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Change in Superintendents

On 23 January 1949 Major General Bryant E. Moore, Class of August, 1917, relieved Major General Maxwell D. Taylor, Class of 1922, as Superintendent of the United States Military Academy. General Taylor, war time commander of the famous 101st Airborne Division in Europe, and Superintendent since 4 September 1945, has been assigned as Chief of Staff, European Command, and departed immediately for his new station at Heidelberg, Germany. General Moore commanded our forces in Trieste before coming to Washington last July as Chief of the Public Information Division, Department of the Army. He also commanded the 8th Infantry Division in Europe during World War II.

Messages from General Taylor and General Moore to all our Alumni, upon the occasion of the change in command at West Point, are quoted below.



General Taylor. . . .

"On the eve of my departure from West Point I should like to express my appreciation to our Alumni for the consideration and cooperation which they have accorded my administration of the Military Academy. Whereas many college presidents seem to find trustees and alumni difficult critics to satisfy, my experience at West Point has not verified any such tradition. In discharging the duties of the Superintendency, I have found my tasks made easy because of the loyal support and the encouragement received from West Pointers throughout the world.

It is my impression that Alumni groups are becoming stronger of late and more aware of the continuous need of presenting West Point to our people in its proper light. Working in conjunction with the authorities of the Academy, these groups can do, and have done, much to dispel the misunderstandings about West Point which in the past have often beclouded the minds of our fellow citizens.

I hardly need to insist upon the importance of these exertions on the part of all of us. The longer one is associated with West Point, the surer one becomes that the attitude toward duty and service which is fundamental to its teaching provides a philosophy of life desperately needed on every hand. The ideals of West Point have an application extending far beyond the professional requirements of military life. The preservation of these ideals for the nation and for the world is worth the best efforts of all of us. We have a common obligation—the Alumni and the Academy authorities alike—to set forth clearly and publicly this role of the Academy as a stabilizing force in our national life."



General Moore. . . .

"It is encouraging to know that our Alumni are energetic in their support of the policies of the United States Military Academy. I am well aware of the deep affection that they have for West Point, and share their conviction that West Point stands for indispensable values in leadership and in American life.

West Point has fulfilled an historic and significant role in the history and development of the United States of America. Great numbers of our influential citizens realize this, but there must be wide areas in the population where a better knowledge of West Point's ideals would be most welcome and useful. Those ideals, as all who know West Point are fully aware, are based upon the immutable values of character, honor, personal integrity, duty, country-before-self. The traditional role of West Point is the early indoctrination and instruction of future commanders; *great* commanders, on a world scale, have emerged from our ranks at the Nation's need. This is a familiar theme to our graduates—but, to the public mind, the times would seem to warrant an intensive effort to explain the purposes of West Point more fully.

I note with interest General Taylor's remark 'that alumni groups are becoming stronger of late and more aware of the continuous need of presenting West Point to our people in its proper light'. Permit me to urge the Alumni to continue, even to intensify, their efforts. The American public can hardly understand clearly enough what West Point has done, what it can do, and what it stands for.

I have great confidence in your constant, unswerving support."

147th ANNIVERSARY, U. S. M. A.

Traditionally the anniversary of the founding of the United States Military Academy on 16 March 1802 is celebrated by West Point Societies and other groups of graduates and former cadets throughout the world in March of each year. The Saturday evening nearest 16 March has been customarily chosen by most of these groups for these annual celebrations. This year Saturday, 19 March would be the date normally selected for this purpose.

This year, however, the West Point Society of New York, acting for the Association of Graduates, U.S.M.A., will sponsor an anniversary dinner in the New York area on Wednesday evening, 16 March 1949. For members of the West Point Society of New York and for graduates now stationed at West Point this dinner will constitute the only celebration of the founding of the Academy to be held this year in the vicinity of New York and West Point. Exact details concerning this dinner, including the hour and place it will be held are not known at the time of this writing. It is hoped that at sometime during the course of this dinner meeting a West Point program will be included which can be broadcast over one of the national radio networks and to overseas stations via shortwave facilities of the Armed Services Radio. If such a broadcast can be arranged please note that it will be the only radio program sponsored by the Association this year. West Point Societies and other local groups of graduates and former cadets desiring to listen to this program should consult their local radio broadcasting stations and their local press for the exact time the program will be on the air in their vicinity.

In view of the arrangements outlined above, it is believed that several of our West Point Societies throughout the United States and other groups of graduates and former cadets throughout the world may desire to hold their anniversary celebrations on 16 March this year. These considerations and the action of various local groups of West Pointers in this respect are strictly matters for determination by each local group, and the Association of Graduates has no intention or desire to prescribe the scope or time of meeting of any local group assembling this year to celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy. It has been found that in the New York area the greatest number of alumni can attend such a dinner meeting on some week day evening other than Saturday. Therefore, since 16 March is the exact date of our anniversary, and in view of the probability of suiting the convenience of more alumni in the New York area on this date than on Saturday, 19 March, the New York Society decided to hold its meeting on Wednesday, the 16th, rather than on Saturday, the 19th.

Many inquiries are being received at West Point about various items which may be made available to local groups for their programs incident to the annual dinners this

year. For planning purposes in connection with these dinners the following information is pertinent:

PROGRAM: There is no set pattern, sponsored by the Association of Graduates, for the program to be followed by any local group in its observance of the anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy. Usually these programs include toasts or speeches by the oldest and youngest graduate present and a talk by some other prominent graduate of distinguished accomplishments who can be secured by the local group for this purpose.

FILMS: Frequently motion picture films about West Point and the last Army Football Season, if available, are shown at these meetings. This year a few copies of a 16 mm. sound film about the 1948 Army Football Season will be available on a loan basis for use at the anniversary meetings of large groups of alumni. Applications for these films should be made to the Secretary of the Association of Graduates at West Point. Each application from a local group should state the number of alumni expected to be present at its meeting. About 1 March 1949 these films will be shipped to as many local groups of alumni as possible, depending upon the number of films available. Priority in fulfilling the requests of local groups for these films for use at their anniversary meetings will depend generally upon the number of alumni who can be expected to view these films at each meeting. Other groups, whose applications for these films cannot be satisfied for their anniversary meetings, may be able to obtain the loan of one of these films at some later time for other meetings. All recipients of these films must return them promptly to the Football Office at West Point after they have served their purpose, in order that other applications may be satisfied later.

There are no other up-to-date films about West Point available for loan this year. Such other films as were loaned to alumni groups in 1946, 1947 and 1948 are considered by the authorities at West Point to be so obsolete as to preclude their release again this year. It is hoped that several copies of an up-to-date film about West Point, other than the film about football, will be available for use at a limited number of anniversary meetings in 1950.

SKIN LISTS: No skin lists concerning any graduates are available at West Point for loan to local groups and all applications therefor must of necessity be denied. These records are boxed and stored in the basement of the Library and research in them for the information of local groups is quite beyond the capacity of any agency at West Point.

RECORDS: An Album of phonograph records, including most of the time-honored music of West Point, is on sale by the Secretary of the West Point Army Mess and orders for these records should be sent to him. The cost is \$3.75, which includes postage to anywhere in the United States and to A.P.O. addresses.

SONG BOOKS: A book, WEST POINT SONGS, compiled by the Cadet Chapel Organist, Mr. F. C. Mayer, and including the words and music of most of the time-honored West Point songs, is on sale at the West Point Exchange and may be ordered by mail directly from the Exchange. Cost, \$1.35 per copy, plus postage.

WEST POINT SOCIETIES

For the information of all of our membership we publish below a list of these local West Point organizations and their principal officers at present of record in the office of the Association of Graduates at West Point. Further information concerning these societies may be obtained, if desired, by inquiry to the Secretary of each. It is hoped that more of these societies will be organized and that all of them will continue to increase their local efforts in the interests of the Academy and its alumni.

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New York, N. Y.
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Officers Club of New York,
37 East 36th Street,
New York, N. Y.
Treasurer: Ivan Sattem, '40
96 Foster Avenue,
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
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Secretary: Samuel Edelman, Ex-'10
1524 Chestnut Street,
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Sverdrup & Parcel,
1118 Syndicate Trust Bldg.,
St. Louis, Missouri.
Secretary: Harry C. Barnes, Jr., August, '17
Army Emergency Relief Liaison
Officer,
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Los Angeles, California
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Vice President: John K. Brown, '08
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311 Portola Avenue,
Palo Alto, California.
2nd Vice President: Lawton Butler, '27
Hq. 6th Army,
Presidio of San Francisco,
California.
Sec.-Treas.: Hamilton P. Ellis, '20
2140 Lake Street,
San Francisco, California.

WEST POINT SOCIETY OF BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, Alabama
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600 North 18th Street,
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Sec.-Treas.: Lee E. Gray, November, '18
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2026 Hudson Street,
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Sec.-Treas.: Arthur D. Maxwell, '40
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THE NEW GYMNASIUM

By **LIEUTENANT COLONEL FRANCIS M. GREENE**

Director of Physical Education, U.S.M.A.

The ancients discovered that bricks could not be made without straw. Neither can athletes be made without practice space. Today the Academy has been provided the tools to achieve its often quoted slogan of "Every man an athlete". The gymnasium now in use represents nearly fifty years of planning and building to serve the requirements of West Point's physical education and athletic programs. The four separate building projects, 1911, 1933, 1938, and 1943, span the period of growth of the Corps from 750 cadets to 2,500.

With the completion of the long awaited addition during the past summer, the Corps now has available an ideal plant for the physical development of cadets. This latest addition provides two large new gymnasium floors, ade-



New Central Gym.

quate locker and shower rooms for the Corps, and a large new swimming pool for instructional classes and intramural competition.

The recent war demonstrated even more clearly than ever before the need for physical preparation for modern warfare. As a result, the cadet program of physical education was reorganized and extended to all four years of cadet life. Today, the future officer not only receives the basic personal training to develop and condition his body but, in addition, in the upperclass years he learns to lead others in physical activities. He is trained to condition men, to coach and officiate athletic contests, and finally to plan and direct physical training programs for typical units.

Such a program requires many aids: instructors, equipment, and lastly, room in which to teach. The first two requirements were quickly provided when the need arose but additional gymnasium space and facilities had to await plans, funds, and time.

The new gymnasium has finally become an accomplished fact and today the complete plant is in full operation. Carefully planned and built to last, in keeping with architectural standards of the Academy, it will serve well in the years to come in producing better developed, better trained, and better adjusted officers.

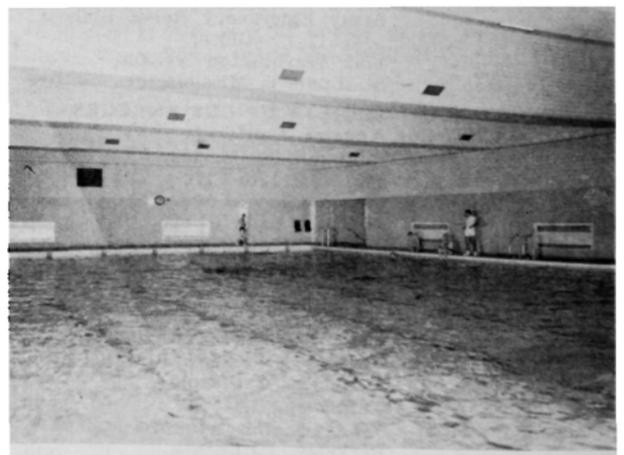
During the indoor-season, classes start at 0755 and continue to 1615 with time out at noon. The Second and

Fourth classes attend throughout the morning and Third Class periods run from 1415 to 1630. First Class instruction consists of instructor experience and a lecture course on the conduct of service programs. The amount of activity varies seasonally, but during the busy winter period a capacity load of instruction occupies the day followed by a capacity competitive athletic activity in the afternoons. At peak, 120 class sections are under instruction every two days in intensive classes covering eighteen separate types of indoor instruction.

Most gymnasium sports require, primarily, suitable floor space. These include boxing, wrestling, gymnastics, basketball, badminton, volleyball, fencing, etc. With the accelerated program at the Academy a great need for such space arose: space that could be converted hourly to the changing requirements of the daily and seasonal program. This need was provided with the two large new gymnasium floors, each an over-size basketball court but equipped and useable for many other activities. These fine modern rooms are well-lighted, acoustically treated, and splendidly ventilated.

Most graduates who have visited the Academy in the past ten years recall the two swimming pools. The older, built in 1911, was covered with the roof salvaged from the older gymnasium which stood on the site of the present Washington Hall. This pool was modernized in the West Gym construction in 1938 at which time a beautiful new and smaller pool was added alongside the older pool.

Increased emphasis on the need of swimming proficiency resulting from amphibious experiences in the last war caused a considerable expansion in swimming instruction for all cadets. These classes, coupled with the special classes for poor swimmers, overloaded the two



New Swimming Pool.

pools to a point where teaching was not productive. No time remained in the day for individual swimming and corps squad practice was reduced to a fraction of the necessary time. Swimming was literally rationed. A new and larger pool became the greatest need in the program.

This need has been well fulfilled by the addition of a beautiful instruction pool, 60' x 100' x 6½' deep with eight lanes and ample deck space, located in the basement of the new building. Tiled walls and decks, recessed ceiling lights, and good acoustic treatment of ceiling and walls make a fine combination of the best principles of pool construction. A novel feature is the provision of two gutters, one at full depth and one at 4½ feet. From



New Lockers. . . .

July 1 to November 15 each year, the shallow depth is maintained for beginning swimmers among the new plebes. By mid-November practically all plebes can nowadays be prepared to handle themselves in deep water and the pool can be filled to full depth for the indoor instruction period.

Older graduates will recall the cadet dressing room in the 1911 gym that served the Corps well until it was outgrown in 1938. Later grads can still feel the wintry breezes whistling around their sweaty necks as they ran back to barracks to get in on the last trickle of warm water in the division sinks in the late winter afternoons. The indoor rifle range in the oldest gym has given way to a fine clean locker room with a full-sized locker for every two cadets. Tiled walls and floors and plenty of good shower heads in the eight separate shower rooms have created a new domain in the old catacombs. Today a cadet can shower and cool off before facing the cold outdoors. Better health and comfort are natural results, along with a greater incentive to sports participation.

No description of the gymnasiums would be complete without mention of the West Gymnasium built in 1938. This huge building, six stories high, was largely financed by the Army Athletic Association, and provided one of the finest units of squash and handball facilities in the country. Twenty-three squash courts and eight handball courts were included, which service the squash and handball teams, intramural contests, and instruction classes in both sports. The A.A.A. also provided the finest in team dressing rooms, team training rooms, and doctor's office.

Floor space was also contributed heavily by the West Gym. Included is the largest single gym floor equipped with two full-sized basketball courts and side baskets which permit playing four cross-court basketball games simultaneously when the long courts are not being used.

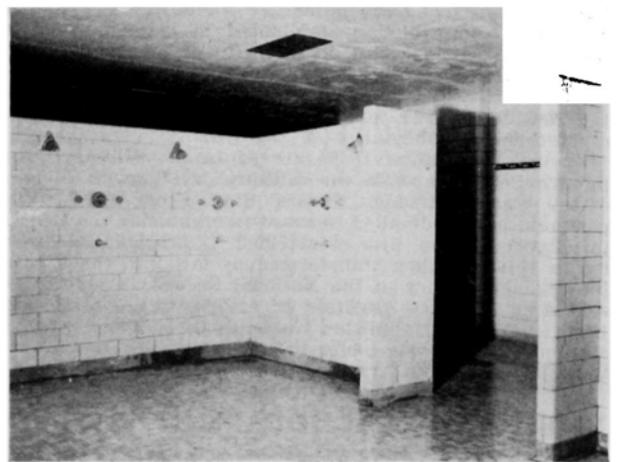
Additional facilities in this tremendous building are a large wrestling room, locker and shower rooms for officers, a large apparatus room equipped with every known

type of gym device, and lastly, fourteen tactical training rooms for the department's classes in basic tactics.

Some idea of the expansion that has occurred in inter-collegiate athletics can be had from the fact that 800 cadets, or one third of the Corps, are currently members of Corps Squads. This figure is larger than the entire Corps of fifty years ago. More than half of these squad members practice daily in the gym with ample facilities. The winter sports list of today includes basketball, boxing, fencing, gymnastics, handball, hockey, rifle, skiing, squash, swimming, track, and wrestling. In most sports a varsity and plebe squad practice separately and each plays a complete season of contests with other schools. This means a total of fifteen separate athletic squads using the gym with a combined membership of 423 cadets.

On top of all Corps Squad activities comes Winter Intramural, a comparative newcomer to the intramural program of the 1920's and 30's. The outdoor programs initiated in 1921 under General MacArthur were quickly accepted by cadets as a major factor in their life and training but a winter program appeared impractical with the limited indoor facilities. With the two new gymnasium floors and new swimming pool there are sufficient areas for a complete program with twenty-four company teams playing eleven game tournaments in basketball, handball, squash and swimming. Boxing and wrestling are held as open tournaments for a Corps championship.

Thus the objective of giving all cadets a chance to compete in those sports which they have been taught in the instructional program has been realized to a considerable degree. Additional opportunities are afforded for more First Classmen to serve as coaches and officials as a follow-up to coaching courses taught in the Second Class year. Though voluntary, Winter Intramural gets out better than 80 per cent of those cadets not on Corps



New Showers. . . .

Squads. During the winter months about 800 intramural contests are played with approximately 1,300 cadets participating every two days in the program. Thus nearly 1,100 cadets engage in athletics each afternoon after the close of class instruction. Such a program requires a monumental plant.

It is a far cry from the old days when Plebe Gym in the morning left the building vacant until the late afternoon, when the entire gym was used for the practice of the six teams then comprising the winter sports program. The visitor of today will see nearly half the Corps arrive.

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JUNE WEEK, 1949



General Carter.



General Fenton.

PROMOTION OF PROFESSORS

We extend our congratulations to Brigadier Generals Clifton C. Carter, formerly Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, and Chauncey L. Fenton, formerly Professor of Chemistry and Electricity, upon their well deserved advancement on the retired list. Their promotions were made for "long and distinguished" service as permanent Professors, U.S.M.A., under the provisions of the Officer Personnel Act of 1947.

NEW PROFESSOR, U.S.M.A.

Colonel Charles P. Nicholas has been appointed Professor of Mathematics, United States Military Academy, to occupy the second professorship in that department.

A native of Kentucky, Colonel Nicholas graduated from the Academy in 1925 and was commissioned in the Field Artillery. He served in various capacities in that arm, including a year as student at the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, from which he graduated in 1936, followed by three years on the Staff and Faculty of the same school. He graduated from the Command and General Staff School in 1940. He served as an instructor in Mathematics at U.S.M.A. from 1930 to 1935, and as Associate Professor of Mathematics for the year 1941-1942.

During World War II he served in the Military Intelligence Service and in the Military Intelligence Division of the War Department General Staff. From the War Department he was detailed to assist in organizing the Central Intelligence Group, first established by presidential directive in 1946 and then transformed by law into the Central Intelligence Agency of the National Security Council. He served as a Deputy Assistant Director of C.I.A. until early 1948. At the time of his appointment as Professor of Mathematics, he was under orders to proceed to Caracas, Venezuela, as Military Attache.

1948 RHODES SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Three representatives of the Military Academy, including two cadets, were awarded Rhodes Scholarships at Oxford University as a result of the final district committee selections on 11 December. They are: Second Lieutenant Milton A. Strain, Class of 1946; Cadet Richard T. Carvolth, Class of 1949; Cadet Dan L. McGurk, Class of 1949. More than 700 candidates from all parts of the country engaged in the competition for the 32 vacancies available in the coming academic year.

Eight graduates of the Academy will be studying at Oxford as Rhodes Scholars, beginning next October. Four entered in 1947, one in 1948. The course calls for two years of intensive graduate study in the "honors group". A third year is added when, in the opinion of the Oxford faculty, the student merits such consideration. The four U.S.M.A. graduates who entered in 1947 and became eligible this winter for a third year have been notified that their applications have been granted by the Oxford authorities.

It is now expected that the program of events and activities for June Week, 1949 will follow closely the pattern of the program for June Week, 1948. For planning purposes the following dates are important:

Thursday, 2 June—Academic recitations cease at 3 P.M.
Friday, 3 June—First day of June Week.
Sunday, 5 June—Baccalaureate Services.

Monday, 6 June—Alumni Day. Alumni Exercises, Review of the Corps by Alumni and Luncheon and Annual Meeting of the Association of Graduates. The Luncheon and Meeting of the Association will be in Washington Hall (Cadet Mess) this year, where ample accommodations are available, rather than in Cullum Memorial Hall, which has proved too small in recent years for the comfort and convenience of the annually increasing number of alumni attending.

Tuesday, 7 June—Graduation.

As in previous years accommodations for returning alumni, graduates and former cadets, will be provided on the Post. Accommodations at West Point or in its vicinity for members of the families of returning alumni cannot be provided or arranged by any agency at West Point. Such arrangements must be made directly by the individual concerned. The Thayer Hotel and most of the living accommodations in the vicinity of West Point are reserved for the families and guests of members of the graduating class and of other cadets.

Classes planning reunions at West Point during June Week should make arrangements for the use of facilities on the post and in its vicinity, desired for their class activities directly with the facility concerned through a representative of the class.

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

It is believed that Class Secretaries have many addresses of individuals who are listed in the Register as Non-Graduates of their respective classes.

It would be greatly appreciated if Secretaries would consult these class lists as published in the 1948 Register, and send by informal note to the West Point Alumni Foundation Inc., 381 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y. any addresses in their possession but not shown in the Register.

These Former Cadets will then be circularized by the Foundation to obtain further personal information.

It is particularly desired to locate all Former Cadets who served in the Armed Forces in World War I or II.

OUR OLDEST LIVING GRADUATE

Again we are glad to report that our Oldest Living Graduate is Major General George T. Bartlett, Class of 1881, who lives at 309 Terrell Road, San Antonio, Texas.

THE NEW GYMNASIUM

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dress, and attend classes during the day. Following the class day, another half of the Corps again enters and practices or plays in the combined varsity and intramural programs.

After call to quarters the building continues to serve the community. First Classmen are largely engaged in coaching and officiating during the afternoon periods and their instruction is confined to lecture courses on service physical training. Therefore, their personal physical condition is their own concern. Since they have little chance to participate individually during the day, they are permitted to work out in the gym during evening call to quarters. Enlisted organizations of the post also use certain floors and pool facilities in the evenings every week-day.

This building was built for use. From 0755 to 2200 there is rarely a period when it is not serving its purpose and serving it well.

ALL WEST POINTERS, ATTENTION!

Please note that:

The Association of Graduates needs more funds to accomplish more completely its mission. The war classes have greatly increased the size of our Association; new activities have been undertaken; the cost of labor and materials and everything else has skyrocketed; and the income from sources now available is not sufficient to permit the Association to do many things that urgently need to be done.

Contributions, gifts and bequests to the Association of Graduates are now deductible under the Federal Income Tax, Gift Tax, and Estate Tax laws.

Do you make annual contributions for religious, educational and other worthy purposes? Do you plan to provide in your will for similar purposes? If so, you now have an opportunity to let the Association of Graduates share in your gifts, as the Association has qualified as an educational society under paragraph 101(6) of the Internal Revenue Code. The following extracts from a letter signed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, dated December 1st, 1948, in which this decision was rendered, are quoted for your information:

"Contributions made to you are deductible by the donors in arriving at their taxable net income in the manner and to the extent provided by section 23(o) and (q) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and corresponding provisions of prior revenue acts."

"Bequests, legacies, devises or transfers, to or for your use are deductible in arriving at the value of the net estate of a decedent for estate tax purposes in the manner and to the extent provided by sections 812(d) and 861(a)(3) of the Code and/or corresponding provisions of prior revenue acts. Gifts of property to you are deductible in computing net gifts for gift tax purposes in the manner and to the extent provided in section 1004(a)(2)(B) and 1004(b)(2) and (3) of the Code and/or corresponding provisions of prior revenue acts."

Making contributions during our life times and/or making provisions in our wills (all deductible for tax purposes) are opportunities to repay, at least in part, the debt we all owe to our Alma Mater. In order to explain more fully the need for funds it is pointed out that with the constantly increasing number of living graduates, primarily the result of the increased size of graduating classes, the work of the Association has increased tremendously. In addition, World War II and the achievements of our graduates therein have provided a great amount of additional matter important for record purposes in the information maintained by the Association concerning each graduate. The

continued publication of our quarterly magazine, ASSEMBLY, and the annual REGISTER OF GRADUATES, U.S. M.A. (both the very life blood of our Association) on the same high level of quality and informative value which we intend to maintain requires additional editorial and clerical assistance and greater facilities than we now have. All of these considerations mean the necessity for more income for the Association in the future if we are to continue to keep before our graduates and the country the contributions that West Point has made, and will continue to make, to the Nation.

Specifically, some of the things for which greater income is needed are as follows:

Expansion in office facilities, equipment and number of personnel for the office of the Association at West Point. It must be remembered that while the West Point Alumni Foundation, Inc. publishes ASSEMBLY and the REGISTER OF GRADUATES for the Association, a great amount of the research and record keeping incident to the REGISTER and all of the editorial work incident to ASSEMBLY are done in the office of the Association at West Point.

In 1952 the Military Academy will celebrate its sesquicentennial anniversary. Plans for this celebration are being made now. The Association of Graduates, and its personnel and facilities in its office at West Point, will be intimately involved, in cooperation with other agencies at West Point, in the planning and preparation for this event. In this connection, the Association has already underwritten financially the publication of the sesquicentennial book, MEN OF WEST POINT, to be ready for distribution by 1952. The purpose of the book is to bring out the value of West Point to the Nation in the first 150 years of the existence of the Academy.

In order to enlist the aid and cooperation of West Point graduates in the work of the Association, there is a great need at West Point for the expansion of facilities which can serve the needs of visiting graduates.

The items above are merely a few examples of the things the Association ought to do in the accomplishment of its mission. In all of these endeavors more funds will be required by the Association if it is to be a live and active organization, working for West Point and all the Academy stands for.

Your financial help is needed. Your gifts will be used wisely and will be of great benefit to West Point. In accordance with our Constitution all funds and property of the Association are managed by the Board of Trustees.

Please make checks and money orders payable to the Association of Graduates, U.S.M.A. and send to the Treasurer of the Association at West Point.

BATTLE DEATHS, GRADUATES OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY, WORLD WAR II

Two large bronze memorial plaques upon which will be inscribed the names of graduates of the United States Military Academy, officially classified as "battle deaths" in World War II, are now being manufactured. It is expected that these plaques will be completed and installed in Cullum Memorial Hall at West Point prior to June Week 1949. Information concerning the dedication of these plaques will be announced at West Point at the appropriate time.

The names of graduates appearing on these plaques will be arranged according to their classes and each plaque will bear the inscription "ERECTED BY THEIR CLASSMATES". Although the Association of Graduates, U.S. M.A., in order to expedite the manufacture of these plaques, has underwritten their cost, the great majority of the classes concerned have claimed the privilege and right to participate in the financing of the cost of these memorials. These classes have undertaken to reimburse the Association to the extent of their shares of the cost, each share proportional to the number of names of graduates of each class inscribed on the plaques.

The list of names to be included on these plaques was compiled in Headquarters, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C., at the request of the Superintendent, U.S. M.A. No individual or agency at West Point participated in the compiling of this list. The most succinct statement of categories of deceased graduates whose names are included appears in the Department of the Army letter transmitting the list to the Superintendent and is in substance as follows:

In compliance with your request of 13 April 1948 (2936) there is enclosed a list of 487 graduates of the United States Military Academy who were killed in action, missing in action, or died of battle wounds in World War II. This is the complete roster of battle deaths of graduates. Of deaths in the hands of the enemy the classification "battle deaths" includes only those due to enemy action.

The following additional information is pertinent, elaborating somewhat the above statement.

Concerning the officers listed who died of battle wounds,

it is understood that in similar rosters of battle deaths the mortally wounded have been included if there was no question of the wounds being the sole cause of death, occurring reasonably soon thereafter. The elapsed time between wounds and death in cases on the official list was from a few hours up to 31 days.

Included in the list are unresolved "missing in action" cases, death in such cases being purely presumptive without definite knowledge that the individual was killed or died or when death occurred.

Another category included in the official Department of the Army list consists of those unfortunates who were lost in our attacks on Japanese prison ships. In such attacks many prisoners were hit by shell fragments or debris, many were drowned and some were alleged to have been shot or bayoneted. The practice of considering persons lost in attacks on ships to be "killed in action" was coordinated with the Navy which of course had many more such cases than the Army. Closely allied to this category are deaths of our personnel caused by our air attacks on German trains bearing prisoners of war.

Another group included in the official Department of the Army list comprises twenty graduates who, while prisoners of war, were killed by the Japanese. These individual killings though not in battle were violent deliberate acts of hostility on the part of the enemy which warranted classification as "battle deaths"

In addition to the American prisoners killed on ships as a result of our own action against these ships there are a few individuals on the Department of the Army list whose deaths in battle were inadvertently caused by fire of our own air or ground forces. However all cases of this nature are not determinable.

To summarize:

In the preparation of the official Department of the Army list of the 487 graduates of the Military Academy classified as battle deaths the criteria used in establishing eligibility for this list were the criteria used in casualty administration in the theaters of operation and by the War and Navy Departments during World War II. These departments coordinated their administration very thoroughly. Deaths occurring in or due solely to any form of combat—ground, sea, or air—whether immediate or shortly thereafter, were, and remain classified as "battle deaths" These include the presumptive deaths of the missing in action. Attacks on enemy ships bearing prisoners of war were considered combat. The putting to death of prisoners of war were deliberate and violent acts of hostility comparable to combat action, except that the victims had no opportunity to defend. No distinctions were made as to whether certain individuals were killed by friendly or enemy fire; in fact this determination would be impossible in many cases. Insofar as prisoners of war are concerned the battle deaths include only those deaths due to combat action by the enemy or our own armed forces, or to hostile enemy killing of prisoners comparable to combat action. Deaths due to disease, malnutrition, exposure, dehydration, etc., even though contributed to by wounds, are not regarded by the Department of the Army as caused by combat action or any action comparable thereto and are not classified as "battle deaths".

The action stated herein does not deter the authorities at West Point from giving consideration to memorialization at the Academy of graduates who lost their lives in World War II, under conditions not covered by the above criteria.

Last Roll Call

Reports of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the October, 1948 Assembly.

George McC. Derby.....	1878.....	October	24, 1948.....	New Orleans, Louisiana
John L. Chamberlain.....	1880.....	November	14, 1948.....	Washington, D. C.
Grote Hutcheson	1884.....	December	14, 1948.....	Saratoga, California
Walter M. Whitman.....	1891.....	November	19, 1948.....	Wrentham, Massachusetts
James C. Read.....	Ex-1893.....	October	23, 1948.....	Stamford, Connecticut
Johnson Hagood	1896.....	December	22, 1948.....	Charleston, South Carolina
Henry B. Farrar	1899.....	December	18, 1948.....	Fort Sam Houston, Texas
William E. Gillmore.....	Ex-1900.....	November	7, 1948.....	Washington, D. C.
Francis W. Clark.....	1901.....	November	12, 1948.....	Carmel, California
Edward H. DeArmond.....	1901.....	October	21, 1948.....	Lexington, Virginia
Edward J. Moran.....	1902.....	September	25, 1948.....	Sawtelle, California
Louis C. Brinton, Jr.	1903.....	October	28, 1948.....	Key West, Florida
Andres Ponte	1903.....	November	9, 1948.....	New York, N. Y.
Lester D. Baker.....	1908.....	January	5, 1949.....	Washington, D. C.
Chester P. Barnett.....	1910.....	October	16, 1948.....	Albuquerque, New Mexico
Paul S. Reinecke.....	1911.....	December	15, 1948.....	Galveston, Texas
William H. Donaldson, Jr.	August, 1917.....	December	8, 1948.....	Fort Lawton, Washington
Dale W. Maher.....	1919.....	June	8, 1948.....	Pretoria, South Africa
Richard M. Costigan.....	1920.....	October	27, 1948.....	San Francisco, California
George E. Mitchell, Jr.	1922.....	January	12, 1949.....	Arlington, Virginia
George A. Bicher.....	1924.....	January	6, 1949.....	Washington, D. C.
Frank S. Kirkpatrick.....	1924.....	November	19, 1948.....	Fort Myer, Virginia
Timothy L. Mulligan	1925.....	September	29, 1948.....	Tokyo, Japan
Donald C. Hawkins.....	1927.....	December	12, 1948.....	Japan
Cyril H. McGuire.....	1928.....	January	1, 1949.....	Pasadena, California
Graves C. Teller.....	1932.....	October	30, 1948.....	Germantown, Pennsylvania
Newell C. James.....	1933.....	November	6, 1948.....	Lawton, Oklahoma
Frank E. Boyd.....	January, 1943.....	October	24, 1948.....	Chanute A.F.B., Illinois
Bernard M. James.....	1945.....	November	24, 1948.....	Andrews A.F.B., Maryland
John F. Suelzer.....	1945.....	December	3, 1948.....	Breckinridge, Kentucky
James L. Andrews, Jr.	1946.....	December	10, 1948.....	Apra Harbor, Guam
Benjamin W. Kernan.....	1946.....	November	9, 1948.....	near Springfield, Ohio
John D. McGregor.....	1946.....	November	12, 1948.....	Eielson Field, Alaska



New Members

We welcome to our membership the following graduates and former cadets who have joined the Association since the publication of the October, 1948 issue of ASSEMBLY.

Ora E. Hunt, '94
 Paul S. Bond, '00
 Marion W. Howze, '03
 Louis A. O'Donnell, '05
 Lucian D. Booth, '07
 Denham B. Crafton, '07
 Fred B. Carrithers, '10
 Robert N. Bodine, '12
 Robert McG. Littlejohn, '12
 John B. Thompson, '14

Philip K. McNair, '15
 Anastacio Q. Ver, '15
 Leo A. Walton, '15
 William H. Britton, '16
 Edwin H. Crouch, June, '18
 Thomas R. Aaron, November, '18
 John A. Elmore, '24
 George K. Withers, '25
 Edgar A. Sirmyer, Jr., '28
 Noel A. Neal, '30

Seiss E. Wagner, '31
 Donald B. Webber, '31
 Robert M. Blanchard, '33
 Millard L. Haskin, '33
 Andrew J. Boyle, '35
 William S. Clark, '39
 Benoid E. Glawe, '39
 Strother B. Hardwick, Jr., '39
 John J. Smith, Jr., '40
 William G. Richards, '46
 Gale E. Stockdale, '46

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1884

The death of Mr. Frederick A. Kribs on November 11, 1948, took the last non-graduate member of the Class Association of the Class of 1884. Mr. Kribs was a leading citizen of Portland, Oregon, and one of the largest timberland dealers in the Pacific Northwest, the first king of the Portland Rose Festival in 1911, and a civic leader in this community for many years, and an enthusiast for West Point.

There are now but four survivors of the Class of '84, one a Major General, two Brigadier Generals and one Colonel.

Major General Grote Hutcheson and Mrs. Hutcheson are living at Saratoga, California. He has been a patient at Letterman General Hospital for some time in 1948, but now is back home again, much improved.

General Farrand Sayre and his daughter Elizabeth, have a nice home and fine large garden at 325 Paddington Road, Baltimore, Maryland. The General is in good health, works in his yard and garden and studies, and writes, about Greek philosophy and the Ancient Greek scientists. He suggested the following for the *Assembly* as incidents of our class experience while at the Academy. I quote:

"General U. S. Grant attended one of the graduating exercises while we were at the Academy; General W. T. Sherman another.

"General Philip Sheridan was present at our graduation in 1884. I was

introduced to him; he shook hands with me and congratulated me.

"Mark Twain came to the Academy and gave a reading while we were there"

Brigadier General George O. Cress, writes me from Mills College, Oakland, California, as follows:

"After all these years since 1884, activities of graduates are on the wane and there is not much of interest to be related.

"I had a physical recently and was told that my principal trouble was—Old Age—my wife and I have passed our 62nd wedding anniversary and hope for more of them, principally to be with her.

"My son, General J. B. Cress, West Point Class of 1914, now with the Veterans Administration at Richmond, Va., made us a short visit in October and we all, Father, Mother, Son and Daughter Cornelia called on Hutch at Saratoga. Found him cheerful, but still forced to spend a large part of his time in bed, the result of a fall last spring. His wife is a charming lady.

"I still put in some time at my daughter's riding school, Mills College, where I am reminded of the Cavalry that once was—

"My best wishes to classmates and all others who have had the privilege of attending West Point and who have been brought up with the Corps' Motto—'Duty, Honor, Country'."

Colonel C. E. Dentler with Mrs. Dentler and his daughter Jeannette I. Dent-

ler, who is National Vice President General of the 200,000 Daughters of the American Revolution, live at 5732 S.E. Yamhill Street, Portland, Oregon, where they have a good home and one acre of garden, which is altogether too much work for one old Colonel (he doesn't do it all).

General Sayre's note about General Phil Sheridan being present at graduation of the Class of 1884, reminds me of another. Some of my relatives came to the Academy at graduation time in 1884, and were at the old West Point Hotel at Trophy Point. The hotel had a wide porch open to the view up river towards Newburgh. I had permission to visit them and was waiting at the hotel when I noticed General Sheridan standing on the porch and looking up the river. He was very still and as I was the shortest man at the Academy I took note of the short stature of General Sheridan. I had heard that if you can see the ground in looking over a man's ears from behind, that you are as tall as he. So I approached the General to look over his ears, very quietly, and I got up very close when he suddenly wheeled about, gave a savage grunt and with his nose about two inches from mine said—"Well, well, Sir". I was startled, you bet, but I answered "Nothing, Sir, I was just looking at the view, Sir" "Huh!" said the General, and he walked away. But I am satisfied that I was almost, if not quite as tall as the General.

C. E. Dentler, Recorder.

1891

This report might well be called "Ladies' Number" Some years ago one of our gallant members suggested that we had been neglecting our class widows; that we ought to keep in touch with them and preserve their addresses. So recently we sent out to our members a list of those then known, some fifteen, with an additional list of fourteen whose whereabouts we would like to know. While the result has not been complete, it has led to our receiving letters from several of the ladies of Ninety-one.

Mrs. Armstrong writes that after "Army's" death in Manila in 1924 she decided to make her home in Palo Alto, a place which she loves and where she is in close touch with her family. Her younger son, Frank, lives with her (468 Lowell Ave.), and John D., (June 1919), stationed at the Presidio of S.F., maintains his residence with his wife and four boys in Palo Alto. The eldest grandson ('47) is in Japan, and the next eldest hopes to enter West Point next June.

Mrs. Bertsch resides at 2556 Washington St., San Francisco 15, of which city she is a native, and her youngest daughter, Madeline, lives with her. Billy Bertsch, Jr. ('24) is stationed at the Presidio. Her eldest daughter is the wife of Colonel Warfield Lewis and, with three of her children, has been with him in Nanking but has now returned to the States. Two of the Lewis daughters are married; one is in Germany with two little girls, and the other lives in Boulder, Colo., with a little son.

Mrs. Murphy, of 524 Funston Place, San Antonio 2, has been very loyal in keeping in touch with '91. Last summer she spent several months at West Point, where her granddaughter's husband is an instructor. While there she placed flowers in church in memory of Taurus, and also on Kid Bradley's grave in the cemetery. Mrs. Murphy's daughter, Mrs. Downs, also lives in San Antonio.

Mrs. Ogden, 299 Bellefontaine St., Pasadena 2, Calif., will be remembered as the sister of the first Mrs. Winans. Their father, Captain Auman was stationed at Fort Sill, where Sep and Charlie met and married the girls. She was glad to hear from the Class, but was somewhat out of touch of late years.

Mrs. Winans wrote from 528 Cedar St., Washington 12, where she and Sep moved some years ago in order to be near Walter Reed, where Sep was under treatment. She and Mrs. Maxwell (Katherine Winans) were able to furnish Mrs. Ogden's address. Few of our Class have had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Winans, but we hear nothing but praise of her fine personality and for the splendid care which she gave Sep during his illness.

Bush writes from San Jose that he is in pretty good health but not bragging about it. He says: "The old gray etc", but still he made, not so long ago a trip to the Rainbow Bridge country in southern Utah, where he helped to dig up relics of pre-cliff dweller individuals, which would seem to be rather strenuous work for an octogenarian. While we in the east struggle with ice and snow, he draws a fascin-

ating picture of life with wife and family dog in sunny California with marvelous big strawberries in November.

Conrad says little about his health, but his cheery wholesome words and his fine vigorous handwriting justify the assumption that he is in excellent condition of mind and body.

Donworth writes in good spirits and tells of the monthly luncheons held by the West Point group in and near New York. He spends his winters in Connecticut and summers in Maine. He reports no impairment of his own health and states that Mrs. Donworth is generally well, though she occasionally has reminders of a fall of some years ago in which her back was injured.

Ely reports his health as generally good, but he too realizes that the old nerves and muscles and sinews no longer preserve the steel-like resiliency of our youth.

We are sorry to learn from Hines that Fleming is in Walter Reed recovering after an operation on his esophagus. However he is progressing, though thin as might be expected of one whose feeding highway has been in trouble. Birdie says Duke is a patient convalescent.

News from Glasgow is not as recent as some others, but in June he and Mrs. Glasgow were quite well. As evidence of his physical vigor he relates how, on a fishing trip, some youngsters put the minnows on his hook, some one else pulled in the catch, and his host did the cooking.

Hines and family are well, and recently enjoyed a visit from their grandson, a lieutenant in the 82nd A.B. at Fort Bragg. Son Jack and his recently acquired wife live in Foxhall Village, and have with them Jack's small son by a former marriage. All reported to be well.

Bobby Howard claims to be going slower, but he still finds his days filled with this and that, giving him the feeling of being "really busy and almost hard-worked". Many of us probably share his experience of accumulating books through the years with the expectation that "when I get old I will read them", only to find that he reads fewer books than he did fifty years ago. Today newspapers and magazines seem to claim a major share of attention. Bob still enjoys riding, hunting, fishing, boating, golfing—that is, he says, he enjoys reading about them! Music is still one of his hobbies, and he maintains his membership and interest in the Apollo Club of male voices.

After our last report in *Assembly* (July 1948) we heard from McMaster. He was then in the Government Hospital near Columbia pending the reduction of his blood pressure of 210. In addition to an abdominal operation some time ago, he has had serious trouble with his eyes to the extent that he is deprived of the pleasure of reading and can only write when he has his typewriter available.

Schoeffel completes the list of recent correspondents, and he and his are in good health. For some years he has lived in an attractive cottage adjacent to the home of his daughter Marian, but they are remodelling a recently

acquired house and will make their home together upon the completion of that work, about next February.

We hope that all of our members received the new list of addresses and the dope-sheet on former members which was sent out about November 20.

It was a distressing thing to have to delete, so soon after its preparation, the name of Walter Whitman from among our living members. He died November 19, and was buried on the 22nd. We were not aware of his death in time to send flowers, but messages of sympathy were sent in the name of the Class. Walter's attractive personality and friendly smile early made him a beloved member of '91. As Class Historian he contributed much time and effort to the benefit of the Class, particularly periodical bulletins, and especially the fine class history book which he got out in 1926 for our 35th anniversary. With photos of "then and now" of each of us, his accompanying write-ups were fine examples of Whit's keen but kindly sense of humor. He is survived by his wife Nina, whom we remember as Miss Edgerton at the Academy, and two sons.

—L. S. S.

1893

The Class has little to report.

Cocheu, Kutz and Kilbourne meet the second Monday of each month for lunch at the Army and Navy Club to talk things over.

Sometime in December it is expected that Kenzie Walker will be with us en route from St. Petersburg, Florida, to New York.

