Air Corps Materiel Division at Wright Field. In July 1942 he was appointed technical executive of the Division, and in September 1942 became Chief of Staff of the Army Air Forces Materiel Center (subsequently redesignated Army Air Forces Materiel Command) at Wright Field.

He went overseas in July 1944, for duty as Deputy Commander of the Army Air Forces Service Command in the Mediterranean Theater and later became chief of the Air Supply Division in that theater.

In August 1945 he returned to Washington, D.C., where he became chief of the Research and Engineering Division in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Materiel at Air Force Headquarters. In August 1947 he was appointed chief of the Engineering Division at Air Materiel Command Headquarters at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

He became Commanding General of the 12th Air Force at Brooks Air Force Base, Texas, in September 1949.

The following June, he was appointed Deputy for Materiel of the United States Air Forces in Europe, with headquarters at Wiesbaden, Germany. He was named Director of Materiel of the newly-established European Command in August 1952, with station at Wiesbaden and later Frankfurt.

General Crawford retired from active duty 31 July 1953.

Following his military service, he went on to a second successful career in industry, joining Republic Aviation as Vice President for European Affairs. Following six years in Europe, he returned to Long Island where he was President, Research and Development, as well as Vice President, Engineering. He retired from Republic in 1964.

Dad had two things in his life which meant most to him, his country—which he served so well for thirty years—and his family—to whom he never failed to offer his love, his unlimited patience, his warm understanding and his total support.

His wife of fifty-two years, Virginia Buckel Crawford, whom he married on 22 May 1926 at the West Point Chapel, and who now resides at 1255 Tarpon Center Drive, Venice, Florida, had a full and happy life by his side. His concern for her happiness and comfort

was uppermost in his mind, and the things he would do to make her life effortless were legion.

His daughter Joan depended on him for her strength. Joan has three daughters, who, in their fatherless world looked to "Papa" for the love and understanding he never failed to offer them. He always had time to praise, to listen and to offer counsel. Life for the women in his family will be full of his memory and so empty for his loss to them.

His son, Alden R. Crawford Jr., Class of 1955, shared a very warm father-son relationship, and regrets only—as he has lived overseas for so long—his three young children never really had a chance to know and love him as fully as Rudd and Michelle, his wife, did.

In a letter of appreciation to Chaplain Andrews for the services held for his father, Rudd wrote "... My father's wish, to come back to the Point after fifty-five years, was a wise one. The service and your choice of words comforted us all and would have meant much to my father. It was a well chosen message for a soldier and his family..."

The family received many wonderful cards and letters from people who knew Dad or who had served with him at some time in his Service life. Each of them recounted his or her specific memory of this wonderful man.

The Association of Graduates sent the family a copy of a 1960 biographical sketch that Dad had submitted for his records. In a manner of expression that was typical of him and which I can so poorly emulate, he gave us some insight into his thoughts regarding his personal and military life: "All my thirty years of active service were spent as a pilot in the Air Force. I retired in the fall of 1953, under Section 402 of the Career Compensation Act (disability); however, I still can get around satisfactorily even though my golf has suffered badly... It would be difficult indeed to state just which of my assignments was the most interesting. Flying instructor, squadron commander, staff or commanding general—all were profitable to me in the experience gained and the friendships formed... My married life has been just as interesting and profitable to me. I married Virginia Buckel, a girl many of you know, in 1926, and we are still married happily as far as I am concerned. We had no money when we started out and haven't much now, but we have acquired thirty some years of pleasant experiences which would be hard to duplicate... While admittedly partial, I personally consider I have been equally fortunate in the son and daughter we acquired along the way. The characteristics of common sense, initiative, and integrity which were picked up from their military associates and from their experiences, as well as the broadening value of the considerable—and oftentimes inconvenient—travels we made, have been most helpful to them. However, I must admit I attribute their highly presentable appearance as due entirely to Virginia's participation in their acquisition... Unfortunately, the majority of my military service has not been at locations where many of my classmates were stationed, so I have not been able to keep as continuously advised of their doings as I would have liked, but I hope to be able to correct a part of this shortcoming."

I have tried to write this memorial in as unemotional a way as I know how but as the daughter he left behind, who misses him so terribly, it was quite a challenge.

Our consolation is the knowledge of his love for us all, the memories of the life he

gave us and shared so fully with us, and the thought that—when it is our time to join him—he will come for us and hold open the door so we can enter.

—His proud and loving daughter, Joan

James Elbert Briggs

NO. 8256 CLASS OF 1928

Died 25 February 1979 at Albuquerque, New Mexico, aged 72 years.

Interment: Air Force Academy Cemetery, Colorado Springs, Colorado



JAMES ELBERT BRIGGS

JAMES ELBERT BRIGGS was born 5 May 1906 in Rochester, New York, the son of Benjamin and Marion Briggs. After attending grade schools in Rochester he entered the New York Military Academy at Cornwall, New York, graduating with honors in 1924. With a Presidential appointment he entered West Point the same year. He graduated in the Class of 1928, standing 31st in the class of 261 members.

Known to his friends as "Buster," James Briggs embodied a rare combination of qualities that would have insured his success in whatever career he might have chosen. Sincere and poised, with an engaging manner and appearance, he possessed a keen mind coupled with a quick but tolerant sense of humor. It was only natural that he was popular with his classmates and that his soldierly character and bearing were soon noted by the staff and faculty of the Academy.

During plebe year Buster went out for lacrosse and soccer. In the latter sport he won two minor "A's" and was team captain three successive years. A corporal in his second class year, he won the coveted chevrons of First Captain as a First Classman.

Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Field Artillery upon graduation, his first duty assignment was with the 6th Field Artillery at Fort Hoyle, Maryland. Nine months later he transferred to the Army Air Corps and entered the Primary Flying School at Kelly Field, Texas, the beginning of a long and distinguished career in the Air Force.

In July 1930 Buster married Katherine L. Seidel of Rochester. A son, James Elbert Briggs Jr., was born in 1932.

Early assignments in the Air Corps were with the 95th Pursuit Squadron, Rockwell Field, and March Field, California, and with the 18th Composite Group, Hawaii. In 1940

he returned to West Point and spent two years as an instructor in the Department of Mathematics. During this time he was promoted to colonel.

Colonel Briggs saw wartime duty as operations officer of the 8th Air Force Fighter Command in Europe and as air officer, European Section, War Department General Staff. In the latter stages of the war he was Deputy Commander, Assistant Chief of Staff for Plans, and Chief of Organizational Planning, North Atlantic Division, Air Transport Command. After the war he served as Chief of Staff, 15th Air Force, later assuming command of the 92d and 98th Bombardment Wings, Spokane Air Force Base, Washington; and from there became Commanding General of the 306th and 307th Bombardment Wings at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. He was promoted to brigadier general in December 1948.

With the outbreak of the Korean War General Briggs was assigned as Deputy Commander, Far East Bomber Command, becoming commander in January 1951. For service in this assignment he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal and promoted to major general.

In May 1954 he became Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters, United States Air Force. Additionally he was Air Force member, Permanent Joint Board on Defense, Canada-United States, and project officer for the Distant Early Warning Line in Canada and for the United States Air Force base construction and activation program in Spain.

In 1956 General Briggs became the second superintendent of the Air Force Academy. This position he held for three years during which he greatly furthered the academic and leadership programs. He encouraged innovative changes in the curriculum, stressing the development by each cadet of his individual potential. Although he insisted on the need for discipline, he de-emphasized all debasing forms of hazing and instituted a cadet counseling program dealing with all facets of cadet experience.

In August 1959 General Briggs assumed command of the huge Air Force Training Command, at which time he was promoted to lieutenant general. Under his leadership the command undertook a comprehensive study of the human aspects of service—recruitment procedures and standards, personnel management, and the establishment of training methods adaptable to the constantly changing demands of aerospace technology. In large measure the voluminous report of the Pathfinder Study Group, with its many recommendations, constitutes a major contribution by General Briggs to the Air Force.

He enjoyed the respect and admiration of all who served with him. One officer of long acquaintance wrote, "General Briggs has the capacity to sort out from a vast quantity of facts and figures those items which are of immediate and vital importance and to remember these details for as long a time as they may be required. . . . I have never known him to procrastinate. On the contrary, he meets a problem head on, and after a review of the facts is willing to make a decision."

Another remarked, "General Briggs possesses the faculty of maintaining personal equilibrium during times of pressure and stress. This level-headedness under stress makes him an unusually good man to work for. His devotion to doing his own job in the right manner has instilled a positive degree of loyalty among those of us who personally work with him daily."