There is good news of Howard Laubach, who has been in Walter Reed Hospital for several months. The Hospital reports that his condition is much improved. He is sitting up each day and it is hoped that he will soon be out of the hospital.

—C. W. K.

1894

Next June the Class of 1894 will celebrate the 55th Anniversary of our graduation from the Military Academy. All members and former members of the class are urged to begin to plan, now, to come to West Point next June, with a view to making this reunion an event to be long remembered.

—W. B. L.

1895

Conrad, in a welcome letter of October 3, sends a "rain check" for a cancelled trip East this fall, good for himself and wife to try again when conditions are favorable; in the meantime it is to be kept "where you can put your hand on it". At 477 Burr Road, San Antonio 9, Texas, they are not far from Hawkins, 303 Geneseo Road, in San Antonio, and are good neighbors in every sense of the word.

A good letter from Bash—two of them—written from 514 South Rita Avenue, Palo Alto, California. Still likes it out there, but for friends in the

East, for instance, it's too far away; and "this rule is general" from the Eastern friends' standpoint, too.

Schulz and his wife are still holding forth at 204 El Camino Real, Berkeley 5, California. On October 12 they observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary and are to be congratulated accordingly.

Smith, Fine Wilson, in an appreciative and appreciated note December 5, says he is with his son, at Erie Beach, Fort Erie, Ontario, just across the river from Buffalo, for an extended visit, but continues to give Eddyville, Kentucky, as his permanent address.

At this writing, December 8: Herron is recuperating at his home, 143 Corona Avenue, Long Beach 3, California, after a recent hospital experience, including an operation; Stout was due to return home, at the Park Hotel, Plainfield, New Jersey, December 1, after having been sick in hospital all fall; Pritchard, writing from "In bed, November 15—General Delivery Corona Del Mar, Calif.," reports a setback in his case after two operations in July, and Mrs. Pritchard also sick at home, with a nurse and a doctor—not so good, either; while Newbaker is "in the Windber Hospital, where he is recovering nicely from an operation performed a few weeks ago", quoting his Secretary, November 29, in the Office of the Vice President and General Manager of the Berwind-White Coal Mining Company in Windber, Pennsylvania". Here's hoping they are "out of the trenches by Christmas"

Navy's football team seems to have torn whole pages out of Operation "Pearl Harbor", The Bulge, and the November Elections, and literally pasted them in the Academy's Scrap Book—or *Log*, since that is more nautical, if perhaps less applicable, after all. While this year's game was not in keeping with Army's estimate of the situation, it nevertheless ran true to form in that when Army meets Navy, or Navy meets Army, anything can happen, and generally does—you never can tell. So it has been for nearly sixty years, with no indication of a change, and it's good at that.

—F. B. W.

1899

The most exhilarating news of the month is that Sammy Ansell, who resigned from the Service soon after World War I to enter the law, was on November 8th quietly married to Anne Clay, the widow of Judge Rogers Clay of Frankfort, Ky. and sister of the wife of Wooten, '98. Ansell, who has built one of the foremost firms of Washington lawyers and who is fortunate enough to have as his right-hand men two of his own sons, keeps his interest in the class and is one of the regular attendants of the monthly luncheons.

Bunnell, who also resigned from the Service, but came back during World War I as a Colonel of Engineers, was in town very briefly the other day. His address is R.F.D., Rockland, Mass.

Another who resigned from the Service early was Ray, J. B. It has re-

cently been learned that he died about a year ago in a Veterans' Hospital in Ohio.

Herron, who has recently been in Florida inspecting a detachment of grandchildren, saw in St. Petersburg Clark, C. B. and Mrs. Clark, both looking much better than this time last year. In Atlanta, he had dinner with Eph Peyton and his charming and hospitable wife, Betty, and breakfast with Moseley.

Peyton's activities are unfortunately somewhat circumscribed by a fairly serious eye trouble, but Moseley maintains his pristine vigor of mind and body in his always astonishing way. "Age hath not withered nor custom staled his infinite variety!"

Markham wants the world to know that he has eleven grandchildren and that he is again completely restored to health.

Romeyn is having another check-up in Walter Reed, but expects soon to be out again, and Stickle writes that he is dug in at 220 S. Lake Street, Boyne City, Mich.

At the December luncheon in Washington, Connor, W. D. and Ferguson of '97, and Wooten, Cole and Fox Connor of '98 were the guests of the class. The ladies luncheon, held at the same time and in the Army & Navy Club, was attended by Mmes. Jewell, McDonough, Halstead, Romeyn, Ansell, Embick, Carter, Major and Herron.

—C. D. H.

1903

There was such a response from almost everyone in the Class to Schley's request that articles be written for possible publication in booklet form by the Class at the time of our 45th Reunion that instead of a booklet we would have had a 1,500 page book. A committee gave the matter a considerable amount of study with the result that for lack of editors and for lack of enough money to publish so large a volume, without editing, all the manuscripts are reposing now in a safe place. If anyone has any ideas about this which include offers of real editorial work Pope would be glad to hear about them.

Julian Schley now holds the purse strings as Treasurer of the Class. He and Denise then promptly headed South for a stay of several months presumably, however, not at Class expense.

Beatty Moore has taken over so much responsibility with regard to running his plantation in Arkansas that he seldom has a chance to stay at his eastern home in Alexandria, Virginia. We hear he can feed most of Europe.

Virginia Montgomery sold her fine old pre-revolutionary house in Alexandria and she, her daughter and grandson have moved to California to live where she will be near her two sisters.

Ponte's obituary notice appears elsewhere in this issue. None of the Class had seen him for forty-five years until he appeared at the Class Reunion after coming to New York for an operation. Fritz Shnyder and Ponte joined forces during last summer while Ponte remained in New York under observa-

tion and treatment for several months, after his family returned to Caracas. Shnyder was particularly impressed as were all that saw him in June with his fine courtly manners, his fine mind and his thorough knowledge of world history. He was very proud of being a graduate in the Class of 1903.

Pope has retired from active business and is devoting his time to New York University. His office is at 100 East 42nd Street, directly opposite the Grand Central Station. He keeps open house there for members of the Class visiting New York.

The response to the request for ten dollars from each member to augment the Class fund was extremely gratifying. If by any chance anyone overlooked this request it is not too late to send a remittance to Schley at 207 Tunbridge Road, Baltimore 12, Maryland.

Turtle is instructing at Manhattan College in New York. No one will be surprised to learn that jumping again into least squares and higher mathematics is like rolling off a log for him. He says he now works harder at math than in yearling year. This seems impossible, as he spent nearly 24 hours a day then in keeping "F" Company yearlings from fessing out in class.

King Boyers writes that because of his health he has to head north into the Adirondack woods before hot weather sets in each year. That is a very good excuse for his absence from reunions. He has not lost any of his sense of humor, judging from a recent letter.

Send to Pope any news about members of the Class you may have. He will see that it is forwarded to the Editor for inclusion in this column of *Assembly*.

1904

Fenton reports that he went to Detroit recently to attend the annual meeting of the American Bankers Association on September 26. While in that vicinity, he attended meetings of the West Point societies of Detroit, Chicago and Columbus, Ohio. At Columbus, three other classmates were present, Brunzell, McIlroy and McKell, all of whom said they intended to be on hand for our 45th reunion at West Point next June.

Classmates in Washington, D. C. and vicinity are continuing to lunch together at 12:30 P.M. on the first Thursday of each month at the Army and Navy Club. It is hoped that classmates visiting Washington will arrange their schedules accordingly. Glassford forgot to do so on a recent visit and had to leave town the day before the November luncheon. However, Sadie and Conger Pratt saved the day by holding a most enjoyable cocktail party for Hap and his wife. Classmates who attended with their wives included Benedict, Bryden, Corbin, Crain, Moody, Scott, W. R., and Thompson. Woolnough came alone. Also present were Mrs. Honeycutt with her two married daughters, Margaret and Jane; Mrs. D. C. McDonald; Mrs. McNair, who attended in a wheel chair but who is making a fine, courageous

recovery from the hip broken last May; Mrs. J. B. Richardson and Mrs. M. E. Spalding.

—W. B.

1906

The bougainvillea, poinsettias, hibiscus and roses are all in bloom on Normandy Isle and the fishing is fine in the Gulf Stream and in Biscayne Bay. L. P. Horsfall and I are rivals here and both on hand to enjoy the season. The Horsfalls moved from Kumquat Ave., Coconut Grove, out to Alberca Street in Coral Gables. We collaborated on November 27 to plot the Army-Navy game on the big board for the local Army-Navy group.

McKew Parr, Brice Frey, Marion Howze and Jim Riley joined forces in New York to suffer through that Penn-Army game in Philadelphia, which was finally won in the last thirty-five seconds of play.

George Morrow and Christine are taking their annual vacation in New York at the Waldorf. They anguished with Jim and the rest at the Penn game and took another anguish at the Army-Navy game. Regardless of the scores in other season games, the two teams are generally matched quite evenly in the big game. Remember the tie game at Princeton.

Cort and Elizabeth Parker were at the Stanford game with the two boys and sat near Hugo and Elsie Selton. All were in good health and fine fettle.

Did everyone see the photograph of the Theodore Roosevelt inauguration in the November *Look*, with Skinny Wainwright in his cadet sergeant-major uniform standing below? Those of us who handled the mule battery were not allowed so close. Skinny stayed here a couple of days during the Legion Convention, talked to his D.A.V.s and to the Legion Auxiliary in good form and went fishing in the Gulf Stream. He couldn't hear me over the phone and I missed him twice.

The Class Vice-President and General Executive, Secretary and Treasurer, and many other official titles to which he is appointed whenever something important is to be done, is about to move to a new home on Dingletown Road, Greenwich, Conn. Red and Christine Hoyle have looked it over on a recent weekend inspection tour at the Rileys. They say it's top hole and will be wonderful for the 1951 reunion. Congratulations, Jim and Gene.

Indirect information reports indicate that Phil Mathews was some sort of Democratic Committeeman in Pennsylvania during the last campaign and that he has under his control a new radio station at Carlisle. Anyone hearing his station identification, please report for class listening.

Tige and Connie Huntley are at 4332 Finley Ave., Hollywood, Cal. Tige has cased the Finch home in Paradise Valley but has not reported on his final investigations. Jamie Huntley has been in the Forest Glen section of Walter Reed Hospital with a crushed arm from a garage accident. He is much better and will have full use of the arm after all. Recently Jamie was selected over about 3,000 officers for his

permanent captaincy. A true knight of 1906.

Watts Rose reports that he is still in bed and making a record at staying there or something, but he has a cooler in the room for the hot days and a heater for the cold ones. He says he doesn't mind the six shots a day he has to take to keep going as long as everyone knows he is suffering in silence. Unfortunately, the shots have spoiled that fine taste for bourbon that he worked so hard and long to acquire, and at such great expense, too. He is writing a book, "The Washington Crook Book".

Don Robinson is still at Port Angeles, Washington, where he and Priscilla have established the family home on the South Shore of the Strait of San Juan de Fuca across from Vancouver Island. Don, Jr. is a permanent major in the Air Force and has three fine sons. Carleton, the second son is taking a doctor's course at the University of Washington, but retains his reserve commission as a Captain, Airborne Infantry, taking his summer training at Benning. He is engaged to a southern girl from Florence, Alabama. Two daughters are married and more grandchildren are arriving. Don wants to know what has become of "Kid" Seager.

Count Gillespie called on Watts Rose recently with a bottle of the finest burgundy and Watts has been watching for him ever since. Watts says he looked fine and gave a good account of Mildred.

Speaking of books, things that we, like David and Solomon, would like to write during the futile years, Jim Riley reports no more luck in trying to get the story of West Point and those fine sketches by Doc Sturgill into book form. There is too much expense involved and too many authors already selling in the same field. However, we have not given up and will follow up any opportunity to get something done that will save from loss the great effort which Doc made to get an accurate story of the Old Rock Bound.

George Morrow and I, Christine and Elizabeth, finished our Blue Ridge sojourn in September and returned with the swallows to the warm Gulf Stream. Elizabeth and I passed the Morrow home one Sunday morning early, but didn't have the nerve to wake them up. The citrus crop looked fine in the garden.

Well, the hurricanes have passed without a mark on house or garden, and the season is on. We are in bloomers and bras again and the laundry is suffering for trade. I thought I saw Count Gillespie on the seawall last week but the old guy told me he was a Swede and didn't have "no truck with the Irish".

When you get tired of feathers and furs and "buttons and bows" come on down and practice the Fifth Freedom, "Freedom from Clothes".

—Charles G. Mettler.

1907

Responses to our request for class news received too late for the October issue of *Assembly*, are included below.

Jim Laubach didn't think that he had been doing anything that would be of much interest to others, hence no previous report. He has taken up gardening and manages to keep quite busy. He is still enthusiastic about Asheville and wrote that there are many beautiful trips to be taken in the Great Smoky Mountains and that the scenery and climate of those parts is hard to beat. They have congenial neighbors, among whom are a number of old Army friends.

As we thought, Sunny Jim Martin was in the Northwest when our inquiry reached his office as we had received a post card from him from Lake Louise, but upon his return he wrote a most interesting account of his trip. He went to Seattle on a special train to attend the 73rd annual meeting of the American Bar Association and the return trip took them through some of the most scenic parts of the country. They stopped at Bonneville, Salt Lake City, Cedar City, Zion Park, the Grand Canyon and east to Chicago. "We reached Denver on the afternoon of September 8 where I found Ray and Mrs. Hill awaiting me at the station. We went to the Club where we struck a blow for liberty, after Ray had twisted my arm sufficiently. Ray is a retired farmer at Wheat Ridge. He was reticent about what he raised, but from the talk of grandchildren, I think it was the latter." Sunny stated that one of his State Bar activities is service on a committee, the purpose of which is to bring about a change in the method of selecting Judges. If his recommendations are adopted none but the best qualified will be appointed to the bench in the State of Alabama. As usual his letter was most interesting but space does not permit a more detailed account of it.

Recalling that Slum Doak never took any blue ribbons as a correspondent, we addressed a request for news to his good wife and received the following reply, which once more proves that the wives of the class are the most productive sources of information:

"Sloan is fine, and as is often the case after retirement can't find enough hours in the day to do all he wants to. Both of us are kept extremely busy taking care of our place, trying to do ourselves what two servants formerly did. Sloan has developed into an all around handy man, gardening, carpentering, etcetera, plumbing being the one thing I can't talk him into trying. He is as keenly interested in equine sports as ever, getting around to horse shows, race meets and polo games. This summer he 'anguished' more over reports from our Olympic team than had he been riding, this being only the second Games in the past twenty-eight years in which he hasn't taken part. We live in a most congenial neighborhood offering all the social life one could want. However, I know better than to make any social engagement for a day on which an Army game is scheduled, for one of those he just won't miss."

Bob Arthur wrote: At last the bomb has burst. For more than two years, we have been expecting an eviction notice. Eighteen months ago we were packing in expectation of it, and we have remained half packed ever since.

Now we have it. The house has been sold, and out we go. After February 1 we shall have no address, and when we get one it will probably not be in New Orleans. Who knows of a house to rent? Voorhies has a son in New Orleans, but I have not been able to locate him. My son John is getting a taste of command duty with a battalion of the 25th Infantry at Benning. His original reluctance has been replaced by a moderate enthusiasm. Son Robert never took to the Army, so he produces a radio program over MBS.

The Skinny MacLachlans are back in California and their address is 1140 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto, California, which will hold until they start for West Point for the graduation of their son Bill in 1950. Skinny adds, "there is nothing new here except that we find the Santschis near by and have seen them a few times since getting settled. We saw the Potters in Oakland. I have a copy of a telephone directory containing the names of all the retired army people in the bay area. There are roughly 650 names in it, and 64 of them live in Palo Alto. Bill has sent on the '48 Howitzer and what a delight to find it dedicated to Roger. Am happy for him".

Roger Alexander was also guest of honor on Air Force Day at Stewart Field which featured an air show with robot plane demonstrations, an aerial review and a military review of ground troops.

Bob Cheney wrote from Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas that Jimmy James' last operation for cataract had been successful. He gave an account of Jimmy's experience as a Japanese prisoner of war which he had obtained from members of Jimmy's family. Jimmy made the Death March from Bataan to Camp O'Donnell and was transferred shortly thereafter to a P.O.W. Camp in Japan with Skinny Wainwright, King and others. There he received special attention in an effort to make him divulge Signal Corps data and information about our codes. He was later transferred to Tokyo and received even more brutal treatment in an effort to extract information. After one particular beating he was thought to be dead and was placed in the morgue and but for the fact that a Japanese soldier who happened to come in saw Jimmy waving to him and was persuaded to call a doctor, Jimmy would never have survived. The Japanese doctor assured Jimmy that there was little he could do for him as he was too far gone, but Jimmy was too tough even for the Japs and while his health was wrecked, they got no information. After months of hospitalization he is now on the come back trail. A letter from Jimmy's daughter, Betty Walters, adds that her father is home again after another long siege in the hospital where he underwent two eye operations and one major nerve operation. He can see a little by using special lens type of glasses, but not enough to read at present. He also suffers from other effects of his confinement but as we all know Jimmy has what it takes and we wish him a speedy recovery. Bob gave the reason for his own stay in Brooke as too many

horses, bad legs, a sore foot and poor circulation. He says he is like an old horse, getting weak, over at the knees and just waiting for ex-Inspector General Judge Henry to brand him I.C., complete the I. & I. report and then go on with building his new home in Carmel. When Bob was in Brooke General Hospital in 1946 he undertook a three year law course with the American Extension School of Law in Chicago and when he went back to the hospital again in 1948 he had only a legal thesis to write to complete his course. On November 4 he was notified that his thesis had been accepted and that he had been awarded an L.L.B. degree cum laude. He hopes to pass the Texas State Bar Examinations within the next few months.

The Wagners enjoyed a most delightful visit with Rick and Audrey Morrison at their attractive summer home on Marblehead Neck, Massachusetts for a few days in September. The Morrisons remained there until November and are now at the Barclay in Philadelphia for the winter.

We also visited our younger daughter in Alexandria, Virginia in October and shortly after our arrival looked in on Clyde Eastman in nearby Falls Church where he has a prosperous real estate business. The group in Washington arranged a class luncheon at the Army Navy Club on the following day with Ben Castle, Bruce Clark, Paul Larned, Jim Marley, McNeil, Jimmy Collins, Clyde Eastman and Hans Wagner in attendance. It was a most enjoyable affair and for one who had not seen many of those present for some time, a most delightful reunion. While there we learned that Jimmy Collins has a boy in the plebe class and Andy Lang a son in the Tactical Department at West Point. We regretted that our stay in Alexandria did not permit us to see more of our classmates.

Paul Larned sent the following news of the group in Washington: Have just come from a class luncheon of ten—Collins, Eastman, Gutensohn, Harris, Larned, Marley, McNeil, Sullivan, Clark and Oliver Wood. Drain was off to the winter playgrounds of the south and Castle is in the far west. Pfeil is back at home and is in better shape. I expected him at the lunch, but he was unable to make it. Harris has recently returned from a trip to Texas and Arizona where he followed the trail of Wyatt Earp one of those fabled westerners of pioneer days. Charlie has also been giving several days a week of his services to the Ordnance but expects to revert to idleness shortly. In a letter from Cap'n Booth he gives me the distressing news of having been in Boston with his wife very ill—do not know if he has gone home or how she now is. Jesse Drain had a short session in Walter Reed but, as above, is all in one piece again. Jim Marley was notified of his promotion on the retired list to Major General and Rutherford was also to get his, I understand. Marley mentioned hearing from Henry in Carmel, California that he had just finished building his new home. Paul also wrote that he had just been presented with his third granddaughter, which he didn't think would be of particular news value to

members of the class but just mentioned it in passing as it made him feel rather proud. It certainly is news and it gives us the opportunity we have been looking for to boast about our own nine grandchildren with another on the way. Ray Hill feels the same way about it according to Sunny Jim Martin and while we are on the subject, who has the greatest number of 1907 grandchildren? The contest is now open.

Apropos of Ray Hill, an Army football historian, commenting on Bobby Jack Stuart's 105 yard run in the last Pennsylvania game, dug into the records and came up with the report that while this was one of the longest runs ever recorded in Army football history, Ray Hill had galloped 110 yards against New York University in 1904.

The December *National Geographic Magazine* contains a most interesting article by Hap Arnold entitled "My Life in the Valley of the Moon". If you don't take the *Geographic* beg, borrow or steal one for a most delightful account of life at El Rancho Feliz and pictures of the Arnolds at home.

Hap Arnold also wrote: Have been taking orders this year from the Medico. Serious illness in January responsible. In spite of the "wraps", had a grand trip with Mrs. Arnold in April, to Hawaii, aboard a tanker. Since then have written one serious book, and am just completing a Juvenile, West Point providing most of the locale. In between times, have let off steam in newspaper columns and magazine articles. I am seriously considering going into the real estate business, since receiving reactions to my article in the December 1948 *National Geographic*. Two decided wrenches; giving up my work with Congressional Aviation Policy Commission on which I served from October 1947 to February 1948, and the Presidency of the Fish & Game Commission. I was appointed President of the Commission in January 1948 after having served as a member for about a year and a half. Three pleasurable surprises: decorations from Greece, Belgium and Italy. Ranch operations have been directed from the "control tower". At present writing, everything flourishing.

We received the following from Babe Chilton just before the deadline for this issue: "I have no important vital statistics. I am still creaking with arthritis, like a Pin Pin porch chair in the dry season. I am still trying, with child-like faith and Job-like patience, to teach a little English to the students at the college close by. We had Patsy and Marjorie O'Connor in for an evening this last week, on their way back home, after spending Thanksgiving with a daughter in Albuquerque. I have no new wives, children, or grandchildren, but those I do have—one of each—are all well, thank you".

Other reports for which the Editor of *Assembly* graciously stretched the deadline for us are from Charley Wyman, George Dailey and Bart Yount.

Charley informed us that Marie and Nat Howard are at the Huntington Hotel, Pasadena for the winter and have a shore home at North Laguna Beach within easy driving distance. Wyman has resigned his position with Cal. Tech. and will try being lazy

for a change. Marion Wyman had a very pleasant trip to Mexico in November and covered shrines, bull fights, gift shops, cathedrals and pyramids.

George Dailey reported that he had seen Ben Castle recently in Los Angeles and that Ben had brought him up to date on all classmates he had seen on his trip and those in Washington. George has shaken himself loose from his hardware store and is now a free lance, but strange as it may seem, he is busier than ever. He fears that he is losing his itching foot but hopes to break away some day to get back east to see if things are as he left them.

All is well with Bart in his neck of the woods. They have moved into a new house to which all old tops of 1907 are welcome.

In the last issue of *Assembly* there appeared a notice of contributions needed to complete the Cadet Chapel Organ. The Chaplain has asked us to bring this worthy project to the attention of members of the class and to invite their interest and support. We feel that this is a very commendable undertaking and know that any contributions will be most gratefully received.

—H. W. W.

1908

A glimpse into the future reveals the outlines of the big Class Dinner forming to celebrate the anniversary of our graduation. The dinner, a stag affair, will be held in a private room at the Army and Navy Club in Washington on the night of Saturday, February 12, 1949. Assembly, 1830 hours: uniform, business clothes. It is expected that many out-of-towners will attend. Your Washington classmates will hold open house that weekend. Bob O'Brien (2205 California Street, N.W., Washington 8, D.C.) is Town Major. Write to him and he will assign you to billets.

That will take care of the eastern seaboard. Perhaps the western nineteen eighters will get up a dinner or two of their own for that night—or a picnic or hay ride or something.

The biographies you were asked to make up have been coming in all too slowly. Remember? A special bulletin went out on September 15 asking everyone to supply answers to a sort of questionnaire. Only nineteen have thus far replied. Please come through.

As for news, Pete has sold his house, which is not such a hard thing to do these days: but the point of greater interest is that he found an apartment to move into. Pete always was smart.

"Kunnel" Chaney has returned from a two-months trip to Frenchman's Bay, Maine, and the White Mountains of New Hampshire.

Jimmie Lyon reports his activities as photography, carpentry, printing, and gardening. He is also Secretary-Treasurer of the Retired Officers Association, San Francisco Bay Area. Jimmie's son, James L. Lyon, graduated in 1948 from the University of California as a mechanical engineer. This same young fellow served some

three years in the Army during the last war, rising from private to captain and winning the Bronze Star.

That old triumvirate, Fitzmaurice, Dixon, and Deans foregather often out in Hollywood (California) where Deans and Dixon are attempting to settle the question as to which can go around the golf course in the fewest number of shots.

Few have forgotten the regret we felt when illness forced "Alligator" Peyton to leave the Point about a month before we graduated. While the rest of us were deliciously celebrating our own good fortune in New York and elsewhere, Peyton's left leg was amputated. Since early 1909 he has been continuously employed in the U.S. Civil Service (river-and-harbor work). He is now Executive Officer of the U.S. Engineer Office, Jacksonville, Florida. Alligator attended both our Thirtieth and Fortieth Reunions at West Point.

Sturdevant is getting little sleep these nights. It seems that in an effort to improve the help situation on his Maryland farm as well as do his bit for humanity in general, he arranged to have two Armenian DP's, a man and wife, admitted into the U.S. to work for him. To do this, he of course had to assume responsibility for them and, among other things, agreed to meet them at the port and take them home, as it were. The port was to have been Baltimore; but now he has been informed that the couple may arrive at Seattle instead.

Garrison, W. H., perhaps our foremost football fan, has had a wonderful time this fall, ending November 27. As you may know, he is in business in Washington. Despite the demands of the office however, Garry did not miss a single big game up and down the east coast, including that Army-Navy game. As one informed, he had assured us that the Army would win handily. He also bet on Dewey.

Hughes and Edgerton are engaged in a contest to see which will outlast the other on the Active List. Both are going strong. Hughes reports that on a recent official trip through the southwest, he spent a pleasant hour with Bunny Goethals, and also saw Babe Chilton of 1907. Both are professors at the New Mexico A.&M., Goethals in mathematics and Chilton in literature. Word has come from Halvor G. Coulter too. Retired physically after World War No. One, he settled in Ogden and turned to writing. He is the author of several books (which were published and sold) and of a number of plays (which were successfully produced). He is now at work on a new book.

Sometime early in 1949, probably January or February, Buckner's remains are to be removed from Okinawa, where he was killed in action while commanding the Tenth Army, and will be reinterred in a cemetery in Frankfort, Kentucky, in his family plot. Buck's widow lives at 1020 Union Street, San Francisco, California. His younger son, it may be recalled, graduated from the Academy with the Class of 1948.

Colonel Guy Kent ('01) is working hard to establish a complete collection of class rings in the Library at West Point. Anyone having a ring of our Class which is or may one day be

available, is asked to communicate with Colonel Kent at 1661 Crescent Place, N.W., Washington, D. C. or, direct, with Lieut. Col. William J. Morton, Jr., Librarian, West Point, N. Y.

Changes in the Station List:

Major General Glen E. Edgerton, U.S.A., 3815 Huntington St., N.W., Washington 15, D. C.

Major General Virgil L. Peterson, U.S.A., Rtd., 2020 Columbia Road, Washington 8, D. C.

Please do these four things:

1. Send in your biography, and photo, if you have not already done so.
2. Send in postal card reports of your doings and of those of other classmates, lest this column disappear.
3. Report changes in permanent address.
4. Attend the Class Dinner, February 12, if you can.

N.B.—Class Headquarters is: 1921 24th St., N.W., Washington 8, D. C.

—R. H. F.

1910

On Sunday evening, October 24th, Portia Marshburn entertained the Washington contingent of the Class and their wives with a delightful party in honor of the Martin Rays, who were enroute to their home at 1307 Madrid Street, Coral Gables, Florida. Those at the party included the Heards, McCoaches, Sellecks, Rex Cocroft, Dunlops, Nell Jones, Sallie Garlington Chamberlin, and Floyed Barrows (Robbie Robenson's sister).

Word comes from San Antonio that Moore, W. has returned there with the new Mrs. Moore, W., and that they are all settled at 110 Greenwich Street. Guy Chipman, Duck Reinhardt and Ed Taulbee are still in San Antonio. Chip's son, Guy, Jr., is reported to be making a big success in the real estate business. Lucy Fletcher was a visitor at Duck Reinhardt's house awhile back, and the 1910 crowd foregathered there for a small reunion. Duck's oldest daughter, Laura Jane, was married to Mr. Robert E. Smock on August 14th. The Class wishes them every happiness.

All will be shocked to learn of the sudden passing of Chesty Barnett. He died at Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 16, 1948.

Here is a little item that will surely be of interest to the Class. Joe and Gladys Leonard visited Independence, Missouri, last summer and dropped in at the home of Bobby Barr, who passed on some years ago. They say that Bobby's widow, Emily, still lives at the old home, and that the house is replete with an untold number of West Point souvenirs and photographs of Bobby's cadet days with an especial emphasis on the Class of 1910. Emily Barr would be delighted to see any of Bobby's old West Point friends at any time, and cordially invites them to call when in the vicinity of Independence.

The usual festivities took place in Philadelphia at the time of the Army-Navy game. On the night before the game a big alumni reunion was held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. Over 300 were there and had a great time.

As to the game itself, the reports are that it was one of the best ever played, even though a great Army team was held to a 21-21 tie by a courageous Navy team that would not be beaten. Those of 1910 at the game included Jack Heard, Spec Hines, Joe Leonard, Brother Pendleton, Bunny Robb, Flood Scowden, Pappy Selleck, Dan Torrey, Meade Wildrick and Sammy Edelman. After the game Sammy, as Secretary of the West Point Society of Philadelphia, again was a prime mover in staging a most successful dinner party for the Corps of Cadets and their guests at John Wanamaker's big store in Philadelphia. About 3,000 attended, and the evening was complete with a magnificent floor show and dancing until 11:30 o'clock, when the Cadets had to take the train back to West Point. A fine television show, entirely written and arranged by the Cadets, was staged during the dinner. Sammy deserves a lot of credit for his prominent part in arranging for this fine affair for the Cadets every year.

—R. H. D.

1911

Blunt, W. M.—Blunty is still living in Bethesda, Md. but has shifted his endeavors from real estate to hospital work. He is assistant manager of a hospital in Washington. At this time his duties are purely administrative but give him time and he will probably be in the medical part of the operations before too long.

Crawford, James—Jimmy has found a new outlet for his recognized abilities and since last September, has been Professor of Math. at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala. Can you imagine this New York Yankee teaching those Southern boys math? We are confident, however, that if they can solve his twang, they will really learn some math from him.

Fleming, P. B.—Phil is still at his old stand* in Washington helping run the government. His latest honors consist of two honorary degrees, one an L.L.D. from St. Francis College and the other a J.C.D. (Doctor of Civil Law) from George Washington University. As Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division where he acted in a quasijudicial capacity, and as a government official for many years having daily contact with lawyers in and out of the government, Phil, the engineer, acquired, by the process of absorption, such a knowledge of laws that these two schools apparently felt that he should be endowed with suitable titles. Same old Phil and he has our congratulations as usual.

Kemble, Franklin—Kem in a recent letter to Hub Stanton enclosed his class dues like a good boy. He complained bitterly about the life of retirement and seems to have concluded that it is not all that it is cracked up to be. He might be right. Franklin, Jr. (Lt.-Col., Ord) is stationed in Nashville, Tenn. where he is an instructor of the National Guard. Kem's address: 219 S. High St., Selinsgrove, Pa.

Lockwood, B. C., Jr.—Benny has recently joined the retired ranks and from the best information available is

living in California in Menlo Park, 555 Oakfield Lane.

McNeal, J. W.—Last reported address: 1810 Buttonwood St., Philadelphia, Pa. Job: Ass't. Coordinator, Pennsylvania G.I. College.

Shekerjian, Haig — Sheck is the European Representative of the A.N. C.H.A. (American National Committee to Aid Homeless Armenians). He writes that there are about 3,500 Armenians among the D.P.'s in Austria, Germany and Italy and that his association is supplementing the goods and clothing of those in need and is also endeavoring to resettle them in the U.S.A., Canada, Australia, and South American countries. Sheck and Helen live in Stuttgart under very pleasant conditions. Address: A.P.O. 154, c/o Postmaster, New York.

Army-Navy Game—The following members of the class watched an inspired Navy team mar the record of a splendid Army team on November 27: Kemble, Wyche, McNeal, Fleming, Frank and Estes.

—H. M. E.

1912

These notes in a large measure may be somewhat a repetition of data included in the Christmas Class Bulletin, U.S.M.A. 1912, copies of which were mailed out to members of the 1912 Class Family early in December 1948.

Archy and Marge Arnold are still looking for a place to settle down in retirement. The West Coast contingent of 1912 are still hoping to entice Marge and Arch to join their fast-growing 1912 colony.

Tubby and Claire Barton are proud of their new daughter-in-law, formerly Miss Anne Wilcox Claussen of Augusta, Ga., who became the bride of our "Son of 1912" Lt. R. O. Barton, Class of 1948, on December 28, 1948. Welcome, Miss Anne, to the Class Family of 1912.

Leonard Barrett sets us all a fine example by his generous contribution to the West Point Organ Fund which sent out an urgent appeal in the October 1948 issue of *Assembly* for \$4,000 in order to carry out a project for maintaining the organ in the Cadet Chapel. Let us hope that other members of 1912 will follow suit on this project worthy of the support of our Class.

Tubby Barton claims that on January 1st he will retire to private life again in order to attend to personal matters. Arch Arnold walked down the streets with Tubby in Augusta last November and then wrote Class Headquarters: "Old Tubby has maxed the important job facing all of us now going on the retired list—namely, working oneself into the community of residence. He has done a fine job helping the Augusta Chamber of Commerce to attract industry to Augusta. All the citizenry appreciate his contribution to the community welfare as evidenced by the hearty hello and wave of the hand from passers-by on the street."

Marge Bingham is building a new home for herself and young Marge in Honolulu.

Ed Boykin, prominent radio commentator and man-about-town with all the coming-and-going administrations in Washington, was chairman of the

program committee for President Truman's inauguration in January. He will also play an important part in directing the Sesquicentennial celebration in Washington of the founding of our Government in the Capital City. 1912 salutes Ed.

The Class extends best wishes to Sarah, daughter of Steve and Sarah Chamberlin, now established in their new home at Ft. Sheridan, Ill. (where Steve is C.G. of the Fifth Army), on her approaching marriage.

Chen Chynoweth is deeply involved in writing another book and can't be bothered with appeals from Andy Anderson and Bunny Hobson to continue the motion of duckshooting on Chen's cousin's private duck preserve near Stockton.

Doc Cook is giving Le Mesa, Calif., a good tryout this winter to determine whether he wants to reside there the rest of his days. Doc is still full of ideas, Ham Haislip writes, and he probably will keep on giving birth to them in some constructive way as he did as assistant to the Hoover commission in recommendations for the reorganization of our machinery for Government in Washington.

Dave Crawford has turned into a big bad wolf as nimrod of his community in Pennsylvania. He bagged his wild turkey gobbler for Thanksgiving and had big plans in view for filling his game deep-freeze before winter set in.

Crit Crittenberger, U.S. Army Representative on the United Nations, wrote us from Paris in November about the big get-together he and Bob Hyatt and P. Wood had there. Young Crit apparently is following in the footsteps of his distinguished father, for he is now the Military Aide to the Secretary of War. Cadet D. J. Crittenberger will graduate from West Point in 1950.

The Ole Danielsons are well on their way toward the completion of the building of a house in Bradenton, Fla., where a large service colony has settled.

Thorne Deuel, Director of the Illinois State Museum at Springfield, has recently published a new pamphlet, "Illinois Records of 1000 A.D." Hats off to archaeologist anthropologist Thorne who aspires to build for his state the largest museum of its kind in the world.

Bird and Pauline DuBois were recent hosts to classmates Phil Faymonville and Bunny Hobson at their home in the high hills overlooking Oakland, Calif., and the Bay of San Francisco area. They report all three of their boys in fine fettle.

Duke Edwards is having a grand time farming down in the old boyhood locality where he and Bolivar Buckner grew up. His large family is widely scattered and he reports four grandchildren, which does not compare very well with our topflight grandparents, the Ralph Hollidays, who have eight.

Eaton and Margaret Edwards report the recent addition of another son-in-law to their family. This time Peggy, the oldest of the three daughters, took on a husband.

Phil Faymonville is still hard at work smoothing out the approach to a solution of the U.S.-Soviet get-along-together problem. And at the same

time he is the easiest man to prevail upon to give you a free dinner in San Francisco that any 1912 member will ever find.

The reburial of Paddy Flint at Arlington in September was an occasion that again gripped the heart-strings of the large 1912 contingent who were present on that solemn and touching occasion. The legend of Paddy Flint will grow with time.

Huck Flynn for the moment is back in the U.S.A. at Farmington, Conn., but we hear by the grapevine that he now knows about a place in England where a retired gentleman who still loves the association with man's good friend, the horse, may continue to do so in retirement within the means of a poor retired Army officer. So, we wouldn't be surprised to see Huck's address changed again to a locality near where old Bill Shakespeare hung out in his declining years.

Young Nap Gorrell is now a junior at Culver Military Academy, where he shines as a polo player and lover of other outdoor sports. We hope to see him wearing the cadet gray some day and may he do it as well as his distinguished father did.

Classmates Ike Spalding and Bill Weaver of the San Antonio contingent of 1912 report that Karl Greenwald is up and about his business after a fall from the roof of his house, resulting in a multiple fracture of his arm.

Ham Haislip in his new high position as Deputy Chief of Staff for Administration claims that it now appears that he may have to stick on the job in Washington rather indefinitely.

Young Miff Harmon is at Sullivan's School in Washington hoping to enter West Point in July 1949 and thus add a third Millard Harmon to the roll of the Long Grey Line.

Bob Hyatt retired on November 30 last for age and writes us that he intends to remain on in Paris rather indefinitely. Address: c/o Military Attache, American Embassy, Paris, France.

Geoff Keyes, operating behind the Iron Curtain in Vienna in a typically Geoff Keyes way, rates a big salute from 1912.

Monk Lewis puts us right by pointing out that he, as Deputy A.G., is eligible to serve until 62, about 2 years from next May; but Monk thinks that perhaps 1949 will see him in retirement and on his way to settle in or near San Francisco.

Harry Malony reports a recent big promotion for himself—he's a grandfather to a pretty baby girl as per young Jimmy who is now stationed with young Arch Arnold at Ft. Sill, Okla.

Maxie Maxwell and Katherine were the inspiring occasion for a big 1912 get-together last October when Phil Faymonville threw a grand party for them at the Olympic Country Club in San Francisco. Some 30 guests, mostly classmates and their wives, were present to welcome Maxie, a native son of California, back home to which he had returned to celebrate with his mother in Modesto her 80th anniversary.

Red (J.T.) McLane has shifted base from Vermont to Asheville, N. C., where he is building a new home.

Henry McLean, now back at his old

home in Tuxedo, N. Y., has been host at the Tuxedo Club and the Officers' Club at West Point to the Gatchells and Maxwells and other friends.

Slats and Charlotte Morrissey report their latest C.P. at 1800 Pacific Ave., San Francisco, after much moving about up and down the West Coast.

Bob Patterson, better known as Herbie, had a grand fishing trip with the Schnitz Schneiders down at Miami, Fla., last year. His report on "Operation Marlin" is a masterpiece.

Don Phelan, our Class God-Son, now stationed in Alaska, reports that Santa Claus is supposed to leave at the Phelan home a little Eskimo of some kind about Christmas time.

Robby Robertson and Loraine, at the Presidio of San Francisco, where Robby is Deputy C.G., Sixth Army, are the rallying grounds for the large West Coast 1912 group. Robby and his staff published and distributed a lengthy 1912 Class Bulletin at Christmas time.

Many classmates report seeing old John Smith at all the big West Point football games.

Ike Spalding down at San Antonio, after a fine summer at Boulder, Colorado, reports that he has his San Antonio 1912 group fairly well in hand. He made a special trip to Waco and dug up Otto Schultz's next-of-kin for the records of the Class Secretary. We salute him for wringing out of Nalle Bodine a generous letter to Class Headquarters.

Sid Spalding and his large farm family at Powtomack Farm sent in a grand letter for the 1912 Class Christmas Bulletin but it missed the deadline by just 24 hours. He reports our two class babies (Mary at 2½ and Susan Parker at 15 months) as "most satisfactory youngsters and a joy to their parents".

Tommy Thomas and Gladys report their new home in Washington at 4707 Harrison St. They have Gladys' distinguished father, Gen. Booth, with them. Their son Booth is now residing in San Francisco. Tommy is one of the main foundations of 1912.

Ed Vaughan, "Class Hound" of 1912, has tracked down all missing classmates except three—Wallace, Veeder and Mathias—and he hopes to locate these stray sheep before long. For this we give Ed a grand salute.

Johnny Walker is the new C.G., Eighth Army in Yokohama. His new assignment places Caroline and himself near their son, Sam Sims, Class of '46, and his new bride.

Bill Weaver was very busy last fall staging a couple of division (90th and 8th) reunions. His duties took him to New York where classmates saw him and reported old Bill in good shape.

Bill Wilbur is back home with his family in Highland Park, Ill., after several trips to Japan and other points in the Far East as a representative of Wilbur-Ellis Co., of San Francisco, a large export-import concern. We suspect that Bill will keep on his fine work as a lecturer of prominence on questions pertaining to international affairs. Young Bill will graduate from West Point next June and Mary is a nurse on duty in Chicago.

Young Jack Wood, our P's second son, for several years Bob Hyatt's assistant

in the office of the Military Attache in Paris, presented us with a John S. Wood, III, on October 26. May this youngster (half American, half French) do hand springs through life as his distinguished father has done and still can do, so Young Jack writes.

Bill Youngs and Helen are somewhere between Sparta, Wisconsin, where Bill was retired on October 31 for P/D, and the West Coast, in search of a place to pitch their tent in retirement. The boys in the Monterey area are pulling hard that Kerrville, Texas, will not win over them getting these two favorites as neighbors.

Class news items should be addressed to Gatchell at West Point, editor of the 1912 column in *Assembly*. So far practically all the news items come from Bun Hobson.

A number of new memberships in the Association of Graduates from our classmates have been received of late. We hope that before long we shall reach our previously announced goal of 100 percent. —O. J. Gatchell.

1913

Members of the Class are reminded that Thirteeners in the Washington Area get together for luncheon at the Army and Navy Club on the first Wednesday of each month at 12:30 P.M. It is hoped that those planning to visit Washington will so time their visits as to be present for this occasion. The attendance is usually about ten. The following were present at the luncheon held on December 1st: Alfaro, Cheadle, Crane, Davidson, Foote, Johnson, Lewis, Sadtler, Weeks, Young, G. R. and Young, W. C.

An enjoyable get-together of Classmates and their families was held at the Ben Franklin Hotel in Philadelphia following the Army-Navy game. Among those present to enjoy the hospitality were: Greene and wife, Heard, Johnson and wife, McCulloch and wife, Weeks, wife and daughter, Viner, wife, two sisters and sister-in-law, and Whitten and wife. Others seen at the game who were not able to make the party were: Cramer, Crane, Mrs. Crittenger, Davidson, Lewis and Sadtler.

Recently our late Classmate, "Sandy" Patch was memorialized by the christening of a large, new Army transport, bearing his name. The ceremonies, with Mrs. Patch and high Army Officials present, were held at Pier 4, New York Port of Embarkation on October 29, 1948. The U.S.A.T. "General Alexander M. Patch" is one of the largest of the Army transports, a P-2 type vessel with an overall length of 608 feet, gross tonnage of 17,000 tons. It will carry 450 passengers in the cabin class and 1,150 in the troop class.

On November 1, 1948, "Sandy" Patch again was honored in a ceremony in the Office of the Chief of Staff in the Pentagon. In this ceremony General Bradley presented to Mrs. Patch a sabre from a group of Belgian citizens in memory of her late husband. These Belgians raised funds by popular subscription and bought the sabre as a token of their gratitude to the American general who freed their king from the Nazis. The sabre bears the monogram of Leopold III and a design set

with precious stones, showing the route followed by Patch's Seventh Army from the time it landed in Southern France. The following Classmates were present for the ceremony: Cheadle, Craig, Davidson, Foote, Johnson, Lewis, Sattler, Weeks, Young, G. R. and Young, W. C.

During the past two months, three Classmates have been lost to the active list through retirement. Brown, T. K. retired on October 31 and will live in Tucson. Weeks retired on the same day and will make his home in Washington. Williams was retired on November 30 for physical disability. His future plans are unknown. These recent retirements leave only twenty-seven members of the Class on the active list. Of these, six are due to retire for age between now and March 31, 1949.

Members of the Class will regret to learn that Herwig recently was flown home from Japan as a medical case. He is in Walter Reed General Hospital and is progressing fairly well.

Among recent official visitors to Washington were: Cophorne, Falk, Frank, Heard, Newcomer and Van Volkenburgh.

McCunniff desires Classmates who may visit Denver to know that his new home address is: 300 Logan Street. Heard recently visited him there.

Word from Florida indicates that Danielson has now turned "Mr. Blandings" and is engaged in building a house in Bradenton. His graduate son, "Buck", now a Colonel, U.S. Army, Retired is connected with the United Nations Organization in New York. He and his attractive new wife were in evidence at several of the Army football games this Fall.

Putnam, formerly with Kaiser Engineers, Inc., is now in the Consulting Engineer game on his own, in Los Angeles.

We have unhappy news that soon after the 35th Reunion in June, Palmer was taken to the hospital where he left a kidney stone and one kidney. His recovery was rapid and normal, we are happy to report.

According to word from his wife, Crawford, W. W. has been travelling in Mexico for several months.

News from Oliver indicates that he has lost fifteen pounds in connection with the rehabilitation of his farm, near Williamsburg, Mass. The "Snake" Youngs visited them there recently.

Another "Mr. Blandings" is Perkins who is having his house-building headaches in the Carmel, California area.

Cheadle is now out of the Manpower business, and since September has been assigned to the Special Joint Planning Group in Washington. —H. B. L.

1914

Ducky Jones wrote from 906 Narrow Lane Road, Montgomery 6, Ala., "I was retired May 31, 1947, deaf as the old oaken fence post, on the near side. I'm not on the quail farm I dreamed about, but not entirely out of hearing of the call. Both daughters married and raising young ones of their own. Tack is C.O. at Camp Rucker and is now up for retirement. Guess you noticed they gave Empie Potts a fare-

well review at Fort Winfield Scott before he took off for Newport News and retirement".

Jim Cress now commands the 80th Airborne Division (Reserve) besides running a V.A. region from Richmond. Skimp Brand is in California for a convention and located Bruz Waddell at 619 S. Citrus Ave., Los Angeles 36, who is sales manager for Pioneertown, where life is rugged and automobiles are not allowed. Jim Byrom's address is Oaks Hotel, Chico, California but he is also doing business at Fullerton.

Louis Byrne is still happy running his own business and lives at Hotel Buffalo in Buffalo. John Brooks has gone to Stuart, Florida, for the winter. Joe Byron will head our 35-year Reunion committee, and Pat Hogan, living at Cornwall, is also on the committee.

—F. W. H.

1915

Four years of drilling for news of classmates has produced a lot of dry holes and little else. The new machinery, though hastily devised, seems to be working. Conklin has brought in a few gushers and a lot of paying wells. Let's hope we won't have to put them on the pump for a while.

Here's the pay-off:

Lindner—Ret'd. Home address: Flying Point Road, Freeport, Maine. He writes: "Since retirement have been here in Maine spending all my time working as a carpenter, plumber, electrician, brick mason, etc., remodeling our old summer home into a year around residence. Not very exciting but a lot of fun for me. Peg enjoys it too, although it is sometimes hard to get her to admit it. Our son, Brewster, was a paratrooper during the war, got home safe and sound, and is now attending Bowdoin College, about eight miles from where we live".

Wogan—Manager of V.A. Hospital, Oteen, N. C. "Have held this job since February 15, 1947. Cress (1914) is my boss as Deputy Administrator, 4th Br. Office, Richmond. Mac (my wife) is a Gray Lady and chief recruiting officer for Red Cross in addition to her other duties. Patsy has her own radio program on Station WSKY, is secretary of League of Women Voters of Buncombe County, and active in Community Theater of Asheville. Jack graduates U.S.M.A. June 1949. He is a feature editor of *Pointer*, a corporal, and a spoonoid. I see Oiseau King often. He is doing well in real estate."

Stickney—Ret'd. 51 Elm Street, Stoneham, Mass. "Was on duty with Brownell, Jones, Kahle on W.D. Personnel Records Board at the Pentagon when, on Decoration Day, I had a slight heart attack. Hospitalized at Weart's Fort Belvoir Hospital and Murphy General Hospital, and retired for P.D. at end of October."

Hyde—Assistant Engineer, Consolidated Edison Co.; living at 170-11 35th Ave., Flushing, N. Y. "Same old story; same uneventful civilian life."

Hobbs—Deputy Army Commander, Third Army, Hq. Third Army, Ft. McPherson, Ga. "All's well! Lucy and Leland wish they could see more of their classmates. The latchstring is

always out at No. 5, Ft. McPherson."

Price—Owner and Manager, Earl M. Price & Co., Bakersfield, Cal. "Don't retire until you have to, unless you have some program for the next 40 years. Comment about myself: I don't know how I look, or give a damn, but I do have plenty to do."

Busbee—P.M.S.&T., Iowa State College, The Armory, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. "Enjoying life at a high class institution academically, with all-around superior support. A fine part of the country with little concentrated wealth and no poverty, making for a contented people with few 'isms'."

Weart—Commanding, The Engr. Center and Ft. Belvoir. "Mrs. Weart and I made a trip to Europe and spent an evening with Pritchard who is now G-3 at Heidelberg. Vernon looks just the same as in the days when he used to toss passes to Louis Merillat. We had a farewell drink with Blister and Mrs. Evans before their departure for Iran. I also saw Jody Haw, who is running the school system for American children."

Miller, L. W.—Ret'd. Farmer and Safety Engineer. Uniontown Road, Westminster, Md. "Dottie, our two daughters and I bought our old farm 'Westwind' in October 1947, and then to afford life as a 'gentleman farmer' I had to go to work as a safety engineer for the U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Co. covering northwest Maryland. It's wonderful country. Drop by and see us, 1915. We are just two miles west of Western Maryland College".

Gibson—Ret'd. 3621 Monserrate St., Coral Gables 34, Fla. "Mrs. Gibson and I have enjoyed our first year of retired life in this wonderful place. Jones has arrived for station. Hobbs comes down to make speeches on state occasions. We have a fine Army and Navy colony with commissary and PX at Miami Air Depot. Great place for climate, sports, and entertainment. 1915 would love it." (Bet he's trying to unload some real estate—Ed.)

Gillette—Engineer, N.Y.P.E., Army Base, Brooklyn, N. Y. "Living at Ft. Hamilton. Just got back from two months helping find out what to do about the White House. (We'll bite Dusky,—What?) Oldest daughter a sophomore at Sarah Lawrence; second daughter a freshman at Hunter College."

Irwin — Director of Intelligence, G.S.C., Quarters 6A, Ft. Myer, Va. "No excitement." (Wanna bet?—Ed.)

Arthur—Ret'd. Hillsboro, N. C. "Just a small southern town near Chapel Hill, where I am trying to catch up on some of the things I've wanted to do and couldn't for 30 years."

O'Brien—Ret'd. 3314 Mt. Pleasant St., N.W., Washington 10, D.C. "None." (Anyhow, he's consistent—Ed.)

Stratemeyer—Commanding General, Continental Air Command, Mitchel Field, N. Y.

Tompkins—Ret'd. Comptroller, Medical College of Virginia. 12 Stonehurst Green, Richmond 21, Va. "Returned to my old home in Richmond September 1, 1947 to take my present job. I am, in effect, Financial and Business Manager of the College. Have bought a home here and hope my classmates will stop by and see Betty and me."

Ferris—Dep. C.S. (Admin.), Ft. Jay, Gov. Island, New York 4, N. Y. "Our two boys both married; living in Weston and Wellesley Hills, Mass. Five wonderful grand-daughters, blondes with blue eyes. White is at Dix. See them often. Saw Boots at Stanford game. Sherburne retired, living at Rock Hill, S. C. Summers retired, living at E. St. Louis. Zundel heads up the C.I.C. He talked at Hq. recently. Only 50% present went to sleep."

Randolph—Ret'd. Exec. Sec'y. Valley Forge Park Comm. Home address: Apt. B-201, The Wyndon, Wynnewood, Pa. "Responsible for restoration projects and historical research at Valley Forge. Most interesting project to date has been discovery by air photography and archaeological excavation the site and remains of key redoubt of Revolutionary defenses, plowed under in 1852. Just a case of 'one old fort' after another. Beeson Hunt in big business with U.S. Chamber of Commerce; looks and acts the part."

Conklin—Chief, Pers. Div., Off. Ch. of Engrs., Washington, D. C. Home address: 25 Que Street, N.W., Washington 25, D. C. "Ellis here from Germany, in Walter Reed preparatory to retiring. Fox writes from Palo Alto, Cal., sending his best to the Class. The whereabouts of Brady, Hooper, McDermott, Reed, Straub, and Williams, J. H. C. unknown. Any information on them should be sent to Conklin. Hope to spend my two remaining years of active duty in Washington but will probably wind up overseas."

Meneely—Same old place, same old job.

Hocker—Ret'd. 1513 N. Woods St., Sherman, Texas. "One daughter, Eleanor, serving as A.F. Librarian with U.S.A.F. in Germany. Another, Peggy, married to Lt. Cdr. J. D. Small, U.S.N., stationed at Pearl Harbor."

Eisenhower—Ret'd. Pres., Columbia Univ., 60 Morningside Drive, New York 27, N. Y. "Son, John, stationed at West Point. No important news." (That's not what the New York Times thinks—Ed.)

Small—Ret'd. Amateur farmer, Hudson, N. H. "Grandfather to one boy and twin girls. Treasurer New England Rose Society. Delegate to N. H. State Constitutional Convention. Author of 5 constitutional amendments adopted by Convention, to be voted on in 1950."

Peabody—Ret'd. October 31, 1946. Three Point Landing, Leonardtown, Md. Full newsy letter, boils down about as follows. Hume (he says it cost him \$48.60 to get that new name. Think he got stuck—Ed.) does a lot of fishing when he isn't eating Breton Bay oysters, "superior to all others". Just 58 miles from Washington, he sees a lot of '15 friends. Trying to sell them home sites on Breton Bay; Menoher ran off to Japan to escape the sales talk. Built a house for Naiden's sister and husband, saving them some \$10,000. Says he got the know-how out of the P.M.E. course. Marsh has bought a place near La Plata, some 25 miles from Hume's plant. Letter stops when it's time to start tonging a few dozen oysters, but adds Hume's pleasure that report of Meneely's death is slightly exaggerated.

Woodruff—Dep. Army Commander, First Army, Governors Island, New York 4, N. Y. "Home from Japan in February, after commanding I Corps there since November '45. Son, major U.S. A.F., at Grenier A.F. Base, Manchester, N. H. Daughter, married in the Army, at Ft. Benning. Grandchildren score is 3. News on other members: Mueller—C. of S. to Gen. MacArthur. Lester—commanding San Francisco P.E. Swing—took 11th Airborne into Japan, now commanding I Corps there. Davis and Taylor at G.H.Q., Tokyo. Ryder has commanded XI Corps in Japan since start of occupation. Melberg in Mil. Govt., Tokyo."

Beukema—Prof. of Soc. Sciences, U.S.M.A. Still professing and enjoying it. Two daughters married in the Army. Son married and in the Air Force. Grandchildren score to date—nearly 7. Gardening and cabinet-making are good antidotes for the swivel chair. Hayse shipped me three big logs,—walnut, cherry, red cedar; enough to keep me busy for the next 50 years.

Hayse—Louisville Trust Bldg., Louisville 2, Ky. Gradually retiring from the fine law practice which he and Mrs. Hayse built up; spends a lot of time on his big farm. Quite a few '15 men have visited him there, among them, Kahle, Lorch, Ritchel, Avent, and Leonard. He writes that the latchstring is out.

Quesenberry—Ret'd. 449 Brundage Way, Route 5, Box 449, San Jose, Cal. "No longer useful, I was turned out to pasture, and I like it. My son was killed in action in Germany. Having a wife, step-son, and a couple of fine grandchildren, I have no complaint."

Hanley—Chief M.P.P.S.D. (recruiting for Army and A.F.), Room 2E-1000 Pentagon. "Saw Hearn give his beautiful daughter in marriage at Ft. Myer to Captain Sniffen. They tell me I'll be class secretary, replacing Conklin. Hope to do as well as Babe getting people out to lunch and arranging annual dinner."

Pendleton—Senior Army Instr., Tex. N.G., 1402 Rio Grande Street, Austin, Texas. "After 16 months as Deputy C.O., Camp Hood, arrived here in February. Robinson relieved me. My wife, former Anna Belle Hilgartner, died recently after a year's illness. Am counting the months to June 1950."

Covell—Ret'd. 51 Broadway, New York City; also c/o Panama Trust Co., R. de P.; and c/o Damon, Diverman & Cia, S. A., Lavalle 1454, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Bill is Director General of the Argentine firm listed above, said firm being associated with Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hogan & MacDonal, of New York City. As a general partner of the latter, Bill expects to spend the next few years on an engineering study of the Rio Juramento in the Andean Province of Salta. Mrs. Covell is recovering from a severe illness. Their only daughter and her husband are with the Covells. Bill reports Argentine prices in general lower than ours, particularly food stuffs. The waiter will serve you a fine big beefsteak, all you can eat for 20 cents, U.S. (black market). But a Chevrolet will cost you \$4,000.00. The "Welcome" sign is out to all classmates.

Hodgson—Ret'd. 219 W. Blithedale, Mill Valley, Cal. "I do nothing and enjoy it thoroughly. Seen in the last year: Waldron, Herrick, Hearn, Fox. Personal appearance, deeply bowed, fat, but not bald."

Lester, C. G., S.F.P.E., Fort Mason, Cal. "After 78 months overseas on recent tour, returned home August 25. Mildred with me my last two years in Japan. It's grand to be home again."

Fox—Ret'd. 2290 Waverley St., Palo Alto, Cal. "Waldron, Hearn, and I live in Palo Alto; Quesenberry, Balsam, Ver and Hodgson nearby. One wife, nee Lucy Berry, who joins me in best wishes. One son, single, C.E. on new Bay Bridge. P.S.—John Conklin sure splits a mean infinitive."

Boye—Senior Army Instr., O.R.C., M.D.W. 4511 Cathedral Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Finley—Ret'd., Tattoo Hope, Ranch Park, Santa Barbara, Cal. "Yours truly is police detail, stable detail, gardener, etc., for three acres. Built house on retirement in 1946. In good shape, with guest rooms for any 1915 files passing through. 'Tattoo' last call before 'Taps'. Beautiful spot, and I'd enjoy seeing the gang."

Walton—Sec'y A.F. Personnel Council, Room 5C-234, The Pentagon. Home: 2818 36th Place, N.W., Washington, D. C. "Have been in Washington about three months, working with Lyon on the Personnel Council of the Secretary of the Air Force. Prior to that, two and one-half very pleasant years with the 14th A.F. at Orlando, Florida. One of the finest things about duty in Washington is that I get to see quite a few of the boys of 1915. The class lunches and dinners are grand things. Family of 2 children, one boy and one girl, both grown up, and I am long since a Grandfather. Have one eye cocked on Florida, where I will retire when and as I turn in my suit."

Gerhardt—C.O., Camp McCoy, Sparta, Wis. "1915 has a new plebe in James M. Gerhardt, Class of 1952. Daughter Margaret is a student at Univ. of Omaha."

Cochran—Ret'd. Comd't, Porter Mil. Acad., Charleston 39, S. C. "Trying to make a penny on the side by straightening out young South Carolinians. Still have my first wife Mary; will probably make it the rest of the way. One son, John, Jr., U.S.M.A. '43, Capt., F.A., Instr. at Riley. One son, Alex, U.S.M.A. '46, Lt., A.F. in Panama. Grandson at Riley; granddaughter in Panama."

Boots—President, Boots Aircraft Nut Corp.; Home: New Canaan, Conn., or 277 Park Ave., New York City. "One son, 18, Jay Sheridan Boots, freshman at Univ. of Va."

Pulsifer—Ret'd. 1212 W. Brookes St., San Diego, Cal.

Hubbard—Ret'd. "and working at it" Home: 3803 Stockdale Road, Bakersfield, Cal. "Wife, Bessie, died in 1946. One son, Francis Beach Hubbard, E.T.O. 99th Div., graduated Stanford Univ. 1948. Second son, Sam J., U.S. M.A. 1952."

Summers—Ret'd. 3129 Bond Ave., E. St. Louis, Ill. "No other members in this locality. However, we have an active chapter of the Assn. in St. Louis. Joint meeting with Navy for

the game. Family all well. One daughter married, living in Washington, D. C.; the younger with John Wanamaker, Philadelphia."

Davis, M. F.—A.F. Liaison, Fourth Army. Home: 420 Mary Louise Drive, San Antonio, Tex. "A few letters would be appreciated by Miller, H. J. F., 905 Burr Road, San Antonio. He is having a rough time with arthritis. Jack Miley is with Schriner Mil. Inst., Kerville, Tex."

Waldron—Ret'd. Manager V.A. Mental Hospital, Palo Alto, Cal. "Helen Stone (1st wife) died July 1947. Remarried to Sophia Stone, Helen's sister. A. W. W., Jr., Capt. A.F. Chicago. Helen W. Wollard married to aeronautical engineer with Cornell Univ. Lab. Stoddard, S. W. resigned from Navy; with Babcock & Wilcox, N. Y. City. Fox thin but cheerful, humorous, and wonderful. Hearn looking fine; admired by all the ladies. Stanford game surely increased Army stature out here. Am taking Hodgson family steelhead fishing soon. Herrick running one of best hospitals in the area."

Aurand—Director of Logistics, G.S. U.S.A., Quarters 13A, Fort Myer, Va. "Had most pleasant visit with Lucy and Leland Hobbs at Ft. McPherson."

Stringfellow — Ret'd. Bushwood, Mountain Creek, Ala. "Regards, no news. Would like to buy a '15 Howitzer. Lost mine in Columbus, N. M. quarters on the 1916 invasion of Mexico."

Young—Div. Engr., So. Atl. Div., Box 1889, Atlanta, Ga. "Saw Blankenship. He is in good shape and cheerful. His address: 644 No. Highland St., Atlanta."

Sherburne—Ret'd. Exec. Sec'y., Rock Hill Board of Trade, Rock Hill, S. C. "Living in a pleasant year-round climate and friendly civilian community. Makes me sorry for those caged in the Pentagon and similar beehives."

Further, deponent sayeth not. Printer's deadline compels holding up later news until next issue. Added general items: (1) Our "Washington Junta" and their wives foregathered at the Army & Navy Club on November 19. Grand party by all accounts. (2) Wallington asks that the few who have not kicked in with the assessment voted at the 1947 Reunion get out the checkbook. (3) A memorial bronze plate bearing the names of graduates killed in action has been ordered by the Ass'n. of Graduates. The names of McGee and Mendenhall will appear.

—H. B.

1916

Since September Brig Bliss reports that he has had several out-of-town visitors in Washington. Doc Reinhart blew in for a couple of days to check up on how the Department of the Army was functioning, and bought Brig a swell lunch at the Army & Navy Club. He is still living in Birmingham, Michigan, but had come East to put his daughter in college.

Dwight Johns also appeared in November. He is Division Engineer, South Pacific Division, at Oakland, California.

Ray Moses was at Walter Reed Hospital during November for observa-

tion and treatment. He says the medicos have been breathing hard on his neck, and it is possible that he will retire. If so, he intends to continue to live at Sandwich, New Hampshire, where he owns a home adjoining that of Phil Fleming ('11). Ray went on sick leave right after the Army & Navy game and will not return until January 6th.

Red O'Hare, who has been on duty in the Department of the Army for about three years, has just been assigned to the Office of the Military Attache at Paris, France. His orders relieving him are effective January 1st, but he is taking a training course with the Military Intelligence Division before assuming his new duties. He probably will not leave Washington until the late spring.

Ham Maguire, who was retired last summer, has moved back into his permanent home in Washington. His address is: 3519 Rodman Street, N.W. Incidentally, his daughter Nancy was married on October 9th to Mr. Marcus Beebe of the State Department. They are now living in Greece.

According to information which comes in to Class Headquarters, Jack Fraser is still touring the country. George Blankenship writes that Jack arrived in Atlanta and was guest at a Class dinner which George threw in his honor. Krayenbuhl and Rinearson were the other members of the Class present. George also states that he and Pickering, now retired and living at Atlanta, celebrated Armistice Night together.

Apparently some of our Class read the notes in *Assembly*. Bob McCullough wrote within a few days after the last issue was published to find out how he could get in touch with Shorty March who was mentioned as being located in Fort Worth. McCullough is now living at 258 Kent Road, Wynnewood, Pennsylvania. For those who don't know the Keystone State, that is in the suburbs of Philadelphia.

Ben Yancy, whose address is P.O. Box 671, Houston, Texas, wrote late in September. Apparently he doesn't see many classmates where he is located, and he waxed a little nostalgic over the 30-Year Reunion Bulletin. He says he studied the Class picture carefully and found that most of those present had changed a great deal in appearance, but a few appeared similar to the way they looked when they were cadets. He doesn't go into details as to who they were, but I presume he is referring to Red O'Hare and Bill Coffin who never grow old.

Fred Inglls, who retired in 1946, spent part of the summer on a camping vacation in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. He has bought a ranch there, about three miles from the Grand Teton where he intends to spend his summers from now on. His permanent home is near Santa Barbara, California, and his address is School of the Canyons, Gaviota, California, where he is teaching French, Spanish, and Math. He says he hopes any members of the Class who are in that part of California in the winter time, or near Jackson Hole in the summer, will look him up.

Jack Miley, with whom we lost touch after the 30-Year Reunion, has at last

been located. His letter came from Schreiner Institute, Kerrville, Texas. It is a military school, and he is Assistant P.M.S.&T. He apologizes for delay in writing, saying that he thought he would have a lot of time to catch up on correspondence in this new job. Instead, he had a rude awakening and found that everything he had to teach had to be relearned. He says "I ain't so good at that".

Dixie Bonfils is still running the business end of the Denver Post. He says that now that the news print situation is improving the future looks much brighter. When he wrote, he hoped to come East for a visit to New York. So far, however, we have not heard that he has arrived there.

Duke Townsend is a roving man. He says that he divides his time between California, New York, and the South. If anyone wants to get in touch with him, the best address to use is 948 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles 15, California. He says it has been a long time since he has seen many of the Class.

Runt Rutherford has at last been heard from. He is retired and living at Encinitas, California. Repeated letters brought no response. The last one, however, hit the bull's-eye. Here's the reply: "Me to Brig: (1) Address O.K. (2) Just too d - - - lazy to eat, let alone write. (3) May reform some day, but little hope". As I remember, Runt wasn't so laconic when he was a cadet.

Ferdie Gallagher, now stationed in Washington, made a trip out to St. Louis in October, and had a reunion with Spence Merrell. On his return he sent the Class office a full-page picture on the front cover of the St. Louis Rotary Magazine of Spence's 84-foot yacht. Spence calls it "The Skeeter". That is some name for a yacht on the Mississippi River. Anyhow, Spence may take you for a ride one way or the other if you are in St. Louis.

At last we have heard from our distinguished elder statesman, the one and only Dad Freeland. We thought he was lost but find that he does have a permanent address but never stays there. He has bought himself a jeep with a house trailer and says that since 1936 when he was retired he spends practically all of his time hunting and fishing in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. He admits that this may seem like an unambitious life to live, but that it sure is fun. Some day, after he gets too old to enjoy it, he plans to settle down to work if he doesn't find that he is also too old to enjoy that. Being still a confirmed bachelor, he only has some hunting dogs to support and that doesn't require him to make a fortune. Dad's permanent address is 3800 Kershaw Street, Columbia, South Carolina. Maybe you all will have better luck in locating him at that address than the Class Secretary did.

Bob Walsh has returned from Berlin where he was G-2 under General Clay. He is now on duty in Air Force Headquarters in Washington. When he first arrived he expected to get a rest back here in the States. So far, however, he has hardly had time to catch his breath. Just back from a trip to Mexico, now he is talking about a trip to Canada. Some day we hope

to have a real talk with him and get some first-hand dope on the Air Lift.

Delp Styer's new house is completed. The address is 900 Glorietta Boulevard, Coronado, California. His building experience, he says, was very interesting and pleasant, and he has extended an invitation to come and see a real dream house. Just to show that he is still a big executive, Delp has found time, in addition to supervising house construction, to play something commonly known as golf, although he says you wouldn't recognize it from watching his game. This last remark may be a build-up for a good handicap.

Several weddings of interest have taken place this fall. Bill Snow, Tup Snow's boy, was married on October 16th in Albuquerque, New Mexico. C Square Smith's daughter, Custis, was married on November 6th at Carmel, New York. She married William Darius Spain, who was an officer with the Army in the European Theater during the war.

Since the time of the 30-Year Reunion contact has been made with almost all members of the Class who graduated, and a substantial portion of those ex-members of the Class who did not graduate. Some still remain to be located. If anyone knows the present address of Abe Abernethy, please furnish it to E. G. Bliss, at 725 13th Street, N.W., Washington 5, D.C. Abe was last heard from years ago at Hickory, North Carolina. Letters to that address, however, are returned by the Post Office undelivered.

—E. G. B.

April, 1917

Two events highlighting current class news are a Class dinner-dance held on October 29 and a Class party held on December 8, both in Washington, D. C.

A welcomed letter from Steve Sherrill gives us the following account of the October 29 event: "Members of the Class in the Washington area held a dinner-dance at the War College Club (now Ft. McNair) in Washington, on October 29th. Those present were Joe Collins, Burnett Olmsted, Bob and Jane Bathurst, Johnny and Nancy Devine, Alex and Genie Campbell, Marvel and Ruth Armstrong, Van and Elizabeth Vander Hyden, Ira and Suzanne Crump, George and Mary Wooley, Dan and Mildred Noce, Leo and Rothe Erler" (Dot and Steve Sherrill could not be present because of Steve's absence in New Orleans on a business trip.)

The second event is vividly described to us in a letter dated December 9 from Jim Hayden, which reads in part as follows: "Gladys and Joe Collins took advantage of our coming to Washington by having a 1917er gathering here, in their quarters at Ft. McNair, yesterday from 5:30 to 7:30. It was really a party, and all took full advantage to talk over old times and to plan new ones. Two beautiful and talented young waitresses, the Misses Gladys and Nancy Collins, assured everyone a round of fine food. The following attended: Ruth and Marvel Armstrong, Bob Bathurst, Laura and Percy Black, Gwynn and Aaron Bradshaw, Genie

and Alex Campbell, Janet and Tupper Cole, Bill Cowgill, Suzanne and Ira Crump, Margaret and Wilbur Elliott, Rothe and Leo Erler, Nina and Charlie Gerhardt, Laddie and Jim Hayden, Vivian and Fred Irving, Huyler and Bob Kunz, Adele and Laurence Meacham, Lawrence Mitchell, Jane and Love Mullins, Mildred and Dan Noce, Aline and Burnett Olmsted, Helen and Bob Ransom, Dot and Steve Sherrill, Van Vander Hyden (Elizabeth was sick), Mary and George Wooley. Do you wonder that we had a good time?!"

Laddie and Jim came East to meet their son, "Buster", and their daughter-in-law, who have just returned from overseas duty in Germany. While East, the Haydens attended the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia on November 27 and paid a short visit to West Point. They expect to be back at 29 Eucalyptus Road, Berkeley, California, during the month of January, and they would like to hear a few knocks on their door. Those friends who stop at No. 29 Eucalyptus Road will be sure to receive the well-known Hayden hospitality.

On December 7th, Joe Collins spoke to the Cadets of the First and Second Classes and to the Post personnel at West Point. The subject of his lecture, which was intensely interesting to all those present, was "A Concept of Future Warfare". It will be a matter of interest and pride to all Nineteen Seventeeners to know that Joe has recently been designated as Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army.

Recently Harris Jones was the happy recipient of a postcard from Frankfurt, Germany, signed by the following Seventeeners who were celebrating a joyful get-together at Kronberg Castle: R. F. Whitelegg, Happy and Sterling Wood, Daddy Weems, and Ruth and Norman Schwarzkopf. It must have truly been a glorious gathering!

Rothe and Leo Erler, Joe Collins, and Chris Foltz were at West Point for the Army-Harvard game. And Kivas Tully and Parson Parks were in New York for the Army-Stanford game. Parson is now back in his pre-war position as Chief of Police, Union County Park Commission, Elizabeth, N. J.

Jack Nygaard reverted to the Retired List as of July 31 and is now in Italy. His address is "Care I.R.O. Headquarters, 78 Via San Nicola Tolentino, Rome".

Bill and Dot Eley and their daughter, Georgia Day, returned on November 27 from overseas service in Manila and are now at Ft. Mason, California, awaiting assignment orders.

Pesha Sullivan, now a B.G., has been transferred from the Presidio of San Francisco to Jeffersonville, Indiana, where he will command the Q.M. Depot.

Seen at the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia on November 27th were the Blacks, Bowlins, Mark Clarks, Collinses, Comptons, Cotas, Erlers, Foltzes, Haydens, Irvings, Joneses, Noces, Schroeders, Sinklers, Tullys, Bill Cowgill, John McEwan, and Don Swanton.

Let's all of us give Percy Black a helping hand in his worthy endeavor to purchase a belated wedding present for Bob Kunz. Send Percy your pledges now. His address is 906 Munsey Building, Washington 4, D. C.

—T. S. S.

August, 1917

The news on this occasion is unusual in that it includes events of great happiness and of great sadness. We will start with the latter hoping to end on the cheerful note. Verna, beloved wife of Bill Donaldson and friend of many in our class died from accidental drowning in Seattle Harbor on October 17. She was buried here at West Point. Today, as this is being written, Bill Donaldson is about to arrive to join Verna. He passed away quietly in his sleep on December 8 from a heart attack. To the Donaldson girls, Edith and Verna, we extend our heartfelt sympathy at this time of distress and bewilderment. Edith will continue on as a student at the University of Washington and Verna will remain in Seattle.

In a happier vein I wish to report that Bill Chapman has arisen from the lethargy and contentment of life in Pacific Grove, California, at least to the extent of sending me a welcome class-news letter. Confidentially it appears as if he has taken on a job of boosting the Carmel-Monterey-Pacific Grove area as a haven and heaven for retirement, for he enclosed a mimeograph giving a long list of his pals in retirement. It is most impressive and I am sure Bill would jump (in spite of his bad knee) at the chance of sending anybody a copy—Toodles wants to help too.

Briefs from Bill's letter: "Wilson, W. I. (Willie) has retired and he, Inez and son Bob are living on their ranch up the Carmel Valley (23 miles from the Chapmans); they are getting a kick out of feeding a small herd of white-faced Herefords so if meat rationing comes again remember the Wilsons. John Arthur Weeks and wife Betty have bought Frank Lloyd's (movie director) home at the Monterey Peninsular Country Club and we see them frequently. Had a note from Bill Stootz Howard Alston Deas from Palo Alto. Burr Parker stopped at our house on the way to his home in Santa Barbara. Every once in a while I try to contact Bruce Moorman, Jack Johnson, Earl Knoob, and Mickey Kernan up in the San Francisco area". More power to you Bill, that's the old class spirit.

Rossiter Garity has retired—wish you fellows who retire would let me know where you can be reached.

Just spent \$12.50 of the Class fund for our share of the group memorial tablet to be placed in Cullum Hall for those graduates killed in action in World War II. We honor Fidel V. Segundo who was executed by the Japanese.

This is a *warning order*—I will have to nick you soon, before any regression sets in, for a contribution to the Class Fund—so please start saving pennies. I am sure you want to continue to send flowers on appropriate occasions and to pay our share, about \$150, for the 1817 window in the Cadet Chapel.

Now for the final, real happy, news which most of you already know; but we still want to blow about it in this column. Bryant Moore is the next Superintendent here. He follows in the

footsteps of a brilliant leader, General Max Taylor, but we feel that the boy from the rocky coast of Maine will ably carry forward his great heritage. In a pinch he can always fall back upon the wisdom of three learned and hard bitten professors. Our class can well be proud of the honor that has come to one of "our boys". In certain places and on certain levels the problems of the day are obscure and uncertain; there is much confusion and frustration. There is no confusion, uncertainty or frustration in any service which carries on the mission and objectives of West Point. Bryant Moore is to be congratulated on the opportunity to serve, in high position, the United States Military Academy.

—J. W. C.

June, 1918

Heine Baish's family now has six stars. See his letter below.

Present at the Navy Game were:

Floss Lorence and his lovely bride Anna May (Floss beaming like any other newlywed); Charlie and Rita Hoffman with their son and daughter, Charles Jr. and Susan; Connie and Eleanor Jadwin; Swede Neilson and his lovely wife (we had not seen Swede in thirty years); Harry Underwood; Steve Stephens; Eddie and Mina Dando; and your *amanuensis* Jack Grant, with Gertrude, his bride of two years, whom he calls "GG". Cadet Bob Noce, son of Dan Noce of April '17, was Jack's and GG's guest that weekend. As the Corps detrained at the Stadium, we saw Cadet Edwin Townsley, son of C.P., hurrying to his place in ranks.

At the Stanford game we saw Connie Jadwin and Heinie Stenzel. Heinie was to meet his English bride at the Astor after the game.

At the Cornell game Jim and Mabel Marshall and Wynot Rush Irish were with us.

Bit Barth has sent in his final report on Class activities and has turned over the Class Fund amounting to \$42.90. Bit writes: "A total of \$430 has been collected to date. Of this amount \$350 was paid to the Memorial and Gifts Committee, U.S.M.A. to install a memorial window for the Class of 1918. This was part of the project for having every graduating class represented by a window; each class putting one in for the Class graduating a century before. Thirty-five dollars was spent to change the designation on our original memorial window to read—'Class of June, 1918', our new designation. Two dollars and ten cents went for incidentals and the remaining amount—\$42.90 I am inclosing. Every one of our deceased members was carried on the roll by the generous donation made by at least one of his friends. A total of 60 classmates took part in the project. I hope that those who haven't been heard from will send their checks to you when they read this report". (We presume that the balance of the Class Fund, and any further contributions received, are to be held and used to defray part of the expenses of our Thirty-Fifth Reunion).

Bit writes further: "Here are a few items that have come in:

"Jim Marshal dropped in at Ft.

Leavenworth recently. He is mixed up in research on jet fuels, rocket motors, etc. Says he has moved to Skaneateles, N. Y. but still keeps his New York affiliation and address with Kellogg and Co. Sam Sturgis is now on duty in the Organization & Training Division of the Gen. Staff in Washington. We're glad to see that he kept his star.

"New addresses:

"Tommy Tompkins' address (part time) is Chinthurst Wonerth, Surry, England.

"T. Q. Donaldson—is now P.M.S.&T., University of Arizona, Tucson"

Hans Kramer writes:

"After much G-2 work (or would you call it G-1) in which I was aided and abetted by the good offices and military staff of Freddy Butler (November '18) at Sixth Army headquarters I finally tracked down Pichel, per your request. He phoned me the other night to report his return to his permanent residence at 164 Pepper Ave., Burlingame, Calif. He has finally taken off his war-time disguise as a lieutenant colonel of Engineers and now plans to fool the public as a lawyer after he takes the bar exams next year. It's amazing how versatile a Coast Artillery man can get after he leaves the Army. As for me, I'd hesitate to try any more bar exams; the swinging doors are too dangerous.

"In September during a sojourn at Colorado Springs I bumped into Harry Sherman. He was in full regalia and I mistook him at first for the doorman at the Broadmoor Hotel. Harry, as you may know, is a B.G., commanding Camp Carson, near Colorado Springs, which includes a miscellaneous assortment of mountaineers, ski jumpers, etc. Having landed in the hospital, instead of on his skis, in trying to keep up with his mountain goats, Harry vows that he has now reached the stage, if not the age, of discretion. However, I'm inclined to discount his vow because it was made in an aura of smoke and fumes during the course of a far-into-the-night, 2-man reunion."

Clarence Townsley is now on duty with the military staff of United Nations, with station at Ft. Totton. His son Page is a senior at Harvard. His other son Edwin is in the First Class at West Point and is Captain of the Army Swimming Team. Just before flying to Paris for the U.N.O. meeting there in November C.P. wrote:

"Cas Casman is Judge of Civil Court with headquarters at Stuttgart (A.P.O. 154). He and his talented wife Dottie live on a hillside overlooking the old city of Esslingen. Both are taking an active part in the activities of the 'American Colony' in the Stuttgart Area and have contributed much to make successful the German Youth Assistance Program.

"Phil Gallagher is at Heidelberg (A.P.O. 403) where he is Deputy for General Huebner and is charged with the administration of all the military posts in U.S. occupied Germany. Leila and 'Snifter' are continually on the go doing things to make everyone's stay in Heidelberg pleasanter." (In their beautiful home on a mountain overlooking Heidelberg Phil and Leila entertained Growley and Steve Gruhn and your scribe at a lovely lunch in November. Growley is Deputy Com-

mander of the Heidelberg Post where he and Steve have with them their fifteen-year-old son Tom and their thirteen-year-old-daughter Ruth.) C.P. also wrote:

"Lucius Clay, Military Governor, U.S. Occupied Germany, is doing, as usual, a magnificent job. See newspapers". (In November your scribe was entertained by Lucius at the Victory Guest House in Frankfurt, Germany. We had not seen Lucius and Marjorie since their sons were four and six years old. Each of those boys now has a son of his own. The most prized possession Lucius has in Frankfurt is a picture of his and Pat Casey's grandson. That little grandson of two of our classmates is a fine looking, sturdy youngster of something less than a year old.)

Addie Adcock is back in active service, a Major General in Frankfurt and United States Chairman of the Barpartite Control. When Addie retired he gave his uniforms to his sons who are still in active service. He and Charlie Gross '14 are the only two Generals in Germany in civilian clothes.

Hal and Frances Lewis have their first grandchild, Miss Virginia Lewis Beddall, who was born on Hal's birthday, July 28th.

Within twenty-four hours after an urgent telephone call to Heinie Baish for items for this column, the following letter was received from Heinie:

"It was a pleasant surprise to receive a telephone call from you today from New York City.

"Since your call, I have talked to Bob Bishop and to Lloyd Mielenz and picked up a few items which I will relay to you in this letter.

"Mary Tansey was married today in Tokyo to Lieutenant William G. Devens, U.S. Army, Class 1946 U.S.M.A. The Tansey's have 3 boys who have graduated from West Point, two of them were wounded in the Battle of the Bulge, and a fourth boy, Michael who is 9 years old. Mary is their only daughter. Pat is a Brigadier General on General MacArthur's Staff. He is the Civil Property Custodian of the Japanese Empire. Jody (who is Pat's wife and Heinie's sister) gave us a vivid description of the wedding plans; White gown, bridesmaids and a reception at the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo for 450 guests. Ted and Bob are stationed in Germany and were planning to make it to Tokyo, on leave, for the wedding.

"Gene Caffey was stationed in Washington in the Judge Advocate General's Office until July at which time he was transferred to Fort McPherson, Georgia. He is now the J.A.G.D., Hdqtrs 3rd Army and lives on the Post. I was told that he was here in Washington, recently on some special duty and is now working temporarily with an Army Field Forces Board at Fort Monroe on special type training. He is the expert on Amphibious Training.

"Connie Jadwin retired at his own request effective October 31st. He was Executive Officer for the Commanding General, Military District of Washington, at the time of his retirement and was given a big parade at Fort Myer. The local newspapers gave him fine

tribute, with pictures, etc. He has been very active as the Commodore, Corinthian Yacht Club and will probably devote most of his time to cruising on his Yacht."

(Note: As a matter of fact Connie went to work in the trucking business the very first day of his retirement. He is with H. E. Tolbert's Capitol Van Lines in Washington, D. C.) Heinie's letter continues:

"Lloyd Mielenz seems to have recovered his health and usual vigor which he lost as a Prisoner of War in Japan for 3 years. He was transferred to Washington, recently from Baltimore and is now Chief of the Legal Division, Office Chief of Engineers. He and his attractive wife, Morrine, are residing at 2357 Nebraska Ave., N.W., Washington. Lloyd was a member of this year's Promotion Selection Board for promotions to permanent Lieut. Cols. Regular Army. The Mielenz's have issued invitations for a June 1918 Class party at their new home on Sunday, December 12th. Lloyd's daughter 'Penny', who is married to Lt. Col. Bisbort, C.E. gave birth to a son not long ago and Lloyd is proud of his first grandson. He has a son in the 1950 Class. We expect to have a swell reunion with the classmates in this vicinity and with Louise Dean and Sylvia Shattuck at the Mielenz's on the 12th.

"Sam Sturgis (a Brig. Gen.) was Engineer, Hdqtrs U.S.A.F. until recently. He has quit the Air Forces and is now the Deputy Chief, Operations and Training Division, Army General Staff. His wife, Frances, is President of the National Chapter of Army Daughters and has given fine leadership to that select organization.

"Henry Underwood is reported to be back in Washington and is living at the Brighton Hotel, California St., N.W. He says he is going to build a house to provide storage for his many treasured possessions such as a pipe organ, etc. He now has the model of a medieval castle which he plans to copy as his home. Someday you may be able to visit him at his castle in Rollingwood which is a plot of land between Connecticut Ave. and 16th Street, N.W., near East-West Drive. Sylvia Shattuck is encouraging him to get started and quit talking about it.

"T. Q. Donaldson's daughter was married recently at Fort Riley according to newspaper accounts. I cannot give you the name of the lucky man or any of the details.

"J. C. Kovarik was on duty in Washington last summer but I could not locate him today and was told that he became the Finance Officer, 2nd Army. I am not sure of this statement.

"Two classmates of June 1918 are now assigned to the Faculty & Staff of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. I have been with the Industrial College as Chief of the Manpower Division since August 1946. Upon my return from our Class reunion in June, I was informed that I had been appointed the Deputy Commandant for Plans & Administration of the College and held that job until I was replaced by a Navy Captain in October. In July, we were pleased to learn that Lane Holman (a Brig. Gen.) was assigned to the Staff of the College. He became Deputy Commandant for Educa-

tion in October and is doing a swell job. We have an Air Force Commandant, Maj. Gen. A. W. Vanaman. The Industrial College received a new Charter in September and is now under the direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The College is recognized as being on the highest level in the educational field within the National Military Establishment. It is located at Fort Lesley J. McNair adjacent to the National War college.

"Bob Bishop and I are living at Fort McNair in a real Country Club atmosphere. He is on duty in the Pentagon but was fortunate to be authorized quarters on this fine Post. Bob seems to enjoy being on duty in Washington and has become quite a golfer in his own front yard. They have two fine young daughters who are attending school at Visitation Convent and Holy Cross Academy in Washington.