In 1963 Buster retired in Albuquerque and spent his leisure hours in his favorite pas-

times, photography and fishing. For exercise he preferred swimming in his enclosed pool. "Golf takes too long," he declared. When the weather was inclement he took to his workshop, repairing anything that needed fixing. The thrift shop of the Assistance League of Albuquerque, which supports activities of senior citizens, put broken items in a "Buster box." If he could not obtain parts he would make them. There were always three or four clocks in his living room where he could keep an eye on them before returning them to the thrift shop.

General Briggs' decorations included the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and Air Medal with Cluster.

Despite his dedicated involvement in all that pertained to the Air Force and his special interest in the Air Force Academy, to which he had contributed so much, Buster retained his close ties with his alma mater, West Point. Whenever possible he made it a point to return for class reunions, bringing with him his unflinching good humor and hearty laugh to enliven the gatherings.

Surviving are his widow, of Albuquerque, and his son, Lieutenant Colonel James Elbert Briggs Jr., United States Air Force, Retired, of Monument, Colorado. To them the Class of 1928 extends its deepest sympathy and expresses its regret at the loss of one of its most admired members.

—D.S.S.

William Menoher

NO. 9360 CLASS OF 1932

Died 23 October 1978 in Merritt Island, Florida, aged 68 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

WRITING THIS is not easy. Though for anyone else, I imagine it would be even harder. I was born at Columbus Barracks (since, Fort Hayes), Ohio, the youngest of four sons, to (later) Major General Charles T. (United States Military Academy Class of 1886) and Nannie Pearson Menoher. The brothers were, Charles C., Pearson (United States Military Academy Class of 1915), and Darrow (Ex-cadet, United States Military Academy Class of November 1918).

There followed a usual Army brat itinerary: the Philippines, Hawaii, Myer, Bliss, Washington, Huachuca, Washington again, Hawaii, the Presidio of San Francisco, and back to Washington. Then, Schadmann's, as thorough preparation for the rigors of Beast Barracks and "K" Company.

Upon graduation, the Field Artillery provided the traveler: Hoyle, Civilian Conservation Corps, Stotsenburg and Sill. A switch to Ordnance there added Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Aberdeen, Washington, the Central and Southwest Pacific Areas, and (guess where?) Washington. Next, it was Ogden Arsenal, Denmark, Wingate Ordnance Depot, Jefferson Proving Ground, and retirement—to view the civilian world. Milestones along the way were Susan Owens (another Army brat) who with Charles (Ex-cadet, United States Military Academy Class of 1964), Susan, and Katherine joined the caravan.

During the next ten years in (you guessed it) Washington, New York, and Florida, there were roadblocks in industry, teaching, and a small business. Finally, in 1966, the way opened for an environmental engineer



WILLIAM MENOHER

with the State of Florida; then, finally, retirement in 1972.

The trip has been varied and mostly satisfying. I'd take it again.

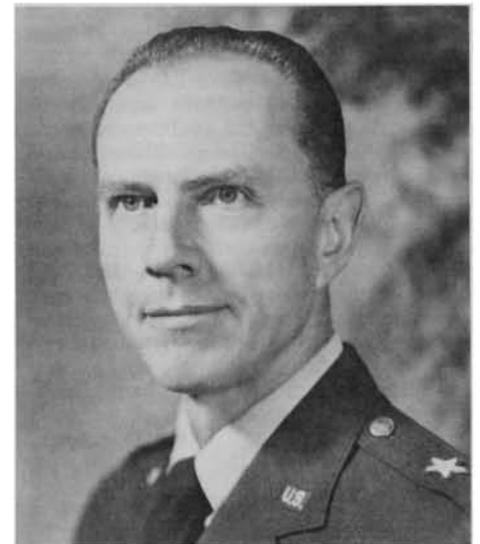
The Corps!
—Bill

Sidney Francis Giffin

NO. 9674 CLASS OF 1933

Died 17 December 1977 in Annapolis, Maryland, aged 70 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia



SIDNEY FRANCIS GIFFIN

SIDNEY FRANCIS GIFFIN was born in Boulder, Colorado, 7 November 1907, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Giffin. He attended high school in San Francisco, California, where the nickname "Skid" from a 200 foot motorcycle skidding accident was earned, and then moved to Hartford, Connecticut, where his high school education was completed. While working as a newspaper reporter in Hartford, Sid joined the Connecticut National Guard, and entered West Point on a competitive Guard appointment.

On graduation from West Point in June 1933 Sid was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery Corps (Anti-

aircraft) with station at Fort Monroe, Virginia, where he married Gertrude Laffin of Hartford, Connecticut. In 1935 he was stationed in the Philippines where his son Barry was born. Sid returned to West Point as an instructor in the Department of Economics, Government & History in 1939—remaining there until World War II (1942) during which time he also earned a master's degree in Government.

In 1942 Sid was assigned to Army Air Forces Headquarters under which he performed special assignments in European and South Pacific Theaters; returning to Army Air Forces Headquarters as Deputy Chief of the Requirements Division, where he received the Legion of Merit. In 1945 he served in the China Theater Tactical Command and later as Liaison Officer, first to the Commander, Seventh Fleet, and then to the Commanding General, Third Marine Amphibious Corps, in North China. He returned to Washington to the Operations Division, War Department General Staff.

Sid transferred to the Air Force in 1946 and was assigned to Air Force Headquarters. Here during the fledgling years of the Air Force his management skill quickly became apparent. His promotion later to brigadier general—although a non-flyer—was indicative of his professional ability. From Air Force Headquarters he attended the National War College graduating in 1950, after which he joined Air Forces in Europe as Director of Manpower, Organization and Programming. In 1952 he became J3 (Plans), United States European Command, was promoted to brigadier general, and in 1954 assigned as Vice Commandant of the Air War College. Sid returned to Washington in 1957 as Director, Office of the Armed Forces Information & Education where he remained until retirement in December 1960. After retirement Sid joined the Research Institute for Defense Analysis for ten years and continued as a consultant until his death from a heart attack in Annapolis.

The chronology of Sid's career indicates only his outstanding military capability. It does not do justice to the qualities, traits and personality of him as a man. These became evident, early, to his classmates at West Point. With drive and zest for life in all ramifications, he exhibited a balance of academics, athletics (polo and golf), extra-curricular activities (HOWITZER staff and Editor of the Pointer)—and perhaps even more important, the voracious intellectual pursuit of knowledge, especially national and international affairs. Although not a "file-boner," without trying very hard "Skid" graduated in the upper fourth of the class. Commonly quoted as "Life's too short," he firmly believed that there were other more interesting and important things than a few extra "files." Here also surfaced the trait of deep concern for friends—often sacrificing his own best interests to help a classmate; and continually lending the encouragement of "things are never as bad as they could be." Two qualities epitomized him as a cadet and on through life—a man of complete honor who dearly loved his fellow man.

As a staff officer at Corregidor, Philippine Islands, his service set the pattern that continued throughout his career. An incisive analyst and profuse thinker, he proposed better ways of attacking old problems, anticipated new problems with perspicacity, and was ready with startling effective solutions. Articulate, knowledgeable and persuasive, he was logically successful in all his endeavors.

In personal relations Sid posed as a cynic with a wry rapier-like wit. This was just a

ploy used to draw people out and get at the root of the problem. Beneath this facade he cared very deeply. The old adage that if over a lifetime one had as many as seven true friendships, one was indeed fortunate would have left Sid aghast. He had many more and certainly more than most people. Once a friend, always a friend, and he would go to any lengths to so testify.

Sid's quick facile mind, an almost magical gift of expression, clever but carefully used powers of persuasion and, above all, a splendid sense of humor comprised a rare combination. Few could better describe a setting, and then turn even a drab situation into a hilarious experience. Exemplifying his attitude and wit is a comment on how he solved the commuting problem from Annapolis while with the Reseach Institute. He said "It's easy! I go to the office late, and make up for it by leaving early." This charismatic man was a boon companion for all occasions. His attitude and approach to life and living might best be summed up in the words of William Lyon Phelps: "The most important emotion to preserve in maturity is the enjoyment of enjoyment." Sid wanted all his friends to do just that. Not necessarily to enjoy his enjoyment, but to realize that there is laughter and joy everywhere, if we but listen.

—W.A.D., classmate

Alton Alexander Denton

NO. 9849 CLASS OF 1933

Died 21 September 1978 in Metz, France, aged 68 years.

Cremation



ALTON ALEXANDER DENTON

I HAVE THOUGHT carefully about the choice of a classmate or some other military associate to write these words about Alton but I have decided that it is I, his wife of forty-five years, who knew him best and am the one best able to memorialize his life.