"My family is assembled in Washington except for my son who is a cadet in the 1950 Class. My wife, Adelaide, is a Washington born and raised individual and is surrounded by her many friends. My daughter Sheila is living at home and works as a Secretary in the Quartermaster General's office. My daughter Dollree is married to Dr. Michael Oristian, a civilian dentist with his office in the Westory Building. They live in Arlington, Va. and have 3 lovely children. I believe I can still claim the youngest child in the class of June 1918. My daughter Olivia is now 6 years old today. She attends 1st grade at Holy Cross Academy and brought home her first report card last week with 6 Gold Stars.

"Lane Holman continues to live at 4442 Q St., N.W. but will probably move to Fort McNair when a vacancy occurs in the General's Row of Quarters. He has 2 lovely young lady daughters and a Cadet Son in the Class of 1950.

"This seems to complete my material and I hope it will be useful to you. I will give Lane Holman a copy on his return and will ask him to supplement my report at once if he has anything to add.

"With best personal good wishes to yourself and the Classmates.

"Sincerely,

"Heinie

"Chas. F. Baish.

"Colonel C.E."

Louise Dean, widow of John Paul, is doing a beautiful job in bringing up those five splendid Dean children, three girls and two boys. Their address is: 3711 N. Hampton St., N.W., Washington, D. C. Louise is an expert in the technique of speed reading and is on the Faculty of George Washington University where she will receive her M.A. degree at the end of the current school year.

Hal and Frances Lewis have their first grandchild, Miss Virginia Lewis Beddall who was born on Hal's birthday, July 28th.

Your scribe and his law partner have just received a flattering letter from General Fenton, President of the Association of Graduates, complimenting them upon their success in having the Commissioner of Internal Revenue rule that the Association of Graduates and the West Point Alumni Foundation are exempt from Federal Income Taxes un-

der Section 101 (6) of the Internal Revenue Code. As a result of this Ruling gifts, contributions and bequests made either to the Association of Graduates or to the West Point Alumni Foundation will be deductible by the donor for Income and Gift Tax purposes and by the estate of a testator for Estate Tax purposes. —J. L. G.

November, 1918

Mike Jenkins and his wife made several visits to West Point during the Fall to see their young son Bud, who is a plebe. Drex Dana was East during October and visited the Academy to see his son Harvey, who is also a plebe. Judge Powers broke into the news this Fall with his visit to Palestine with Representative Multer. We saw the following classmates at the Stanford game in New York City: Reed Yaeger, Archie Colwell and Dick Groves. At the Navy game we saw Holbrook, Gibney, Gildart, Hubbell, McGiffert, Dickson and Dolph. There were probably several others at both games, but we did not have the pleasure of seeing them.

The following Orders have been noted in recent copies of the *Army & Navy Journal* and *Register*: Jesse Gibney has been ordered to Greece effective in January. Dave Taylor will go to Yokohama in January. George Eddy returned from Europe and has been ordered to the White Sands Proving Grounds. John Fonveille has been moved from Ft. Bliss to Hq. 6th Army, in San Francisco. Howard Brimmer goes to Hq. 5th Army, Military District Section, Chicago. Roger Wicks has returned from Korea and is temporarily assigned to San Francisco Board of Embarkation, Ft. Mason. Charles Gildart has been ordered to the U.S. Army Forces, Antilles, S. J. A. M. Wilson goes to Puerto Rico in February. Morris Gilland retired effective September 30. The following have retired effective November 30: George McReynolds, Albert Riani, John Hughes and Jack Winn.

As announced elsewhere in this issue, it has been decided to place two large memorial plaques in Cullum Hall in honor of the U.S.M.A. graduates who have been classified by the Department of the Army as "Battle Deaths, World War II". Six names of our classmates will be on one of the plaques. They are Baclig, Cothran, Searby, Thornburgh, Vesey and Williams. The Class Fund will pay \$75.00 as our share of the expenses involved.

There were several copies of our Class Booklet "*One Score Ten*" left over from the reunion. We have taken the liberty to mail a copy to several of the classmates who failed to order one. If you like our publication, we suggest that you send \$1.00 to Badger in payment of the expenses involved; if you do not like it we suggest that you return the copy to him. —G. M. B.

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Charles H. Bryan died at Quarry Heights, C. Z. on July 21, 1948. His

family's address is Parkersburg, W. Va.

Lillian Newcomer writes from 139 East 45th St., New York, "David was buried in our lot at Arlington on November 5th. Only members of the family were present. I didn't let any of the classmates know about it because I don't know where any of them are stationed and so I thought it might be nice if you could put the item in *Assembly*".

The following are excerpts from a letter from Adna Hamilton dated October 11 at Camp Sykes, Korea: "In May I was on leave in Japan and succeeded in getting into several of the very best hotels (with the help of friends). With the help and guidance of Jazz Parsons, the Pat Echols and the Fred Porters we had a right good time. Jazz is in the G-3 Section of F.E.C., Pat was cussing reporters and getting home late from work every night, and Fred was in Military Government in Yokohama. Fred had a strictly stateside set of quarters in the British Sun Ray Oil Co. Compound. Mose Chadwick was recovering from his crack-up, (on the road down from Fujiyama). How he came out of it alive is a mystery to me—and to him too, I guess. Urban Niblo was in Okinawa when I went to see him. I'm getting this into our A.P.O. (20th Inf.) just before it closes for keeps. Viv is the last woman in camp. We eat at the only remaining mess and nibble at odds and ends chiseled since the commissary closed August 15. On October 19 we sail for San Francisco. Future address unknown".

Henry Nichols is President of the Nickel Cadmium Battery Corp. at Easthampton, Mass. In November he conducted a group from the Electricity Department, U.S.M.A., through his plant and furnished them with technical information on his new type of storage battery, which has a number of great advantages over the ordinary lead-lead acid battery. Elton Hammond has been transferred from the Signal School at Ft. Monmouth to the Office, Chief Signal Officer, as Director of Personnel and Training.

Visitors at West Point during the football season included the Doc Lopers, the Mike Branyons, the Ike Ritchies, the Bobby Gards, Al Gruenther and Kyke Allan. Doc is recently back from Japan and is going to work for Al in the Joint Staff. Mike is Assistant J.A.G., and advisor to the Logistics Section of the General Staff. His son is now an assistant professor at Notre Dame. Ike is at Aberdeen. Bobby expects to replace Bill Badger as Treasurer, U.S.M.A., on or about June 1, 1949. Al gave a lecture to the first Class on the National Defense Establishment, plus a few anecdotes about the Superintendent which were very well received by the cadets. Kyke's retirement became effective November 30. He is entering the South American export-import business.

Ray Burgess, recently returned from Germany, and his French bride visited West Point as guests of Ray's sister and brother-in-law, Colonel and Mrs. O. J. Gatchell. The Phil Whitneys are spending the winter at 1025 Oak St., Dunedin, Florida.

Included in this year's plebe class (1952) are John Bernard Keeley, Rich-

ard Henry Meyer, and Drake Wilson (son of Leroy Clark Wilson).

The Association of Graduates is sponsoring the manufacture of two bronze memorial plaques containing the names of all graduates, U.S.M.A., who met "battle deaths". The memorial will be placed in Cullum Hall, and funds for it are being subscribed by the classes concerned. Our pro-rata share is \$100, and after consultation with Wes Jervey and the Washington group your scribe has pledged this sum from the funds in the class treasury, which currently stand at \$800, in round numbers. The names of our classmates on the Department of the Army official roster of "battle deaths" are Edward H. Bowes, Charles L. Keerans, Jr., Russell J. Nelson, David A. Newcomer, Kenneth S. Olson, Leo C. Paquet, Howard R. Perry, Jr., and John W. Sheehy.

Remember our 30th Reunion. The place—West Point, N. Y.; the dates—June 5 and 6, 1949. Please let the committee know your plans as soon as you can.

—B. W. B.

1920

Many queries have been received concerning the 30th Reunion of the Class at West Point in June Week of 1950.

The following memorandum is quoted for your information and indicates the tentative plans visualized by your classmates stationed at West Point. *Assembly* Notes will carry additional information on this subject from time to time. Any suggestions should be communicated to your scribe or any other member of the 1920 group at U.S.M.A.

West Point, New York
2 November 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of
Class of 1920 at West Point.

"At a meeting at which were present: Katherine and Bill Bessell, Trix and Ted Gillette, Merle and Earl Blaik, Frances and Larry Schick, Horty and Charlie West tentative plans were made for the 30th Reunion of the Class at West Point in June Week of 1950.

1. *Program.* The following program was agreed upon for planning purposes:

Saturday, 3 June—Class Dinner, Stag
West Point Members

Dinner, Ladies—West Point Ladies
Sunday, 4 June—Class Picnic—Every-
body (After the Review).

West Point Contingent.
Monday, 5 June—Presentation of Sab-
ers to Graduating Sons of the Class
(After the Alumni Exercises)

Charlie West
Lunch, Ladies (During Alumni
Luncheon).

West Point Ladies

2. *Reservations.*

a. It was agreed steps should be taken to reserve a place as near West Point as possible for classmates and their families to stay. Classmates not accompanied by families would be housed in Cadet Barracks as usual. The Thayer Hotel is reserved for families of the graduating class. Crist, Henning and Hinds having sons in '50 would be eligible if they so desire. It was decided to try to reserve the dor-

mitories of Stanton Preparatory School for those who cannot be accommodated on the Post. Ray Bullene, currently with the Stanton Preparatory School, will be asked to try to reserve the dormitories. Bill Bessell agreed to write Eddie Plank (Transportation Corps) to see if there would be any possibility of an Army Transport anchoring off the South Dock which might be used for visiting alumni and families (especially '20).

b. Earl Blaik agreed to try to reserve Bear Mountain Inn for the Class Dinner slated for Saturday night.

c. Bill Bessell agreed to try to reserve the main cabin at Round Pond for the Class Picnic slated for Sunday.

d. The West Point Ladies agreed to work up tentative plans including place for the dinner for ladies (Saturday night at same time as Class Dinner) and for the luncheon (Monday noon at same time as the Alumni Luncheon).

e. It was agreed that committees for final arrangements for the various Class events (Food, liquor, flowers, etc.) could be constituted later.

3. *Circularization of Class and Determination of Attendance.*

It was decided to ask John McNulty, assisted by others of the N.Y. contingent to handle getting in touch with classmates and timely determination of who will be present at the Reunion.

4. *Distinctive Class Insignia.*

It was agreed that those attending the Reunion should be provided arm bands or other insignia as an outward show of this already distinguished class. It was decided to ask Ted Knappen assisted by others of the N.Y. contingent to handle this matter.

—Bill Bessell.

Frequently I am asked the question, "What classmates are stationed at West Point and what are their assignments?" And again, "What classmates' sons are in the Corps? Have any yet graduated?" "To what classes do they belong?"

To answer all these questions, I submit the following roster:

Classmates stationed at West Point and their assignments: Bill Bessell, Professor and Head of Dept. of Mathematics; Larry Schick, Professor and Head of Dept. of Military Topography and Graphics; Charlie West, Professor and Head of Dept. of Law; Ted Gillette, Professor of Physics and Chemistry; Earl (Red) Blaik, Head coach of Football.

Sons of 1920 who have graduated.

Class of 1945: John L. Goff, Jr., Bernard M. James, Raymond I. McFadden, Claude M. McQuarrie, Jr., Robert M. Reese.

Class of 1946: Henry K. Williams, III, William P. Withers, Jr.

Class of 1947: Park B. Herrick, Jr.

Class of 1948: George W. Rutter, William H. Travis.

Sons of 1920 now in the Corps.

Class of 1949: Thomas H. Burt, John T. Hodes, John D. Mitchell, Jr., Wayne S. Moore, John A. Poulson, Joseph R. Stauffer.

Class of 1950: Dwight L. Adams (stepson Fowler), William E. Crist, Jr., Frank A. Henning, III, Sidney R. Hinds, Charles F. G. Kuyk, Jr. (step-

son Sand, A. G.), Carl B. Mitchell (son Berg).

Class of 1951: Donald J. Leehey, Jr., William L. Lemnitzer.

Class of 1952: Robert McD. Blaik, Homer W. Kiefer, Jr., Leon E. Lichtenwaller, Jr., Willard L. McCullough, Robert W. McQuarrie, Corwin A. Mitchell (son Berg), William L. Mitchell, Jr., Thomas A. Rehm, Harrison G. Travis, Peter C. Withers, Edgar Allen Gilbert, III.

A few days ago, circulars were mailed out to the class describing the sesquicentennial book "*Men of West Point*" to be published under the auspices of the Association of Graduates. Also described in the circular were the Memorial Plaques to be installed in Cullum Hall for those graduates who are classified by the Department of the Army as "battle deaths" in World War II.

In connection with the above items, certain information and contributions were solicited. Be on the lookout for your copy of the circular. A fine response is expected from the class.

Not long ago a splendid letter was received from Carl Duffner in which he included an authentic account of his considerable World War II experience in the European Theater of Operations. It was of such interest that I will repeat it here.

From 1942 to 1943 Duffner was Deputy G-3, Services of Supply in England, but thirsting for action, he applied for a command and was returned to the United States late in 1943. After passing through several training camps and a short course at the Infantry School, he joined the 75th Infantry Division in Camp Breckinridge, Ky., as Commanding Officer of the 290th Infantry.

The 75th Division went overseas the same year, and after a short period in Wales, went to the Continent and into battle. Duffner's combat team fought in the Bulge in Belgium, in Colmer, in Alsace, in Holland and ended up the fight in the Ruhr.

Afterward, the regiment went into occupation of the so-called Sauerland area just south of the Ruhr River. In January 1945, it was withdrawn to the Rheims area in France from whence it returned to the United States in November 1945. Its commander, however, did not return with his troops, but went to Frankfurt on Main, Germany, to take charge of de-nazifying the German railways in the United States Zone. This job completed, Duffner took command of the First Military Police Service Group, which he is still commanding. This group comprises the Railway Security Military Police for the whole U.S. Zone in occupied Germany.

Colonel Duffner has been awarded the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Army Commendation Ribbon, the Croix de Guerre (with Palm) twice from France, and the Croix de Guerre (with Palm) from Belgium.

Also, as you know without my telling, he proudly wears the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Well done, Duffner! 1920 is proud of you!

Other classmates have recently received high honor and assignments of great responsibility.

Lyman Lemnitzer, in Washington was decorated by the British Ambassador when he was made Honorary Companion of the Military Division of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath (C.B.). Lyman L. Judge was recently appointed the Air Adjutant General. Tom White has just assumed the Office of Director of Legislation and Liaison in the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. Fred Hayden is now Commandant of the A.A. and G.M. Branch of the Artillery School, Fort Bliss, Texas. Terrence Tully is Director of Training at the Signal School, Fort Monmouth, N. J. Julian E. (Bugs) Raymond has moved to the C.I.C. Center, Camp Holabird, Md., with assignment to its staff and faculty. Gus Vogel is now an advisory member of the National Security Resources Board, Washington, D. C. Harry Fisher is a member of the Research and Development Board, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C.

Visitors at West Point during the football season included Clovis Byers, Eddie Routheau, Eddie Plank, and Charlie Adams. More recently, we have seen Bill Withers and his wife, Bunky. They spent most of their time with their boy Peter, a fourth classman, for they were on their way to foreign service in Japan. B. L. Robinson and wife Alice were visitors two weeks ago for a brief time.

I regret to announce the retirement of W. B. Higgins for physical disability September 30, 1948, as a Colonel, C.E. His address has not yet been received.

Last quarter in this column, I announced the retirement of Richard M. Costigan. On October 27, Costigan died at Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, of his illness. Many will remember Dick, or "Father", as he was known to his intimates at the F.A. School in 1920-21. It is a pity he had to leave us so soon. His wit and friendly banter will never be forgotten.

—E. C. Gillette, Jr.

1921 and 1922

Charlie Barrett's circularization of 1922 asking for contributions to pay our share of the cost of the plaques to be erected in Cullum Hall in memory of those classified by the Department of the Army as "battle deaths" in World War II yielded news as well as money. Here are some of the items thus obtained which will be of interest to all Orioles:

From Hensey: "I have been G-4 of Fifth Army since last January. Corp Hisgen and Frank Crary are also at Hq". Tyler: "Now have two grandchildren—one girl—one boy". Albert: "My son, Stephen (age 9) has obtained an autographed picture of Arnold Galiffa". Stewart: "I have just finished two years as instructor of the 91st Infantry Division O.R.C. My office is at the Presidio of San Francisco but I commute week ends to my home in Carmel. Not many Orioles hereabout. Bill Lawton (still a B.G.) is in command of the Seacoast Branch of the Artillery School at Fort Winfield Scott; Stephens is working for the Veterans Administration located near Vallejo; George Taylor, retired, is living at Palo Alto and plays golf constantly. Dean

dropped in to see me some time ago. He is in fine shape".

From Thorpe: "D. J. Crawford is located here, C.O. of Detroit Arsenal, and 'B.J.' Sullivan is also here, has a very good job with an advertising company. I do what I can in the real estate business". Murphy (Fall River, Mass.): "Our oldest daughter, Marjorie, is a senior at Boston University. Have been teaching American History and Civics in a local high school and junior high school. My final contribution to the service was the War Department Affiliation Plan. I conceived this program while I was with Plans & Operations, A.S.F., and spent more than two years selling it and working it out, including .9 months as Chairman of the War Department Affiliation Committee just prior to its completion and approval. Excuse me if I boast of that program. I am proud of it". Mathewson: "The Mudgetts spent Navy game weekend in Washington with the Mathewsons. All too poor to go to the game". Bodine: "The Bodines have been in St. Louis since August and like the change". Perry Smith: "Spent the first few days of November at Fort Scott, Calif. with Bill and Marge Lawton. They had Ham and Catherine Meyer over for dinner and the evening—all looking fine and full of pep. Missed Freddie Woods out there. Then home via Fort Bliss where I saw Granger Anderson for a moment. Frank Kane comes back from his M.A. job in Lisbon this Spring. Bev and young Beverly will probably precede him. Saw Selby Little today—just back from Germany and bound for New York". Klein: "The Kleins are now grandparents. Baby girl born on November 2, 1948 to our daughter—who married Roger H. Lengnick, Class of '46—name Cynthia Anne".

Yale (Fort Leavenworth): "The class members in Washington where I left the Editor's chair of Armored Cavalry Journal very kindly gave me a despedida, as is now customary for all departing Orioles, in the form of a lunch in the Pentagon. Due to the presence of one or more stars it was possible to hold it in the more rarified atmosphere of the General Officers' Mess. Kessler, Schuyler, Mathewson, Mitchell, Greiner, Marcus showed, and regrets from Lynch. I feel quite lucky in being here and sharing Post life as no doubt all present at West Point feel also. We have no classmates at C.&G.S.C. I am Armored Advisor in the Analysis and Research Dept. which, in effect, is a sort of faculty advisory board. Have bought a house on the Sound in Olympia, Wash., and when Der Tag arrives will look forward to some calls from Orioles". Lombard: "I transferred to U.S.A.F. from F.A. in May 1947 and am on duty as Assistant Executive Officer, Armed Services Petroleum Board, since July 1947. My son, Harry W., is a yearling at U.S.M.A." Wilson: "Since my retirement in October 1946 I have been in Ardmore, Okla. and am the Managing Trustee of the Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation. This is a charitable trust engaged primarily in soil conservation and improvement. We have a small research laboratory, which, in addition to soil analysis, is doing some work in plant and animal

nutrition. Twenty-four years ago I never dreamed I'd be interested in proteins and vitamins".

Rumaggl (Detroit) to Barrett: "Have seen your sister and D.J. quite occasionally since coming here. Sure is nice to have a classmate or two in shouting distance. Do see Carroll Sullivan also. He is associated with an advertising firm here and doing mighty well I'm sure. I'm trying to be a District Engineer and rather liking it"

From Carpenter (College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va.): "I started the R.O.T.C. F.A. unit here the summer of '47. It is about to become a going concern. Joan, our oldest daughter is a Sophomore at the College and Ann a Sophomore in the local high school. Ida and I are enjoying good health and would be happy to see any of the class who find themselves in Williamsburg". Strong: "I have been District Engineer of the Savannah Engineer District for the past two and one-half years. The largest project is the \$70,000,000 Multi-Purpose Reservoir we are constructing above Augusta, Ga. I have a 125 H.P. Swift plane in which I fly around to my various jobs in several states. Mary said I am safer flying a plane than driving a car. Both daughters are married; have a granddaughter and a grandson; one boy off to Pre-Med School, and another boy hoping to pass exams to enter West Point in June 1949. Tell any classmates who are coming to Savannah this winter to give me a day's notice, stop in Savannah for a day or two and I will take them on an inspection trip among the golden islands of Georgia. With all the brood scattered, Mary is Director of the University of Georgia Off-Campus Center in Savannah. I am training her to support me after my retirement. I still do occasional writing as time permits"

From Chidlaw: "Not too much news to report from this end. Orval Cook is here with us now at Wright Field as Deputy for Operations in Air Materiel Command. Jim Spry, after 2½ pleasant years in Mexico City as Military Attache, is now assigned to the Air Materiel Command and is currently Deputy to the Commanding General of the Oklahoma City Air Materiel Area, with headquarters at Oklahoma City. Ed Clark (of the Army) has visited with me several times since the historic reunion. Art Klein and his good wife were here in Dayton over Thanksgiving visiting their daughter and son-in-law, the latter a student in our Air Force Institute of Technology, which I established here at Dayton" Lynch: "As of December 1 I became Chief of the Organization Division, under the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force. My former assignment was Assistant Comptroller. One advantage of service in the Pentagon is the opportunity to meet with visiting Orioles". Blair: "I spent six months in Walter Reed, retiring for physical February 29, '48. Myron Leedy and Pat O'Flaherty were in the hospital much of the same time. I live just outside of Washington so can have lunch every so often at the Pentagon with the 'Brassy' Orioles who are stationed there or passing through".

From Lawton: "Fred Hein is G-2

Sixth Army at Presidio. Ham Meyer (ret.) now C./S., 49th Inf. Div. Calif. Nat'l Guard. Jake Stewart, senior instructor 91st Inf. Div. (O.R.C.) at Presidio. Stephens, L. E. is with the Vet. Ad. Hospital at Napa, Calif. G. A. Taylor, retired, living in Palo Alto and working with his brother in civilian business. Fred Woods recovered from a serious auto accident some months ago in which both he and his wife, Carol, suffered severe injuries. Both back to duty and good as new. Perry Smith out here for a few days on a visit from Washington. (No further comment as to his activities.) I am still at Ft. Scott as head of the Seacoast Branch of the Artillery School. My oldest boy, Bill Jr., is now a second lieutenant, Infantry (O.R.C.) at Fort Devens, Mass. (7th Inf.) on a competitive tour for a regular commission. He married Miss Peggy Free-land of Kansas City on May 5 last".

Frank Greene says that he saw Greiner, who is in O.&T. in Pentagon, in Washington in November. Fritz Lee writes that he is now Senior Army Instructor with the Colorado Organized Reserves, with offices at 3800 York Street in Denver. He says that he and Allie would both love to see any classmates who come out their way. Eddie Clark writes from 32 East 57th Street, New York 22, N. Y., where he has an office. Eddie says that he is now a "Business Counsel" with offices in Boston also. We are informed that Harry Bodine has been promoted in the National Lead Company. He and Anne are now living in St. Louis. His address is 722 Chestnut Street. D. J. and Madeline Crawford were at West Point for Thanksgiving, visiting the Barretts. The next day they went to Jersey City for a party announcing the engagement of their son, U.S. M.A. 1945, then to the Navy game and thence back to Detroit. Bob Pierce writes from Headquarters, U.S. Military Mission, Imperial Iranian Gendarmerie, Tehran, Iran, that he and his family are enjoying their tour there very much. Marcus writes from the Pentagon urging all Orioles visiting Washington to call him (Room 1E576, RE6700, Ext. 71687) upon their arrival. Thereupon he will be glad to arrange a luncheon and get together as many of our classmates in Washington as possible to see the visitors. Frank Greene, visiting Washington last October, was able to see Anderson, Marcus, Hein and Perry Smith at such a luncheon.

Orders to Orioles, noted since the October 1948 issue of *Assembly*: Lt. Col. Frank J. Spettel, Inf., retired September 30, 1948 upon his own application. Col. John B. Cooley, A.G.D., retired October 31, 1948 upon his own application. Col. Selby F. Little to Headquarters First Army, Governors Island, last October. Col. Paschal N. Strong, Jr. to Yokohama April 20, 1949.

Maj. Gen. Robert W. Douglass, Jr. is now Deputy for Lt. Gen. John K. Cannon, C.G., U.S.A.F.E., in Wiesbaden, Germany. Bob has been in Germany since last October. His family is with him. Also in Wiesbaden is Col. Earl F. Thomson as Executive Officer of the First Constabulary Brigade. Mrs.

Thomson and their two sons are with him.

Col. O. W. Hughes is transferred from West Point to the U.S.A. Group, American Mission for Aid to Greece, Athens, effective February 15, 1949. Perry Smith has been ordered from Washington to West Point to succeed Ollie as G-2/G-3, U.S.M.A., probably in March.

Max Taylor's relief from duty as Superintendent and his transfer to Headquarters, EUCOM in Heidelberg, Germany, effective January 28, 1949, will not be news to most Orioles by the time this issue of *Assembly* reaches them. Of course, all of us well know of the superb job he has done as Superintendent and believe the Academy has greatly benefited and improved under his command. Diddy will accompany Max to Europe. We wish them both much happiness and the greatest success for Max in his new assignment. For one great soldier's opinion of another read General Eisenhower's reference to Max in "*Crusade In Europe*", especially his allusion to him concerning the arrangements for the Italian surrender.

—C. N. B.

1923

Bill Biddle sailed for London on December 4. His new address is c/o CINCNELM, Navy 100, Fleet Post Office, New York, N. Y. Bill Craigie is now Commandant U.S.A.F. Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson A.F.B., Dayton. Emily Leaf has settled in Washington, D. C., at 330 University Terrace, N.W., and has taken up her former profession of teaching since Bill's death. At this writing, Charlie Gettys is G-3 of the Military District of Washington, but by the time this is published, he will be Military Attache to Norway. Most people like to go south for the winter, but not Charlie.

Thanks to Cecil Nist and the Washington Committee consisting of Tredennick, Pinky Palmer and John Salsman, the class news from the banks of the Potomac is plentiful. The following paragraphs are quoted from Nist.

"In spite of the routine transfers, the Class of '23 still has a goodly representation in the Washington area. If my count is correct we have about forty-five members of the Class here in Washington and about twenty more within commuting distance. Although the total number remains the same there have been several changes since the spring. Jeff Binns, Babe Bryan, Bill Craigie, Jazz Harmony, Eddie Howard, Judge Noyes, Ray Pierce and Jimmie Torrence have all been ordered to other assignments. Recent arrivals include: Ralph Bing, Dan Boone, Charley Gettys, Hugh Johnson, Paul Porch, Allen Raymond, and Dave Schlatter.

"The Class is continuing the monthly luncheons which were initiated a year ago. One was held at the Army-Navy Club October 13th, and thanks to the efforts of Miles Reber and the entertainment committee, Don Tredennick, Bill Biddle and Glen Palmer, it became a real event. We were the host at a joint luncheon with U.S.N.A. '23. There were twenty-four members of each class present. Members of our

class included: Biddle, Bowen, Carraway, D'Espinosa, Dulaney, Dunne, Edwards, Enslow, Fry, Gettys, Greiner, Johnson, H. C., Johnson, W. G., Milton, Nist, Palmer, G. H., Reber, Roper, Salsman, Serig, Schaffer, W. H., Tredennick, Towle, and Webber, K. E.

"I had a pleasant surprise a few nights ago. Jimmie Evans called me from Union Station. It was the first time I had talked with him since graduation. His address is 224 Brown-Marx Building, Birmingham, Ala.

(October 28, 1948) — "Speaking of Woggle Towle, he had a little party up at his house last night for Dudley Roth and his wife Ann. Al Crawford was there. It was the first time I had seen him since graduation. Other guests included: Charley Lawrence, Jody Richardson, Katherine and Harry Roper, Virginia and Tim Timberman, Serita and Sheff Edwards, Fredericka and Don Galloway, Ellen and myself (Nist).

"The entertainment committee, Tredennick, Palmer and Biddle, are to be congratulated on the buffet supper and dance they organized at the Officer's Club at Ft. McNair last Saturday (October 23rd). It was a swell party. The turnout was good and included: Biddle, Bing, Bowen, Carnes, Carroll, D'Espinosa, Dulaney, Fry, Gettys, Gunn, Haskell, Johnson, H. C., Johnson, W. G., Milton, Nist, Palmer, Schlatter, Schaffer, W. H., Timberman, Tredennick, and Lawrence. Of course you understand the members of the class were not there as stags.

"Our next class luncheon is scheduled for December fifteenth."

After these notes had gone to press the following story of Gil Hayden's narrow escape early last September was brought to my attention. Gil was one of five passengers who had to jump from a crippled C-47 near Edmonton, Alberta. He and his civilian assistants were on an inspection of the tests of Signal Corps Equipment from the Watson Laboratories near Long Branch, N. J., of which Gil is commanding officer. Three civilians were killed when their chutes failed to open. Gil was lucky in that his chute functioned, but unfortunate in that he was injured. "The Long Branch Record" stated that the extent of his injuries was not known, but that his condition was not believed to be serious. We hope that by now his recovery is complete. Incidentally, Gil's son Bill graduated from West Point last June.

—W. J. Morton.

1924

Members of The Thundering Herd in Washington have been augmented by the arrival of a few for duty recently. Currently at the National War College are Dick Stephens, Alan Dawson, and Jimmy Willis, with Bob Dewey newly added to the faculty; the Industrial College class includes Luke Wells, Joe Morris, Charlie Van Way, Russ Baker, and Merrow Sorley, with Tom McCullough still adding dignity to the professorial group. Spivis Anding recently departed from the Industrial College for a spot of duty in London. Duke Arnold still heads up the Army

Budget Division in the Office of the Chief of Staff; he and Libby are going to be quite lonesome come June when both daughters will be married and Howard a sophomore at Cornell, leaving only little Joe (7 years) to dominate the household. Val and Rita Evans are enjoying their little manor in the country with their three boys while Val is Chief of the Supply Control Division of the Signal Corps. Doug and Kitty Smith find life pretty full entertaining distinguished visitors while Doug functions as one of the principal props of the Inter-American Defense Board. Frank and Margie Graling still helping to keep track of our Military Attaches and their problems.

Loomis Booth has been a retired gentleman for several months now since his last assignment as chief of Petroleum Administration on the staff of Governor Griswold in Greece; Nancy and the children are also enjoying their current domicile in the Nation's Capital. Jim Hulley is about to graduate from Walter Reed after a long surgical siege, but Isabelle and daughter Althea (a Junior at Wilson High) are not contemplating with joy the severance from active duty. Al Foote is with the Aeronautics Chart Service of the Air Force, and Juanita is holding the fort while he is currently engaged in a jaunt to Argentina. Oswald and Maria De La Rosa have two sons, Louis, 22, now matriculated at Georgetown University, and Jerry in high school, who is quite a football hero and West Point A-Squad prospect; Oswald is with the Personnel Records Board in the Pentagon. Em Itschner still hard at work as Chief of Construction Operations Division, Office Chief of Engineers, while Eleanor is coaching Gail, 10, and Carrol, 7, to aspire to Junior High School in the near future. Vonna Burger, one of the long-term residents around town, recently departed for Trieste; Travette has undergone quite a siege in the hospital but is in good health again. Perry Brown, the elusive bachelor and man-about-town, is currently enjoying a leave from the Career Management Branch of S.&A. Division General Staff. Jimmy and Velma Howell and their three children also in town while Jimmy heads a branch in the Plans and Operations Division General Staff. Dave Ellinger, now Deputy Director for Maintenance, Supply and Services for the Air Force, recently took a short course at Walter Reed but says he did not matriculate for purposes of graduation; he and Ruth have Shirley, 14, and Diana, 8.

Gene and Helena Ely have a married daughter in Berkeley, while Eugene, Jr. is a freshman at Princeton; Gene, Sr. heads up a branch of Organization and Training Division General Staff. Pete and Agnes Day are justifiably proud of their three daughters in Philadelphia, where Elaine attends the U. of P., Jannette attends Temple, and Barbara is on the faculty of the Philadelphia Conservatory of Music; Pete himself recently reported for duty with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Wally and Virginia Hastings, also present for duty with the Herd while Wally heads up the Real Estate Division Office Chief of Engineers. Clint and Mary Robinson and their children still in town, but we are sorry to hear a rumor that

Robby will soon retire to accept the presidency of a large engineering firm in New York.

Recent visitors to Washington included Dan Healy, who is Field Force Quartermaster at Monroe, and Palmer, G. W. who is helping "Critt" Crittenberger keep the United Nations straightened out in New York. Freddy Pyne recently passed through from Detroit, where he is one of the mainstays of the Aluminum Company of America, and where his daughter Peggy recently married.

Heard from recently at Leavenworth, Dan Hundley gave us a fine report on the gang out there which deserves reproduction in his own informative and expressive words: "The Leavenworth (school, not jail) members of the Herd send greetings and what-not to the other members of the obese and aged clan. Our members include firstly, Bing Bingham, whose bald head makes him ever prominent in the first row at the Burlesque. He is the mighty AC/S G-4 of the Post and School. It is he who acts as the administrator of injustice when you ask for quarters, etc. Wendell Blanchard is one of the G-2 experts in College instruction. That is, he instructs when he and Marcella can find time free from their Post activities since she is Secretary of the Woman's Club. Ralph Fisher who is supervising the air instruction at the College, insists that he is as good a doughfoot as any of us, as well as an air officer. He and Edie are justly proud of the recent arrival of Ralph, Jr. Sandy Goodman has temporarily graduated from shooting them out of the sky to planning world strategy. He insists that he is still a bachelor and furthermore seems to enjoy it. Dan Hundley is herding the personnel instruction in the College trying to find out what the G-1 should do and why. He is trying, with much agony, to lose some of that middleage spread. Al Jennings is the College Publisher in Chief. It is his prerogative to say that you use "ensure" instead of "insure" or vice versa. Since Al Junior is now a second classman at West Point, the old man and Genevieve are more up-to-date than usual with the *Pointer*. Rumor has it that Bill Sexton will soon be joining us for some mysterious job. It will be good to have him as well as a special pleasure for him to be near his home town of Leavenworth".

—M. E. S.

1925

Now convinced am I that my power of persuasion is practically nil. After reading my plea for dope in the September *Assembly* I felt inspired to write reams to myself. In pleasant anticipation a special basket was set aside to contain the voluminous contributions visualized. As this is written there repose in the basket three documents; and these from none other than my regular contributors of long standing, Bruce Clarke, Jack Chamberlain, and Daddy Dunn. Woe is me! There is some small comfort in noting that Jack has his own troubles along

these lines as gleaned from his contribution below.

The Pontiac, Mich. *Press* announces Don Bailey's assignment to the Plans Section, Army Field Forces, and prints a most impressive picture of Don. Appears as though there is a little thinning out going on in front on top; or could it be one of those tricks of photographer's lights?

In its Sunday supplement the Louisville, Ky. *Courier Journal* covers the Armored School and features Bruce Clarke. Picture shows him sitting in front of an intercom box flipping switches which allow him to hear what is going on in any classroom. Text of the article states General Patton considered Bruce as the outstanding tank commander in the Third Army, and quotes Bruce letting a skeleton out of the closet concerning his R.O.T.C. days at Tennessee as follows: "They (Tennessee) insisted that I put out a bigger band than Kentucky for the Thanksgiving Day game, so one year I had 152 pieces on the field even though not more than 50 of the members actually could play an instrument. I had the reeds removed from the saxophones and clarinets the nonmusical musicians carried and had the horns plugged so they couldn't do any damage. They may have only taken up space, but our band was bigger than Kentucky's". Recently returned from a trip to Europe Bruce reports seeing Hank Westphalinger and Gus West in England, Pop Harrold in Germany, and talking by phone to Carl Tischbein who was on his way from a tour in Europe; and very recently as bad weather closed in on the airfield at Knox in fluttered Linkswiler in his own private plane.

Visitors at U.S.M.A. since last issue included Wayne Smith, Pearre Cabell, Don Dunford, Ed Garbisch, Johnny Haskell, Jerry Kelley, Daddy Dunn, Chuck Noble.

Seen at the Army-Navy game: Barnett, Galloway, Purdue, Dunn, Kelley, Mrs. John (Bee) Holland.

On the feminine side Doris Barth relays a report from Al Tulley that Ike Evans' daughter Sally is marrying Charles Reifsnnyder, a young Washington lawyer, at Fort Leavenworth, December 27. Another, Sally (Tischbein), contemplates doubling up soon. Doris reports seeing at the Army-Navy game: Pat Lynch and wife, Paul Seleen with wife and daughter, Benny Fowlkes with wife and daughter, and Joe Cannon with wife and daughter.

Sad to announce the death of Tim Mulligan in Japan September 29 last. Tim died suddenly in his quarters of a heart attack while engaged in a telephone conversation. Julia and the four children returned to the U.S. in October.

Last issue we remarked that of the many hundreds of Plebes who entered in July not one was a son of a classmate. Happily we find this in error. Garver's and Smythe's boys entered as sons of deceased veterans. Garver was killed on Bataan; Smythe died in a Jap prison camp.

Daddy Dunn waxes enthusiastic about a recent trip to Washington. He says: "I not only was amazed but actually very proud to see so many of

our classmates in positions of authority and responsibility; also, from all indications, they are doing mighty fine jobs. The foot traffic in the Pentagon reminded me of the New York subway during rush hour, but I felt like a Kaydet again to be greeted frequently with a cheery 'Hello Daddy!' at nearly every turn. Spent a delightful weekend with the Petersons at Easton, Pa. where we attended the Lehigh-Lafayette game. Enjoyed a visit with Charlie Saltzman while down at the 'Nerve Center' and from my observations would say that he is handling the affairs of state with the same calm and efficiency that he displayed as our leader at the Academy"

The remainder of these notes are those received from Jack Chamberlain and they bring us up to date on what the Washington contingent is doing.

Since the last report from the Washington contingent, things have been relatively "quiet on the Potomac"

Although the new Secretary, Bill Nutter, circulated a plea for *Assembly* dope to all those in the area—a plea which, in truth, should have moved a totempole to tears—there appears to exist in the minds of the brethren a "passion for anonymity", and your correspondent faces his deadline with a few scattered notes and his imagination to draw on.

The first monthly luncheon of the year was held in one of the swank banquet rooms (quote, unquote) of the Pentagon on October 13th with twenty-five members present. "Besides enjoying the repast," as Bill expresses it, "the group 'railroaded' the following into office for the coming year": Pearre Cabell, President; Bill Nutter, Secretary; and George McManus, Treasurer. Bill has now begun to get "the big picture" in Logistics, hence is able to take time out for the stern duties of his class office. George finally arrived from Panama and we put him to work at once. Barney Barnett, just back from an M.A. job in Burma, was here long enough to take in the ceremony.

At the second luncheon, held at the War College Club on the 13th of November a couple of "furriners" were able to join us: Daddy Dunn, enroute to Greece, and Claude Black, now P.M. S.&T. at Tennessee and in town for the meeting of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities. A letter received from Claude says: "It has been a long time since I have enjoyed anything so much as seeing you and the other 'Unreliables'. . . All in all, the class has not done too badly. I saw Joe Cannon early last summer. He was moving a convoy of the 82d Airborne from Camp Campbell, Kentucky, back to home station at Fort Bragg. He is Division Artillery Officer of the 82d and Chuck Canham is Assistant Division Commander. Both of them are still doing jumps—think of that at their age. The only change age seems to have worked on Cannon is that, if possible, he looks taller and skinnier (Ed: "slim", that is) and those white eyebrows are more prominent".

Don Bailey's move to Fort Monroe, reported in the last *Assembly* as im-

minent, has now been completed. Joe Daugherty also has recently reported for duty at Old Point.

A new face around Washington is the beaming one of Milt Hankins, now in the Office of the Director of Armament, Air Force. Milt apparently is having the usual billeting trouble, since the poopsheet showing home addresses list him as "not permanent as yet". Frank Steer, likewise in the Air Force, has just reported for duty in the Pentagon and is Acting The Air Provost Marshal.

A note received from Carl Tischbein is too good in its natural state for your correspondent to monkey with, so here it is: "On T.D.Y. in Paris July-November on E.C.A. staff of Ambassador Harriman. Concerned with E.C.A. activities in the field of military economics. Visited all E.C.A. countries on the Continent from Norway to Turkey. Ran into Hank Westphalinger in London doing a swell job for Uncle Sam, also John Willems in Rome doing ditto. Found Ed (Nosebag) McLaughlin wandering about the Place de la Concorde—in from duty station in Dublin for an E.C.A. conference in Paris. Ray Toms, breathless and excited, blew in to Paris for a six day leave from Fort Dix"

Benny Bennett is assigned as Executive, Public Information Division, and, being a man who practices his profession as well as preaches it, offers to provide information to any classmate lost in the bowels of the Pentagon. If lost by day, classmates should call extension 74200 for succor; if by night, ORdway (no relation to CY) 7677 will bring the Saint Bernards—keg of brandy and all—to the rescue. "We have a guest room especially designed for people of the Class of 1925", says Benny.

Alice and Dave Tulley have announced the engagement of their daughter Gertrude (Trudy) Day Tulley to Cadet Eli Surut, Class of 1949, U.S.M.A. Trudy is to be married in June. Dave, by the way, says he saw Jerry Kelley at the Stanford game and that he looks like a million dollars. He also received a letter from Bill Lord who is back in the law business with his own offices at 744 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey. Classmates will be pleased to have another piece of incidental intelligence furnished by Dave, to wit, that young John Holland is doing a bang-up job at the New York Military Academy.

Ax Devereaux drops in to Washington occasionally from Fort Meade, where he is stationed. Hively Bowers is reported to be at Second Army Headquarters too.

Since publication of the last *Assembly* funeral services have been held in Arlington for two of our classmates, returned from overseas: Tim Mulligan and Arch Freund. Both services were attended by a goodly number of classmates, both those of the Washington contingent and those who happened to be in town at the time. Early in December, Wally Damas' remains are being returned for reburial in Arlington.

—V. J. E.

1926

VITAL STATISTICS

Number Graduated.....	152
Number Commissioned.....	151
Number of Regulars.....	100
Number Retired.....	16
Number Dead.....	19
Number Resigned.....	13
Number Discharged.....	1
Number Dismissed.....	2
Number Not Commissioned	1

News from Kirchhoff in Yokohama is to the effect that only he, Coke Carter, and Stanton remain in Japan after the grand exodus of our class that took place in 1947.

The aspirants for higher education include, at the War College, the following: Collins, Ennis, Griffing, Maude, Freddie Munson, Purcell and Storke. At the Industrial College: Douglas and Matthias.

Johnny McFarland reports that he is enroute to the United States Embassy in Lima, Peru, where he will hold forth for some time as military attache. He reports having attended the Stanford game in company with Spud Murphy, Nourse, Stagliano, Pinky Burns, Hank Ross, Trooper Doyle, and Daniels.

For all those planning to attend the 25th reunion in 1951, here is a housing item which should be welcome. Bob Nourse has obtained a tentative commitment from the C.O. at Stewart Field to reserve the B.O.Q. which in 1948 was assigned for the exclusive use of the Class of '23. What a group of super-annuated old codgers will do so far from the maddening crowd in the B.O.Q. is a bit hard to visualize; however, one can guess.

Mike Molloy writes that he has been in the consulting engineer business at Hartford, Connecticut, since shortly after our 20th reunion. He recently returned to West Point for a football game and brought along his three sons, the oldest of which, age 15, has military intentions and is now looking for an appointment.

Johnny Perman, after enjoying a 60-day leave on returning from E.U.C. O.M., has joined the Pentagon pen pushers.

Bill Walker and Jimmy Davidson have both arrived in Italy, Bill on the Battle Monuments Commission and Jimmy as an attache.