He was born on 22 April 1910 in Decatur, Tennessee, a rural farming community in the Tennessee Valley, where his forebears had been prominent citizens for many generations. He was an outstanding student in the Hamilton County, Tennessee, schools he attended until he went to the Academy—and his friends know well how he hung on there with tenacity to get past Plebe Math. Having done so,

he knew and they knew nothing academic could prevent his graduation in the Class of 1933.

His military career of 27 years saw him move from an Infantry lieutenant to an Air Force Colonel. Some assignments were routine, others were challenging and broke new ground, but to all of them he gave the best that was in him. He was a man of honesty and considered judgment. He did not fear to disagree when careful analysis made him think a problem required a particular solution. He was loyal to superiors but never hesitant to express his opinions until decisions were finalized. His concern for the opinions and welfare of those subordinate to him was total. He had the respect of all because his integrity was inviolate. He was a true disciple of the West Point teaching.

He spent a number of years as a logistics instructor, first at the command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth and later at the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk. He attended Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 1952-1953. Some of his most challenging assignments were in Armed Forces Special Weapons Projects, both in the Pentagon and at Sandia Base in Albuquerque. His later assignments were in the Air Materiel Command at Burtonwood, England, and at Gentile Air Force Station, and last, as deputy commander of Kelly Air Force Base from which position he retired in 1960.

He worked for a number of years for the Radio Corporation of America. Then, at the age of 55, he earned a master's degree in Business Administration at the School of Business at George Washington University.

In 1970 he decided to retire and we moved to Pompano Beach, Florida. His health had been very poor for many years and his physical activity therefore limited. He spent many hours reading in the fields of history, politics and foreign affairs. This lifetime interest never flagged. He loved beachcombing, tinkering with his elderly classic car, and most of all, he enjoyed our European travels; the planning of our trips as much as the extended visits themselves. It was in Metz, France, that he died on 21 September 1978 at the start of what was meant to be a long holiday in the French countryside.

He was a man who gave friendship and inspired love and respect from all who knew him. His sense of humor was individual and quirky. People smile as they reminisce about him. He had a subtle sense of the ridiculous and to be with him was to find yourself basking in the warmth he radiated through humor. He was a wise man and understood what was important in life and accepting of those things he could not change. Like his father before him, as he grew older, more and more people came to him with their problems, knowing his judgment was sound and they were eager for the considered advice he gave.

We had no children but I believe the goodness and greatness of his soul is a heritage he left to all who knew him. He lived his life in the finest traditions of West Point.

—Evelyn Stark Denton



Karl Truesdell Jr.

NO. 9890 CLASS OF 1933

Died 22 August 1978 in Phoenix, Arizona, aged 70 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia



KARL TRUESDELL JR.

KARL TRUESDELL JR. was born 14 May 1908 at Plattsburgh Barracks, New York. His dynamic life ended on a crystal blue Arizona morning last August. It seemed like this guy would always be there, he always was when it counted...like those days in the skies over Europe...that fighter unaccompanied B-17 mission straight into the heart of Warsaw in 1944 when they dropped supplies to the Polish resistance. That mission began in England, landed in Russia, bombed its way through Germany en route to Italy. Yeah, they dropped the mail to their German friends but their plane was riddled by ground fire, two engines were knocked out and that "flying fortress" was ablaze. He took care of that though, diving, darn near crashing, snuffing the flames and limping the remaining 400 miles over the Alps into Italy. Curt Lemay told him to lead the first daylight bombing attack on industrial objectives in Berlin and really brought the Fuhrer's war home. Karl's 95th Bomb Group probably destroyed more than 560 Nazi aircraft and damaged another 215 during 200 missions. Maybe it was that silver-plated horseshoe, worn by Seabiscuit in his 1938 victory over War Admiral, that Karl carried that brought the luck.

Karl entered West Point in 1929 while his father, the late Major General Karl Truesdell Sr., mother and sister were in Tientsin, China. He opted for the five-year course in order to improve his English. Commissioned a second lieutenant (Infantry) he entered pilot training at Randolph Field, Texas, and finished advanced training at Kelly Field.

Upon transfer to the Army Air Corps in 1935 he was assigned to the 6th Pursuit Squadron, Wheeler Field, Hawaii, where he met and married Lavinia. Thereafter followed a succession of mostly command jobs: 1936-1939, 99th Bomb Squadron, Mitchel Field, New York; 1939, 25th Bomb Group, Langley Field, Virginia; 1940, Commanding

Officer 29th Bomb Squadron, Borinquen Field, Puerto Rico; 1941, Army Air Force Ferry Command, Bolling Field, D. C.; 1942, 1st Company, Foreign Wing, Pacific Section of the Air Transport Command (ATC), Hamilton Field, California (their aircraft delivery efforts to the Pacific theater significantly contributed to defeat of the Japanese at the decisive battle of Midway); 1943, Commanding Officer Morrison Field, Florida; 1944, Commanding Officer 497 Bomb Group, Pratt Air Force Base, Kansas; 1944, Commanding Officer 95th Bomb Group, England.

He graduated from Command and General Staff School in 1945 and then assumed command of the ATC unit at Trinidad in the Caribbean; later that year he became Deputy Commanding Officer at ATC's Caribbean Division, West Palm Beach, Florida. In 1946 Karl was named Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, ATC.

In 1948 he graduated from the Air War College and then became senior Air Force instructor at the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. He graduated from the National War College and was assigned as an Air Force member to North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in 1951. In 1952 he was named Chief of Staff, Standing Group, NATO, a crucial post during the formative stages of that body. In 1955 he became Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Headquarters, Allied Air Force Central Europe, Fontainebleau, France. He served again as Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations in 1958, this time at Tactical Air Command, Langley Field, Virginia.

Karl assumed command of the "world's first all-supersonic air force," the 12th United States Air Force, in 1960. Who will ever forget the time he earned his paratrooper wings at age 54 while seeking fighter pilot volunteers for forward air controller training during the early stages of Vietnam.

Retiring in 1963 he became Special Assistant to the President of Continental Air Lines, and oversaw the installation of airstrips and tactical support programs throughout the South Pacific and Far East, including Vietnam.

If we were to give this guy his final efficiency report he'd receive top marks in guts, perception, initiative, administrative brilliance, operational decisiveness and the ability to simplify. His final years of pain will never obscure his life of magnetism, love, excitement, or his devilish sense of humor. He was a combat leader who cherished his wife, family, friends and soldiers.

William Agin Bailey

NO. 9896 CLASS OF 1933

Died 14 September 1978 at home in Denver, Colorado, aged 67 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

BILL BAILEY DEPARTED this world and the country he loved so much on 14 September 1978. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of the late Dr. William W. Bailey, a prominent physician in that city for 56 years, and his lovely mother, Elma Agin Bailey.

Bill spent his early years in Cincinnati completing his pre-collegiate education in the demanding Classical Course at Walnut Hills High School on 14 June 1929. He was active in school activities being a stalwart



WILLIAM AGIN BAILEY

on the football team and an outstanding member of the gymnastics team. During his senior year in high school he received an appointment to West Point and was accepted without examination on the basis of graduation from Walnut Hills in an accelerated course.

Bill, without previous military training, took the United States Military Academy in his stride. He was calm and collected, never in a hurry no matter what happened. Usually he was last in line for parade but seldom late. He was a member of the football "B" squad, the rough and tough group who scrimmaged against the varsity, acknowledged as the training fodder for the big team. Bill was too small for the varsity. He took his lumps without complaint. He was a member of the gymnastics squad, working on the side horse. He was an outstanding rifle shot leading to his becoming a superior and avid hunter. He spent much of his leisure time on the Hudson canoeing. He donned the gold bars of a second lieutenant on 13 June 1933. This opened the door for service to his country spanning the world: Australia, New Caledonia, Europe, Panama, Japan and Korea, as well as covering the United States.

Bill's initial duty was three years at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, in the 11th Infantry as a second lieutenant, Company Commander and Regimental Motor Officer. Although extremely busy with official duties, his by far more important accomplishment was courting and winning Maxine Shephard, the most attractive and lovely nurse on the post. Shortly thereafter he was promoted to first lieutenant; quick reaction. From 1936 to 1938 Bill served with the 14th Infantry at Fort Davis, Canal Zone, as regimental communications officer utilizing pack mule transportation.