Ralph Osborne, in the Division Artillery of the 2d Division at Fort Lewis, reports that it would be fun to be back with troops if he only had some troops.

Pinky McDonough ("Pinky" now being only a word of courtesy) commands the 36th Engineers group at Fort Lewis, while Ty Cobb is having a fine time there as the local P.I.O.

Chuck McGeehan is in the real estate business in Baltimore except when the horses are running at the Maryland tracks. He reports that any one wishing either a \$60,000 house or a tip on the Fifth at Pimlico should see him before they inquire elsewhere.

Jimmy Burwell, after graduating from the War College last June, has built a home in San Antonio for (future) retirement use and is now in Panama as J-3 of the Caribbean command. It appears that his blonde, blue-eyed daughter is already being

eyed by the smiling lieutenants. He reports that Bob Des Islets is the Army Engineer for the theatre.

Keith Barney is director of installations of the Pacific Air Command in Hawaii and is the only classmate on the island. He has a big set of quarters at Wheeler Field and will undoubtedly welcome itinerant classmates passing through.

Tom Plummer, with Allied Chemical and Dye, acknowledges that he has four children and shoots a nifty game of golf. He now and then sees Ed Feather who is located at the Valley Forge Military Academy. Tom throws out a challenge to any or all members of the class for a game of badminton, playable at the reunion in '51. Tom's only proviso is that his partner be outstanding.

Has anyone heard the latest about the Class Tree? More later in this regard.

A few of the Class were seen at the Michie Stadium this fall and the Navy game was unusually well attended. It was encouraging to note that '26 has finally advanced to the 10 yard line. By the time we are wearing earphones and canes we will perhaps have made midfield.

Jack Ryan has been announced as Commanding Officer of the 14th Constabulary Regiment stationed in Fritztar.

The Association of Graduates is attempting to get a list of outstanding graduates and is asking each class to submit the names of approximately six of their outstanding members. For us, this work is being handled by the Pentagon group.

Plaques in memory of the graduates, classified by the Department of the Army as "battle deaths" in World War II, are to be erected in Cullum Hall. There will be a total of 488 names inscribed on the plaques. The names of our classmates who are so classified are: Richard O'Connor, G. A. Smith, Woodbridge, P. E. Yeomans. A poopsheet is being distributed which will give the definition of "battle deaths" as determined by the Department of the Army.

—G. H. and R. S. N.

1927

Members of our class for whom the Association of Graduates plans the installation of Memorial Plaques in Cullum Hall include Harold J. Coyle, Montgomery McKee, Martin Moses, Edgar S. Stack, Dudley G. Strickler and James Wilson; our classmates whose deaths in World War II were classified by the Department of the Army as "battle deaths". More about this plan will be included in a class letter which we hope to mail shortly.

An impressive percentage of the class in and about Washington were present at the reinterment of Joe Ganahl's body in Arlington on October 29. His wife Connie and his two sons, one of whom is now a cadet, were, of course, also present.

The Navy game this year should have brought back vividly memories of Soldiers Field in 1926. Mac McKinney reports a "too all quiet" at the

Ben Franklin after the game and suggests that we should plan a class get together after Navy game '49. All in favor, drop one of us a line.

McNutt has left Sacramento and now is holding forth at Fort Belvoir.

Jack Lovell made newspaper headlines when the Roumanian Government requested that he be recalled from his assignment as M.A. Jack's boy is a pebe.

P.D. Ginder has returned to the U.S. after a tour in Japan where he was Deputy G-3, G.H.Q. At present he is assigned to the Sixth Army and is on T.D. as Assistant Division Commander, 2d Infantry Division. P.D. commanded the 9th Inf. Regt. of the 2d Div. during combat, so he feels that he is back home again. He reports Gar Davidson and Buzz Butler are still holding down the Presidio.

Dutch Holland after a couple of years as Provost Marshal, Fifth Army, is moving into Washington for assignment to the Office of the Provost Marshal General.

Ray Stanton sailed October 8 for Japan, and a regiment, he expects.

Our Washington contingent had a dinner dance at the Mess at Fort McNair on October 16 and they are planning another '27 party in December.

Chuck Stone took time out from a really crowded desk for a long B.S. session with your correspondent early this fall. He and McGregor are with the Air Materiel Command. Mc by the way is skinnier than ever, hasn't taken on the "fortyish" weight which a number of us are now fighting.

Larry Kuter moves with his M.A.T.S. to Andrews Field. The Washington group is sure sorry to see him leave.

Jerry Lilliard joined Ray Bell as our star reporter for this period and we hope others will challenge his position.

—J. W. G. and H. McK.

1928

The old adage "no news is good news" does not hold true for those responsible for presenting news of the class to you. How about dropping us a line now and then? If you feel modest and prefer not to talk about yourself, a report on the whereabouts and goings on of classmates will be highly acceptable. From our meager dossier the following has been gleaned. A few hardy souls attended football games at West Point, among whom were Rich, Smith, D. B., Dennison, Seeman and Ludlam. Incidentally, it was discovered that Ludlam has a son in the pebe class.

Ed Reber recently visited Eglin Field, Florida, and had a fine visit with Harry Wilson. Alan McCutcheon was nearby with the 937th Aviation Engineer Group at MacDill Air Force Base.

We have learned that Wilkinson (retired) is Commandant of Cadets at Oklahoma Military Academy, Claremore, Oklahoma. Don't be too rough on the boys, Harvey.

Hank Everest gave a talk to the Second Class early in December on Arctic Operations. We took advantage of the opportunity to attend and enjoyed

Hank's discourse along with the Cadets.

When last reported, Maury Cralle had departed for the Philippines. According to the latest he is now head of the G-3 Section, U.S. Army Headquarters, Philippines Command, in Manila. Nice going, Maury.

A nice note from Bernice Lamont has been received telling us that Jim graduated from Harvard School of Business Administration last May and is enroute to Japan, where she hopes to join him in a month or two. She also mentioned meeting Totten, McNamara, McGarr and Myers, who are on duty in Washington.

This is all we have this time, but please remember we are dependent on you for hot dope. Just drop a line to any one of your representatives here, Calyer, Raymond or Reber, and we will see that your contribution is published for the edification of the Class.

—M. B. R.

1929

Response to our appeal for contributions to defray the cost of installing memorial plaques in Cullum Hall to commemorate the nine members of '29 officially classified as "battle deaths" has been gratifying. At the time of this writing, however, many members have not been heard from. We urge them to send in their two bucks in order to make the measure really a class project and so that they may share the sentiment expressed by so many: "It's the least I can do for so and so". Send checks to Phillips, please. No discount, no protest.

Many individuals expressed surprise that our battle casualties were so few. Others wondered why specific classmates who died during the war were not included. Elsewhere in this issue the criteria for determining the names are shown. It is emphasized that it is the Department of the Army, not U.S.M.A. nor the Association of Graduates, which compiled the list.

Work on plans for next June's reunion is continuing. The program drafted by the group stationed here and submitted for approval to the Washington wing of the class is shown below. If you have any comments, let Paul Harkins, who is chairman of the Entertainment Committee at West Point, have them without delay. No complaints will be considered after 30 days. Friday, June 3: No planned activities. All members stationed at West Point conduct open house. Saturday, June 4: Luncheon at Commandant's quarters; observe cadet sports during afternoon; picnic at Round Pond 1800. Sunday, June 5: Chapel 1100; Supe's reception 1500; Parade 1730; refreshments and buffet dinner at Bear Mt. Inn (or equivalent) 1900. Monday, June 6: Alumni Review 1030; Alumni Luncheon, Washington Hall 1230; dedication of Class Tree following lunch; Graduation Parade 1700. Tuesday, June 7: Graduation Exercises 1000; departure 1200.

Note that nothing is planned for the evening of June 6. This period was left open because it was felt that many of our aging classmates might have a

nostalgic desire to observe Graduation Hop. For the less sentimental there are the open houses of the personnel stationed on the point.

Thanks to all those who sent along greetings and news items with their two-dollar contributions. From among the notes the following dope is gleaned:

Russ Vittrup is G-3 Army, Caribbean, and reports that Bob Cook is doing similar duty in the Antilles, while Joe Ladd is Director of P.&O. for the Air in the Caribbean.

Dan Quinn (retired) is Director of Aviation Development for the New Orleans Chamber of Commerce. Says he: "Don't ask me how a doughfoot got mixed up in commercial aviation promotion".

Fred Chaffee at Sill states that the garrison includes Dave Brown, Bill Bullock, Luster Vickrey and Logan Clarke. Tiny Jark (enroute to Tokyo), Bud Kirn, Pinkey Crandall, Weary Wilson and Danny Sundt were recent visitors. Danny writes from Fort Bragg to say that he and Lefty Mace are preparing to welcome Hal Whiteley, who is leaving Norfolk.

Many cordial invitations for members of the class to visit them when in their vicinity have been received from our retired classmates. Williamson in San Mateo, California, writes that his address and telephone numbers will be in the next edition of the San Francisco Bay Area Army and Air Force telephone directory. Charlie Arnett is located in Montgomery, Ala., next door to Bud Kirn, who is on duty with the Alabama N.G.; Charlie, who has his latch-string out for classmates, reports that he has seen Earl Hughes, Sid Ofs-thun and Bill Bowyer at Maxwell or Selma. J. O. Stephenson says he had plenty of room for overnight guests in his house in Jefferson City, Mo.

A final note comes from Bill Greear in Germany. He states that Meyers, Hubard, Fagg, Maulsby also are in Germany, while Bat Carns is G-3 at Linz in Austria.

J. D. F. P.

1930

As described elsewhere in this issue, memorial plaques will be erected in Cullum Hall to commemorate the battle deaths among graduates in World War II. The names of the following sixteen members of our class will appear on the plaques: Bosworth, Castle, Dohs, Haggerty, Haugen, Kent, Lothrop, Maxwell, Ohme, Packard, Peterson, Schimmelpfennig, Simpson, Terry, Vaughn, and Walsh.

Surprisingly few of the Pentagon contingent were seen around the Point during the football season. The following classmates and wives have been recent visitors: Bob and Sally Wood, Millard and Dorothy Lewis, Wiley Ganey, Bob Porter, and Dick Hutchinson.

On behalf of the class, "Bromie" Bromberger has donated to the U.S. M.A. a Renaissance tapestry (Flemish) depicting an episode in the life of Josephus Flavius which occurred about 64 A.D. The tapestry, approximately 12 feet square, is woven in fine wools and highlighted in silk of several colors. This fine addition to the West Point art collection is hanging opposite the center door in Grant Hall.

On October 30, the Superintendent, Judge and Mrs. Bromberger and those members of the class stationed at West Point (Lee, Rothschild, Weber, and Eastburn) with their wives, assembled at Grant Hall to view the tapestry as it is now displayed. The occasion was properly recorded by a photograph of the assembled group. (See cut.)

It is recommended that when you return to West Point, you make a special effort to look at this artistic gift which, thanks to "Bromie", now takes its place among the art treasures of West Point.

—C. P. E.

1931

Class business needs to be spread to all members and since about fifty per-



Members of U.S.M.A. Class of 1930 and their wives who were present at the presentation of a Renaissance Tapestry to the Military Academy by Judge Edgar Bromberger, Chief Magistrate City of New York, and an honorary member of the Class of 1930. Left to right: Mrs. C. P. Eastburn, Lt. Col. Eastburn, Mrs. F. R. Weber, Col. M. J. Lee, Lt. Col. Weber, Judge Bromberger, Mrs. J. H. Rothschild, Mrs. Bromberger, and Lt. Col. Rothschild.

cent of the class will read this you are kindly enjoined to appoint yourselves dispensers of glad tidings, etc.—Johnny Waters informs us that the class fund held \$520.57 as of October '48 at the First & Mechanics National Bank of Richmond, Pentagon Branch. I got first chance at suggesting how to spend a good portion of it. Those readily available seemed to agree that '31 should foot the bill out of class funds for our share of the cost of the Memorial Plaques for Battle Deaths in World War II to be erected in Cullum Hall. Please read the article in this connection elsewhere in this issue. Our ten, Donaldson, Fleeger, Frederick, Samuel E. Jones, Marshall, Mathews, McClellan, Pahl, Raker, Saint, are among the 488 names of graduates to be inscribed on the plaques.

A few of our readers have already been contacted for light research on our class accomplishments. Please don't feel bashful about giving facts on our outstanding men. Not all of us know the fields many of us have tackled since graduation. Col. Dupuy has been commissioned to write a book about West Point for the sequicentennial (1952). He plans to include notable accomplishments of many graduates. If you can uncover information in your section of the world it will be appreciated.

Luke Cron reminds me of a long overdue recognition this column owes Densford, who gave a complete account of his large family and life at an Air Corps station, but the poop was lost in the bucking around. Luke protests he has written several times without acknowledgement so we proceed with his fine letter:

"I am presently with the Gunnery Dept. of the A.A. & G.M. School here at Bliss, having arrived a few months ago from Leavenworth. Have had no change in family for past nine years and hope to maintain the status quo.

"Tom Stayton and Roy Kaufman are with troops here and struggling with the A.A. expansion program. Bill Taylor is with the Tactics Dept. of the School. Dean Herman is a student in one of our classes.

"Johnny Inskip, Tex Hightower and Gordon Cusack were through here awhile back. They are with the A.F.F. Board at Knox.

"Gene Hiddleston is with the G-3 Section, Fourth Army, at San Antonio and comes up here every now and then.

"That's about all I know concerning '31 at this time.

"I was with Supe Lindsey over in Heidelberg for quite some time."

Word of George Wertz comes from his better half. Effie is running the home at 709 Helen Avenue, Charleston, W. Va., hoping for George's return from Palestine in March. She adds that the McNairs hope to stay in Tokyo another year.

Jim Mooney accounts for a nice group as follows:—

"The following faces (somewhat changed recently) can be seen most any day in the five-sided building: Bob Alan with J.C.S.; Frank Bogart, Dan Callahan and Charlie Howze in Materiel; Frank Corbin as an Air Judge; Bo Dougher in Operations; Bob Eaton in I.&L.D.; Louie Guenther in

the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force's office; Jim Mooney and Doc Strother in Personnel; Mickey Moore in Intelligence; Chet Young buzz bombing. Gene Beebe has been teaching at the N.W.C.; Dave Hutchinson spent part of the year at Andrews Field and then went to El Paso; Dick Wise with the Central Control Group; Don Yates still forecasting weather for the Air Force from Andrews Field. Milt Arnold retired—Vicing for Air Transport Association and living in Washington.

"The following faces might be seen at Buckroe Beach on a dark night: Johnnie Barr and Bob Lee assigned to T.A.C. at Langley; Billie Bell and Andy McVea with the Inspector at Langley; Brother Chappell at Ft. Eustis; Jake Smart commutes to Broadway from Mitchel Field. Saw George Hartman the other day just before he went over to Turkey. Gordon Blake now out at Wright Field along with Jack Gordon; Blunda joined the Air Force and remained in Europe; Hockenberry is bathing in Rum and Coca Cola at Trinidad. Jock Malloy wrote in from Nanking in October (no telling where he is now)."

Johnny Waters lists six besides himself at the Armed Forces Staff College. Speidel, Sullivan and Spengler are instructing. John Davis, Bill Davis and Carl Green absorbing. John is expected back at West Point in February so class matters will once more be in the proper hands.

The nice part of the Army-Navy game was, as always, getting a chance to see so many of the class, their wives and kids. Space does not permit listing any more.

—Al Greene.

1932

The dunning letter you received, asking for one dollar for the class fund in order to pay our share of the cost of the "Battle Death" plaques in Cullum Hall, has resulted in a nice collection of vital statistics. Ed Simenson wrote in from Rantoul, Illinois. Bob and Jackie Schukraft, 213 N. Evergreen Street, Arlington, Va. Bill and Sue Menoher. Ogden Arsenal, Ogden, Utah. Bill moans that he hasn't seen a classmate for over a year. Jim Massey, Industrial College, Washington. Charlie Longanecker, 4705 Post Road, El Paso, Texas. Charlie writes that Phil Doyle and McFeeley are at Bliss with him. Fred Hinshaw, 3191 N. 18th Street, Arlington, Virginia. Dave Schorr, A.F.S.C., Norfolk, Virginia. Dave is packing for overseas. Steve Mellnik, 3737 Gunston Road, Alexandria, Virginia. George Mather, U.N., 2 Park Avenue, New York 16, N. Y. Ed Momm, 568 Stratford Road, Union N. J. Ed is retired and now teaching. Edgar Chace, 409 Jersey Avenue, Spring Lake, N. J. Charley Piddock, 319 Appleton Street, Arlington, Mass. Milt Glatterer, 3223 Manthar Custis, Alexandria, Virginia. Bill Ellery, 511 Westcott Street, Falls Church, Virginia. Bob Hewitt, Instructor, C.&G. S.C., Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Norm Lankenau, A.F.F. Board No. 1, Fort Bragg, N. C. Tom McDonald, Water-

vliet Arsenal, Watervliet, New York. Bill Smith, 3403 Old Dominion Blvd, Alexandria, Virginia. Floyd Hansen, O.C. of Ord., Washington 25, D. C. John Weber, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Meyer Braude, 628 Oakton Street, Evanston, Illinois. Johnny Bowen, 605 Beverly Dr., Alexandria, Virginia. Lou Coutts, Room 3E 787, Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C. Ward Gillette, Room 3D-761, Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C. Johnny Steele, A.F.S.C., Norfolk, Virginia. Johnny is also packing for overseas—Hawaii. Roger Derby, Pres., Air Import-Export Corp., 1026 Maritime Building, New Orleans, La. Hugh Cary, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Irv Roth, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Irv writes that the following are also at Leavenworth, Bill Spurgin, Dick Hunt, Bill Massello, Walker Goodrich, Duke Ondrick, Johnnie Pugh, Ray Cockran, Ed Rowan, Roy Moore. Rush Lincoln, T.C. School, Fort Eustis, Virginia. George (Papa) Duncan, 2624 S. Fern Street, Arlington, Virginia. Bill Culp, T.C. School, Fort Eustis, Virginia. Enroute to A.F.S.C. George Descheneaux, retired, Yarmouth, Me. George Kumpe, 1507 Foxhall Road, Washington 7, D. C. Norm Ford, Tarrytown, New York. Stan Sawicki, T.A.S., Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Poo Hillsinger, 600 W. Colonial Dr., Orlando, Florida. Poo writes congratulating the members of the Class here for selecting Hillberg as Treasurer. Poo is now a practicing attorney. Ray Stecker, 335 Bridge Street, Salem, Mass. Torg Wold, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. Torg remarks on the shortage of baby sitters for his four little Wolds. Jack Sutherland, Andy Meulenber, McCauley, and Leo Dahl are also at Wright Field. Ell Davis, 840 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, California. Ell is Exec of the Engineer District there. Ernie Powell, 1 Scott Circle, Washington 6, D. C. Alex Graham, Wpns. Department, Fort Knox, Ky. Alex wonders who Zits hires to ghost for him! Archie Lyons, Trans. O., Third Army, Fort McPherson, Ga. Archie writes that he has seen Danny Campbell at Maxwell Field, also Ash Manhart and Todd Slade at Benning. Sam Russell, 1307 Robinson Pl., Falls Church, Virginia. Lawrence Babcock, 1293 Fincastle Road, Lexington, Ky. Avery Cockran, Fort Monroe, Virginia.

Newspaper clippings indicate that Bob Williams is now Commanding the 903 A.A. Bn., Fort Clayton, C. Z.; Johnny Gavin is G-1 of the Caribbean at Quarry Hts., C. Z.; and Stan and Margie Stewart have a new daughter born at Irumagawa, Japan. Johnny Metzler now retired, is living at Route 1, Picayune, Miss. Mary Cain, widow of Jim Cain, is living at 42 Bertha Place, Staten Island, New York. Bigelow and Tisdale are at Aberdeen. Gary Hall is in the Pentagon, and Gordon Seward is at the Industrial College. Red Smith is at Mitchel Field.

The members of the Class here had the sad duty of attending the re-interment services at the West Point Cemetery for Ery Somerville and Danny Spengler.

Kenny Zitzman lives at 7205 Harwick Road, Wood Acres, Washington 16, D. C. Kenny without question is the person who makes this column a success. Here goes for Kenny's latest

literary jewel which arrived by Air-mail special delivery just after the dead line.

"The Washington Chapter of the Loyal Sons and Goats of 1932 weathered another crisis when the cabinet crashed in the October elections and a new slate of officials was installed. Chris Dreyer is the new Chairman, Jude Abel the holdover Vice-Chairman, Bill Smith still holds the quill (and the bag) as Secretary-Treasurer, and Johnny Kambhu is Ass't Secretary-Treasurer in case we have to make a quick switch to Siamese currency. Council members are Allen Britton, George Campbell, Isley, Morris, Mussett, Young, and Zitzman. (It didn't turn out that way when I made the nominations.)

"Probably in anticipation of a prosperous term, President Dreyer bought himself a new Ford on the spot—the kind with the fancy radiator grill that looks like my kids when they return from the orthodoxist with a new set of braces on their teeth. (I'm perfectly safe in writing this as the hero-worshippers in my house would rather read a geography book than the stuff I write.)

"The committee immediately began making like a new broom and staged a dance at the Ft. Myer Officers' Club. In my opinion, it was the best yet with about 70 people present, including two deserters from the Class of '33 who turned themselves in during the evening. Went to the Hartshorns for cocktails and dinner before hand to get the old hop back on the fast ball and had the usual enjoyable time. Tiny, who writes herself notes from the household appurtenances to keep herself on schedule (defrost me, call the gasman about my pilot light, etc.) knows her way around the kitchen and culminated an impressive buffet display with a tossed salad that had me faking small talk in the chow line till it was time to leave. Many new faces at the dance, including the lovely one belonging to Delphine Suarez, who looked as snappy as she did in San Antonio in 1933 when I was doing my level best to keep file Ed. (Roommates once but friends now.)

"The overseas set remains active, probably being inspired by Jim Churchill and By Paige who wrote a comprehensive and thoughtful plan in Tokyo then brought it here in person to explain what it meant. By has an authoritative job as head of the Plans Section in the Far East Command G-3 Division and with Maretta and his pamphlet of 3 little Paiges will be in Tokyo another year. In addition to his other activities, By has secured patents on a pipe lighter he has invented—a formidable affair featuring two wicks and a venturi tube air draft. It has a dismantling tool for 2nd echelon maintenance integral with it but so far does not contain a self destructor for use when capture by the enemy is imminent.

"Jim Churchill, by the way, who at 25 said he was going to be married at 30 period, just turned 40 period. Recalls to mind those dear dead days in the Spring of '29 when philosophic gems like Farnsworth's Fixed Opinion were an everyday occurrence.

"Ash Manhart has left the fleshpots of Paris for the smudgepots of Benning and Tom Darcy transferred from Phoenix to Weisbaden in October, so naturally I got a postcard from him from Tripoli a month later. Al Gerhardt was one of a few Army officers to accompany Secretary of State Marshall to Paris for the meeting of the U.N. General Assembly; no trivial distinction in anyone's field manual.

"Our last Pentagon luncheon was brightened considerably by Stan Wray who had just flown home from Germany to be with Esther in Arlington for the arrival of their fourth son, a one-of-a-kind record for our class. Stan is a big wheel in Operations Vittles and if memory serves correctly, would be consuming his share of the payload even as he slaves away.

"And Joe Gill, the sly old fox, slipped off to France last month and married a crepe suzette from Lille with the tuneful name of Louise Lefebvre. Bon jour, kid, and welcome to the Class of trente-deux. If you meet Gene Mussett or Bob Landry early in the game don't leap to any hasty conclusions regarding the group as a whole.

Stan Stewart has just returned from the Far East and is hiding behind an alpha particle in the Air Force atomic energy shop. Dick Coiner is now in the Air Operations Division of Air Force Hq. and with Helen and the small fry is living in Arlington. Frank Britton leaves here next month for the A.F.S.C. but Mary Lou will continue to live in Washington while he completes the course. Bill Powers and George Mather have both returned from the Caribbean; Bill to San Antonio as Deputy Engineer of the Fourth Army and George to the United Nations in New York City where he is General Crittenberger's secretary. I'll know the Old Army is back when I hear George recite 'I'm an Autocratic Product of these Democratic States' once again with everyone else coming down hard on the chorus.

"Shortly after you see this, the Chris Dreyers are going to be reduced to co-leadership of the The-Class-of-1932-Shall - Not - Perish - from - the - Face - of-the-Earth-Club. I would announce the name of the new rivals but I'm not able.

"In addition to owning a piece of machinery to perform every known household chore except that of turning on the other machinery, George and Frenchy Kumpe have a hamster which can best be described as a guinea pig with a backbone made of wet spaghetti. Hamsters being what they are and George being the smart man he is, he has only one of them, but he loves to watch it for hours as it runs inside its squirrel cage. Claims that after a hard day at the office it gives him a feeling of companionship. And I finally saw my own job in its true perspective when I visited the Chemical Corps labs and tried out one of those motor driven treadmills that the human guinea pigs walk on for hours testing new equipment. The attendant set the speed so that while walking as fast as I could, I drifted slowly backwards, and once again I got that old familiar feeling.

"Just as I've been telling everyone that his long captivity hasn't changed

Johnny Pugh a bit either physically OR mentally, I read where he has gone to Benning to jump out of airplanes in the Basic Airborne Course. After Johnny completes his schooling he will join the 82nd Airborne Division and Tuffy Horner who also does it without being pushed.

"The Army-Navy weekend in Philly was fun as usual, especially since we drove with Lou Coutts and his chic chick Mary who perpetually looks like somebody's 18 year old sister. Their Mary Jr., incidentally, who reported for duty two years ago (*Assembly*, January '47) has established some sort of a record by managing to get a few teeth chipped, acquire a broken arm and to have her stomach pumped during that brief span.

"At the game we were joined by Red and Ruth McKeown the Providence dilettantes, who never miss one of those formations. When I called Ruth's attention to a customer who was furtively taking sips from a medicine bottle disguised with a label marked 'Four drops in water at mealtimes', she said 'When he polishes that one off I'll give him a slug from 'Five drops in each nostril before retiring'.

"I regret to say that Marelle (Mrs. Bill) Smith had to pass up the trip at the last moment because of a painful attack of bursitis. Fortunately, she has recovered, however, and once again, after Bill hops on his motor scooter with a flourish to whip off to the Pentagon each morning, helps run a very successful interior decorating business in Alexandria.

"At the Ben Franklin after the game spent some time with Bugs and Doris Cairns who are finishing up at the A.F.S.C. and going back to Leavenworth in February. There were no untoward incidents unless you count the unidentified character near the 16th floor elevators who peered at my wife intently for several seconds and then triumphantly announced to the floor lamp at his side 'The one on the left has the Toni'.

"That's about all the news we have down here except that Neutrons McCormack recently has had his duties as Director of the Military Applications Division of the Atomic Energy Commission redefined, and one of our leading Washington journals views the whole thing with alarm. It says uneasily that such a centralization of power in one man might well lead to a dictatorship and as such is a potential menace to the peace. Imagine Mac being an international menace! If the tension builds up to an unbearable pitch, I'll show them his *Howitzer* picture. Yours, Ken Zitzman."

—Beach.

1933

From your remarks, the Fifteen Year Book is a smash hit—Dave, John and Hurly asked that I pass on their thanks for your thanks. This is it.

Here are some general interest quotes from your letters to Dave and John:

Tom Moorman, 2043rd Weather Wing A.P.O. 925, S.F., "just returned from a trip to Hawaii where I saw Abe

Lincoln, George Van Way and a gang of '33 there. I see Tom Hall frequently. He is located near here. Jim Polk lives near me (in Japan)" Leo Heintz, U.S.A.F. Field Officer for Atomic Energy at Kirtland Field, "Recently John Armstrong and Milt Summerfelt tossed off a few with us. Run across Doc Denton frequently at Sandia" Ted Conway, A.F.S.C., "Lass Mason is up in Falls Church, Va. and we have quite a time. We have quite a gang down here: Carroll, Doleman, Fletter, Given, Hartel, Hine, Kaiser, Pritchard, Schmelzer, Wallace, Walter, and Ely". Bing Downing, Fort Richardson, Alaska, forwards a clipping which indicates he is Commandant of the Army Arctic Indoctrination School at Big Delta. The school teaches winter clothing procedures, equipment, survival, operations and techniques."

Ben Harris: "Lyle Bernard writes that the British Ambassador invited him to receive the D.S.O." Macherey, P.M.S.&T. at Dayton, Ohio. Johnnie Breit, Hq. Alaskan Air Command, A.P.O. 942, Seattle: "Joe Stilwell and Bing Downing are still in good shape. Very seldom see Harry Burkhalter who is frozen in for the winter in Nome" Pete Pittman, P.M.S.&T. at Johns Hopkins, Baltimore: "Bert Sparrow, Asst. Sec'y. General Staff, U.S.A., made a brief visit here to sell Army Mutual Aid to the First Class. He is working on the current D.A. reorganization and has no rumors, not even on the pay bill". Bob Hain, still in Hawaii, "just returned from San Diego where Rudolph and I represented the Hawaiian contingent on an exercise for the C.&G.S.S. put on by the Navy and Marines. Saw Joe Remus there" Joe is at Leavenworth.

Steve Fuqua reports running into Pick Vidal in Detroit. Pick is working with Willys in the Jeep Dept. George Bishop, now retired with a bum heart, has been having a rough time early this fall, but now is able to travel and left early in November for Arizona. His mailing address until further notice, however, is P.O. Box 215, Laurel, Del. Gordon Larson is now assistant director of the Air Pollution Control District, 5201 Santa Fe Ave., Los Angeles 11, a new outfit under the County of L.A. aiming at cleaning up industrial smog in the area. Bob Arnette, retired in San Antonio 5, is with the Lincoln Natl. Life Insurance Co., 1221 Majestic Bldg. T-Bone Bowen, is at Hq., 1st Army, Governors Island, New York 4, N. Y. as is Bob Lawlor. Hum Versace, writes on office Memo, U.S. Govt. Standard Form No. 64, apologizes for missing Reunion, but blames it on the advent of an eight and a half pound boy, their fourth, all boys.

Bob Leslie is living at Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J. while acting as A.F.F. Liaison Officer, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Whippany, N. J. Bob, Ruth and Bobby were up this fall; Bobby, a red headed almost teen-ager is bigger than both. Fred Fairchild is at Maxwell A.F. Base. Gray Essman a post grad student at Stanford, expects to finish up next summer. Bob Gallagher transferred to the A.F. in September and is in Hq. U.S.A.F. Jug Shields, 210 John Page Drive, San Antonio 1, reports seeing Greco, Dave Hine and Bill Due at the W.P. dinner.

Dave Gibbs holds down the West Point desk in O.&T. in Washington and is of great assistance to U.S.M.A. Bear Eylar, retired, gives his phone number to the class as Van Houten 4-0382-J, Patterson, N. J. Sam Otto is C.O., 6th Arm'd. F.A. Bn. at Sill and lists the five classmates there as Bill Wheelhan, Gerry Chapman and Bill Daniel, all with the Arty. School, Duff Sudduth, C.O. of the 18th F.A. and himself.

Eddie Bastion is in London attending the equivalent of our A.F.S.C. Address: Jt. Services Staff College, Latimer House, Buckinghamshire, England. He is under orders to Devens on completion of his course and may be there by now. Emory Hackman, retired, is at Meadowbrook Heights, Charlottesville, Va. He has offered to run a missing persons agency for the class, which sounds like a good idea. Pete Jackson reports that Bruce Scott is living in Santa Fe, and busy placing Indian curios in manufactured goods in department stores throughout the country. Bruce had been feeling pretty punk from the after effects of pneumonia at the time of Pete's visit.

Red Cahill is in the Career Management Branch of P.&A. G.S.U.S.A. Chet Degavre wrote in from the C.&G.S.S. also. Frank Kleitz writes from Knox that he and Sweeting are there in the Armored School, and Bill Fuller and Dave Calhoun with the 3rd Armored. Here are a few addresses as of last report: Clay Bridgewater, Office Assistant Sec'y of the Army. Mrs. William H. Ledward (Bill's mother), 43 Ledward Ave., Westerly, R. I. Slugger Douglas, Inf. Branch, Career Mgmt. Gp., P.&A., G.S.U.S.A. Ben Harrell, Ft. Benning. Hal Richey, Office Mil. Attache, Ottawa, Ont., Canada. Skid Giffin, Hq. U.S.A.F. Tex Hetherington, Air War College, Maxwell A.F. Base. Bus Evans, 5908 Cedar Pkway, Chevy Chase 15, Md. Benny Ray, 2047 W. Imperial Hwy, Los Angeles 44. Red White, 1515 North Frederick St., Arlington, Va. Rosy Grubbs, Maxwell A.F. Base. Tom Evans, Student, Stanford U., Palo Alto. Bill Ryan, 206 Belle View Blvd., Alexandria, Va. Johnny Johnson, C.&G.S. College, Doug Davis, too. Pat Guiney, A.P.O. 58, N.Y., is in Paris.

Dave received the following letter from the "U.S. Dept of State, New York City", which I quote in full: "Mr. Thayer has asked me to give you his correct mailing address which is: c/o Department of State, I.B.D., 224 West 57th Street, New York, New York. He has not resided at the Madison Avenue address for several months now and prefers using his office address to insure receiving his mail. Very truly yours, _____, Secretary to Charles W. Thayer"

Cy Letzelter and family are in E.U. C.O.M. Word has been received of the death about November 6 of Newell James in a Lawton, Okla. hotel room, of an abdominal hemorrhage. Bob Thompson is at Headquarters Third Army. Abe Lincoln writes in from Schofield Barracks to complain about how busy he is as Engineer U.S.A.R. P.A.C. He takes time out to say: "There's still quite a few of the class here but we are all due to go home about the same time. Starbird is Deputy Chief of Staff, Van Way and

Hain are in G-4, Rudolph is with the Provisional Regiment, Ashworth has left G-1 to take over an artillery battalion. Cubbison has transferred from National Guard Instructor to Executive Officer at Schofield Barracks. By about next July this gang will all be leaving".

Bud Powell is in the Office Chief A.F.F. Ira Cory writes from Ft. Winfield Scott, California, to give some of the dope he left out of the Fifteen yearbook. He has 2 boys, ages 9 and 10 and recently arrived at Scott from the University of Pennsylvania where he took a 2-year course in Electronics. He says he can snow you under with mathematical and electrical terms but still can't fix his own radio. Corum is also at Scott. Ole Olsen is in the Development Section O.C.A.F.F., Ft. Monroe. Charlie Wynne is Superintendent of the Waterbury Veteran's Hospital, Waterbury 61, Connecticut. Johnny Ferris is at Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn. He says he gets quarters and etc., from the school and seems to like the job. Apparently he's P.M.S.&T. but doesn't say. Pete Clainos is at Ripon College, Ripon, Wisconsin, in the Dept. of M.S.&T. He reports that Dave Wagstaff who is now the R.O.T.C. Boss in G-3 Section, Fifth Army, Chicago, had just completed his annual inspection of the R.O.T.C. unit there.

Bob Turner writes in from Tripolis, Greece. He is with the U.S. Army Group, A.P.O. No. 206, N.Y. He says if you can remember your ancient history, Tripolis is just north of Sparta—"perhaps it can better be described as a jewel nestling in the surrounding mountains of Manalon" I think he likes the detail but half the letter was written in Greek script and the other half in typical Turner style, so you have to draw your own conclusions. Clyde Jones is at Fort Benning. Jimenez is in Caracas, Venezuela and sent in his regards. Jerry Roberson wrote in a long letter from Karlsruhe Military Sub-post, the American Military Mission to F.F.O., whatever that means, with lots of dope on the class, which due to its length and the length of this current document I am going to save until the next issue (adv). Cam Longley is in G-3, Central Military District of California, in charge of civilian components in North California, Nevada and Utah. He reports that John Shinkle is in charge of the San Francisco Ordnance Procurement District. John Scoville is now at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N. M. Blackie Myers has moved to Bastrop, Texas, P.O. Box 69. He says "the fishing is swell here and only a couple hundred miles from the coast and more fishing".

—Dick Meyer.

1934

Plans for next June are jelling. Tentatively on deck are:
Saturday, June 4—Cocktails at Skating Rink Lounge.
Sunday, June 5—Picnic on White Oak Island (Camp Buckner).
Monday, June 6—Morning tour of U.S.

M.A. plant—conducted by local residents.

Evening dinner at Stewart Field Officers' Mess.

Tuesday, June 7—Graduation Day, Class of 1949 U.S.M.A.

Thus far 68 out of about 130 replying have indicated they will be here for June Week. It promises to be a good show.

You should have received two communications from us during the past two months. One was an address list of all our class that was put together from the post cards and mimeograph questionnaires you returned. It represents the most complete and up-to-date listing since our address was U.S.C.C. The other was a letter sent out via the Association of Graduates telling of the Memorial Plaques to our "Battle Deaths" of World War II. In the event you did not get either of these, or you have corrections or questions on them, please drop us a post card and we'll try to oblige.

The 1948 Register of Graduates should have reached you by now—if you subscribe to it. Whether you did or not, you should receive a "Form for Information" in January 1949. Hereafter your record in it will show your current address and assignment and your previous one only. Should you wish a copy of last year's or the current register or 1934 mimeograph address list, let us know.

If we or the Association have printed data about you that is in error, please help us correct it. A penny post card (NOT enclosed) will do the trick.

NOT SO PERSONALS

Perry Griffith (Commanding, 5700th Composite Wing (Piper Cubs, DeHavillands, Jennies, and W.A.C. Corporals) at Albrook Air Force Base, C. Z.) sent a scurrilous sketch of your scribe along with details of the liquid consumption statistics of Pop Womack—Guatemala City; Pop Warner—Lima, Peru; J. B. Stanley—Caracas, Venezuela; and Lou Walsh in Bogota, Columbia. "Mi coronel, los cadetes Fulano y Delgado estan ausentes, y seran presentes en Junio 1949"

Jeanne, Paul Berkowitz' widow, has remarried and is now Mrs. James Anderson, 618 Fulton St., S. Palo Alto, Calif. Ted Bilbo was at Fort Bliss in October taking a get-rich-quick course in guided missiles. He is an instructor in the Dept. of Artillery Tactics at Sill. Brown, P. S. is listed in the current Leavenworth Class. Brown, T. T. is reported at the Air War College, Maxwell A.F.B., Ala. Monte Canterbury writes from the Sandia Base that it looks like work will prevent him from attending the Fifteenth. Ace Brookhart is reported in an Inf. outfit on the Atlantic side of the Canal Zone.

Harry Hillyard reports Air War College class party given by Alness and Wise chez Wise, for '34 students Legg, Hanley, Barton, T. T. Brown, and Ruben Tucker (ex '34). Course runs until late in June and 15th reunion is out for the group. . . Joe and Jean Ellen Killian, constructing in Albuquerque, say it would take a pay raise to get them east in June. . . Dick Legg and Bill Wise have swapped jobs again. Bill took Dick's when the latter went to school—also took a case of champagne from Dick on the basis of a new baby

boy and an old bet from 1943 in S.W. P.A. . . Junie Ligon suggests 15th reunion be held in Anchorage, Alaska, as the only practicable solution for him to attend. . . Tom Lipscomb in Turkey for Thanksgiving. . . Arno Luehman back from Paris in time to come up for the Virginia Tech game. . . Speed Kern and Tony Hills representing us at staff colleges abroad, Canadian Staff College, Ontario, and Joint Services Staff College, Latimer, Chesham, Bucks, England, respectively. . . Tom McCrary says Korea is just like you always thought it was and some of '34 now there will finish their tours in Japan. . . Bob McKinnon reports Uncle Dudley Wilmeth, seen in Tokyo, home station Korea, soon to go to China. Bob, B. J. Richardson, Bob Warren, and Fred Cook all in G.H.Q., F.E.C. . . . Freddy Barnes writes that the Okie O'Connells christened number three Kathleen. . . Staunton and Fanny Brown, u/o from A.F.S.W.P. to A.F. S.C., up for the Harvard game and back to Virginia to recover. . . Peewee Fellenz took a job building bridges in Maryland while on leave waiting to go to the War College. . . Jack Smoller, newly married to Carol Randall of Baltimore, now in the American Embassy at the Hague, Netherlands. . . Bud and Helen Buehler thoroughly pleased with new orders to River & Harbor duty in Portland, Ore., but it means selling that house in Washington. . . Dick McKee u/o to A.F.S.C. February 4. . . Jerry Higgins is Asst. Div. Comdr. of the 11th Airborne Div. His A.P.O. is 468—NOT 486 as previously reported—Unit 1, c/o P.M., San Francisco, Cal. He is at Sendai, Japan and writes:

"As we remarked just before we left, one of our keenest regrets was that we would not be able to be present for our 15th Reunion. Both Mary and I were looking forward to such an event with a great deal of anticipation, and had hoped that we might be in a position to help out somewhat in making our classmates as comfortable as possible. However, eight thousand miles makes a little difference, and we'll just have to be content with being with you in spirit.

"Even though we definitely cannot make it, we would like to be remembered to all present. And we certainly think it would be a grand idea to ask the widows of the class to attend. So much so that we are enclosing the modest sum asked to start a Reunion Fund. As an absentee reunionist, I may have no voice in the matter, but if I can express a wish I would like to go on record as favoring the Reunion Fund meeting the local expenses of the widows. Please apply the enclosed money order to that effect, or wherever else you feel it will do the most good. (And if you will just have one drink to those who can never be with us again, Mary and I will certainly feel amply repaid.)

"Sorry to hear so many have departed from our merry group of last year, but, as I found out only too soon when I reported in here, time really marches on. We are really spread out—Jabbo and I have the rather dubious distinction of being the only two of the Class of 1934 in the same division! Fred Cook is with G-1, G.H.Q.; J. B.

Richardson with G-4, G.H.Q.; and Hec McKinnon with a southern division. Dud Wilmeth called the other day, on his way to a new assignment at Nanking. Haven't been able to locate any Air Force classmates in the entire theatre, but am still on the lookout."

Willie Voehl, currently on duty as assistant to the Senior Instructor with the New Mexico National Guard at Santa Fe, N. M., writes: "I was formerly on duty with the N.Y. National Guard but the illness of my wife caused me to request an assignment out here where it is dry and warm". Lou Walsh on duty with the U.S. Embassy, Bogota, Columbia, S. A., writes that he expects to return to the States soon. Bob Warren reports that he, B. J. Richardson, Bob McKinnon, and Fred Cook are all on duty at G.H.Q. in Tokyo and that they manage a "get together" occasionally. Bill Wise writes from Maxwell Field that Bill Gross recently left there for assignment with T.A.C. Hq. at Langley Field, Va., and that Fred Barnes visited there recently.

"Pop" Womack is reported to be at Ft. Knox, Kentucky and also in Central America. How about dropping us a line, "Pop"? Jim Winn writes from Greece that he has been there since January with the Greek Army "C" Corps as G-3 Advisor. His wife, Eleanor, and daughter, Laura, joined him in March so things are looking up. Jim states "Damnedest war I ever saw but interesting to say the least. Heck Davall is with the Greek II Division but have not had a chance to see him yet"

Late info indicated Don Vars is with the 17th Airborne Division at Camp Pickett, Virginia. Helen Merrill of 4421 Volta Place, N.W., Washington, D. C. writes that Johnny Merrill was reburied with military honors in the cemetery at Boonville, New York, the childhood home of his parents, on July 24th, 1948. Pete Peca, stationed with A.F.F. Board No. 4 at Ft. Bliss, was on T.D.Y. to mid-January at Ft. Monroe, Va. Jack Shuck, stationed in the Pentagon writes, "Enjoying Washington despite the crowded conditions and all the paper shuffling in the Pentagon—maybe because we've been here only a year". Charlie Brown writes: "I am a quote editor unquote for I.&E. (Room 2D-331 Pentagon) with a typewriter right at my elbow. That I haven't mastered its operation is perfectly obvious. . ."