In 1938 he returned to school at Fort Benning, Georgia, taking the Infantry Officers Course along with the Advanced Equitation course, graduating in the upper 10% of his class. From this schooling he retained his love of horses throughout his service. Finally he ended this stage of his education at the Infantry School Tank Course. From school he commanded a tank company at Benning and was promoted to captain on 3 September 1940. In 1941 he moved to Fort Knox, Kentucky, to form and organize the new 754th Separate Tank Battalion. As S3

he took the Battalion to Pine Camp, New York, for cold weather training and maneuvers. Soon after the United States entered World War II, Bill, S3, then battalion executive, took the battalion to New Caledonia. There they spent most of their time building roads, bridges and culverts due to a shortage of engineer troops. He was promoted to major in July 1942.

In January 1943 he returned to the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to take the New Division Course as a G3 designate. From February to September 1943 he returned to Fort Knox to help give birth to the new 20th Armored Division. Promoted to lieutenant colonel in March 1943, he returned to school to attend the Command and General Staff Course at Fort Leavenworth, then back to the 20th Armored Division to further train it.

In April 1944 he was ordered to London, England, to G3 Plans Section, First United States Army, under command of General Omar Bradley. This group, in cooperation with British 21st Army Group, made the final version of the plans for the invasion of Normandy. Often Bill attended combined Allied planning conferences as the Army Group Commander. In July 1944 Bill moved across the Channel to the continent as a member of the plans section, G3 12th Army Group, continuing under the command of General Bradley. This group eventually had the United States First, Third, Ninth and Fifteenth Armies under its command as they drove into the heart of Germany. The G3 Plans Section consisted of four officers. During this period Bill was awarded a Bronze Star for his unusual skill and sound judgment in administration and planning of the myriad of problems involved in the huge and complex operation.

Promoted to colonel in April 1945, he once again represented his commander, General Bradley, at numerous combined and allied conferences. Toward the end of hostilities he was awarded the Legion of Merit for his outstanding personal performance as Chief of the G3 Plans Section for developing plans and orders for the occupation of Germany by American Forces. He was completely and immediately responsible for the planning for United States Army Occupation.

In July 1945 Bill was one of 28 Army colonels selected for a special course at Princeton University, to train officers for the occupation of Germany and for international negotiation in connection herewith. Bill was highly commended for being one of the six outstanding students in the class.

From 1945-1947 Bill served in Germany as Chief of Operations and Plans Section, G3, Third Army, then Chief of Joint Plans Section, G3, United States Forces European Theater, planning and coordinating United States operations in Germany, while personally preparing initial joint plans for the defense of Europe should the Russians become hostile.

In 1948 Bill returned to school, attending the Armed Forces Staff College course in joint operations. Following this he was assigned to the Pentagon as member of Joint War Plans Branch, G3, for joint war planning activities at Department of the Army level, jointly with Canada, for the defense of North America, the organization of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, defense of Western Europe, Korea, and the Far East. He received a letter of commendation

from Lieutenant General A.C. Wedemeyer during this assignment.

In 1952 Bill was ordered to Japan. After a short period of duty as Chief of Inspections Division, Office of the Inspector General, Far East Command, he was appointed G4, Safety Advisory Group Japan. In this assignment he advised and assisted in the development of the New Japanese Army Defense Force. Finally he planned the withdrawal of United States troops from Japan, the turnover of United States bases and equipment to Japan, and the development of new Japanese military facilities including military manufacturing capabilities. He received numerous American and Japanese commendations for his efficiency during this period.

In 1955 Bill returned to the States to Sandia Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico, to wrap up his active duty. First as deputy commander then as commanding officer. Bill retired in 1959 completing 26 years commissioned service.

During his service Bill was awarded five World War II campaign stars, seven special campaign and service medals, the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star medal, the Commendation Medal, the French Croix de Guerre with palm, the Belgian Croix de Guerre with palm, and the General Staff medallion.

In addition to his wife Maxine, Bill is survived by a brother and two sisters; a son William H.; a daughter Marcia, married to Navy Commander William R. Pettyjohn, and their three children.

Bill had many close friends, classmates, compatriots, seniors, juniors, enlisted, and just friends. He was a man among men and loved by those under him. Excerpts from many follow:

"Bill always performed his duty in a most highly commendable manner—he merits special recognition."

"Bill's relations with his Japanese counterparts were always exemplary. He always displayed superior professional competence with ability to inspire in his subordinates devotion to duty, integrity, cooperation and planning accumen necessary to achieve superior results."

"When I reported for duty as a lieutenant in 1940 Bill was my company commanding officer. His quiet indoctrination provided me with a set of standards of integrity, sense of duty and loyalty which had a decisive effect on my service from then to my retirement."

"Bill was strong minded and maintained dogged adherence to the highest standards of integrity and professional excellence regardless of higher level opinions."

"Bill, late in his service became an enthusiast for guns, marksmanship, hunting and fishing. He developed into a Western buff and with Maxine and his 'magnificent' trailer spent much time in western outdoor wilds. Bill's trademark was his pipes. He was seldom without one. Bill was a devoted family man, a most efficient and dedicated officer, a valiant soldier, courageous, gentle and kind, truly a credit to the Army, to West Point and to the Class of 1933. We all admire him greatly."

"Bill's attention to details without losing sight of the overall picture was outstanding. He had an uncanny ability to listen without talking. He encouraged others to speak. When they had finished he would methodically and logically arrange their ideas and points, then would add his own for the missing links. This made him an especially

outstanding representative in Allied and inter-service conferences."

Following retirement Bill went to work as a civilian administrator for the Sandia Corporation. Bill later transferred to Tonopah, Nevada, then to Las Vegas, Nevada, retiring for a second time in 1971. Since retiring from the service in 1959 Bill and Maxine spent many leisure hours on the road in their trailer exploring the fishing, hunting and gold mines of the West.

During his later years Bill became seriously ill with cancer. He spent much of his time in Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Denver, Colorado. They moved to Denver in 1976 to be near the hospital. During his long period of illness with its many painful and frightening operations Bill maintained his patient courage and optimism. He never complained or lost his sunny disposition. In fact, his and Maxine's indomitable attitude, strength, faith, and her care contributed to his living as long as he did. I know his multitude of friends join in saying, "Well done Bill: Be Thou At Peace."

—Russ Broshous '33

David Hamilton Gregg

NO. 10186 CLASS OF 1935

Died 20 November 1978 in Clearwater Beach, Florida, aged 67 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York



DAVID HAMILTON GREGG

DAVID HAMILTON GREGG was born in Sherwood, North Dakota, on 15 November 1911, the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Ray Gregg. He attended the public schools of Sherwood, graduating from Sherwood High School in 1929. He attended Iowa State University from 1929 to 1931, entering West Point on 1 July 1931, having been appointed from the 3d District of North Dakota.

As a cadet Dave's leadership and integrity were outstanding. He also excelled in academics, ranking fourth in his class. He was a cadet corporal and lieutenant (battalion adjutant). His abilities and dry sense of humor were noticed by all who came in contact with him, both in his battalion and the classroom. He served as chairman of the Honor Committee and assisted in producing all four Hundredth Night Shows.

Dave's first assignment after graduation

and commissioning in 1935, was to the 6th Engineers at Fort Lawton, Washington. A year later, he became a graduate student at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., where he received the degree of Master of Science in Engineering (Civil) in 1937. After spending a year at the Company Officers' Course at The Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, he joined the 1st Engineers at Fort du Pont, Delaware as commander of Headquarters & Service Company and Regimental Supply Officer. In 1941 he joined the Engineer Amphibian Command at Camp Edwards, Massachusetts, and Carrabelle, Florida as part of the staff of the Atlantic Fleet. Then, Dave commanded, organized, and trained an Engineer Combat Group. Just as his unit was ready to depart for overseas, the Navy again beckoned, and Dave spent the rest of World War II as a staff engineer for various Navy Base Commands in the Pacific (two Bronze Star Medals and the Commendation Ribbon). Returning to the States, his proven logistical ability caused him to be tapped for various Engineer supply assignments at Granite City Engineer Depot, Illinois, and Headquarters, Sixth Army. He went to Korea in 1951, where he commanded the Engineer General Depot, later becoming supply officer in the Engineer Section of Headquarters, Eighth Army. Returning to the States in 1955, he was in charge of the Engineer Section of Utah General Depot until his retirement in 1958. Dave served in all grades from second lieutenant to colonel.

In September of that year, Dave, without any refresher courses, became assistant professor of Civil Engineering at Norwich University, Northfield, Vermont, where he remained in uniform for 15 more years until he retired as a full professor in 1973 to Clearwater Beach, Florida. Five years later, he suffered a massive heart attack. Dave was a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers, a member of the American Society for Engineering Education, and a registered professional engineer in Vermont.

Dave, a devoted family man, is survived by his beloved wife of 39 years, the former Eleanor Stevens of Waterbury, Connecticut, and by two sons, David Jr., an attorney in Vermont, and Peter, a teacher in New Jersey.

A tendency to work hard, to unearth the background of a problem, to come up with a solution, and to follow up the matter to the bitter end, were the bases for Dave's versatility and success in whatever assignment he undertook, whether as a student, a troop leader, a staff officer, a logistician, or as a university professor. He well and faithfully served the Corps of Cadets, the Corps of Engineers, the Army, the Navy, Norwich University, and his country.

The above may seem to portray Dave as a stern and austere man. Far from it. After duty hours, he was a very sociable being. As a result, he and Eleanor made a host of friends, all of whom enjoyed his presence and hospitality.

To sum up, perhaps the best tribute to Dave is the short phrase used by the Navy: "Well Done."

—J.D.B.



Eric Thomas de Jonckheere

NO. 12396 CLASS OF 1941

Died 11 October 1978 at Oxnard, California, aged 61 years.

Interment: Riverside Cemetery, Riverside, California



ERIC THOMAS DE JONCKHEERE

ERIC THOMAS DE JONCKHEERE was born in Riverside, California, on 13 March 1917. He attended Riverside Poly High School and the West Point Prep School at Fort Scott, California, and then received an appointment for West Point from the 9th Congressional District of California. He entered 1 July 1937 with the Class of 1941.

While at West Point, Eric excelled at drawing and became a cadet drawing instructor his First Class year. He received a Major "A" for baseball and was the top pitcher on the team. He was also good at squash, tennis, and golf. Throughout his West Point experience and the rest of his energetic life, he was always blessed with an easy-going nature and a ready laugh.

After graduation Eric married Helyn Veronica Piteck. He was commissioned in the Coast Artillery and after pilot training was transferred to the Air Corps. For the next year he served as squadron commander and flew B-17's in the 34th Bomb Group as a pilot, a co-pilot, and an instructor pilot. He then became Base Operations Officer at Biggs Field, Texas, and served there until July 1944.

With the advent of World War II, Eric was chosen to be commander of the 613th Bomb Squadron, 401st Bomb Group of the 8th Air Force in England. He flew several missions over Germany and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and the French Croix de Guerre with Bronze Star, among other decorations.

Upon returning home Eric and family moved to Ohio. There he worked in the Design Branch of the Aircraft Laboratory at Wright Field. In August 1947 he attended Air Command and Staff School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, and moved to the Canal Zone. There he was the Director of Organization and Manpower in the Headquarters of the Caribbean Air Command, Albrook Air Force Base. In 1950, he was assigned to the 6th Bomb Wing as commander of the 24th Bomb Squadron at

Walker AFB, Roswell, New Mexico. In 1955 he entered the Air War College at Maxwell AFB and after graduation in 1956, he worked in the Target Analysis Division of the Office of Intelligence in Arlington, Virginia.

In 1959 Eric and family moved to Japan and he became the Base Commander for Johnson Air Force Base and Yokota Air Force Base, where he also commanded the 6102d Air Base Wing. After exceptional service in this capacity, he and family returned to the United States and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Here Eric became the Director of Subsystems and Technology in the Foreign Technology Division. In 1966, the de Jonckheeres moved to Alexandria, Virginia, where Eric was the Chief of the Dissemination Center in the Defense Intelligence Agency. He retired in 1969 as a full colonel and was honored with the Legion of Merit. Given for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services," the award best exemplifies his career.

To many, Eric was a good friend. He was a fun person to be around—on the golf course, in the office, at parties, on long afternoon rides in the country, or just visiting and looking at the excellent slides he took of trips. He was kind and gentle, loved his family, of course; he was also loved by his many friends who saw in him a man at peace—a complete man of basic human goodness. He was one who radiated a spirit of cheer and thoughtful concern for his fellowman.

In 1975 Eric was stricken with cancer. The energy and ready laugh were drained from him as he underwent treatment; though his easy-going nature endured, He was a good person and loved his family, his country and West Point. He died on 11 October 1978 after a three-year, hard fought battle. God has taken one of His but left us with a beautiful and cherished memory. Eric was an example of an officer, a gentleman, and a father impossible to match.

Eric will be missed by Helyn, his loving wife of 37 years; by his three sons, Eric T. Jr. of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Terrall M. of Ann Arbor, Michigan; Richard K. of Albuquerque, New Mexico; by his daughter, Diane E. Dunne of Los Angeles, California; and by his many, dear relatives and friends.

John George Moses Jr.

NO. 13134 CLASS OF JANUARY 1943

Died 1 February 1979 in Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C., aged 58 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia

ON 1 FEBRUARY 1979 Johnny Moses returned his soul to his creator, after a long illness at Walter Reed Medical Center. On the 5th of February, I accompanied my husband to Arlington National Cemetery where Catholic services were held at Fort Myer Chapel.

My husband's passing caused me infinite pain. As the coffin was borne past me I realized the terrible emptiness that was left with me. The heartbroken feeling of parting with a loved one, before we grow old, where there is still time left to share and to enjoy.

We are never prepared for death even after many thousands of years of the same experience. It always comes as an unwelcome surprise. As the months pass by, I have found that the only remedy for heartache is to turn to God in faith. I gained the



JOHN GEORGE MOSES JR.

unshakable belief that there is no death, that all life is indivisible, that the here and hereafter are one and that time and eternity are inseparable.

What happens when a man leaves this world? The truth comes by intuition, by reasoning, as I gradually arrived to such understanding. It did not ward off my sorrow, but filled my heart with peace, for all these convictions are based upon the Bible. "Eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him."

Johnny left an enormous void behind him, for he was a man of humility, knowledge, peace, and compassion. He was a man of great strength of mind, and imbued with the ideals of pride and self respect. His sense of dignity strengthened his courage; not once did the physical torture overcome his spiritual strength—he never complained, not even to the doctors.

My involvement with art and music brought us to a common ground as he was a connoisseur of classical music in all his life. His love for animals and plants I dearly shared, but he found his greatest enjoyment in books, in a fine collection of classics.

Johnny also spoke four languages fluently. His hobby of course was football games, especially the home games at West Point. We were married for 32 years.

John G. Moses Jr. was born in New Britain, Connecticut, to Mary and John Moses. He attended grammar and high school there, also the Connecticut Teachers College in 1938, served in the Connecticut National Guard and was appointed to the United States Military Academy in 1939 from Connecticut.

His classmates called him "Mo." He graduated in January 1943. Since we were in a war a decision was made by the Army to speed up the supply of commissioned officers from West Point. Instead of the regular four year course, the Academy reverted to a three and one-half year course and graduation took place in January.

Johnny was commissioned in the Signal Corps and reported to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, for Branch training and four months as second lieutenant. Upon completion of this course he was assigned to the 4th Armored Division training at Desert Center, California.

Early in May he was promoted to first lieutenant and served in the 4th Armored Division in Europe during World War II. On 16 November 1945 he was promoted to captain

and in 1948 he returned to the United States where he was assigned as a student to Camp Holabird, Maryland, to the Signal Supply School as of the 1st of April. He remained there until 1951 as student and later as instructor.

A 32-week advanced Signal course followed in Fort Monmouth from where Johnny returned to West Point in 1952 as Post Signal Officer for three years. He was promoted to the rank of major.

In 1957 he earned his master's degree in Business Administration from Harvard University. In 1958 Johnny completed the course at the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth and was next assigned to Signal Group Ryukyus Island Command, Okinawa, where he was promoted to lieutenant colonel. He returned to the United States in 1961 and was assigned to the office of the Chief Signal Officer, and in 1962 was again sent to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, to Headquarters Electronics Command, from where he joined the Eighth Army Signal Office in Korea in 1964. Upon his return he retired in 1966. Among others, he received the Bronze Star Medal.

After retirement he returned to Fort Monmouth Electronics Command in civilian capacity as systems engineer; however, due to ill health, in 1971 he retired from civilian employment too.

There is a terrible emptiness when someone dear to you has been taken away. But the separation is not forever. In God's plan, in a tomorrow that is now near, you will see your loved one again.

Continue to have faith in the promises of God, lose yourself in the hope that inspires your heart, and enables you to carry on through the darkness of the night while waiting for the joy which, you can be sure, will come in the morning.

William Robert Stickman Jr.