Freddy Barnes reports from Washington: "The class has had two lunches so far this year with an average attendance of 25. Bill Neal from A.M.C. at Wright Field was here for the November get-together and he is the only visitor we have had to date. Bill Gross, who is now at Langley Field, was visiting in the Pentagon the other day and made contact with most of the class in the Air Force.

"Dave Routh is now working for Army P.&A. He has been in Washington for about two months. I understand that Moon Northam has been ordered to Washington but he has not made an appearance yet.

"We were all sorry to hear of the death of Bob Adam's wife several weeks ago".

Maje Renfroe returns to West Point after getting educated at Monroe.

Hank Sebastian (per E. O. Davis) left Ft. Harrison in Indiana for a N.G. or Air Reserve instructor job at Indian-town Gap, Pa., early in August. Bill Rogers was headed to Ft. Harrison.

Bill Gross is located very positively as Deputy for Plans & Requirements in the Tactical Air Command at Langley Air Force Base. He suggests: "The fancy 15-Year Book sounds very intriguing. I would certainly suggest that the June Reunion be included because of the possibility of getting some retakes on photographs that were published in the 1934 *Howitzer*—same poses, etc., fifteen years later. That's about all I can think of except that I don't know when my subscription runs out. Can you help? Love and kisses".

Groups of us are located geographically as follows: Benning—Simenson, Shaughnessey, Gerhart, Rusteberg, Davis, V. L., Johnson, C. E., Stuart, A. J., Hester.

Sill—Ted Bilbo, Bill Mullen, Clark Lynn, Jack Benner

Maxwell A.B.—Hanley, Aness, Legg, Barton, Brown, T. T., Hillyard, Tucker (ex-'34).

Langley—Bill Gross.

Norfolk—Gilman, Peca, Edson, Tank (?), Ebel, Renfro, Gross.

Germany—Ashworth, McPherson, Ed. Moore.

Stanford, Calif.—Dale Smith, Hutchison.

Leavenworth — Jack Seaman, Herb Andrae, U. P. Williams, Ken Cunin, P. S. Brown, Axel Waugh, Ferdie Tate, Willie Moorman, Dick Weber, Bob Tyson.

Jack Seaman reports: "The Tysons threw a very fine party the afternoon of the Army-Navy game for the classmates and their wives. All were there except the P.S. Brown's who had left the Post for a couple of days because of a death in the family—and Herb Andrae who was out quail hunting. Jane Andrae, however, represented the Andraes. All had a fine time with the possible exception of Kenny Cunin who was detailed the job of keeping the chart. With a constant picture before him he wore a more worried look than the rest of us. Speaking of the Browns you should have seen Brownie's costume at the '49er Party on the night before Thanksgiving. Censorship regulations forbid me to describe it. However, he was a *howling success!* Poor Willie Moorman is now at Fort Monroe working on some high powered board for about 60 to 90 days. He hopes to get back here for Xmas but is none too sure".

Lost and Not Yet Found Department—Adams, G. E., Browning, P. L. Turner, N. P. Ward, Priscilla Maury, Pop Womack, John Kromer, George Dany, Pete Kopcsak.

CLASS SECRETARIES

Thanks are hereby registered for those of you who helped compile the above. Next deadline is March 10, 1949. Revised appointments are: Washington and vicinity, Freddy Barnes; Leavenworth, Jack Seaman; Monroe and Norfolk, Charlie Tank (is you dere?); Maxwell, Paul Hanley; Benning, Alex Stuart; Sill, Ted Bilbo; Far East, Dud Wilmeth; E.T.O., John Smoller; Arctic, Junie Ligon. Please send in a list of all '34 on duty at your station as of March 1, '49 plus any re-

union dope currently available. If you get orders before then, please appoint a successor for this honored post.

Mud in your eye—from the Hell on Hudson Gang.

—T. L. C.

1935

The letters pouring in as a result of Tommy Lang's tear-jerker of a "Memorial Plaque and Sesquicentennial Publication" are being gratefully received, not only for the two bucks inclosed but for the news on what you have been doing. See below.

The members of the Class of '35 in and around the Washington area had a good hoe-down at the Fort McNair Officers' Club, with some 52 couples present. Even after prompting, however, they completely neglected to send the dope on this party to U.S.M.A. for inclusion in this column.

All 35's and ex35's at the Point had dinner together November 20th.

Lee Davis spoke to the cadets recently on hush-hush matters, probably proselyting for wingmen—Lee is at Wright Field. Clow and Everitt are to be educated these next six months—A.F.S.C. Brant pinned G.S.C. stars on in the Pentagon the other day. Jimmy Baird, who was with us for a while back here in '31-'32, is in Columbus, Ohio. Kemper doing a grand educational job at Phillips Andover. Walker, C. P., is P.M.S.&T. at Porter Military Academy, Charleston, S. C. Ken Curtis is now in O.&T. Division, the Pentagon, after spending the war in the South Pacific. Russ Smith is Acting P.M.S.&T. at Clemson, S. C. Russ and Mary have one son, David (now in second grade). In November, when he visited Benning, Russ saw Ferris Provost Marshaling. Thomas is at Hq., Third Army, Fort McPherson, Ga. From A.F.S.C., Charlie Leonard is on his way to Fort Knox; and Mock will hibernate in P.&O. in Washington. Boyle has been ordered to Fort Meade, Md.; and Boyer is giving up the beans of Boston for the National Guard Bureau in the Pentagon. Jim Lang, after four years in Alaska, is now Deputy Chief, Engineering Division, Department of Installations, Hq., U.S. A.F. (but only on loan from Corps of Engineers).

Sims writes from Philadelphia that he is back in civvies, teaching, after having worked here at the Academy during the war. Note: has two line-men for our '59 and '60 teams. Lapsley alive—a Lt. Col.—residing at 3059 South Abingdon Street, Arlington, Va.—not even one word—just an address. Lemley has the class figured out to a "T" in his letter—"am hastening to answer—as I know I never will, if I don't do it quick"—Harry artillieried until joining Military Government in Berlin in 1945. Returned in May '47 and has been in P.&O. ever since. Ham and Mary Ann Twitchell sending Xmas greetings with their check, still in Washington.

We certainly enjoy hearing from you all; we are not obligated to save space for *Assembly*—what gives?

—Proctor.

1936

Having done a bang-up job as '36 scribes for the past year, Dan and Fran McElheny have left the undersigned an enviable record to shoot at. We'll do our best to carry on in the best McElheny manner.

You have probably heard about the project for installing memorial plaques, entitled "Battle Deaths, Graduates of the United States Military Academy, World War II" in Cullum Hall. Our classmates to be commemorated are as follows: Carl Baehr, Karol Bauer, Gus Bode, Jock Clifford, Sam Crowder, Bruce Dowling, Len Godfray, Caesar Kellam, Pete McGoldrick, Harry Melton, Olly Oliver, John Phelan, Larry Prichard, and Bill Priestley. A circular letter will reach you in the near future explaining details and requesting memorial contributions to bear the cost of installation. If anyone has questions regarding the selection of names by the Department of the Army, please drop me a line. The decision to install the plaques was based on an affirmative vote of the members of those classes sustaining the greatest losses. We're sure you will agree that this is a fine project and know we can depend on you to get behind it.

Another project afoot is the publication of a West Point Sesquicentennial book to be written by Col. Dupuy and published in 1952. This book is intended for public as much as graduate consumption, generally to acquaint the public with the accomplishments of West Pointers in the service of their country. We need help from all of you in the way of recommendations for members of our class whom you consider to have distinguished themselves by outstanding accomplishment, either in the military or the civil field. Along with names recommended, please include a brief "lead" on achievements that can be used as a basis for further research by Col. Dupuy. We'll need these recommendations by March 31, 1949.

There have been several inquiries regarding the proposed class ten-year book to which some of us subscribed some time ago. Because of many difficulties encountered, including a shortage of subscriptions, it was decided to make it a fifteen-year book instead. We're sure it will be a more inclusive story of the class because of the difficulty of rounding up complete information on each classmate immediately after the war. Van Sutherland, who is studying at Columbia and who will be up here in the English Department next year, was recently elected class historian to write the book. When informed of his election, Van recovered quickly, and enthusiastically vowed to "have a try at anything which will add to the gaiety of the world", as he put it. A hand for Van!

The turning wheels in Washington still grind out much of our copy. Johnny Lynch and Chester Clifton now tread the cloistered halls of the Pentagon as members of the G.S.C. Lloyd Pepple (Our file card records the nickname as Pep?) is at Raritan Arsenal as assistant to the C.O. Roy Cole has orders to Stockholm, Sweden. Picture Roy conversing in Swedish, or skiing with spurs on! Gerry Duin was on his

way to Germany when we last heard. Jack Weaver is going to Athens. We hope to receive some interesting stories from these foreign details for future issues—in English, of course. Jack Arnold is Air Inspector, Hq. Air Weather Service, Washington, D. C. Ev Hahney has orders to the Armed Forces Staff College. Freddie Bell must be at Kelly Field, or else he was in the wrong receiving line recently. Tommy Lawlor now graces the R.O. T.C. staff at U. of Cal. He was through here last summer with Rita and the two young Lawlors. Willie Hendrickson entertained members of the class who visited San Diego last fall with the Leavenworth contingent. Willie is in the insurance business out there, and appeared to be carrying on in the old ebullient Willie way. His address is 248 D Avenue, Coronado, California. Steve Holderness hurried through here a couple of weeks ago enroute from Japan to Ft. Jackson. According to Steve, Dave Milne and Ken Dawalt are still in Yokohama.

Jim Billy Leer reports from Washington that the class members there got together at a luncheon on October 18. Most of the following Washingtonites attended: Arnold, Beggs, Broyles, Childs, Clifton, Combs, Cordes, Cozart, Crandell, Ellert, Ferguson, Finley, Gapen, Hahney, Harvey, Hiatt, Kinard, Klock, Lampert, Layne, Lee, Leer, Low, Lynch, Madsen, McCarty, Miles, Morris, T. W., Norris, Powell, Prosser, Ripple, Rogers, Rutledge, Shores, Simpson, Sibert, Spencer, Walker, Wil-drick and Yost. Jim Billy says they have been having joint West Point-Annapolis '36 luncheons and will have a strictly West Point '36 dinner as soon as the stork settles down long enough for the gang in Washington to firm up reservations for baby-sitters and diaper service.

Speaking of the stork, he seems to have hit the jackpot since the last issue. Sons have been delivered to the Hahneys, Heintges, Katz, Gillespies, and Ganns; and daughters to Holtons, McCabes, and Lamperts. Based on the fact that five of the above were born here at West Point, there must have been others that we haven't heard of.

Ray Harvey, Jim Billy Leer, Bill Westmoreland, Bruce Palmer, Bud Clark and Wert Williams were up for home football games this fall. Johnny Lynch, Gordie Austin, and Jack Brimmer were seen at the Stanford game in the city. Ned Norris, Wright Hiatt, Eddie Miles, Nip Page, Whitey Hess, Phil Gage, Bob Kessler, Chester Clifton, Rip Ripple, Larry Ellert, Ted Klock, Jim Billy Leer, Elmer Grubbs, Jack Brimmer, Ned Broyles, Ray Harvey, Bill Sibert, Wirt Crockett, Art Kramer, Dave Hlester and Bob Safford joined the rooters at the Navy game.

Bill Connor writes from Sill that Owen Swain and Bob Partridge are with him on the Staff and Faculty there, while Wimpy Blair is taking the advanced course. Rod Drake just left for Fourth Army Hq., and Thea Lipscomb for a course at Harvard.

Bob Fisher has a detail in the T.C. and is at Hq. N.Y.P.E. We hope he has licked the housing situation which was troubling him a few months ago.

Jim Landrum breezed through here in class English tweeds a few days

ago. He has just completed a ten-months course at the Canadian Army Staff College and is on his way to the Armed Forces Staff College.

Willie Jones who was recently transferred to the D. of C. writes that Nip Page has received orders to the O.C.E., and that Whammo Steele is also in Washington. Willie places Willy Cairnes as C.O. of a B-29 Group at Spokane; Bill Covington as C.O. of Maxwell Field; Jimmy Twaddell as C.O. of a Weather Group at Westover Field; and Frank Gillespie as headed for Australia. We'd like to hear more about that, Frank.

Al McCormick reports from Benning that Ben Turnage, Al Peck and Jess Drain are keeping him company there. Al says Jack Kelly is in "Jolly Old London" with Freddie Gaston and Joe Yost; Sully Sullivan is at Reno (R.O.T.C.), Casey Vincent, Dick Carmichael, and Bill Grohs are at Maxwell Field; and Phil Greene is with the 17th Airborne at Camp Pickett. Phil Gage and family have just moved into a new home on the outskirts of Atlanta. Phil is with the Foote and Davies Publishing Co.

We're sorry to hear of Karl Schwing's recent retirement, but hope he'll be happy in his new life. We'd like to know his present address.

Walt and Jean Faiks are enthusiastic about their new job at Oklahoma A.&M., where they enjoy "good army company, golf and bridge".

George and Meredith Robbins send Xmas greetings from Raritan Arsenal where George is Executive Officer.

A group of Washington Classmates were present at the Arlington services for Bruce Dowling in October. Our sympathies are with Essie Dowling, who now makes her home at 963 Heard Avenue, Augusta, Ga.

Hank Lind came through with a grand letter from Leavenworth, where he is now on the Staff and Faculty, along with Dave Edwards, Pete Persons and Ike Smith. Abe Abrams, Gene Lockhart, and Mac Lemoynes are taking the course. Tommy and Barbara Davis, on National Guard duty in St. Louis, paid a short visit to the Linds last month.

Grateful thanks for the numerous letters received. We hope many others of you will also be inspired to drop us a line. We'd particularly like to get addresses of the following from anyone who may know them: Frank Norman, Carl Rickenbaugh, Bill Hay, Ernie Holmes, Jim Hughes, Bill Jordan, Charlie Pack, John Singletary, Tommy Hayes, and Ham Morris.

Until next time, then, here's wishing all of you a Happy New Year!

—Betty and Rudy Ganns.

1937

News was scarce this past month—the mailman (and incidentally classmates of the Class of 1937) let us down. But we are happy to give you bits of the mail we *did* receive.

Paul Whittemore wrote from his home (Box 8X, R4, New Bern, N. C.): "I retired January 31, 1948. . . Have been teaching Science and Electricity in a vocational school under the Navy

Works Improvement Program since May 24". His wife has been ill and in a sanatorium but Paul had hopes that she would be home for Christmas.

Ed Spaulding wrote from Hq. Caribbean Command in Quarry Heights, C. Z.: "On a recent hurried trip to Washington I found our good friend and classmate, Bob Marr on duty in the Career Management Office . . . the only change here is that Bob Miller left to take the course at Leavenworth and that Day Surles has arrived and is assigned to the Office of the Director of Plans and Operations at Headquarters Caribbean Command.

Posheng Yen, who is on duty in the Chinese Consulate in New York City, wrote in response to an invitation to the class party at West Point: ". . . Though I very much like to join you on Saturday, I regret that . . . I shall be unable to attend. I enclose herewith a few tickets to a preview of Contemporary Chinese Paintings (Metropolitan Museum of Art) . . ."

Duke Davis wrote from Fort Lewis, Wash.: ". . . I have been traveling—was ordered to Sill for the A.O.C. and then had the orders cancelled so am back at Ft. Lewis. I have the 37th F.A. Bn. here. No other classmates here. . . Saw Burton at Sill during the transition. I am still single and wonder how many of the class have held out this long".

Harve Dorney came through with his regular letter saying: "Our (Class) party at Ft. McNair (War College) was the best yet and really brought out the old class spirit!" The other news he contributed is incorporated in the remainder of the column.

Al Russell wrote from Langley Field: "Many thanks for the copy of the SKETCH BOOK. I find it most interesting. Please forgive my late reply. Saw Kelly Lemmon at Monroe about 3 weeks ago".

Bruce Holloway and Buck Forney added notes to their (negative) replies to an invitation to the Class party at West Point. Bruce saying: "I will be away from here on October 2. Thanks for the invitation, and hope to get up there some weekend this fall" and Jerry saying: "Many thanks—hope to see you all before the year is out". (Bruce is Director, A.D.C., at Mitchell Field, N. Y. Jerry, who resigned in 1947 is now living at 17 Dunnder Drive, Summit, N. J.)

P. K. Calvert added a note to his Christmas card to us saying: "I was retired effective September 30, 1948 'by reason of disability incident to the service', and advanced to the grade of Colonel on the U.S.A. retired list effective October 1, 1948'. I saw Pony Scherrer at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas in September 1948. The only (other) classmates I can recall having seen during the period September 1947-June 1948 were Musgrave and Travis"

LeRoy Rook wrote twice from the University of Oklahoma where he has been studying Psychology. He says among other things: "I received the SKETCH BOOK which told me many things that I was unaware of . . . I thoroughly enjoyed it and the *Assemblies*. Thanks a lot . . . I listened to Penn-Army and almost had heart trouble. I hadn't sweated out a game like that since I was a First Classman.

Also heard Army-Navy. Must admit I was surprised. . . Today I stand in relation to the profession of Clinical Psychology about where I stood in June 1937 with relation to the Military profession. . . . LeRoy is now on the staff of the University Guidance Service, University of Oklahoma where, as a clinical psychologist with the title of Practicum Supervisor he engages in activities relating to instruction, counseling, psychotherapy, and psychodiagnostics. Among other things he has become an "Expert" with the famous ink blot test, the Rorschach.

Colin Kelly's wife Marion (now Mrs. J. Watson Pedlow) wrote from her home (Rural Delivery No. 2, Media, Pa.): ". . . Now that young Colin is of 'football age' and our home is so near Philadelphia, I feel that perhaps it would be in order that you submit our application for (Army-Navy) tickets. . . Mother Kelly requested that Colin be brought home from the Philippines, and she just received a wire saying he was enroute, so young Colin and I are expecting to go to Florida for the simple services very shortly".

Woody Joerg's mother wrote twice from Atlanta, Georgia, saying: "The copies of *Assembly* all arrived and have been read with much interest. . . You said in your letter that I might get Wood's roommate to write his obituary — Ray — you remember Roscoe Davis? He and Wood had graduated at Western High together and at Millard's—He, Stan Smith, and Nelson roomed together until Stan was made 1st Captain. Roscoe you recall died just before graduation—Nelson was killed in France. Look at the picture of 'L' Co. in the '1937 Howitzer'—about half were killed—Colin (Kelly), Pell, Wright, Hill, Robbins, Wynkoop, Crawford and Wood—so most of Wood's closest friends are with him"

Bob Lesser's mother wrote three times from her home at 96 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown, Mass. asking for and acknowledging receipt of a copy of the SKETCH BOOK and a subscription to *Assembly* and saying: ". . . if you know of any one of Bob's friends, classmates, who has lost his class ring I would be glad to let him have Bob's for a nominal sum". Mrs. Lesser inquired about Bob's obituary which had not appeared in *Assembly*, but which had been published in the "Annual Report of the Association of Graduates—1939" before the first edition of *Assembly* was published in April 1942.

The Association of Graduates is currently working on plans for the erection of plaques in Cullum Hall in memory of the Battle Dead of World War II. Very shortly we will circularize the class asking for contributions for the plaque (probably about \$2.00 each). Included will be an explanation of the criteria used by the Department of the Army in determining the casualties listed as Battle Deaths. At the present time the following names are included: William P. Baldwin, Charles J. Browne, Jack E. Caldwell, William R. Crawford, William J. Dunmyer, James F. Faber, William E. W. Farrell, Richard F. Hill, Charles S. Hoyt, Jr., Wood G. Joerg, Colin P. Kelly, Jr., Philip G. Lauman, Jr., Gordon C. Leland, Augustine P. Little, Jr., Alfred A. Maybach, Joseph A. Miller, Jr., Richard E. Nelson, Floyd

J. Pell, Amzi R. Quillian, Alvord Ruthenford, Campbell H. Snyder, Charles A. Sprague, William H. Traeger, Thomas Truxton, Hueston R. Wynkoop. The following names are among those classmates who died during the war but are not considered Battle Deaths: Godfrey R. Ames, Horace Greeley, William L. Robinson, Charles L. Robbins, Homer H. Uglow, Harold B. Wright. If anyone has any information which might help establish that any of these (latter) classmates' names should be included in the list of Battle Dead please communicate it to us.

In addition, the Association of Graduates has undertaken the preparation of a Sesquicentennial History of West Point. The general plan of the book will be to show the value of West Point to the nation during the 150 years of its existence. (The book will be published in 1952 and will be written by R. Ernest DuPuy, the author of "Where They Have Trod".) It will include individual contributions as well as group, and it is requested that any outstanding contribution, either of valor or service, on the part of our classmates be communicated to us for presentation to the Association of Graduates.

Most of the class on duty at West Point turned out for the funeral services for Slugger Pell on September 30, 1948 held at the Old Cadet Chapel with reinterment in the Post Cemetery, West Point. Slugger was killed in action in the Pacific on February 19, 1942.

Colin Kelly was reburied on October 13 at Madison, Florida, his boyhood town. A color guard of 25 men and a bugler from McDill Field, Tampa, attended at the services, and four light bombers from McDill circled above the cemetery during the burial. Colin's wife Marion and son Corky (Colin III) were present during the services.

Harry Wilson, a student in the Department of Logistics at Fort Leavenworth received a second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star for heroic action against the enemy at Caylayway, Southern Luzon, Philippine Islands on February 2, 1945.

Eph Graham is on his way overseas, headed for Bremerhaven, Germany, and Leigh Fairbank is also headed overseas but is going in the opposite direction, to F.E.C. Yokohama, Japan. Walt Lawson who has been in the Philippines (Executive Officer, G-3 Section, Headquarters Philippine Command in Manila) has returned to the U.S. for a new assignment with the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington. Janet and their "5—COUNT THEM—5" children (Walter III, Janet Louise, Anne, Betty, and Linda) are with him.

Dan Russell who has been an instructor in the Department of Analysis and Research at the Command and General Staff College has been assigned to the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis where he will attend a course of instruction in Personnel Administration. Bill Easton, recently graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School with a Degree of L.L.B., has begun a tour of duty in the Judge Advocate General's Office in Washington, D. C. Walt DeBill is on his way to N.Y.U. where he will be for a two

year course in Administrative Engineering. George Underwood has orders to the Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

Kelsie Reaves has succeeded Colonel T. J. Wells as U.S.A.R.P.A.C. Special Service Officer. He now resides with his family at Fort Kamehameha, T. H. Curt Low is Course Director at the Air University at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. George Sloan has been designated Acting Chief of Staff and Acting Deputy Post Commander of the Ground General School Center, Fort Riley, Kansas.

Luke Elkins and Ernie LaFlamme both received orders to Headquarters 3d Army, Fort McPherson, Georgia as Assistant Inspectors General. Joe Mitchell is leaving Washington, D. C. to join us here at U.S.M.A.; Charlie Clagett from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland to Frankfort Arsenal, Philadelphia; Jim Norvell from Washington, D. C. to 10th Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas (later orders say he has been assigned as Assistant Chief of Staff G-3 for the Ground General School Center at Riley); Bob Kennedy from Camp Holabird, Maryland to 11th C.I.C. Detachment, Ft. McPherson, Georgia; Fred Campbell has been assigned to the Budget Division in the Office of the Chief of Staff, U.S.A.; George Malizewski is assigned to the 4516th A.S.U., R.O.T.C. Shreveport, H. S., Shreveport, La.

Finn Unger, Luke Hoska, and Phil Brant all have been detailed members of the General Staff Corps, G.S.U.S.A.

P. K. Calvert retired for physical disability on September 30; Larry Spillman also retired on September 30 for physical disability. Can anyone verify the rumor that R. G. Williams also has retired?

Hank Byroade was one of a group of officers who accompanied Secretary of the Army Royall on an inspection trip through France, Germany, Austria, Greece, Turkey, and England. Gary Metz, Training Section, Army Field Forces, attended Army Air Force Conferences in Washington and at Barksdale A.F.B. concerned with Aerial Target requirements and Aircraft Recognition. Kelton Davis was an observer from Headquarters at Eglin A.F.B. at Exercise "COMBINE III". Ray Rumph with five other officers from U.S.M.A. visited Fort Riley, Kansas, and Fort Knox, Kentucky to check on the progress of recent graduates from West Point.

An article entitled "Lend-Lease from West Point" contained in a recent issue of the *Log*, the magazine of the Midshipmen at Annapolis, describes the current exchange of Army and Naval Officers between the two academies and in particular about Don Shive who is currently on duty in the Executive Department (our Tactical Department) at Annapolis on such an exchange.

Delk Oden and Margaret assisted at a party given by the Chief of Staff and Mrs. Omar Bradley at their home at Fort Myer, Va.; Mrs. Wilbur H. Stratton was chairman of the committee supervising the activities of a new base nursery at Scott A.F.B., Illinois; Acting as models at a fall fashion show at Maxwell A.F.B., Alabama were Mrs. C. B. Westover and

Mrs. A. M. Prentiss, Jr. Mrs. K. O. Sanborn participated in a similar function at Bolling A.F.B., Washington, D. C.

Cupid slept during the past quarter, but the stork kept busy—as usual. Dollie and Wil Wilhoyt had a baby daughter Elizabeth at Station Hospital, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas on September 9. (This is their third daughter. Say, Wil, you and Hal Hallock ought to get together—you with three daughters, and he with three sons.) Betty and Horace Davisson had a son Peter Charles Laurence on September 10 at Arlington Hospital, Arlington, Va. Ruth and Ed Hobbs had a daughter Emilie Josephine at Walter Reed General Hospital on September 16. Adelaide and George Cole added a daughter Deborah York at Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, N. J. Babs and Chuck Pfeffer had a son Peter Edward on October 15.

Only two class parties came to our attention during the past quarter. (If there are any others, please let us know about them.) Harve Dorney reported on the one held by the gang in Washington. It was a cocktail party and buffet supper held at the Fort McNair Officers' Club and those present included: Col. and Mrs. S. W. Agee, Lt. Col. and Mrs. P. D. Brant, Col. and Mrs. H. A. Byroade, Lt. Col. and Mrs. F. P. Campbell, Mrs. T. C. Compton, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. M. Cromelin, Col. and Mrs. H. C. Dorney, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Drum, Jr., Lt. Col. and Mrs. M. S. George, Maj. J. M. Gulick, Lt. Col. and Mrs. L. E. Hoska, Col. and Mrs. R. P. Klocko, Lt. Col. and Mrs. G. F. Leist, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Leroy Lutes, Jr., Lt. Col. and Mrs. H. E. Marr, Col. and Mrs. W. E. McDonald, Lt. Col. and Mrs. G. C. McDowell, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. S. Mitchell, Lt. Col. and Mrs. D. M. Oden, Lt. Col. D. B. Parker, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. L. Powers, Col. and Mrs. M. A. Preston, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. H. Reeves, Lt. Col. and Mrs. D. A. Richards, Col. and Mrs. J. D. Stevenson, Lt. Col. W. W. Stromberg, Col. R. Taylor, III, Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. M. Teeter, Col. and Mrs. J. R. Ulicson, Lt. Col. and Mrs. G. V. Underwood, Jr., Lt. Col. and Mrs. F. T. Unger, Lt. Col. and Mrs. C. H. Whitesell, Lt. Col. C. D. Wood, and Col. and Mrs. W. J. Worcester. The other party was a cocktail party and dinner dance held at the West Point Army Mess by the West Point (and vicinity) crew. Those who attended were: Lt. Col. and Mrs. W. C. Conway, Lt. Col. and Mrs. R. C. Gildart, Col. and Mrs. L. A. Hall, Lt. Col. and Mrs. H. R. Hallock, Lt. Col. and Mrs. C. B. Hines, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. B. R. Hines, Lt. Col. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson, Lt. Col. and Mrs. W. D. McKinley, Lt. Col. and Mrs. N. O. Ohman, Lt. Col. and Mrs. J. F. Pearsall, Lt. Col. and Mrs. R. W. Rumph, Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. J. Stann, Lt. Col. and Mrs. E. M. Zehner, Lt. Col. W. W. Stromberg, and Mr. Paul Cullen.

Well, I guess that about winds up the news for this time folks—may I end up on the plaintive cry of all Class Representatives—"Please write more often!"

Anyway, the best wishes to you all for a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

—Helen and Ray Rumph.

1938

In the equation X equals the log of Y to the base E, let X equal the number of classmates who took our October *Assembly* notes to heart and decided to help out on class news. Solving this equation by the West Point Goat System gives a value of 4 for X. The four classmates responsible for this "4" solution are Dapper Dapprich, Pretzels Schmidt, Hugu Wallace and C. L. Burke. Beck and Dapper have started their own "Washington Class File" from which they sent us reams of poop for these notes. We all appreciate their work, effort, and interest and tender them a vote of thanks. We wish more of you would do the same thing and make an organized effort to get news in to our class representative by February, for the next *Assembly* notes. Remember that mucho news can be gathered via ye olde Xmas cards.

REQUIRED READING

(1) This *Assembly's* article on the West Point World War II Memorial Plaques. These plaques will include the names of the following eighteen classmates who are officially considered as "battle deaths": Joseph R. Barker II, Joe R. Brabson, Jr., Barry D. Browne, Gordon M. Clarkson, Louis N. Dosh, William A. Gay, Frederick J. Gerlich, Arthur F. Gorham, Walter S. Gray, John B. Herboth, Jr., James R. Holmes, George Kappes, Milton E. Lipps, Frederick A. Miller, Ralph B. Praeger, Morris F. Taber, Collin B. Whitehurst, Jr. and Robert L. Wolverton.

The cost to our class for inscribing these names on the bronze plaques is \$225.00. At present our class fund is about \$500.00. Consequently, at a class meeting here at West Point we voted to pay the "38" cost of the plaque out of the class fund rather than assess each member about \$1.00. We felt this was the best way and are sure you will agree.

(2) This *Assembly's* article on the new book in the making—"Men of West Point", prepared by Colonel Ernest R. Dupuy, father of our "Never Deploy Dupuy". It will be a history of West Point and will contain information about those graduates of West Point who have made the greatest contributions to our country. The Class of "38" must take its proper place in this book. A class committee has been appointed here at West Point to screen and select from 6 to 10 names (if we have that many) that we recommend be included in this book. The nominations, of course, must come from you. Gather classmates around you, discuss this subject and send to our Secretary your entries. Include as much information as you can on the individual exploits, work, and experience of each nominee and how his efforts contributed the most good to our country. Your research will tremendously help our committee in accomplishing its difficult assignment. Act promptly because the information is needed within the next month.

CONGRATULATIONS

(1) To Jean and Red Sundin for their new son, Eric, born at West Point, N. Y. on September 18. Red is

proud and cocky about the new male preponderance in his family.

(2) To Audrey and Johnny Janarone for their new and third son, Richard born at West Point, N. Y., on October 26.

(3) To Carl and Ethel Dapprich on their recently adopted baby boy. May he be a real "38" man.

(4) To Naomi and Arthur Collins, married in Holy Trinity Chapel, at West Point, N. Y. on November 20. Naomi, was formerly Mrs. Wulfsburg, '38. We are happy to see she stayed in the class. After a Bermuda honeymoon Arthur is again keeping house.

(5) To the following new Air Force Colonels as of November 22. May their Eagles fly longer than did Napoleon's: Helley, H. K., Harman, L., Hefebower, Johnson, L. E., Kenzie, H. D., York, E. J., Chavasse, McBride, R. C., and Van Sickle.

GENERAL NEWS AND LOCATOR

Jimmy Bassett completed his Master's Degree at George Washington and is now an instructor at C.&G.S. College at Leavenworth; Jimmy Boyt helping to hold down the Pentagon with his 300 lbs.; Paul Cornwall departed Washington for Wright-Patterson, A.F.B.; Trevor N. Dupuy now attending some school in England and due back in February; Jerry Folda completed his Master's at G.W. and is assigned to Washington; Hatch Henderson left Washington for Leavenworth; Al Hulse and Mrazek not overseas at moment but studying hard at the Pentagon Strategic Intelligence School; Bob Kasper and Bill Crocker are our representatives at Belvoir; Pardue has disappeared from Washington; Cozy Pitchford has enviable job of Air Attache in Hungary or some other Balkan country; Norm Tittle is due to report to Office of the Chief, Signal Officer about December 1; Dick Sims is studying for his Master's in Business Administration at Columbia while Frances struggles single-handed with their newest in Washington; Bobby Breitweiser is now Commanding Officer at Ramey Field, Puerto Rico; George Giles, my "A" Company Plebe roommate founding, is living and working for G.E. in Washington; Freddy Dean, fresh from a two-year hitch in S.A., is now in P.R.O.; Al Burke is now a student at the University of Illinois, learning how to fix our radios; Big Dog Skaer and Chubbuck are in Washington with the Atomic Energy Commission; Dave Byars is in O.P.O.T.; Bill Jackson, G-1 of Heidelberg Military Post; Jim Lynch, G-3 of 1st Division; Works is maneuvering his Constabulary Squadron in Berlin; Chapala at Intelligence School, Oberammergau; Bud Mearns at same place, studying Russian; Hugh Wallace, Joe Reddoch and Roy Hefebower at the Air War College, Maxwell Field; Curley Harvey finishing and Art Kopsack beginning guided missile course at U.S.C.; Laskowsky is with Headquarters 5th Army, Chicago; Ewing in the Automotive Section, Fort Benning; Freddy Wright at Fort Benning; McDonald, H. S., back on extended active service in O.&T. in Pentagon while his wife, Emily, and daughter, Carol, are in the vicinity of Atlanta, Georgia.

Seen cavorting at the Navy game with a ludicrous hat, the price of which

varied as the score varied, was Sailor-man Langford, from Annapolis.

Visitors at West Point during the football season were Families Haynes, Davis P. Sturdivant, Danielson, Duncan C., Strange, and Jane McBride. Corley, from 1st Army Headquarters, recently dropped in, as fat and sassy as ever.

Escapes for one month from this bitter fall and winter weather at West Point, were John and Eleanor Norris to California and John and Ginny Tillson to Texas.

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It is time now to go to print. Our West Point contingent wishes you all a Happy New Year and hopes you enjoyed your Christmas vacation as much as you did your first Christmas furlough in 1935.

—W. A. Sussman.

1939

There is a fair amount of news to be disseminated this issue, thanks to the cooperation of some of the wide awake members of the class who sent in their respective three cents' worth. However, before looking into the mailbag, let us introduce one reminder. Remember that questionnaire you received from the gang at Usmay just a couple of weeks ago? If you haven't answered it yet, get after it right away. The large contingent of '39ers who are now on duty at the Academy is planning the greatest get-together that the class has ever had for our Tenth Anniversary coming up in June. Preparations now being made indicate that those who fail to come will really regret it. However those same preparations require advance information from each of you for necessary planning. So send your letter and check as soon as possible.

Our first news came from Pennell at Fort Sill in November. Here it is as he sent it:

"Brockman just arrived with a new outfit, 37th R.C.T., for station—Brock is the S-4. Haven't had a chance to talk to him for long, but wormed out of him that he is planning a plunge for better or for worse soon.

"Jack Fling just left, transferred to Fort Bliss, where A.A. is top dog and booming fast, what with expansion and all.

"Dutch Shultz just left on leave before going to England to the Staff College. You'll probably see him up there before he sails early in December. I took over his job as executive of the Department of Materiel. If you see him tell him that I still have a couple of questions.

"Johnny Mial got tired of the Department of Extension Courses and is now the Executive of the Detachments, Student and otherwise.

"Jack (J. P. A.) Kelly and Jeff Lavell are both in the current Advanced Class, but temporarily absent

on an A.A. phase at Bliss. Jeff has taken unto himself a bride since the course started. She is learning patience and Army ways here at Sill while Jeff is away.

"Johnny Herstad finished the Advanced Class with me and 180 others here last June, and he now holds down a desk in Extension Courses. Looks busy, too.

"Ted Hunsbedt is an instructor in Gunnery, and doesn't have a care in the world unless you listen to him in the coffee shop.

"Waffe Wohlfeil is an instructor in the Department of Communications. He was slated for the Advanced Class last year but arrived after the course started. They took one look at him, gave him credit for the course, and put him to work.

"Dave Nanney came through during the summer, with orders for the Advanced Course, hunting a house. Don't know how he got out of it, but he is now Executive of one of the new A.A. battalions at Bliss, where Linc Simon is now G-4ing, or some such job.

"In case you are wondering why so many Coast Artillerymen are included in a letter from Sill,—there has been an 'integration', you know.

—Pennell."

Mike Krisman, now teaching at Leavenworth, assembled classmates at a party on November 14 to get news for us. His list of students is the same we printed in the last *Assembly*. Hale and Myers are the bachelors in the group. Tom Smith reports the addition of a baby daughter during the previous month.

Mike also added Walter Kerwin to the faculty list that Higgins had sent in. Both he and Alys send regards to all '39ers from the whole gang at Leavenworth.

Another collection of info comes from George Winton, who wrote up this column last quarter. He says, "Ray, here's some dope on classmates I've received recently.

"Chesty Evans, now practicing law in Nashville, Tennessee, has just been appointed to the Governor's cabinet as Commissioner of Finance and Taxation.

"Ed Hamilton is located at 513 Main St., Dallas, Oregon, where he is selling insurance for the Aetna Co. Has two children. He writes that he was in the same regiment as Deke Oliver and saw him the day before he was killed in July, '44.

"Joe Dietz is living at Santa Monica, Cal. and going to school. Hank Newcomer is also going to school in California,—the University at Berkeley. Jack Meals is there with him."

Thanks for the news from the rest of us to Pennell, Krisman, and Winton. And here's hoping for more from more distant points.

Now here are a few added bits gleaned from the football crowds. At the Stanford game, we were told that "Baldy" Batson is now a Connecticut farmer, working up a specialty in tobacco. Also saw Frank Holt and was reminded that he is in his second year of three at Columbia, studying law.

We sat next to the Jacoby's at the Navy game, and after finding out that he's in Washington with Research and Development, we got a promise to get

a complete "big picture" story on '39 activities in the Capitol city. We're anxious to get that, Jake.

Also talked to Jack Kenney in front of us and learned that he was in Washington too, with Plans and Operations Group. He added news about Ploger and Curtin. Bob Ploger is in Military Liaison to the Atomic Energy Commission, while Curtin, newly transferred from Engineers to A.F., is now in the Materiels Division. Jack also said that he believed Hoisington had the job of Personnel Director with Special Weapons Group.

We also got some information out of a few newspaper clippings. The press reported during this quarter that Major Hinternhoff, wife and two daughters returned from Union City, N. J., to Fort Benning, N. J., where he is stationed; that Major Thomas Walker Davis III played the role of groom in a ceremony in Middletop, Ohio, marrying Mrs. Virginia Tracy Kendall; and that Col. Albert L. Evans is C.O. of the 316th Troop Carrier Wing at Greenville (S. C.) Air Force Base.

Well, that's it, gang. Don't forget about the questionnaire and the check. We hope to see those plaques up in Cullum soon to help revere memories of classmates who left our ranks in the call of duty so soon after leaving these gray walls. Plan to join us in a toast to their memories come next June week.

—R. A. J.

1940

Christmas cards flutter in from all parts of the world. Even from Hamelein right here in Wayne. Last year he was in Berlin and had just shipped his dog to me *Collect*. *Hey classmate!* Bert Lane writes from Japan and shows off picture of two husky boys, Tom and Doug. He reports that Bob Cassibry has arrived and is in G-2 Section of G.H.Q. Danny Briggs is in Yokohama as Executive Officer of a Truck Battalion. Bert further reports that Ruth and Dave Crocker now have a little girl Crocker to go with the two boys. Roy Nelson, Ed Hoover, Scot Case and J. "squared" Wilderman still in Japan. Hoovers' expect to come home in the Spring of '49. Class of 1940 in Japan gathered at Crocker's to hear the rebroadcast of Navy game on November 28.

Meszars are in Berlin with two children and big dog. Report that dog is not only wolf-like character hanging about. Present in General Clay's office is Bachelor Frankie Devlin entrusted with the mission of meeting all the V.I.P.s visiting Berlin. Mac Lemley, our Russian speaking classmate from Hope, Arkansas, came up from Garmisch, visited Meszar, and helped him out with the Travel Bureau. "Zero" Zahrobsky plays "Meet Me In Vienna" on soft strings and in comes Dean Vanderhoef. The "Reunion" was in the Bristol Hotel. They had a "prosit" or two and Zero learned that Van had just returned from Budapest and was catching a train to Prague.

Etchie Ware, the Air Attache to Holland, visited the McCroskies in Garmisch. Zero also visits the McCroskies and helps them celebrate at the Casa

Carloca, a night spot in Garmisch. A conference at the Constabulary in Stuttgart finds Zero present along with Milner, Williams, Muller and Ted Davis. Zero stayed at Villa Davis and helped them celebrate their seventh wedding anniversary. Zero is a bachelor.

Hank Arnold is at Camp Carson, right at the foot of the Rockies. He is now an established "rock climber" and expects to be a ski specialist before the winter is over. Reports no broken bones scaling sheer faced mountains and therefore expects to come through the skiing unscathed. Hank reports that Gasperini and D. B. Byrne are with him, one being S-3 of the post and the other S-3 of the regiment. Hank and Kay are the parents of two and barring snapped tibias will journey down to Leavenworth in 1949. I've Sattem sends card of combined family including one each police dog and little girl with a ribbon in her hair. Since I've put no "reading from left to right" on his card the little girl is named Loretta, Karen, or Jinks.

The Silvaseys send Season's greetings from 3921 MacArthur Drive, Fort Smith, Arkansas. Steve is at Camp Chaffee and is commanding a training battalion of 800 trainees. He reports that there are no classmates, not even even among the trainees. Joe and Lu Donohue spent Christmas at 144 Watkins Avenue in Middletown, New York. They migrated from Leakesville, Mississippi. Joe may be coming up to New York for good. Has *planty* boys. Bob Raleigh reports personally by Xmas card the birth of New Cadet Raleigh on August 22. Biswanger reports that Perry and Joe Hardin are all hauling poop sheets around with him going to school at Stanford. Bayerle is with the Stanford R.O.T.C. unit while Sterling is at March Field. North to Alaska is Bud Rauk, wife, and three little Rauks. They win the Xmas card prize, all togged out in parkas and mushing through the snow behind a lot of huskies. Real picture too. Milner checks in from Germany with lovely wife and two lovely children. These picture Christmas cards are a part of the record and go in the ever growing file.

To Larry and Dena Sheetz a girl, Nancy Katherine, on August 11, to the Ormans at West Point, a boy, Jeffery Gilmour.

Dudley Maxwell has moved from Denver to North Carolina where he is in the building business. He saw Francisco and Balthis at Fort Bragg. Francisco expects to go to school at the University of Virginia. No word as yet. Maxwell's address is Box 334, Fayetteville, N. C.

Way back in August the Abbays gave a party, and through the press clipping bureau I am just getting the news. It seems the party was given for Gillem and Coleman and respective fraus, who have come to station in Washington. Present were the Ernest Jones, the Charles Bagstads, the Ross Miltons, the Joseph Couches, and the Marvin Merchants. Jim Lucas, Washington Correspondent, reports on an article written by Bill Kintner in the August issue of the Marine Corps Gazette. Stanton Smith and wife

Kathleen report the birth of another S. T. Smith, the third of the name. Stan's father is on duty in Hawaii and he is the first. Jim McAfee is going great guns in the insurance business. Jim has been appointed manager of Mutual Life Insurance Office in Columbia, South Carolina. A Christmas card from Natalie and Jules Yates places them in the East instead of the far East and "Yat" will go up to U.S. M.A. later on as an instructor in Russian. Studying hard at the present. Gabreath is still with R.O.T.C. at Gloucester High School. Keeping his eye open for football players who can do Solid Geometry. His home is 45 South Street, Rockford, Mass.