NO. 15270 CLASS OF 1945

Died 27 April 1978 in Coronado Hospital, Coronado, California, aged 56 years.
Interment: El Camino Memorial Park, Arlington Point, San Diego, California

WILLIAM ROBERT STICKMAN JR. was born and reared in the Army. He was the son of the late Colonel William Robert and Zelta Clegg Stickman. It was while en route to a new assignment that he was born on 2 December 1921 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Stick had a great respect for those who served their country and enjoyed growing up in this environment.

He entered West Point during World War II, and according to his own account, he had to work harder than most. From early childhood, his great ambition was to fly. After earning his wings and graduating from the United States Military Academy in June 1945, he continued advanced flying training and related assignments.

Stick was baptized into the Catholic faith in 1950. In the same year his career was also redirected, when he was assigned to the Air Force Institute of Technology, Industrial Relations, in Dayton, Ohio. After graduation he joined the Procurement Division of the Air Materiel Command, Germany. Five years later, he was recalled for refresher flying training and to the 15th Air Force for jet aircraft training.

In 1957 he volunteered for the U-2 Program, where he served nine years. He was a command pilot, as well as Director of Plans, Programs and Training for the Strategic Air



WILLIAM ROBERT STICKMAN JR.

Command Reconnaissance Wing. He joined Headquarters 13th Air Force in 1966 as Director of Reconnaissance/Special Operations. Stick continued to grow intellectually and mature as his responsibilities increased. He was a courageous man with a great devotion to duty. Quiet, but ever timid, he possessed a great ability to speak extemporaneously. His calm and poised manner proved an asset in both his career and private life. His outstanding airmanship and professional leadership earned him the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster (Headquarters, Strategic Air Command 1963) and the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster (13th Air Force 1968). He was also the recipient of the Air Force Commendation Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal (Germany), Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Longevity Service Award with one Silver Oak Leaf Cluster.

Returning to Hamilton Air Force Base, California, as Pacific Region Senior Air Force Consultant to the Civil Air Patrol, he turned this assignment into a challenging experience. He planned and established the Reserve Officer Assistance Program and a leadership training school for outstanding cadets of the Region. Both programs were expanded nationally.

Stick retired from the Air Force in 1972 and later joined the Procurement Division of the Ralph M. Parsons Construction/Engineers Company, Pasadena, California.

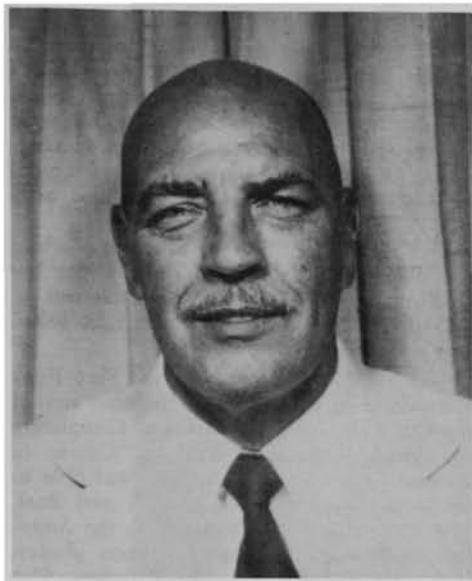
He had a wonderful smile! One of his classmates wrote of Stick that he was a man's man—loved by women and liked by men—personable, intelligent, solid, admired and respected by all. Those of us who loved and knew him well, agree, and reflect on a sentence written in his 1945 HOWITZER that even then caught the spirit of the man. "Determination... to fight for what he believes..."

Stick leaves behind his proud, loving wife Nora and two sons, Mark William and Kurt Robert. He is also survived by two sisters, many relatives and friends.



Earl Paul Ford

NO. 17069 CLASS OF 1949
 Died 27 November 1978 in Belleville,
 Illinois, aged 54 years.
 Interment: Jefferson Barracks, Missouri



EARL PAUL FORD

EP WAS BORN ON 1 March 1924 to Joseph and Marguerite Ford. He grew up in Flint, Michigan, and entered Michigan State after his graduation from high school. Even then Ep had decided on the military as a career, and so when World War II intervened he enlisted and was sent to Germany where he was awarded the Bronze Star. Therefore, when his West Point assignment caught up with him and he was sent back to the Academy, he was ready and eager in his own easy-going way to face and live with "the System." While keeping abreast of the academic department, he also found time to be active in track (pole-vaulting) and intramural football.

June 7, 1949 was cause for double celebration—graduation and his assignment to the Transportation Corps, and his marriage to Cleo Jean Richards, his high school sweetheart. Such was their love that she had left Michigan and joined him at West Point where she worked at the Catholic Chapel for two years prior to his graduation.

After a short tour at Fort Riley, he went on to Fort Belvoir to begin a two-year combat engineer assignment. Then came a three-year tour in Germany followed by his admission to Massachusetts Institute of Technology where he earned a master's degree in Aerospace Engineering. From then on his assignments were in Army air research at Aviation Systems Command, St. Louis; Army Aeronautical Depot Maintenance Center, Corpus Christi; and Vietnam. Next assigned to Duke University as research officer, Ep started work on his doctorate in Nuclear Physics. Eventually, he went to Bangkok, Thailand, where he and his growing family enjoyed two years of that country's culture, and where he was highly regarded by the native populace and other nationals working together in the planning branch of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization.

Following a second tour in Vietnam, Ep retired in 1970 mainly to settle his family of three active teenagers and two grade schoolers. He and Cleo bought an old home in the quiet community of Belleville, Illinois, and

have been restoring it to its original grandeur. He worked as a consultant to the Army in St. Louis, and also as a consulting engineer in St. Clair County. Admittedly he missed the Army more than he had anticipated, but there were happy and busy years of enjoying his family and children. Unhappily, they lost their oldest son, James A.G., in 1971 when he was killed at Fort Bragg while on active duty. Four children survive—Robert S.C., Joseph E.S., Lebecca Jean, and Michael J.R. They, and Cleo, can be reached at 17 North Pennsylvania Avenue in Belleville.

Ep was relaxed and happily watching his favorite Monday night football on television when a massive stroke caused his untimely death. He was buried at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, where a saddened family gathered to say farewell to a beloved son, husband, and father. Full military honors were accorded him, and representatives from the St. Louis West Point Society acted as pall bearers. He had served his country well and faithfully. And as evidenced by the friends and classmates assembled at the funeral, and by the many letters and messages the family has received from around the world, he is remembered by many as a true and beloved friend. Rest in peace, your memory will live on in all of us while you remain in the Long Gray Line of which you were most proud to be a member.

John Herbert Pigman

NO. 17381 CLASS OF 1950
 Died 21 February 1978 in Baltimore,
 Maryland, aged 51 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

THE UNTIMELY DEATH of John H. Pigman, Class of 1950, deeply shocked his many friends in both the military and civilian communities. Jack was such a vibrant, active person. At age 51, in the prime of his life, he was struck with leukemia. He battled valiantly, as was his custom, but passed away quickly.

Born on 21 December 1926 and raised in Cloquet, Minnesota, one of his teachers there said of Jack: "He was the most outstanding of the more than 10,000 students I have taught." People often felt that way about Jack, he was indeed outstanding.

In February 1944 Jack enlisted in the Army Specialized Reserve Training Program and trained at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. His leadership ability was quickly recognized with an appointment as cadet sergeant. His training program completed, he was sent to Fort Leavenworth as a private, Air Corps Enlisted Reservist. While there, he applied for and won a Congressional appointment to the Military Academy. He reported to West Point in June 1946.

In 1950 he graduated 34th in his class of 669. On active duty, his first assignment was as a platoon leader, Company C, 62d Engineers, Far East Command, Korea. In June 1951 he was made company commander. In 1952 he became tactical officer, The Engineer Officer Candidate School, a position he held for 21 months. In Korea he earned a Bronze Star and a Meritorious Service Medal.

After his return from Korea in 1953, he married Nancy Magee of Berlin, Maryland. They had three children: John H. Pigman Jr., Melissa and Kristen.

In January 1954 Jack resigned his Regular Army commission to take over the management of a family business in Berlin, Maryland. Under his direction, this grew to be one of the major enterprises on Maryland's East-



JOHN HERBERT PIGMAN

ern Shore. In Berlin, he supported many worthwhile civic ventures. His exceptional talent as a speaker made him much in demand as a master of ceremonies. He was a member of Berlin's Town Council, the Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion and was at one time the president of Berlin's Lions Club. He was a director of The Peninsula Bank. In addition, during his years in the petroleum business he was very active in area dealer affairs. His experience and judgment were valued by customers and competitors alike. Many people called on him for advice and he obliged them all. He knew how things should work and how to fix them when they didn't perform properly.

Jack's love of the Army led him to join the Army Reserve in January 1954. A dedicated Reservist, he attended the Artillery and Missile School's Artillery Career Course; the Chemical Center and Schools' Chemical Officer Career Course (Reserve Component); and in 1973 he completed the Command and General Staff Officer Course, Non-Resident. In 1976 he graduated from the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks.

His ability to lead and inspire his men was evident in the assignments given to him by his superiors. From March 1955 to December 1970, he served in a succession of command and staff positions with the 319th Infantry, the 650th Field Artillery Battalion, 7/6th Field Artillery, 2010th Logistic Command, 489th Chemical Battalion, and finally, as commander of the 275th Supply and Service Battalion. In December 1970 he was made Assistant Chief of Staff of the 97th United States Army Reserve Command (ARCOM), headquartered at Fort Meade, Maryland. In December 1972 Jack became the ARCOM's G4; in May 1976, its Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Training. In September 1976 he was selected to be Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs). In that position, he was promoted to the rank of brigadier general and became the first Reserve officer to serve at North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Brussels, as liaison. In September 1977 Jack returned to the 97th ARCOM as its new commanding general.

In 1972 Jack married Patricia Ann Boyce of New York City. Pat shared much of his Reserve travel schedule, including his stint in Brussels.

At his funeral service held in Ocean City, Maryland on 24 February 1978, the officiating chaplain summed up Jack's philosophy quite nicely: "In 1954, I met a young lieu-

tenant. He strode across the room briskly, put out his hand and said, 'Hello, I'm Jack Pigman.' A few months ago I met that same young man but this time he was my commanding general. Again he said, 'Hello, I'm Jack Pigman,' just as he had 24 years ago. There was no pretense, no special favors for him, just plain Jack Pigman."

Three days after his interment at West Point his friends and colleagues in the 97th ARCOM established a memorial fund at West Point to endow an annual award to the outstanding company in Jack's old regiment in the Corps of Cadets. The first John H. Pigman Award was presented at the June 1978 Awards Convocation.

Jack Pigman was a most impressive man. His vitality, wit and grasp of any situation and an almost immediate solution to any problem, marked him for a greatness cut short only by the tragedy of his death.

Many lives were enriched by knowing him. He was a man dedicated to his family and friends, his Alma Mater and his country. I will always cherish the wonderful years with him.

—his wife



GUY WILSON HESTER JR.

The son of a career Air Force officer, Guy was born in Florida on 15 October 1945 and lived in several places before finally coming, by his own admission, to the only place that felt like home, Winona, Mississippi. Here, Guy completed high school in 1964 and met his future bride, Elsie Lynn Holder, the "little woman" of whom we heard him speak so fondly and so often.

During his school days, Guy excelled in track as a miler. Once, while living in California where his father was stationed, his team competed against the prison team from San Quentin. Guy won the mile run that day, and the prison newspaper referred to him as the "guttiest little fellow" at the meet. This courage, this desire, this willingness to give his all characterized Guy before we ever knew him as a classmate. After moving to Winona, Guy risked his life for one of his friends. While fishing, the boat overturned and a friend was in danger of drowning. Guy swam to him and held him. His friend told Guy to just let him go. Guy's reply: "If you go down, we'll both go down." Guy even then was willing to sacrifice himself for those in need of help.

Guy graduated from high school in Winona in 1964, a year ahead of most of us. He received an offer of a track scholarship to Mississippi College following graduation and decided to give life at this church-run school a try. Guy returned home in two days. He was not ready to leave Winona and Elsie Lynn just yet. He attended Holmes Junior College in Goodman, Mississippi for one semester, applied to West Point, and became a member of our Class of 1969.

As branch selection approached for us in 1969, Guy faced a dilemma. He wanted to become an Air Force pilot, and as the son of a career Air Force officer, he could. He also felt, however, that his country needed him as an infantry officer. Vietnam was the issue for our country and our class then, and Guy believed that serving in the infantry in Vietnam was for him the "harder" right. He volunteered for that duty.

His short career following graduation included Airborne School, the Infantry Officer's Basic Course, and Ranger School. While learning to parachute, Guy broke his wrist on his fourth practice jump. True to character, he refused to have it examined until he made his fifth jump and qualified as a parachutist.

Guy returned to Winona after jump school and made Elsie Lynn his bride. Bringing her to Fort Benning, he completed the rest of his schooling, and then left for Fort Riley, Guy's first duty station.

Guy and Elsie Lynn were at Fort Riley for about four months when the time arrived for Guy's departure to Vietnam. Completing the Jungle Operations Training Course in Panama before going over, Guy was able to return to the States for a brief, and final, visit with Elsie Lynn. Assigned to the Americal Division, Guy became a recon platoon leader for Company E, 3d Battalion, 21st Infantry.

On the afternoon of 1 October 1970, while en route to a night defensive position, a concealed enemy explosive device was detonated, wounding Guy and four members of his 18-man force. Though seriously hurt, Guy denied himself medical aid in order to direct his men to defensive positions and to call for a medical evacuation helicopter. En route to the 91st Evacuation Hospital at Chu Lai, Guy lost consciousness forever. During the evening of 8 October 1970, Guy died.

For reasons unknown to us, Guy had a premonition of his death. The poem which begins this article was selected by him for his epitaph. Guy accepted his "calling" and willingly faced his death, and we know from his chosen statement that he will rejoin our ranks as we form for our final roll call.

As we continue on this earth, let us remember Guy as the "guty little fellow" who cheered us and warmed us and showed us the real meaning of friendship. He left for us an example of service and selfless devotion that will always be the standard by which greatness can be measured. His brief presence here was a true gift of God—one that we will cherish always until we meet him again.

Guy Wilson Hester Jr.

NO. 28484 CLASS OF 1969

Died 8 October 1970 in Vietnam,
aged 24 years.

*"Every man, someday,
will die
Every man must have
a calling
If the twain should
happen to coincide—
Then—death is but
a sleep."*

THIS EPITAPH MARKS the final resting place of one of the most cherished members of the Class of 1969. He is gone, but memories of Guy Hester will be a part of our class as long as our class has a heritage.

Guy Hester, the little fellow from Mississippi who lived in the 4th Regiment, touched a great many of us with his friendship, his love, his cheerfulness, and his ready wit. Contagious in his enthusiasm about life, Guy could cheer us when Gloom Period shrouded us in depression, and academics caused us to despair. Guy was a worker, a contributor, one who would go with any of us the "extra mile." None of us knew him long enough, but the truly unique aspect of his brief existence on this earth was how many of us called him a friend and brother.

Down the Field

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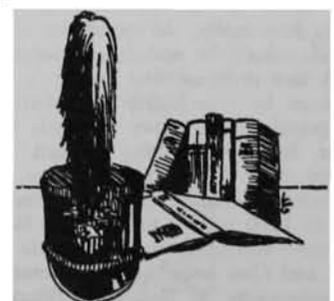
vidual awards in the two days of competition. This included the capture of the New England junior men's orienteering championship by Paul Schaaf, F-2 and the New England senior men's orienteering championship by Neil Murray, E-1.