Dibble writes nice long letter from the Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Hackett, Phillips, Kenney, Rizza, Farthing, Millikin and Hendrickson are there with him. Hackett, Kenney and Phillips are in the Observation Department. Hack has two children, Van and Pat, and a wife, Julie. He spends most of his extra time hunting birds of various descriptions and with varying luck. Ray Millikin and his wife, Peppy, live in a stucco bungalow down near the golf course. Peppy makes things out of cloth and takes part in Girl Scout work. Ray took over Urey Alexander's job as head of the radar section. He spends his evenings making sparkling wine and plying his friends with it. Jack Kenney came in from civilian schooling recently to rule the Met section in the Observation Department. Jack and wife, Jo, have three children. Paul Phillips and wife, Rita, have two daughters, Nonny and Anne. Paul has been runner up for the post singles championship several times and has won in the doubles a couple of times. Salvo Rizza and wife Evelyn live in Lawton with the fond hope that they will be able to move their family on the post in thirteen and fourteen months. Sal was in the advanced class last year. Bill Farthing and Ed Hendrickson just got back from Fort Bliss. Bill and his wife Fran have just had a daughter Susan to add to their son Bill, who is six years old. Jack and Leslie Dibble have two progeny, John and Lee.

At the football games there were many. The Ferrills, Al Gillem, Jim and Meta Humphrey, Homer Chandler (who sent a wonderful card with lots of deer on the front), Cibotti was wandering around with attractive wife. He left the new baby at home at Camp Meade. There were others going out to get frankfurters at the half and slugging up hot chocolate. Featherbelly Woodward I saw in the distance at the Navy game. Too far to get his views on life. A trip to West Point introduced me to Tony Wermuth's lovely wife. They are living in Central apartments, while Tony teaches English to the plebes, and takes part in the Little Theatre. Yeager teaching Russian to cadets and also to classmates' wives. Symroski still there, looking stolid and happy.

Ev Light and wife Peggy held party at the Hunt Lodge at Fort Leavenworth for members of the class of 1939 and 1940. Those in the class of 1940 present were Kintner, Munson, Benson, Page Smith, and Yeuell, who are

all instructors. Students are Oglesby Strock, Alexander, Freddie White, Mabee, Paulick, and Father Coughlin. Yeuell was present but without script. So he merely imitated Henry VIII in a gastronomical manner. A Christmas card was passed around and everyone signed. Careful observation shows that the signatures were legible, meaning that the card was passed about early.

Don Bennet and Tony Wermuth working on Class Memorial. Tony mailed out mimeographed sheets explaining all. If anyone not clear drop Tony a line or your company representative. A Company through M Company reads like this: Bennett, Clock, Bowlby, Fellenz, Smith, W. M., Hazeltine, Shanahan, Krauss, Symroski, Woodward, Ellis, and Yeager.

The memorial commemorates the following members of the class who were Battle Deaths: Presnell, Cooper, Pace, Gepte, Stablein, Meigs, Benvenuto, Murphy, J. J., Endress, Webb, Gerald, Schwab, Bowen, Toth, Zienowicz, Orr, Pitman, Hines, Wald, Maesfeld, Wells, Coleman, F. H., Cangelosi, Peter, Johnson, C. B., McGinty, Eaton, Hudson and Andrews.

Keep the information coming, if necessary use up your old Christmas cards but keep me informed. Write me at Valley Forge Military Academy, Wayne, Pennsylvania.

—Hank Brewerton.

1941

At schools: Bill Starr, Troup, and Christensen are at Harvard School of Business Administration. Jack Harris is at Michigan. Paul Day is at Illinois studying communications. Al Hayduk is at N.Y.U. studying Business Administration. Rumor, and only rumor, puts Bud Harding at Ohio State as a student. Ted deSassure is at Johns Hopkins. Hugh Foster starts back to Illinois in January to get his Master's in Electrical Engineering. Chuck Willis is taking business administration at Pennsylvania.

In or near Washington—At Belvoir: Aliotta, Bob Clark, S. Y. Coker, Delaney, Gurfein, Matt Harrison, Schremp, Bob Tarbox, Arnie Thomas (with a new baby and a recent transfer to Engineers). Andrews Field: Berger, A-1 office; Cochran, W. C., Kennedy, and Stillson all with Hq. S.A.C. Cliff Cole and Pete Crow are with the Munitions Board. Andy Evans and Paul Ramee are with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In the Pentagon: Besancon with O.C.E.; Brier, Briggs, John Easton, Elder, John Richards, Clyde Thompson, Bob Tuttle with U.S.A.F.; Johnnie Brooks is in the Air Comptroller's office, working with the General Staff are Curt Chapman, Larry Greene, Jack Norton, Bill Purdy, Salisbury, Dick Scott, George Slocum, and Ernie Whitaker; Danforth, Ducky Deyo, and Layfield are in the Quartermaster General's office; Cox is with the Aero Chart Service; Van Hoy is reputedly lurking with the Army Map Service. If you must get picked up by the M.P.'s do it at Ft. Meade, Johnnie Manley has just taken over a M.P. Battalion there. Tom Sharkey just got back from Paris (M.A.'s office) and is with the General

Staff. If anyone has questions or wishes to contact people in Washington, see John Easton, Room 4E336, Pentagon.

General news: Johnnie Henschke came from Hickam Field to the A.-N. game and reported Atkinson (2 daughters and new boy), Burt Andrus (boy and new daughter) and Bill Hershenow (daughter) out there. Goddard is supposed to have recently transferred to the Air Force and to Panama. Stainback is at MacDill Field. Aldrich is in Puerto Rico. Billie Mitchell is at Maxwell Field on the planning board for the Air Academy. He's on T.D.Y. from his permanent home at Shaw Field. Harry Harvey and George Brown are at Mitchel Field. Rumor has James Richardson as R.O.T.C. instructor at a high school somewhere in the Dakotas. A. Wray White is in the A-2's office in Tokyo. Bill Clifford is N.G. instructor at Fort Smith, Arkansas. Wendy Knowles is still at Sill. Linnell has a paratroop Bn. in the 82nd. Barney Woodruff, Matt Harrison, Aliotta, Schremp, Clark, and others were at the Eglin Field display in October. Benning claims Adjemian, Male, Strain (a new daughter—first child), Pickett (new baby), Lyles, Faulkner (2 children). McIntyre is at Baltimore Signal Depot. Woolwine is still at the Phila. Q.M. Depot, and since he, Butch Rising and Bud Thompson were at the Penn game, I assume the last two are in or near Philly. Dick Kline is at an air field in Kentucky or Tennessee. Ben Spiller and McCaffery are instructors with the Delaware N.G. D'Esposito is rumored to be at Pine Camp. The Rod O'Connors had a boy in July and are due back in the States August '49. Magruder had a baby recently. The Gregg McKees have their third boy. Gregg claims he's the only one in the class with three boys. Wallie Lauterbach (new baby) is down in Albuquerque. Buchanan is with the 56th Q.M. group in Germany. The Joe Knowltons had their second boy, about the 10th of December.

Late news: Jack Millikin is returning from Germany and will be at Fort Myer, Va. Gould is at M.I.T. studying Electrical Engineering. Seawell is at Harvard Law School. Lanigan is at Fort Meade.

Seen at the A.-N. game: Richards, Pete Crow, Jim Carroll, McIntyre, Linnell, Harry Cochran, Troup, Aliotta, Godell (Langley Field), Healy (Hartford with the Conn. N.G.), Norm Coker (N.Y.C.), R. P. Johnson, Curt Chapman, Keleher, Clinton, Lanigan, McGrane, Brier, Henschke, Reilly, Dave Woods, Riley King (has a milk farm in central Jersey).

News from Usamay: We're trying to set up a permanent organization among those of us up here. This to function as a nucleus of information, etc. Part of it will be a card with the latest information as last address, marital status, children and other interesting news items on it. Just to make sure we start off accurately every one send the above information to Felix Gerace, Lt. Col.—Q.M. Office, U.S.M.A. We had a Hallowe'en Dance at Round Pond the night of October 28 and a combined business meeting and stag party at the same place on December 6. You should all be getting a let-

ter as a result of the last meeting. Gerace, George Cooper, and Roy Kelley are acting as an executive committee for the class at West Point. Presently stationed here are Ted Brown, Watson, Cannon, Camp, Earl V. Brown, Dave Woods, Brad Smith, Knowlton, Bixx Moore (placed second in the Pentathlon at the 1948 Olympics) Jim Carroll, Kelsey, T. K. White, Rastetter, Edger, McKee, Ben Mayo, Gerace, Roy Kelley, Kosiorek (recently married), Bentley, Herb Richardson, Harry Cochran, Ellis, H. V., Neumeister, Hugh Foster, Howze, Root, George Cooper, Dixon is at Columbia and coming up here next year, and Betts is at the Sorbonne in Paris preparing for duty as a French instructor.

R. Ernest Dupuy is preparing a book on achievements of U.S.M.A. grads—if you have a candidate from the class whom you believe should be put in the book because of what he did during the war or since send his name to Gerace with the necessary information.

Next deadline for *Assembly* is March 10th get YOUR NEWS up here before then. If we don't know it, we can't print it. Send to any member of the class here.

—H. V. E.

1942

Adams—On duty, Hq., U.S.A.F. Washington, D. C. Anderson — "Where's my ex-wife Robbs?" Barnes—"I sure envy you people in the 'tropical' U.S.A.—by comparison, that is, but getting my overseas hitch over within one year is worth a few long, cold winter nights." (Manitoba, Canada). Baxter—"Have been in Panama since October 10, 1948. Will be glad to answer any questions re the place for members coming down for duty." Blair—Back with Armor after five years in the Air Force. Boone—"Am being exposed to graduate Physics at U. of Mich." Bringham—"Expect to sail for Europe in March 1949." Burke—"Am presently stationed at Mitchel Air Force Base, N. Y. as executive officer of the Air Base Group." Cerar—"Studying Nuclear Physics at Columbia University. Complete course in June 1949." Clagett—"Just got M.S. in Electronics at Penn. Now teaching Com. at Benning School for boys." Clay—"Present assignment: Logistics Division, General Staff, U.S. Army. Will leave in late spring or early summer for school at Ft. Knox, Ky." Colladay—"There are four of us here in the class—Geiger, Seip, Caruthers and myself. Saw Fiskin, Cumpston, and several others while we were down at Bliss." Cooperhouse—Presently assigned to the Signal Corps Procurement Agency as Contracting Officer. Cumpston — Now stationed: Guided Missiles Dept., A.A.&G.M. Branch, T.A.S., Fort Bliss, Texas. Davies—"Quartus arrived November 17, 1948—all 8 lbs., 9 oz. of him." Dillon—"Am presently on T.D.Y. at the Atlantic Refining Co., Phila., Pa. and am being assigned to the A.F.E.T.O. as of January 31, 1949." Dilworth—"The Ohio River changes to beer a few miles upstream from here. It's a pleasure to drop in—just give us a buzz and

we'll retaliate." Evans—"Doc Hyde graduates next summer from U. of Pennsylvania Law School. He stands 11th in a class of over a hundred." Garvin—"Completing third year of teaching German, leaving in June. No longer property owners with a house to maintain, but nevertheless, now twice as busy it seems—helping with soccer and Woman's Club classes." Gates—"Am in Armed Forces Special Weapons Project. It is a joy to be in Washington near so many classmates. Saw the Army-Navy game, and completed the day by attending Jim Hyde's open house at the Ben Franklin." Hamilton—"Stationed with Military Staff Committee, United Nations, No. 2 Park Avenue, living at Fort Totten. Second child—James Michael Hamilton, born November 12, 1948 at Fort Totten." Hanst—Asst. Secretary—Army Mutual Aid Association. Hesselbacher—Student, Colorado School of Mines until June 1949. Hill, B.—"The following members of '42 are at Fort Bliss—Simon, Iuliucci, Fiskin, Charbonneau and Lewis." Hill, Y.—"Attending University of Illinois—Electrical Engineering Dept. since June '47—all last year's group had to buy homes. Now all are re-decorating like mad, with an eye on the real estate market!" Hinckley—Attending School of Business, University of Chicago, will receive M.B.A. March 1949. Holdrege, Jr.—"If anyone is ever in Dayton, give us a call; telephone number, ORegon 1550." Horridge—"Attending Stanford. Industrial Engineering. Finishing up in June '49. Jay Hewitt is in same course." Hottenroth—"No children yet!" House—Presently assigned in the P.&A. Division, 8th A.F. Howe—"Presently studying Industrial Engineering at Ohio State. Expect to finish in June of next year." Hughes, G.—"Only five minutes from Geo. Washington Bridge. We have an extra bed for any New York visitors. Phone Teaneck 7-1477-J." Hunter—"Am National Guard Instructor." Hyde, F.—"I am on R.O.T.C. duty here at the Univ. of Tenn. and really enjoy it. This is my third year." Hyde, J.—"Retired April 1946. Now attending U. of Penn. Law School; if all goes well, hope to graduate this June." Jackson—Manufacturer Cotton Sportswear Cotton Mill. Jaynes—Assigned presently to 509th Bomb Wing, Walker A.F.B., Roswell, N. M. Jones—Studying Electronics at the University of Pennsylvania. Josendale—"Have been made Vice President and Treasurer of Wire Rope Corp. of America in New Haven, Conn." Josephson—"Albuquerque, New Mexico—also here: Pasciale, Rip Young, Harrell, Rienzi, Ballard." Kennedy—"Resigned in December 1947. Am Executive Vice President of Kennedy Supply Co., Inc., wholesale distributors of automotive parts, equipment, and accessories, Shreveport, La., and of Kennedy Sawmills, Inc., a creosoting and wholesale lumber business." King—"Retired, employed in personnel work by N. J. Dept. of Civil Service, Office: State House, Trenton, New Jersey. Just acquired a home on Barnegat Bay. Address: Park Ave., Island Heights, N. J." Kraft—Instructor—French—U.S.M.A. Krueger—Attending Cornell University. Lahm—"Am S-3 at 969 F.A. Bn.—a school

troop of 105 men." Lambert—On duty with Ohio N.G., Instr., Det. Armored Artillery and Cavalry. Lewis—Married Imogene Louise Weeks on November 27, 1948, at Fort Bliss, Texas. Low—Assistant Executive, Office, Secretary of the Air Force. Maffry—"Am studying Portuguese prior to joining U.S.A.F. Mission in Brazil (Rio). Nickodem finished Russian and is taking French now. Hewitt, Horridge and Retzer are at Stanford. Deffke left Hamilton for Europe recently. Murphy, J. R. is at March Field. The Army Language School is a nice outfit, at least for the short courses (4½ months) like Spanish, French and Portuguese. Monterey and Carmel are very nice places to live." Martell—"Have completed work for M.S. Degree in Radio Chemistry at Univ. of Chicago. Have now begun a two year program of research for Ph. D. Degree here. Dave Rowland (376 28th St., San Francisco 14) has promising position with San Francisco Brokerage firm—is married (Jane W.) and has two children—twins (Bruce and Linda)." Martinez—"Hello. My roots are pretty deep here at Ft. Sill now. Arrived in August 1946, fresh from Korea and ready for the Artillery Officers' Advance Course—completed same in June 1947. Nancy and I pal around with George and Helen Seip, also some with Larry and Peggy Lahm. Expect to visit West Point next spring." Master—Civilian since December 6, 1946—with Textile Machine Works, Reading, Pa. McAdam—Instructor in Dept. of Military Topography and Graphics (Old Drawing Dept.), West Point, New York. McCarthy—"At long last the Mac's have had a baby—a girl—born October 27, 1948. She has arrived just in time to make a highly probable trip to England next spring." McLellan—"The grass is not greener on the other side . . . etc. (Retired—Redlands, Calif.)." Miles, J.—Instructor at Fort Benning. Miles, R.—Obtained M.S. in M.E. at U.S.C., L.A., Calif, June 1948. Mizell—Studying Economics at Vanderbilt University. Munns, E.—Station: Hq., U.S.A.F., D.C.S./Material, Directorate of Installations, Pentagon Bldg., Wash. 25, D. C. Nickodem—Studying Russian and French at A.L.S. Offley—"Taking Guided Missiles Course at U.S.C. Finish in June." Omans—"Sure miss the Army." O'Neal—"Am assigned to A.F.F. Board, W.D. Communication and Electronic Service Test Section. Let me know if anyone is interested in Board No. 1 duty. (Fort Bragg)." Plott—Georgetown Law School—will finish in 1950. Ragland—Working at Radio Station—WKDK. Retzer—Stationed at Stanford—graduate work in Psychology. Rice—"Will finish Harvard Business School with M.B.A., this May." Rienzi—"Here at Sandia Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico after finishing the University of Illinois. Wonderful place!" Roberts—Deputy Chief of Staff, 101st Abn. Div., Camp Breckinridge, Ky. Rose, Jr.—Instructor, Air Command Staff School, Air University. Rowland—"Resigned October 7, 1947, now working for an Investment Brokerage firm—Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Beane. Spent 6 months on Wall Street learning something about Stocks and Bonds—now in S.F. office." Rus-

sell, R.—"Hope to see the West Point group if the D.A. is kind enough to give us a 3 year sentence starting in June." Ryan—In business in Chester Machine Corp., Chatham, New York. Seifert—"Present assignment—Armored Advisor, Colo. Nat'l Gd., have 2 more years here. Skiing, hunting, fishing—excellent. Camp Carson is 4 miles away but we haven't seen any classmates there." Seip—Attending Advanced Artillery Officers Course, The Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Sheffey—Married Shirley Vera Jennings on December 19, 1948, at West Point. Smith—Graduate Training—Jet Propulsion, Rensselaer Polytechnic, Troy, New York. Snow—Now taking one year graduate course in Civil Engineering at University of California. Spilman—"We've still an extra bedroom for any of '42 passing through these Virginia Hills, Route 460, fifty miles S.W. of Richmond. If you're passing over, drop in Blackstow Army Air Field—personal pick up and delivery guaranteed." Standish—Married August 21, 1948. Now attending Adv. Crs. No. 2, Inf. Sch., until June 30, 1949. Tarver—Assignment: 34th A.A.A. Brigade S.D. W./Gunnery Dept., the Artillery School, A.A. G.M. Br., Fort Bliss, Texas. Tatsch—Assigned to Dept. of Law, U.S.M.A. Second son born October 28, 1948 at Station Hospital, West Point, New York. Terrel—"We are living in Army quarters on the post for the first time and thoroughly enjoying it. My job at present is editing F.M.s written by Miles, Van Warren, Clagett (R. H.), Ryder, Ted Marks, and Bartholemees. Standish and Henessy are here as students." Thompson—"Working for A. O. Smith Corporation as a salesman of electric motors. My card says 'Field Engineer', but I'm just a peddler." Urrutia—"Have been in Italy since March 1946. First with the 752 Tk. Bn. of the 88th Div., then with the 351st Inf. Trust. Married Genevieve Brennan, Army Nurse, August 7, 1948 in Trieste. Will return to U.S. February 1949. Hope to see the whole 1942 crowd." Vogel—Presently taking year of graduate study in civil engineering at University of Iowa. Wachendorf—Now assigned staff and faculty, the Engr. School, Department of Engineering. Warren, W.—"Baby just arrived." Weeks—"Am attending second year of Harvard Business School. There are three other '42's there: Rice, Snow and Hozier. There is a terrific amount of work to this course, but well worth the effort. Housing is rough-like most places." Westenhoff—"A garret to freeze in, a hamburger shack to starve in, and voila! prospects of a future in the old bachelors' home look less glamorous—checker games or no checker games! For the edification of that ideal soldier, to wit, 'Holy Joe' Schmidt, can't gripe about a single thing. It's either the mellowing influence of old age, or Old Forester—hoping the latter! Work? We have it, paper shuffling and all! Time out occasionally to fly airplanes like C-45's, etc." White—"At Mitchel three years. Finish Air Command and Staff School December 18, 1948, following Brother Jim White who was in last class. Jack Rose, an instructor at A.C. & S.S. Reinbold and Burris classmates

at A.C.&S.S." Williams, F.—"Retired for P.D. Temporarily in Wisconsin, learning about the Paper Industry. Will be permanently with Coosa River Newsprint Co., Childersburg, Alabama." Williams, H.—"Just moved main business office of Hugh P. Williams Co. to 99 Hudson Street, New York City 13, WORTH 4-6536. Now operating main office in New York City and have a branch office in Buffalo, New York. Expect to have additional branches later on." Wise—In Caracas, Venezuela with Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. Wood—Present occupation: Chief Statistician, The Durex Corporation, 63 Wall Street, New York, New York. Zimmermann—Reintegrated into Regular Army in October '47. Appointed as White House Aide in November '47. Presently serving as a member of the General Staff.

Late Arrivals: McMaster—"Civilian—Roswell Flying Service, Inc. Fisk—Teaching here at the A.A. School now—having spent last year as student in Advanced Class at Artillery School, the shoe is on the other foot. Here at Bliss also: Ben Hill, Sam Cumpston, Tom Iulucci, Tom (Buck) Tarver, Jesse Lewis, Ken Charbonneau, Don Simon. Jesse Lewis just married here." Gernert—"Starting 2nd tour in Pentagon after getting M.B.A. at Ohio State. Am in Officer Procurement, P.A., U.S.A.F. Hqs., 4B265, Ext. 72200." Slaton—"Stationed at Lackland Air Force Base. No other classmates in vicinity as far as I know."

—R. R. E.

January, 1943

The deadline for this issue of *Assembly* has crept up and caught me with hardly anything to print.

Jean Gean presented Kirby with a beautiful little girl here at the Station Hospital. Kirby is still attending Columbia. He hopes to get his master's degree in the Spring. The Tim Browns became the parents of Pamela Frances on November 30. Tim is assistant to the Dean here at West Point. Phil Bischoff writes that he became a parent of a baby girl on November 27. Phil is stationed with an R.O.T.C. unit at the University of Florida.

Billy Hovde has announced his engagement to Miss Norma Getner. Miss Getner is a star at M.G.M. Right now Billy is stationed at Quito, Ecuador. They will probably be married in Quito.

Miss Nancy Porter and Wendell Bevan were married on November 6 in Arlington, Virginia. Beightler has been married recently too, but I don't know any particulars.

We were all saddened by the death of Frank Boyd. He was killed in an airplane crash at Chanute Field this Fall. His body was brought to West Point for burial.

Phil Bischoff wrote an interesting letter. He was at Fort Benning last summer. He saw Jimmy Changaris and Roy Wilson there with R.O.T.C. units. With other units at Benning were Charley Wirt, J. W. Anderson, Franklin, Fat Jack Hynes, Jack Wheeler, and Ruyffelaere. Roy Sand-

ers is at the University of Illinois working for a Master's degree. Davenport is P. of M.S. and T. at Tallahassee.

Richardson writes that he is a field engineer on Garrison Dam in South Dakota. The work is interesting, but it is a little too cold out there now to suit him. Most of his work is outside. Richardson has four children, two boys and a girl.

In the last issue of *Assembly* I inadvertently left out Bob Maloney's name. Bob is here with the Department of Electricity and Electronics.

After the game with Stanford we had a little party up in Chuck Lenfest's room. Among those present were Bob Beightler and his beautiful new bride, Clark Hain, Ed Foote, George Weart, Ledbetter, Fred King, Bevan and his new bride, George Kinney, Ed Sheley, Roy Bowlin, Howard Werhle, Doug Blue, Chuck Lenfest, Beeson, Maloney, Harrison, Willcox, Barber, Jack Day, Sam Karrick, and Mesereau. Freddy King flew up from Eglin. Day came from Wright Field where he is attending school. Weart is with A.D.C. at Mitchel Field. Iggy Lane is there too.

The Navy game was not very productive of news. I saw George Sykes, Brittingham, Hume, Danny Stewart, who is at the University of Pennsylvania, Bevan and Rabbit Brooks. I just ran across an item here that says Rabbit is married to Miss Carolyn Kerr.

Tom Beeson made himself famous around here by putting on a turnabout party for the Department of Mechanics. The women dressed as men, and the men dressed as women. The women, dressed as men, went to pick up the baby sitter, drove the car, mixed the drinks, took the baby sitter home, etc. If you think the party wasn't hilarious, you should see Tom in short skirts with his bony knees showing. Chuck wore the trimmings from his baby's basinette. Doug Blue won the prize for being the best dressed and most seductive siren. He carried a long cigarette holder and wore a shawl. How do you think Lowell Fisher would look in an evening gown?

For a batch of class news, this is really sad. How about getting on those typewriters and sending in some facts. What has happened to Bill Knowlton? I haven't heard from him in a long time.

Here is a note from a clipping. Art Wade is the head of the R.O.T.C. unit at Bangor High, Bangor, Maine.

Bestervelt just handed me a card from Baden who is in Germany. He announces the arrival of a third child, born in October.

In line with my policy of telling you of changes in the Corps, I can now say, "It has". The other day my wife and I invited three plebes over for a visit on Sunday afternoon. You see, each officer is asked to sponsor a few plebes, the idea being that the plebes will get invited out and get a chance to see the inside of a home. I like this much of the idea. About fifteen minutes before the plebes were supposed to arrive, I looked out to see that it was raining. I grabbed my hat and coat with the idea of going after them in the car so that they wouldn't get wet.

Just as I started out of the door a taxi drove up and the three plebes piled out. That surprised me because I can remember Bill Cook as a second classman bragging that he had ridden all the way from the Hotel to Grant Hall in a taxi without being caught. The payoff came after the plebes had been there about thirty minutes. We heard a horn. The ranking man, alphabetically, stood up and announced that that their taxi had arrived and that they had better leave. Cadets now get so much spending money each month to do with as they please. It is all right for even plebes to spend their money on taxis. I thought it worth telling because it certainly surprised me to see plebes openly riding in taxis.

How about sending me some news so that I can make this column a bit longer next time?

—Harrison.

June, 1943

Hi, gang. Poop from far and wide this time as a result of Lee Hogan's form letter to all of you re memorial for our classmates who were killed in action in the war. For those of you who didn't receive Lee's letter, I'll repeat substantially what he had to say. Here goes: The Superintendent has initiated the project of memorializing those graduates killed in action in World War II. At a meeting of representatives from those Classes that took the heaviest losses ('39 through our Class), it was decided that each class would pay for that portion of the memorial devoted to its own dead. In our case the cost will be about \$700.00. The memorial, in the form of two large bronze tablets, will show the names and classes of those who were killed and will bear the inscription "Erected by their Classmates". It will be officially dedicated during June Week in '49. If everyone contributes \$3.00 to defray the cost, the receipts will be adequate and any surplus will be deposited in the Class Fund. Give the info to nearby classmates and make checks payable to "Class Fund, June 1943, U.S. M.A." Johnny Buyers, Department of Mechanics, is receiving the checks here at Usmay. So far the response has been excellent, but we want all to have an opportunity to contribute. For your information, 254 of us now subscribe to *Assembly*, and probably all of us see a copy somewhere or other each time it is printed. Probably most will see the request here, but a little oral advertising on your part will help.

Several have asked what the Class Fund is used for. Briefly it was established and is being maintained to:

a. Provide a readily accessible fund at the logical center of Class activities, West Point, to defray the cost of:

- (1) Flowers for Class Funerals.
- (2) Postage for Class-wide circulation.

b. Build up a fund, through interest, for miscellaneous future projects of the Class as a whole, such as presenting small gifts as graduation mementos to sons of June '43 upon their graduation from U.S.M.A. (a very long range program).

c. To obviate the necessity for circular letters requesting funds to defray costs of class projects (except large ones, like the memorial). Minor disbursements have been made (and will continue to be made unless the Class offers serious objection) at the discretion of the Acting Treasurer and with the concurrence of the local class representation. Such disbursements have been made solely in the interests of the Class as a whole. Major withdrawals from the Fund will, of course, be made only with the assent of a majority of the entire Class. That about covers it, so on to other things.

Quite a number of us stationed nearby were following the big rabble all over the East during football season. Bob and Val Sonsteli didn't miss many, nor did Stan Staszak and Norm Williams. Bob McClure was up from Wright Field for the V.P.I. game. Here for the Villanova game were Drahos Clark, Rog Kullman, the Sonstelis, Staszak, and Williams again. Pat Hurlley was among the hilarious group at the Stanford game. He's at Mitchel Field. Vince Gaudiani and Al Orlan also appeared. Al's a civilian living at 44 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, and on the 13th of September a little stranger, Joan, appeared there. Suffering in Philly at the Navy game were a mob of us. Among those with tears as big as pool balls in their eyes were Gabby and Brecky Ivan (on R.O.T.C. duty with Bill and Marion Deekle at Rhode Island State). John B. and Myla Hudson (1001st Inspector General Unit, Langley Field, Va.), Dale Hagen, John Bell, Lemon Blank, Al Gullion, Jack Morris, Bob and Val Sonsteli, Drahos Clark, Steve Gordy, T. G. Harris, Tom Johnston, Rog Kullman, Bob Mattox, George Moe, and Franny Saul. Hudson says Tom Beckett is still batching, and that Bob Hancock is now studying law at Indiana U. after breaking all records raising tropical fish in Florida. Tim Ireland when last heard from in June went on TDY to Alaska for 60-days and hasn't been heard from since. Anybody ever seen a pro eskimo?

Children added since the last issue include the Westbrooks, a boy in Peiping, China; the Al Bowleys, a six pound baby girl, Robin, born September 8th; the Freeman Bowleys, a son F. W., Jr., born August 16; Nancy and Wild Bill Malone, William F., Jr., born in Anoka, Minnesota, in October (Bill says he'll be ready for the 100th Night Show in '66); the Walt Burnettes, son, Rexford Forrest, born August 27; the Ed Kremls, a son, Ed, Jr., born in Chicago August 21st; the Jesse Fishbacks, a daughter, Jill, born in June; the Stan Otts, Stan, 3rd, born here at W.P. November 23rd; the J. P. Drings (ex June '43), a son Stephen Clark on October 7; John and Alison Beach, Marie Therese, born November 11 in Los Angeles. Charlie and Teddy Wilson had their first, Marilyn Elizabeth, 6 pounds 8 ounces in Baltimore on November 2nd. Charlie's at graduate school at Johns Hopkins U., working on his Master's degree in Electrical Engineering. The Bill Herreses report a son born in Washington November 3rd; ditto for the Bob Mathes at Camp Hood on November 17. The Maggie Saines at Riverside, M.A. in

Gainesville, Ga. became four on June 16. The little one is Carolyn Grace and entered the scene at 7 pounds, 13 ounces. Maggie also writes that J. C. Tanksley has one year to go at Emory Law School in Atlanta, and was married in June. Jep and Frances live at 93 Princeton Way, Atlanta. The K. T. Sawyers at Qtrs 430-D, Fort Belvoir added Richard on September 14th. Tom and Mary Jane Foulk, currently at Scott A.F.B., Belleville, Ill., recently returned from Hawaii. They have two, Susan and T. B., III, the latter being born out there.

Back to football season again, Jock Barickman, Harry Heintzelman, and Bill Moore were up for the Harvard game. Harry also was at Ithaca for the Cornell game, and is studying at Columbia. Mary and Doug Deal, 306½ S. Van Dornen St., Champaign, Ill., played host to a sizable and noisy gathering after the Illinois game, including Bob and Jane Hancock, the Harvey Shorts, the Johnnie Davises, the Clare Farleys (recently assigned to 8th Army in Japan), the Tom Foulks, Al Gullion, and Dick Wheeler. Present, too, were Dick and Marion McCord (also hosting) Anne and Chris Munch, Elsa and Sam Pinnell, and Ginny and Dick McAdam, all attending school at Illinois U., and John Stockton, up from Fort Knox. It seems the cadets made quite a splash in the local scene, and dutifully displayed the fact that they always live above the common level, etc. Bob Mattox was recently married to Vivian Gale, a Marine Corps child, in Arlington, Va. Paul Curtin also added to his responsibilities when he was wed to Gertrude Larned of Syracuse, New York. P. J. and Gertrude are at home at 39 Laarhover Terrace, Stoughton, Massachusetts. Another taking the step in late December in the Cadet Chapel was Art Van Schoick of the Drawing Department and Ann Franklin of New York. Shortly after his engagement was announced a large "For Sale" sign appeared on Van's Dodge. We were about to take up a collection for his benefit until he allowed as how he was dickering for a Lincoln.

In late November, T. K. Oliver passed through with his boss from Wright Field. The deCamps had a small gathering to welcome him and over the cherry soda we learned that Bud Bolling was finally on the water bound for Rio, after a successful session learning to habla the palabras at the Presidio of Monterey. Steve Gordy finished Strategic Intelligence School at W.F.A.F.B. in November. Bill Scott is teaching there and Norm Keefer and Bob Hoffman are at the Air Institute of Technology, also at Wright. Others present for duty are Ed O'Connor, John Davis, Paul Atkinson, Dave Munro, and Al Shiely. T. K. takes off in January for Air Tactical School at Tyn-dall A.F.B., Florida, after his tour in Research and Development at Wright Field. Where's Hersberger, Tom?

In a recent issue of *Life* Magazine, Jack Novak appeared fat and apparently happy as one of the Air Attaches in Prague. *Life* says—"Air Attaches, who study developments in their own fields" Pretty lush living, it looks like, but our birdmen are used to that.

Jack's younger brother will captain the soccer team here at Usmay next fall.

George Campbell, up for the Cornell game at Ithaca, saw Gordon Smith and Will Martin. Smitty is with the National Guard at Syracuse and is still a bachelor. The Martins have three, including 4-year old twins, and Will is studying at R.P.I. in Troy, New York. For those who haven't heard Ralph Scott has a couple of stout twin boys, too.

Miscellany: Jack Loughman is with the R.O.T.C. unit at Yale after finishing his duties at the U. of Delaware. Howie and Carolyn Coffman are at Center Hill Dam, Baxter, Tenn. (Nashville Dist., C.E.) and Hal Gingrich is with the 9th Infantry Division at Fort Dix. Seth Frear was up this fall, sporting a '48 Cadillac around the post. Business good, Seth? George Betts, Bill Pulos, and J. C. Teller are at the Army Language School at the Presidio of Monterey. Betts and Pulos are taking Greek and Teller, Russian. George will report to the C.I.C. Center at Camp Holabird, Md. when he finishes at Monterey. Hal Neill recently completed his course there. Bob Newman's resignation was accepted November 30. Fred Herres is aiding for General Jones of the U.S. Military Advisory Group in Manila. Don Dargue is with the 7th Bomb Wing at Carswell A.F.B., Fort Worth. Ernie Price recently departed for F.E.A.F. in Tokyo, A.P.O. 925, for duty as Air Installations Officer. Fergie Knowles is flying fighter escort for the Berlin Airlift, 601 T.C. Sqdn, A.P.O. 171, N.Y.C. Jim Harrold recently transferred from the Coast Artillery to Engineers and is now studying at Iowa U. The Jim Nashes are there too. Caroline and Dick Shaefer, here at the Rock, wowed the assembled officers, ladies, and cadets with their performances in "First Lady", an amateur theatrical production staged by the West Point Players. At Columbia we have Jock Barickman, Russ Maughan, and L. B. Smith commuting from Shanks Village. Jock's first child, Barbara Ann, was born in June. Eddie McCabe is in grad school at Harvard. Ed Cleary is P.M. S.&T.ing at Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kan. Bob Hanna, a civilian since June '47, can be reached at 9951 Ward Avenue, Detroit. He's with the Ford Motor Co. and was recently promoted to Staff Assistant to the Chief Engineer. He and Lee have two boys and invite all comers to visit them in Detroit. A note from L. D. Pavy finds him and Doris in Heidelberg along with Johnny Moses and Wally Magathan. Westfall, Tansey, Baldwin, and Peak are installed at Oberammergau. Pavy can be found in Hq., E.U.C.O.M., I.D., A.P.O. 403, c/o P.M., N.Y.C., and reports that Ham Carter is in Seattle.

From the land of the rising sun comes word that Dan and Peg Cullinane have departed enroute to Uncle Sugar Able and an assignment here at Usmay with the Tac Department. Dan will have some schooling first at Columbia before assuming his duties as an instructor in the Psychology and Leadership Course. Before he left Japan, and in order to keep his rating as a five star reporter never known to miss a deadline (or a hemline), Dan wrote that Tony Grice suffered a minor

tragedy when some \$3,000.00 worth of clothing, jewels, cameras, and loot was stolen soon after they arrived home from Japan. The story goes that Tony reported to his new station in a barrel, but on time. That's what training will do for you. Hal Parfitt is in Yokohama with the 8th Army Engineers, and Rollo Brandt passed through there on the way to an assignment with the pick and shovel boys in Korea.

Some of you might have seen the October issue of the *Blue Book Magazine* (wrong—the Com has no connection) and an article of 14 pages by John Blair Beach. In the magazine's own words "the heroic battle story of an American Infantry Platoon that fought through the Huertgen Forest, told without heroics by its leader". We can point with pride to an author of no mean ability in our midst. Who said infantrymen can't write? Address fan letters to 5336 Brooklyn Avenue, Los Angeles, please.

Will Cover and Cecile are still at Sill, 706 D Street, Lawton, Oklahoma. Bill recently took the part of Scrooge in Charles Dickens' immortal—accompanied by the clapping of chubby little hands. Les Hardy, now S-3 of the 37th F.A. Bn. at Lewis, and Pinky Winfield, S-3 of the 15th F.A. Bn. also at Lewis and a papa for the second time in September, have the training phase of the 2nd Div. Artillery well in hand. Rex Cocroft is there too, awaiting action on his resignation. Tom Elgin is with the 2nd Eng. Special Brigade at Fort Worden, Washington, nearby. Pretty well dominated by Kayco it appears. Charlie Pence, 6925 Shepherd St., Landover, Md., is with the Central Intelligence Agency in Washington, working in the foreign radio broadcast section. A class luncheon at the Army-Navy Club recently found Del Perkins, Bill Calnan, Mark Boatner, Dave Davenport, Paul Steinle, and Walt Hutchin still speaking to each other. Dick Reitmann, still single, was at Los Alamos awaiting final action on his resignation in November. Dick plans to root the Golden Gophers right into the Rose Bowl next season. Al Hegenberger is at Mitchel Field and Keith Whitaker is in Washington. Dick Snyder, at Tyndall Field in Panama City, Fla., and Al were together until recently in the Air Tactical School. Bill Glasgow is our only representative at Fort Warren, Wyoming, as Director of Engineering Courses in the Air Force Technical School. Walt Hutchin at Belvoir reports the following June '43ers on hand: John Bell, Ernie Buzalski, Hi Fuller, Dutch Ingwersen, D. J. Mehrrens, Jack Morris, Keith Pigg, Charlie Reed, Bill Roos, K. T. Sawyer, R. O. Whitaker, and Jug Young. Zach Richardson is in the Class 49-A of the Air Tactical School at Tyndall. Zoo Gorelangton is in school with the Navy at Pearl Harbor and DeBrocke has a R.O.T.C. job in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Steve Sherrill is still A.D.C. to General Hull at Shafter and Frank Wood is there too.

At Fort Knox, Frank Jones is instructing in the Weapons Dept. of the Armored School, and Stockton, Rhoads, Danforth and Dwan are there in the advanced course. Dunwoody is in the

Extensions Course Dept., and W. G. Mitchell is with the Armored Center G-3 Section. Jones is still batching and passes a rumor that Roger Ray is about to enter a state of connubial bliss. Mitch won the post singles and doubles tennis championship and added the second Army doubles championship for good measure. Jonesie, returning late one night from the race track, encountered two horses on the highway, probably slow starters or late finishers, according to Mitchell. Missing the first, Frank got the second, and also several large dents in his convertible. Too bad you didn't have "Wild Horse" Grady along to calm the beasts. Chuck Spieth is at Monthan A.F.B. in Tucson. Also present there are Oswald, Jack T. Davis, Hubert Smith, and John Bowley, the latter in Alaska on T.D.Y. flying B-50's. Tommy and Dorothy Tomlinson are at Benning firing F.A. demonstrations for the doughboys. Also there are Ed Shaifer, Joe Eastmead, Dutch Umlauf, and Stan Wilson. Johnny Johnson, a bachelor on the Co-ed campus at the U. of Vermont in Burlington, has the most completely equipped apartment in the East, it is said. Jug Burrows is Resident Engineer at the St. Louis Administration Center, working on a sprinkler system job for the Army Motion Picture Service. Hank Romanek, R.O.T.C.ing at North Carolina State College, is all set up on U.S. Highway No. 1 in Raleigh and receives all tourists passing through. Doug Parham's address is 40 Auburn St., Waltham, Massachusetts. Ed Blount is at Santa Clara U. on R.O.T.C. duty, and Bob and Bev McCanna have the same assignment at Ohio University at Athens, Ohio. Bernie Rogers, still a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, plans to spend a couple of weeks skiing in the Austrian Tyrol between semesters. Rog will be in England until the last half of '50 as a result of an extension of his scholarship. He and T. K. Tannler (A.D.C. to General Keyes in Vienna) were together for a bit of elbow bending the last time Rog and Ann were in Austria. Rog's very British address is Wootton Close, Boars Hill, Oxford, England.

It was our sad task here at West Point on the 27th of September to pay our last respects to Jim Fitzgerald who died of injuries received in a T.F.-80C. jet which crashed September 9th in Van Nuys, California. Jim was one of the pilots who had flown the X.C.-1 faster than sound. And here on the 25th of October committal services were held for Ronnie MacDonnell, killed in action over the E.T.O. August 9th, 1944. To their families our condolence was expressed by classmates here at the Military Academy.

That's it for now. Next deadline March 10. Don't forget the checks for the memorial in Cullum. Hold the presses. . . Word just came that our boy-wonder, super-goat, and the soldiers' choice for the Company Commander in the E.T.O., Bird Dog Spalding, is returning in February to an assignment with the 35th A.A.A. Brigade at Bliss. Probably just an interim job until the Atomic Energy Commission can grab him.

—Edrington.

1944

Plans are now definitely underway for the reunion this June Week and we hope to have news out to you shortly after you receive this issue.

The football games seem to have been quite a magnet this past fall for the class of 1944. We've been coming from far and near to watch Blaik's boys perform. Bud Austin has been up from Langley Field and Jelks Cabaniss has found time off from his studies at Pennsylvania a couple of weekends. At the Lafayette game Jim and Bea Dunham were up from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. Howie Tanner flew in from Maxwell Field—announcing the birth of a third child, Don William. Bill Miller took time off from his fishing to see the game before heading west to join Sears and Roebuck. Dave and Madi Zillmer stopped by on their way back to Benning for their second year with the Weapons Department. Barbara and C. C. Martin were up from Washington where C. C. has been on 90 days active duty with the Ordnance Department. Chris Klinge, having finished his schooling at the University of Pittsburgh stopped by on his way overseas—presumably Venezuela or Arabia.

Dumbo Codling, Johnny Tkacik and Jim White didn't have far to go for the Illinois game since all three are presently schoolboys at that institution. Jim White was at the time still recovering from the birth of an heir. From a few miles away at Purdue University Willie Peugh managed to arrange matters so that he was getting in his month's flying the same weekend of that Illinois game. Who should show up on the players' bench for that same game but Bill Fullilove? Stationed at Kearny Air Base, Bill has been coaching the Air Base football team this fall. Both he and Emmett Maxon, also at Kearny, showed up at West Point the following week to play the Army Plebes. Up from teaching R.O.T.C. at the University of Chicago for the Illinois game were Cooch, and Dave and Polly Henderson, recently back from Japan. Bud Austin up from Langley again. Bev Snow and Dondanville up from Albuquerque. George Ingersoll from Michigan (not New York as previously reported). Joe and Mary Grace Cutrona up from the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri. Tom and Anne Phillips up from Fort Knox. The Phillips recently returned from duty in Japan with the 11th Airborne. Dean Crowell up from Ogden. Larry Clayton from March Field. Danny Lee, Buck Melton, and Bobo Simmons down from their civilian jobs in Chicago. Paul Emley from Fifth Army Headquarters. Others in attendance were Bill Bingham, Bill Miller, K. O. Lindell, Buzz Gordon, and Di DiSilvio.