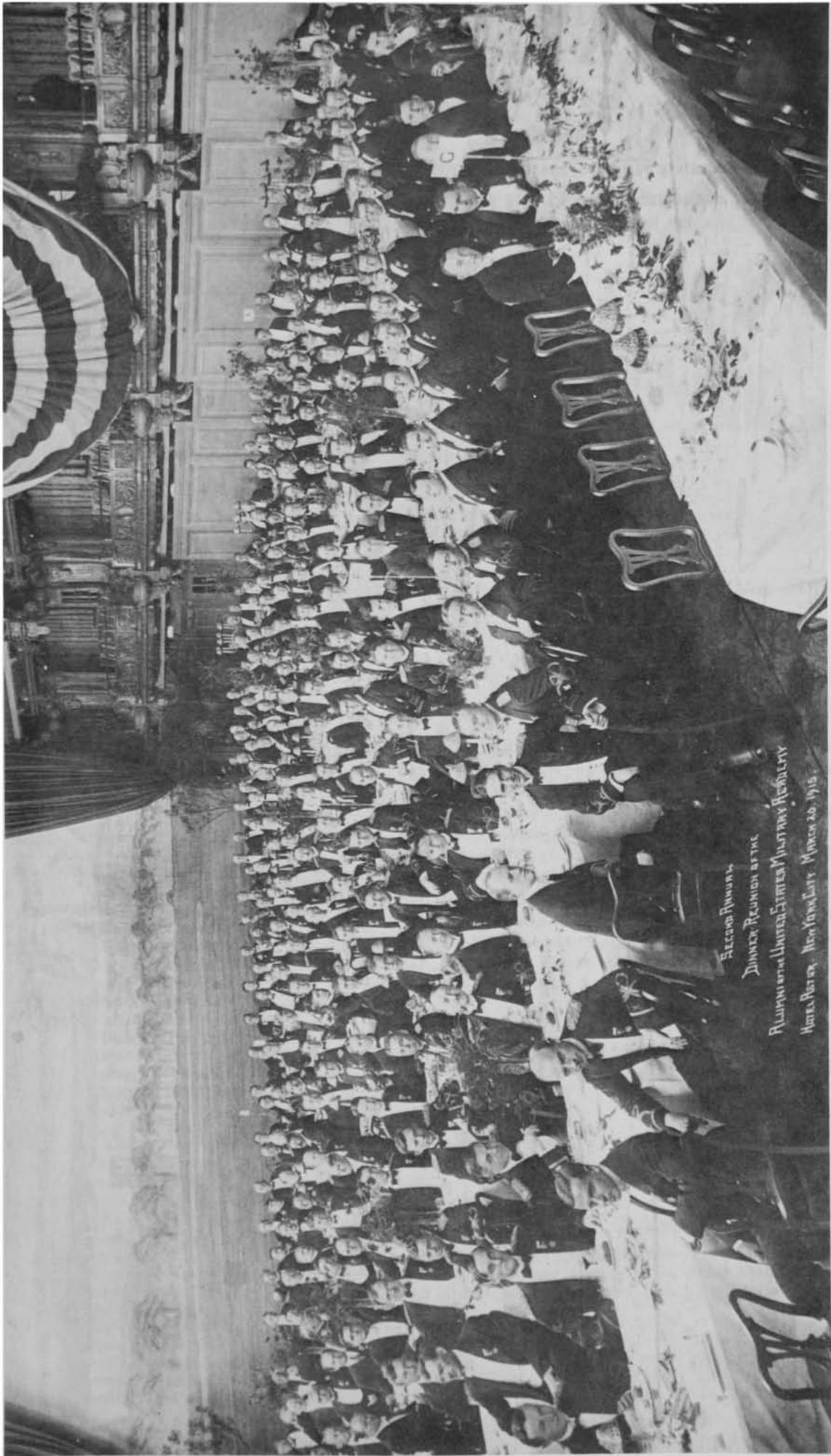
Major Johnnie Shaw, officer-in-charge of the team, says, "Orienteering is a sport with direct military application which consists of running a course several miles in length with a map and compass look-

ing for control points which have been placed in the woods. The competitor must locate all the points and return to the finish line in the shortest amount of time to win. It is a sport which calls upon the demands of cross country or distance running coupled with the ability to navigate with a map and compass. It is a sport that challenges both the mind and the body. The key to orienteering however is more one's ability to make wise decisions rather than the ability to run like a deer."

The team which is the two time inter-

collegiate orienteering champion captured six firsts, three seconds and four third place awards.





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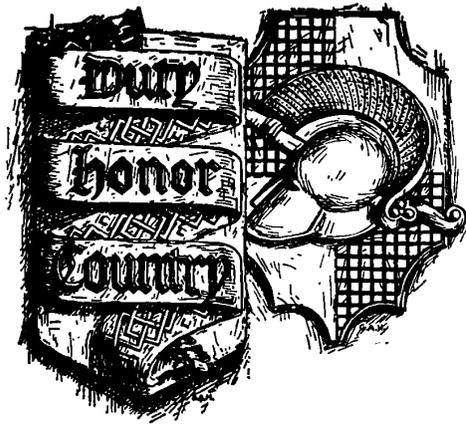
We, sons of today, we salute you — You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.



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Report of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the September 1979 ASSEMBLY.

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Jacob L. Devers	1909....	15 October	1979.... Washington, D.C.
Clesen H. Tenney	1915....	27 July	1979.... El Paso, Texas
William M. Hoge	1916....	30 October	1979.... Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
Leo V. Warner	Aug 1917....	20 September	1979.... Phoenix, Arizona
Rudolph F. Whitelegg	Aug 1917....	2 October	1979.... West Point, New York
William I. Wilson	Aug 1917....	27 September	1979.... Palo Alto, California
Oscar A. Axelson	Jun 1918....	26 September	1979.... Fort Ord, California
Charles P. Jones	1919....	29 August	1979.... Auburn, Alabama
Charles H. Noble	1919....	12 August	1979.... San Antonio, Texas
Charles B. Harding	1920....	24 October	1979.... Rumson, New Jersey
Francis H. Morse	1920....	17 October	1979.... Monterey, California
Harold D. Kehm	1923....	22 August	1979.... Wheaton, Maryland
Paschal H. Ringsdorf	1923....	9 October	1979.... Clouchester, Virginia
William H. Schaefer	1924....	17 September	1979.... Tuskegee, Virginia
Gerald J. Sullivan	1924....	19 October	1979.... Cornwall, New York
Jesse T. Traywick Sr.	1924....	22 October	1979.... San Antonio, Texas
James D. Barnett	1925....	22 October	1979.... Arlington, Virginia
William A. Lord Jr.	1925....	14 July	1979.... Livingston, New Jersey
Emmor G. Martin	1925....	16 July	1979.... San Antonio, Texas
Edwin H. J. Carns	1929....	4 November	1979.... San Francisco, California
Arthur L. Fuller Jr.	1930....	9 September	1979.... El Paso, Texas
Barksdale Hamlett	1930....	20 August	1979.... Washington, D.C.
George F. Schlatter	1930....	21 July	1979.... Melbourne, Florida
Hugh P. Harris	1931....	4 November	1979.... Washington, D.C.
William G. Davidson Jr.	1932....	6 August	1979.... Washington, D.C.
Norman H. Lankenau	1932....	1 September	1979.... Santa Clara, California
Joseph A. Remus	1933....	19 August	1979.... Trenton, New Jersey
James H. Skinner	1933....	2 March	1979.... New York, New York
Theodore G. Bilbo Jr.	1934....	30 August	1979.... Fort Lauderdale, Florida
Robert R. Glass	1935....	28 August	1979.... San Francisco, California
Halford R. Greenlee Jr.	1935....	9 September	1979.... Fort Myers, Florida
William B. Means	1935....	3 September	1979.... San Francisco, California
Wesley E. Wheless Jr.	Ex-1936....	4 July	1979.... Shreveport, Louisiana
Ben W. Porterfield	1937....	10 October	1979.... Napa, California
Richard A. Broberg	1938....	11 September	1979.... Highland Park, Illinois
Andre R. Brousseau	1940....	14 July	1979.... Keesler AFB, Mississippi
William E. Farthing Jr.	1940....	26 August	1979.... Sacramento, California
Thomas B. Hargis Jr.	1940....	16 October	1979.... Tucson, Arizona
Gordon T. Gould Jr.	1941....	7 August	1979.... Bethesda, Maryland
Richard S. Field Jr.	1942....	4 April	1979.... Los Angeles, California
George R. Rew	1942....	11 August	1979.... San Juan, Puerto Rico
Henry W. Urrutia	1942....	30 August	1979.... Fort Sam Houston, Texas
Stephen H. Sherrill Jr.	Jun 1943....	31 January	1979.... La Jolla, California
Philip B. Toon	1944....	5 October	1979.... New York, New York
Dorsey T. Mahin	1945....	29 September	1979.... Richmond, Virginia
Jerome V. Halloran	1946....	19 August	1979.... San Diego, California
Theodore E. Hervey	1949....	1 September	1979.... Arlington, Virginia
Donald D. Klein	1949....	29 August	1979.... Lackland AFB, Texas
Harold D. Shultz	1951....	17 December	1978.... Maryville, Tennessee
Robert W. Vining	1952....	19 September	1979.... Alexandria, Virginia
Kenneth J. Sweeney	1953....	11 September	1979.... Wheaton, Maryland
Robert N. White Jr.	1953....	5 October	1976.... Littleton, Colorado
William H. Wilcox	1955....	23 September	1979.... Mt. Holly, New Jersey
Arthur R. Shepherd	1966....	3 October	1979.... Danbury, Connecticut
Dennis C. McKelvey	1969....	7 June	1979.... Shelburne, New Hampshire
Kenneth J. Yonan*	1969....	5 September	1979.... Vietnam
Charles A. Montoya	Ex-1980....	8 September	1979.... Harriman, New York

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