On hand at West Point for the Harvard game were Seth Milliken from Fort Monmouth, Curly Walters from Wright Field, and the Mangans from the University of Penn.

At the V.P.I. game was Chuck Nye recently back from Germany. C. C. and Barbara Martin and Frank Cash and his new wife also in attendance. Frank is now in Stuttgart, Germany, with the Consular Service. Phil Toon,

aide to General Byers, was up from the 82nd Airborne.

The Stanford game in New York was another focal point. Most of the gang here at West Point were there along with the Mangans, Robbie Robinson, Ed Stahl, Doug Kinnard, M. E. McCoy, the C. C. Martins, the Al Nor-ton, and Ray Auringer. Joe Cutrona's folks were also there plus a number of other unidentified parents of the class.

The Goat-Engineer game turned up Curly Jackson on leave from Fort Sill and Hi Ely taking time off from his frozen food business in New Jersey.

Probably the largest crowd of the season was on hand for the Navy game at Philadelphia. Without intending to overlook anyone I'm afraid that in the excitement of the game a number of those present may not have been included. Those from the University of Penn. observed at the game were Maudie and Tommy Moore, the Hal DeArments, the John Mangans, and Jelks Cabaniss. Others stationed at Penn. but unobserved are Don and Birgita Gruenther, the Jack Pollins, Phil McAuliffe plus wife and daughter. The Gruenthers have been able to boast of the birth of a boy since late September. The DeArments have two boys and it is reported that Butch, the older can already master his pop.

Up from Johns Hopkins were the Jim Blandfords and Jim and Bea Dunham. Ug Reeves from Annapolis, Fred Porter from Mitchel Field. Curly Jackson on his way back to Fort Sill. George and Beth Blanchard, and Spike Geltz from Washington. Bob and Rusty Shoemaker also up from Washington where Bob is stationed with the Air Comptroller after his recent return from the Philippines. Jack Bruno from duty with the District Engineer in upstate New York. Frank Moon from Harvard. Also Vicente Lim. Frank Forthoffer and George Ingersoll. Bob Zott and Curly Walters from Wright Field. Also stationed at Wright Field are Leo Hinkey and Jack McElvey. C. C. Martin on his way back to building airplanes in California.

Other information gleaned from here and there about the doings of the class follows. Note that much of this conversation was obtained from between the halves conversations and in some cases may be inaccurate. If so, let us have the correct poop.

First some additions to the school crowd not reported in the last issue. Ben Ragland at Ohio State, Johnny Glab at the University of Iowa, Otto Steinhardt at Iowa State. Bob Armstrong at Rensselaer Polytechnic was presented with a daughter born in the Station Hospital at West Point. Bill Steger taking his Master's in Petroleum Engineering at Tulsa University. Alex Maish back from Manila is hard at work in Engineering at Cal. Tech. Close by at the University of Southern California are Dee Pettigrew, Will Kahn, and Bill Stowell. Bob Faas recently left Randolph Field for a term of study at Columbia University before coming up to teach Plebe English. Jim Douglasses have joined the Cutronas at the University of Missouri.

Al McCoy, Max Andresen, Gene Darow (ne Dabrowski) have all finished with M.A.'s from Illinois Tech and are

now stationed at Fort Sill. Evidently Max found time for something besides studying while he was there having met the present Mrs. Andresen, formerly Frances Sweet, while in Chicago. Also at Sill are Bob Murphy and Doug Gallez from the University of Southern California. Dave Ott, at present an instructor at gunnery, finds time to win fame with the Fort Sill Dramatic Club.

Dave Flitton and Jack Geyer are now at Andrews Field. Andy Cupper and Johnny Kincaid at March Field. Tom Mahoney at Hamilton Field. Jack Boning at Biggs Field. Bill Cowee, Bass Hanley have joined the bunch already at Albuquerque. Bob and Dottie Royem at San Antonio. At Tyndall Field are Bob Ingalls, Barney Sohn, Bill Gerhard, Bill Charlson. Dusty Rhodes and Ace Edmonds at Sandia. Paul Jones in the Climatic Test Squadron at Eglin Field. Joe Waterman in Dayton. F. E. McCoy, Eddie Stahl and Mike Mickelwait at Mitchel Field.

John Cleveland at Belvoir. Bob Flynn and Vitullo at Fort Knox. Bob and Margie Day at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. Frank Greenhill back to the States from the Philippines. E. P. Anderson and wife reportedly at V Corps Headquarters at Fort Bragg. Bruce Deakin married to Sis Carley presently stationed in Georgia. W. P. Anderson at Maxwell Field. Lloyd Pugh at Kelly Field. Dean Crowell and Bill Chandler at Hill Field, Utah. Bill Fairbrother and Steve Farris at Selfridge Field, Michigan.

Fort Riley at present claims Count Ciszewski, D. MacWilliams, Carl Peterson, Tom Tarpley, Kern Pitts, Rod Lindell, and Bud Partridge, and seems to be treating everyone well as most have permanent quarters on the post. The Count is instructing in Field Artillery in the Department of Weapons, Ground General School. D. MacWilliams is in G-1. Partridges have a baby girl. Carl Peterson foresook bachelorhood to marry a Kansas girl. Tom Tarpley remains a bachelor. Rod Lindell married. Peterson, Tarpley, and Pitts are all Company Commanders. Rod Lindell in the Communications Department. The Ciszewskis have a girl born in September. Hal Wilhite and Jimmy Stewart have left Riley for civilian life—Jimmy to study law in Virginia, Hal to a job in Texas. Hugh Snelling has also left Riley and is at present studying Russian at the Army Language School, Monterey, California.

Bob Wessels studying engineering at Cornell while Jerry has joined Bob's folks at Camp Gordon awaiting the arrival of a child. Jeff Forsythe announces the birth of a son, Jeffrey Leigh, born September 4. Scott Solomon proud father of daughter Carla—last April. Moon Mullins and Delamater at Lackland Air Field, Texas. Les Babcock at San Angelo doing Field Artillery Liaison work. Joe Hale now taking flying training at Randolph Field. Keith Eiler at Albuquerque. Lenny Sims back from 2½ years in Korea is now aide to General Handy.

Over in Germany Bob Hurst is aide to General Trudeau with the 1st Constabulary Brigade. Lee Smith, also in Germany, is C.O. of the 86th Motor Vehicle Squadron with the 86th Flight-er Wing at Neubiberg. He and Audrey

are looking forward to an early return to the States to introduce their daughter Paula to her grandparents. Cas Myslinski flying with the 45th Recon Squadron has been sparking the Furstenfeldbuch football team this past fall. Bob Sellers has also arrived there from his last assignment in Omaha, Nebraska. He is now a provost marshal! Lee Smith ran into Chuck Czapar on the Vittles Run from Wiesbaden to Berlin. Chuck is with the G-2 Section of U.S.F.A. Mike Nelson still present with the 45th Recon at Furstenfeldbuch.

Art Nelson is still down in Honduras training Honduran troops as Engineers. Joe Petrone is still down in the Caribbean at Puerto Rico. Nick Fuller is back from the Caribbean Area. Having resigned from the Consular Service, he is at present living in Weehawken, starting to work with Sears and Roebuck. Another child arrived a week before the Navy game. Bob Algermissen back from Guam, six months in the States and then off to England. Pat Sullivan still out on Guam had a son, name and date of birth unavailable.

The Doc Greaves are also proud parents of a boy, "Rip" They are now in China where Doc is studying Chinese after a Far Eastern Area Course at Yale. Jim and Mary Gene Giles are winding up their tour in Osaka, Japan, and will be returning to the States in February. Jim has been Adjutant of the 27th Infantry. Boodler and Margie Richards are still enjoying life with the 441 C.I.C. in Tokyo. Johnny Susott at Johnson Field, in Irumagawa.

At Camp Schimmelpennig we have that perpetual resident of Japan, Jimmy Adamson. Father of a boy last February. Having been in Japan since the occupation started except for his tour at the C.&G.S., Jimmy should have been returning home sometime in December '48. Also with Jimmy is George Pickett. June arrived recently with George's new Kaiser so he is reportedly looking askance at those still driving surplus jeeps. Larkin Tully was at Haugen, he should be back home by publication date. Bill and Jean Todd are trying to keep track of their twin boys. Bob Daly has been recently joined by his wife there. Up in Sapporo, Hokkaido, Bill Kennedy is running the Division M.P.s and Bob Cowherd is in G-4. Joe Shelton is in the 187th hoping to be joined by his wife. Coots Mitchell was also there with the 11th A./B. as aide to General Swing but went down to Kyoto with the General to take over I Corps. Doc Hayward is another of the long-timers. Margaret has been out there with him since March of 1946 and they hope to be getting home this March of 1949. Doc and Margaret have another daughter, Roxanne, born last March.

Back in the States the holdout bachelors have been capitulating one by one. In addition to those already mentioned, Jim Cowee was engaged to be married in November to Elaine Boardman Maines. Johnny Sullivan was married to Annette Burgard at Fort Benning either on October 22 or November 1. Also in November Lynn Lerch was married to Margaret Elizabeth James at Fort Sam Houston. Dan Wallis will be finishing up his study of

Danish at the Army Language School in Monterey—future assignment unknown. Three of the four bachelors here at West Point will be married during Christmas week. Johnny Desmond to Betty Dalton of Attleboro, Mass. at W.P. on the 29th. Pete Tisdale to Linda W. Eubank, Army brat, at W.P. the 23rd of December. Bob Ginsburgh to Nancy Brand in Washington on the 29th.

In addition to those mentioned the W.P. bunch now consists of John and Barbara Eisenhower, Jack and Bea Peterson, Chuck Davis (bachelor), John Donaldsons, Roy Bahls, Joe and Anne Phillips, Harry Grace and family. Send any poop you may have to any one of us, and thanks for the stuff you have already sent. —R. N. Ginsburgh.

1945

Engagements: John Harman and Lois Anne Chase of Baltimore.

Marriages: Jim Garrett and Beidre Stoer, at West Point, December 18. Jim is assigned to school at Yale. Walter H. Root and Dorothy Stanford at the Presidio in San Francisco in November. Best man was brother Jim who is stationed at Fort Ord. Walter is aide to General Butler at the Presidio. Fred Einsidler and Mimi Mandelbaum in December. Fred is assigned for study at Michigan U. Walter Gerald and Virginia Lois Kunde at Statesville, N. C., August 28. Following a short trip through North Carolina the couple left for their station at Walker A./B., Roswell, N. M. Walter Dillard and Rena Jane Hoffman at Joliet, Illinois, September 11. They are presently stationed at Grenier Field, Manchester, N. H. Mike Gilligan and Mary Margaret Robinson at Boulder, Colorado, September 4. Mike is stationed at Camp Carson. Francis Klabouch and Madeline Marie Morrissey at Forest Hills, N. Y., October 16. Joseph Van Cleve and Ruth Shaughnessy at Quincy, Mass., November 6. Jim Donovan was best man. The couple will be stationed at Fort Knox. Wade Shafer and Julia Ann Burns at Hartford City, Ind., June 12. The Shafers are now stationed at the Ordnance School, Aberdeen P./G. John Black and Barbara Erasman at Regensburg, June of this year. Walter Jagiello and Leslie Skinner at March Field, November 20. Attending the ceremony were Jim Reints and Ralph Ellis. Walter's latest assignment is with the 3rd Armored at Fort Knox. Frank A. Smith and Joan Beadle in Korea, Christmas Eve, 1947. Frank is now stationed in Philadelphia, since finishing Advanced Signal Supply School at Camp Holabird.

Family additions department: To the Salters, son, Vance Edwin, born July 15. To the Jim Muellers, their second son, Paul Kennedy, born September 14 at Sandia Base, Albuquerque.

At Camp Carson along with Gilligan are: Jim Neal, George Smith, Dick Jett, Bob Dingeman, and Hap Macintire. All are assigned with the 14th R.C.T., a winter warfare and mountain outfit. The boys are presently being fitted for extra lungs and new skis.

Returned in October but assignments unknown at this writing are: Dick Van Houten, Bill McMurray, Mc-

Allister, McLendon, and Kelly. Returned from E.T.O. for duty at Bliss in Guided Missiles are: Dick Crane, John Tyler, Jim Christiansen, John Black, and Ed Deacon.

Henry Hughes has been appointed social aide to President Truman. Hank took over this assignment in November and will be standing up tall at all state functions. John Karr is soaking up the rare ozone at Fitzsimmons in Denver where he is being treated for T.B. Tom McNeil is flourishing in the textile industry down in Fort Worth while Arch Kimbrough is in Dallas and John Graham is at nearby Texas A.&M. working for his Master's.

Recent correspondence places the following as still on the other side but destined for home in the near future: Dave Fink, Bill Ochs, and Ira Hunt at Trieste, R. M. Herron in Japan with S./C., and George Wyatt, John Boyce, and Buck Rankin in Berlin.

Straight from the archives at Usmay comes the following roster. Stationed at the Point are: Bill Clark, Ace Parker in Dept. of Math, Howie Baldwin, S.C., Ben Wier in Modern Lang. (Portuguese), Jim Holt at U.S.M.A. Prep School, Stewart Field as a Tac, Doug Kenna and Bob St. Onge as football coaches. Recently departed from duty at the Point are: Jim Howe to Madrid to study Spanish and return as an instructor, Art Truxes to Far East to complete F.I.S. tour. At Illinois University taking Communications Engineering course are: George Troxell, Bob Marben, Tom Musgrave, Al Knight, Tom Gleason, and Dick Carnes. Bill Daugherty is signal officer at Granite City Engineer Depot near St. Louis. Bill Velie is at Michigan U.

Funeral services were held at West Point on October 25 for the late John J. McGranery, who was killed in a plane crash in the Philippines in 1946.

—George Lenfest.

1946

Of the many men who saw some football games this year I can list only a few that I saw and remembered. In New York for the Stanford 43-0 rout were Fred Hickey, Alex Halls, Bob Dickson, Bob Dosh and Jim Carbine. Down in Phila. for the Penn thriller I saw Jack Geibel and Al Bottoms, formerly in C-2 Co. at the Point, and presently in his senior year at Penn. Those who saw the disappointment of the Navy game were Hansen, Billy Mason, Louie Creveling, Haussmann, Hank Boltz, Bill Withers, Ben Kinney, Dick Kinney, Jim Carbine, Pud Patterson, and Bob Dickson. I know I have missed many of the class at all three games, but this will give some an idea of a few that cheered the "Big Rabble" this season.

News of recent marriages, engagements, births and deaths has reached me from various sources, so I will pass them on through this medium. George Devens and Miss Mary Katharine Tansey were married December 1, 1948, in Tokyo. Miss Tansey is the daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Patrick H. Tansey. The reception was held at The Imperial Hotel in Tokyo. George was transferred in midsummer from Guam to Japan and is now on duty at Hqs.

Air Materiel Command, Fuchu, Japan. Apologies are in order to George and Mary for my misspelling of her maiden name in the October issue of *Assembly*.

Bob Bassler married Miss Frances Thomson Starner last October in Columbus, Ohio. They are making their home in Germany where Bob is stationed. From Louisville, Kentucky, comes word of Bob Frantz's wedding on November 20, 1948 to Miss Suzanne Holton Allen. Sometime last fall Kent Keehn and Miss Marjorie de Andres were married in Berlin.

On November 23, 1948, Reg Shaw was married by proxy to Dorothy Grace Montague, sister of classmate Ted Montague. Both parties had stand-ins because Reg was in Japan and Dorothy in Conn., while the ceremony occurred in Tulsa. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, Reg's parents, acted as bride and groom. Shaw is presently assigned to the 49th Fighter Sqd. at Misawa A.F.B., Honshu, Japan.

From an August clipping in the *Pittsburgh Press* we find that Gordon Oosting is engaged to Miss Sigrid Marie Thorsten of Pittsburgh. He is attending the U. of Pitt. working for his Master's degree in Petroleum Engineering. The engagement of Lynn Hoskins, Jr. to Miss Beverly C. Bottoms was announced in the November 13 Army-Navy Journal. The wedding date was set for December 27, 1948. Lynn is at present in Panama with the 903rd A.A.A. A.W. Bn. at Fort Clayton.

Born at Station Hospital, Fort Sill, Okla., November 4, 1948 to Ted Adair a daughter, Karen Patricia. A son, Lloyd III, was born at 57th Field Hospital, Salzburg, Austria, on September 20, 1948 to Lloyd Adams. Roger Lengnick has a daughter, Cynthia Anne, born at Station Hospital, Wright Patterson A.F.B., Ohio, on November 2, 1948. Born at Hakato, Japan, November 1, 1948 to Everett Rea a daughter, Barbara. For Kit Sinclair a son, Bryan Carter, was born at 57th Field Hospital in Wurzburg, Germany. Andy Talbot has a son, Charles William, born at 124th Station Hospital, Linz, Austria.

For the entire class I express our sympathy for the parents, the wife and child, and the friends of John D. McGregor, who was killed in a plane crash at Eielson Field, Alaska on November 12, 1948. Also I wish to express our regrets to the parents and friends of Edward M. Carr, whose name is listed in the *Last Roll Call* in the October issue of *Assembly*.

Bill SacHarov was the guest speaker for the first fall meeting of the Lions club of Ellwood City, Pa. His subject was based on his recent tour of duty in the Orient. He gave a description of Japan and present conditions there. James Wirrick has been assigned as Aide-de-Camp to Maj. Gen. Milton B. Halsey, 8th Army Chief of Staff. His present address is Hqs. 8th U.S. Army, Office of Chief of Staff, A.P.O. 343, c/o P.M. San Francisco.

From the 19th Inf. Regt. in Beppu, Kyushu, Japan comes word from Ken Barlow. There are at least 8 men from the class with Ken in the 19th whose names and jobs I will give you. Ken is the Ass't Regtl. Adj. and his wife Jo Anne is with him in Japan. Jim McGarity, who was Ass't Regtl. S-2 of the 19th, is now at Div. Hqs. with

Hqs. Co. as the Ex. Off. He attended the Automotive Maintenance School at Yokohama in March and is now a qualified Motor Pool Officer. He has taken a law exam in Yokohama. If he passes he may get a chance to go to a civilian college for three years. Mac and Ken attended a course in Air Transportability in February at Matsushima, Honshu, Japan, where part of the 11th A.B. is stationed. They got their glider wings then and saw "Blackjack" Cairns, Billy Bob Smith, Sam Walker, "Chang" Channon and numerous others at the time.

Clair Book is the Special Sv. Off. for the Regt. He was coaching the Regt. football team this past fall, which was less experienced than any other team in the Div. They won their last game by 20-7, but lost 3 beforehand. Charlie Limpus, '45, was a back on the team and scored 2 touchdowns, one on a 50 yard run. Clair's wife is overseas with him.

Byron Greene, who returned from T.D.Y. with Mujazaki M.G. team, is now Asst't S-3 for Regt. and is T.I.&E. officer. Byron's wife is also over there with him. Al Leavitt also back from the same T.D.Y. is handling odds and ends, is assigned to D Co., is Class "A" agent, and is Administration officer for the Dependent School. Joe Castelli, returned from T.D.Y. with Aichi M.G. team, is with B Co. This company forms the cadre for the schools for Div., so Joe is not in Beppu, but at Kohuma.

John Whitmore, back from T.D.Y. with Aichi team, is expected to take Joe's place with B Co. before press time. Bill Culpepper, who was with 19th Inf., then went on T.D.Y. with the Gifu M.G. team is now a general's aide. Ed Flaherty is now on D.S. with the J.A.G.'s section in Div. Hqs. His job is reviewing court martials, L.D. cases etc. His nickname is now "Little Judge" Ed seems keenly interested in his work and may plan to go further into law.

Walt Mattox is on T.D.Y. with the Oita M.G. team. His wife is with him overseas. Ken has seen John Callaghan at Kohuma, John is with the 21st Ing. Regt. He has also seen Charlie Meyer and John Wozencraft, both with the Signal Co. in Div. Meyer went home in March '48 to get married. He has returned and expected his wife to join him in November '48.

Walt Dumas decided that the famous 1st Cav. Div. should be heard from, so he was kind enough to write a very interesting and full letter. In the 7th Cav. Regt. are Walt, Loren DuBois, Dick Pitzer, and Ray McCullen. In the 8th Cav. Regt. are Jack Cassidy, Bill Powers, Ted Lepshi, and Chuck Williamson. DuBois commands F Troop, and has the guard around the Emperor's Palace in Tokyo, where they are stationed. Both regiments are in the city. Dumas commands E Troop and has the guard on the vaults in the Bank of Japan. Pitzer is the regimental A.&R. officer and as a sideline plays on the Div. football team. McCullen is on D.S. from the Regt. and is Ass't S-2 at 2nd Brigade Hqs. Both Lepski and Williamson have troops in the 8th, while Cassidy commands the Brigade M.P. platoon. In other units of the 1st Cav. Div. are

Zimmerman, Bob Steele, Elder, Roxbury, and Stan Blum. Most of their work now concerns training of new men, but their main responsibility is the guard of the key installations in the Tokyo area.

Walt has run across a bunch of others lately. Bud Martin is a general's aide in Osaka; Pete Arend was there going to C.I.C. school. Jack Cairns comes down from the 11th A.B. a lot, as does Kyle Bowie. Don Adair was there for a few days some months ago. Dave Hutchinson and Bud Sterling both came from Korea with an engineer topo outfit on the way to the Philippines. Jim Hutchins was in town taking a Cooks and Bakers Course at Kieo University. Billie Bob Smith and Roy Simpkins were there over the 4th of July holidays with a F.A. unit of the 11th A.B. Dave Peters is up in Sendai with the 11th. Ransom McBride, who arrived in August, is now stationed as provost marshal at Atimi Air Base, near Osaka. Bob Walsh is also there. Spider Reed is stationed in Tokyo with F.E.A.F. Hqs., but has by now left for Okinawa. Ralph Davis is back in that theater and is now assigned to an A.A.A. outfit near Yokohama. Gunner Anderson is in the 11th and was on T.D.Y. to M.G. sometime last summer. Remember Col. Shea at the Point? Roxbury, Blum, and Elder are in his squadron now at Camp Drake. He's got the 1st Sq. of the 5th Cav. Regt. Pitzer, DuBois, and Dumas all got married overseas. Dubois in May, Dumas in June, and Pitzer in July.

Al Haussmann, who is in Annapolis, Md., wrote an informative letter. With him at the U.S. Naval Post Graduate School is Ralph Pennington, both of them being surrounded by sailors. The P.G. School, according to Al, is a good thing.

Ralph's wife and baby are with him. Also Al's wife, the former Alice Wilkinson, whom he married in December '47, is down in Maryland. Haussmann is strictly still a school boy, having been to Calif. Institute of Tech., Pasadena and now this P.G. school. He then expects to go to another school next year and follow that with two years with the Atomic Energy Commission.

Late News: "Cucho" and Shirley Felces are the proud parents of a boy, Mark Rafael, born in Albuquerque, N. M. on October 17, 1948. The following are spending the winter in England: Ken Chapman, Marty Colladay, and Toby Reed. Regretfully, I must add that Ben Kernan was killed in a P-51 crash on November 10 while on a routine flight from Wright Field, Ohio. To his parents and friends the class expresses its sympathy through me.

Well, gang, that does it for another deadline. You in the field have been swell to me, providing enough material each time to give the rest of the class a good idea of what we of '46 are doing. I certainly appreciate every letter and note that is mailed my way. I have received occasional requests to reprint my address and since it has changed somewhat I will do so. Any news sent to Mr. Samuel E. H. France, 554 North 5th St., Reading, Penna. will be sent to *Assembly*. Remember I must receive it by the 10th of the month

preceding the month of issue. So for now, your happy Carborundum classmate says goodbye.

—S. E. H. F.

1947

This column would be in poor shape this issue if it were not for the clipping service which the Association furnishes us. It is from that source that I am able to gather the few vital statistics in the column—with the exception of one or two letters.

There are several more of the bachelors who are planning to be married or have been married since the last issue of *Assembly*. Those announcing engagements are Bob Haas and Renee Joy Warsaski, Ken Hatch and Althea Marian Mendenhall, Stan Tavel and Elizabeth Davidson, and John McNaill and Mary Ann Barr. Bob Haas is taking his Master's degree in Industrial Engineering at Ohio State University and planned to be married on the 19th of December.

Those recently married are: Doc Blanchard and Jody King on October 12th in San Antonio, with W. J. Sharpe as best man, Kermit Reel and Marie Foote on June 30th in New York City at Riverside Church, and Dean Gausche and Patricia Sherertz on October 20th in Harlingen, Texas. Gerald J. Wojciehoski married Helen C. Muha at Old Forge, Penn. on September 11, 1948. They are residing in Troy, New York, and Jerry is attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Tom Benson and his wife are happy to announce the birth of a son, Michael Damian, born on the 17th of August. Shhure and it's hard to tell that the young man has an Irish background! Tom and Jackie Hayes also have a young football player in their home, Thomas Edward, born on October 27th.

An article in a Los Angeles paper was of great interest to me as I am sure it will be to most of you since it seems to settle several questions about which we have all had arguments. I'll quote the parts of the article which I think will interest you. "Lt. Glenn Davis broke a record and a lot of hearts last night in his first appearance as a professional player and a temporary member of the Los Angeles Rams. It's temporary because he's still in the Army. The record shattering was when he dashed 100 yards in full football regalia, over the grass in 10.8 seconds. The generally accepted record for this feat was 11.2 seconds made in 1942. . . The broken hearts belong to the top brass of the Ram organization, the biggest break being suffered by Head Coach Bob Snyder. The reason: Davis, Mr. Inside of the greatest era of West Point football, played spectacular football. He scored three touchdowns, all on passes ranging from 15 to 38 yards. He carried out every blocking assignment. He faked and feinted the secondary with the artistry of a Hutson or a Benton, and the crowd loved it. But Davis plays but one more time—in the Rams' charity battle September 2nd against the Washington Redskins in the Coliseum here—and on September 6 he

ends his furlough and sails for Korea. "That," sighed Snyder, "kills me."

A letter from Raul Roca informs us that he is working for Sears, Roebuck and Co., in Havana. He extends an invitation to any of us who are in Cuba to be sure and look him up so that he can show you the town. He says he finds it quite a bit different from Hudson Tech! His address is: Raul Roca, Sears, Roebuck and Co., Apartado 958, Reina Y Amistad, Habana, Cuba.

Bill Munroe sends a postcard from Okinawa with a bit of news from the Pacific. He went to Okinawa in July, went to Japan and found a mob of '47 —Bill West, Ug Fuson, Burton, Frank Taylor, Gaddie, and others. Bill is the only member of '47 on "The Rock" and at the moment he is the Motor Pool Officer in an Engineer Aviation Bn., but attempting to get back into Intelligence.

Jody Johnston writes for the jet boys from Williams A.F.B. in Chandler, Arizona. He and Frances recently became the parents of a young lady, Jennifer Ann. Jody and a few other '47s are finishing (have finished by now) advanced single engine. Some of the others at Williams A.F.B. were Frost, Lilley, Hudson, O'Connell, Landis, Sharpe, Brennan, both Andersons, Reynolds, Breedlove, Schlegel, Arnold, Scowcroft, Farrier, Blanchard and Crowe. They expected to graduate on the 8th of October and then go to jet units.

John J. Murphy writes: "Wish to make a small correction in listing which I saw in Fall issue. I am at present assigned by Air Force to Harvard Law School, in what I hope will

be a three year tour culminating in an L.L.B. E. G. Lundy and H. C. Larsen are first year students at Harvard Business School".

—Daniel L. Tate.

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Things in this column have been picking up since the last issue of *Assembly*, but I could still use a letter now and then from a few of you who have a wife to write them for you. A few minutes of her time won't hurt you a bit and it sure will help me.

Way back on July 23 Larry Hoyt and Catherine Booth were married in Evanston, Illinois. Jim Tuthill and Florence Tornquitt were married the 28th of July at Winchendon, Mass., and to finish July off in fine style Dick Weber and Joan Gibbons were married at West Point on the 31st.

August must have been a busy month for most of you because I only have two items to report for that month—John Doody and Jean Kilbride announced their engagement on the 8th while John Hamilton and Bette Schocklin were getting married at West Point on the same day.

October was a poor month for news. It looks like the gang is slowing up. Only two weddings, not that they weren't important to Bill Dougherty and Caroline Dougherty who were married the 2nd and to Gaylord MacCartney and Bette Norma Reed who were married in Haddonfield, New Jersey on the 23rd, but think of it, only two weddings! Harry Buckley and Sally

Anne Hallahan announced their engagement during the month.

November started things off again. First I received a letter from MacCartney, then "Oats" Moore, and then Pat Gilliam. MacCartney, Thevenet, Mansour, Nick Creed, and McInerney are all at Mitchel Field in New York. I saw Frank and Mary McInerney at a party in Philadelphia after the Army-Navy game and they are a fine couple. Also at the same party I met Russ Ball's mother and father. Russ has had a tour of mess hall duty before being sent to Texas.

Jim Barnett and Margaret Pickering were married in Clayton, La. on Thanksgiving, Robin Livesay and Betty Jean Nessly of San Antonio announced their engagement, and Dave Mallett and Sarah Elizabeth Donaldson were married the day before Thanksgiving in the Post Chapel at Fort Riley. (Thanks for the invitation.)

The bunch in San Antonio has found several ways to entertain themselves. Several of the Forty-Eightettes have become Grey Ladies and are working at Brooke General Hospital there while the boys have formed a basketball team and seem to be holding their own.

As this issue goes to press wedding plans are being made for several couples that I know about and I wish that you concerned would drop me a note telling me about the affairs. I mean you Jim Dingeman, Stu Young, R. O. Barton, Andy Anderson, Dick Stein, and the rest of you I have not heard from since June 7, 1948. My permanent address is just plain Alderson, W. Va.

—C. D. Nash.

DOWN THE FIELD

By Joe Cahill

Jack Craigie, as brilliant a swimmer as ever dipped in the Academy pool, has winter sports enthusiasts wondering just how far he can go in his pursuit of new records.

Wearing yearling stripes, Craigie received his first taste of intercollegiate competition on January 8th and found it quite savory indeed.

In the course of the first three meets, the 6 foot 1, 145 pound dynamo splashed to a new Academy standard in the 440 and led the cadets to a sterling upset victory over Williams College, which was riding on the crest of a 28 game winning streak. Incidentally, Jack copped both the Junior National long distance and 400 meter titles while on summer furlough.

With virtually three full seasons of competition ahead of him, Craigie is currently being tabbed by Coach Gordon Chalmers as "the finest swimming prospect in West Point history"

Another outstanding individual in the winter sports scene is Charlie Oliver, Eastern Intercollegiate tennis champion, who is rated with the top three squash players among college students in the country.

Far and away the best racquet wielder at the Academy, Oliver pressed Diehl Mateer, Haverford's intercollegiate champ, to the hilt before bowing in the college invitation tournament sponsored by the University Club of New York this winter.

The most recent addition to the U.S.M.A. intercollegiate sports list, Squash has replaced pistol shooting, which now has the status of a cadet activity. In three early season matches, Leif Nordlie's racquetmen trounced Trinity, Dartmouth and Wesleyan and seem headed for an outstanding season.

Under the experienced eye of Tom Maloney, the gym-

nasts figure prominently in the Eastern collegiate gym picture. Most of the attention is being focused on Louis Jamison, who is defending the flying rings title. Jack Hodes is another of the individual standouts hopeful of copping a championship. He was runner-up on the horizontal bar in the tournament last winter.

Much of the pre-season speculation concerning the boxing team was erased in the opening meet against the seasoned Michigan State cuffers. Runner-up in the N.C.A.A. tournament in 1948 and boasting two champions/in a star-studded lineup, the Spartans were unable to defeat an aggressive Army team which upset them 5 to 3.

It was a noteworthy achievement for Herb Kroeten, who replaced Billy Cavanagh in the Army corner. An alumnus of the University of Minnesota, Kroeten is a member of Colonel Frank Greene's Physical Education staff.

Although boxing was not a part of the intercollegiate program at Minnesota when he was an undergraduate, Kroeten got his ring experience in Golden Gloves Tournaments. In 1944, for example, he won the light heavyweight crown in the Tournament of Champions at Madison Square Garden.

Hockey news has been good. Averaging better than five goals a game, Len Patten's puck chasers have managed to remain undefeated and may well go on to another banner season comparable to 1948, considered the best in hockey history here.

With Wayne Norby, Bill Depew and Al Austin completing the "hat trick" with almost monotonous regularity, the superb play of the defense has been somewhat overshadowed. Ray Moss, for example, is currently turning in one of the finest goal tending jobs in college hockey. The diminutive Detroitter was credited with 48 stops against highly

regarded Princeton and has been blocking the flying discs at an average of better than 30 saves per game.

The basketball quintet has sustained a .500 average in its first six games.

The loss of Bill Yeoman, fiery football captain, has been a definite handicap to the squad. A veteran of two varsity campaigns, Yeoman suffered a broken bone in his hand and has decided against playing at all this season.

Mainstays of this year's club are Jim Rawers, the third man in West Point history to be twice elected captain of the basketball team; Arnold Galiffa of football fame; and Dick Wagner, baseball captain.

Although the track and field team has been burning up the cinders in the Field House during the past month, they will not be unveiled in championship competition until the New York Athletic Club games at Madison Square Garden on February 12th.

Three warm-up meets have been scheduled in the Field House to prime the boys for the tough board competition. Among the outstanding performers at this writing is Jim Cain, one of the speed boys in Blaik's backfield, who has been clocked in 0:6.2 for sixty yards, a figure that equals the best ever recorded by Glenn Davis. Jack Hammack, of course, will be Leo Novak's principal hope at either 500 or 600.

OFF-SEASON

Two football coaches have been added to Earl Blaik's staff while another departed to fill a head coaching job at Cincinnati University. Sid Gillman, after serving one season as line coach, became the fifth head coach who has served under Coach Blaik. The others include Bob Woodruff, Baylor; Stu Holcomb, Purdue; Herman Hickman, Yale; and Andy Gustafson, Miami U., Florida.

Blaik dipped down into the deep south for Murray Warmath. Considered one of the finest line coaches in the country, Warmath was all-Southern guard at Tennessee in 1934. After graduation, he became end coach and then assistant line coach at Tennessee. He then transferred to Mississippi State where he was made head line coach and first assistant to Allyn McKeen.

Vincent T. Lombardi, one of Fordham's heralded blocks of granite of a decade ago, is the other new-comer.

For the past two seasons, Vinnie has been serving at Fordham as freshman and line coach, respectively. Prior to returning to Rose Hill, he was head coach at St. Cecelia's High School, Englewood, N. J., where he enjoyed unlimited success, winning six state championships. At one time his teams compiled a winning streak of 35 straight.

U.S.M.A. WINTER SPORTS, 1949

(With Scores to Include 22 January)
(All Contests at West Point Unless Otherwise Indicated)

BASKETBALL		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
December 18	60	Union College 45
January 8	42	Brown University 47
12	35	University of Pittsburgh 42
15	57	Yale University 71
19	72	Williams College 45
22	69	Lehigh University 51
28		Swarthmore College at Swarthmore
29		Univ. of Pennsylvania at Phila.
February 2		Rutgers University
5		Columbia University
9		Harvard University
12		Colgate University
16		Fordham University
19		Villanova College
23		Dartmouth College
26		Princeton Univ. at Princeton
March 5		Navy at Annapolis

BOXING		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 22	5	Michigan State College 3
29		Syracuse University
February 5		Penn. State College at State Col.
12		Western Maryland College
19		Univ. of Va. at Charlottesville
26		Catholic University
March 12		Eastern Intercollegiate—Site to be announced later

FENCING		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 8	8½	Brooklyn College 18½
15	14	Columbia Univ. at New York 13
22	16	Cornell University 11
29		New York University
February 5		Pennsylvania State College
12		Princeton Univ at Princeton

19		Yale University
26		Harvard University
March 5		Navy at Annapolis
18-19		Eastern Intercollegiate at N. Y. N.C.A.A. Fencing Tournament at West Point
25-26		

GYMNASTICS		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 15	76	Lock Haven, Pa., State Teachers College 20
22	65½	Panzer College 30½
29		Syracuse University
February 5		Springfield College
12		University of Delaware
19		Penn. State College at State Col.
26		Temple University
March 5		Navy
12		Eastern Intercollegiate at Temple University

HOCKEY		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 8	5	Brown University 3
12	3	Princeton University 1
15	4	University of New Hampshire 3
19	12	Lehigh University 2
22	5	Middlebury College 2
29		Boston University
February 2		Clarkson College of Technology
5		Yale University at New Haven
12		Harvard University
16		Colgate University
19		Williams College
23		Hamilton College
26		Dartmouth College at Hanover
March 12		Royal Military College

RIFLE		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 8	1411	Fordham University 1317
15	1400	Cornell University 1362
29		City Col. of New York at N.Y. Pennsylvania State College
February 5		Triangular Univ. of Maryland Mass. Inst. of Tech. Army At College Park
19		Rutgers University
26		U.S. Coast Guard
March 5		Navy at Annapolis
12		Columbia University
April 9		Eastern Intercollegiate—Site to be announced later

SQUASH		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 8	9	Trinity College 0
14	6	Dartmouth College 3
15	8	Wesleyan University 1
22	3	Amherst College at Amherst 6
February 5		Yale University at New Haven
12		Harvard Univ. at Cambridge
19		Williams College
26		Univ. of Penna. at Phila.
March 2		Princeton University
4-5 & 7		Eastern Intercollegiate at Princeton
12		Navy

SWIMMING		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 8	44	Brown University 31
15	40	Dartmouth College 35
19	39	Williams College 36
22	15	Yale University at New Haven 60
February 29		Fordham University
5		Swarthmore College
9		Colgate University
12		Princeton Univ. at Princeton
16		Lehigh University
19		Harvard Univ. at Cambridge
26		Univ. of Penna. at Phila.
March 5		Navy
12		Columbia University
18-19		Eastern Intercollegiate at Princeton

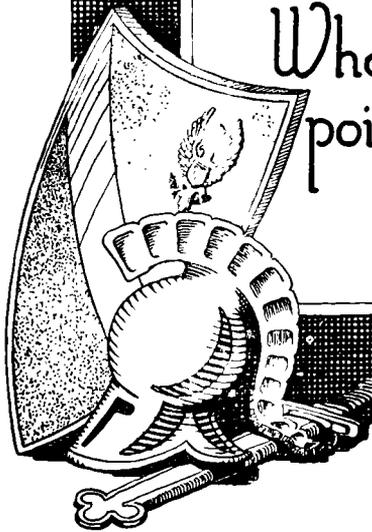
TRACK		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 29		Millrose Meet at New York
February 5		Seton Hall College
12		Triangular Meet Harvard—Princeton—Army
19		N.Y.A.C. Championships at N. Y. N.A.A.U. Championships at N. Y. I.C. 4 A. at New York Heptagonal at Boston
March 5		

WRESTLING		
Date	Army Score	Opponent and Score
January 8	23	Brown University 8
15	26	U.S. Coast Guard 6
22	28	Springfield College 7
29		Penn. State College at State Col. Lehigh University
February 5		Columbia University
12		Harvard Univ. at Cambridge
19		Univ. of Pennsylvania at Phila.
26		Yale University
March 5		Cornell University
11-12		Eastern Intercollegiate at Ithaca



In Memory

We, sons of
today, salute you,-
You, sons of an
earlier day;
We follow, close
order, behind you,
Where you have
pointed the way.



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“Be Thou At Peace”

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BOUKAMP, T.	JUNE, 1913	SEPTEMBER 29, 1944	21
BRADBURN, C. E.	1913	DECEMBER 5, 1917	11
CABELL, L. DuV.	1899	NOVEMBER 24, 1946	7
CLARK, F. W.	1901	NOVEMBER 12, 1948	10
CLATERBOS, L. J.	1920	MARCH 27, 1948	14
CONVERSE, G. L.	1880	NOVEMBER 16, 1946	3
DUKE, P. D.	1941	AUGUST 4, 1944	20
FARRAR, B. R.	1919	JUNE 11, 1948	13
GALLOWAY, T. T.	1942	JULY 24, 1944	20
HANDY, R. J.	1928	FEBRUARY 11, 1948	18
HERIOT, J. J.	1930	JULY 11, 1946	18
JEDLICKA, F. C.	AUGUST, 1917	APRIL 10, 1948	13
LIM, V.	1914	NOVEMBER 11, 1945	12
MCDONALD, M., JR.	1945	DECEMBER 29, 1947	23
MAJOR, D. K., JR.	1899	MAY 26, 1947	8
MARCUS, D.	1924	JUNE 10, 1948	15
MORGAN, G. H.	1880	FEBRUARY 14, 1948	3
PONTE, A.	1903	NOVEMBER 9, 1918	10
RAND, L. H.	1899	APRIL 27, 1948	9
RHODES, C. D.	1889	JANUARY 24, 1948	4
STEELE, J. R., JR.	1946	DECEMBER 2, 1947	21
STUART, G. W.	1899	MARCH 2, 1948	9
THOMAS, J. R.	JUNE, 1943	JANUARY 12, 1916	22
WILLIS, R. B., JR.	JUNE, 1913	MARCH 31, 1948	22
WINANS, E. B.	1891	DECEMBER 31, 1917	5

George Leroy Converse

NO. 2854 CLASS OF 1880

Died November 16, 1946, at Santa Barbara, California, aged 88 years.

Editor's Note: After the death of Colonel Converse the following quotation was sent to the Secretary of the Association of Graduates by his family in accordance with his instructions.



It is published below exactly as written by Colonel Converse some time before his death. His picture is reproduced above from the only likeness of him at West Point. The reproduction was made from an original photograph of the members of the Class of 1880 attending their 65th Reunion Dinner at the West Point Army Mess in June 1945.

"GEO. L. CONVERSE born near Columbus, O. Dec 9—1857—graduated with the Class of '80 and assigned 3rd Cavalry—Wounded in skirmish with Apaches 1882 & retired in 1894—Served in Ohio Vol Cavalry in 1898—On duty at Ohio State University 1900 to Sept 1918—Some of us have no opportunity for distinguished services but 'stand & wait'—

G. L. C."

George Horace Morgan

NO. 2858 CLASS OF 1880

Died February 14, 1948, at Washington, D. C., aged 93 years.

On Saint Valentine's Day, 1948, a very gallant gentleman, George Horace Morgan, Colonel, United States Army (Retired), died. Statistically, he was an old man; he was ninety-three years and six weeks, more or less; by statistics his death wasn't unexpected. But figures, like the weatherman, are not always infallible, and Colonel Morgan, while never arguing with Benjamin Franklin's famous remark to M. Leroy concerning

taxes, by his continual good health, his ever-fresh and continuing youthfulness, his sly but good-natured amusement at the present-day pickles of a bumptious world was for those who knew him (and therefore loved him) a refutation of Poor Richard's certainty. He still is. An irreverent but adoring granddaughter once said: "Gramps, I know now why that horse, renowned for its stamina, is called Morgan". The colonel chuckled; being a cavalryman he was flattered.

George H. Morgan was a cavalryman of the United States Army. The two went together. It was his profound belief that the latter would always be dependent on the former ("You know," he said, when he heard that the Army was selling its horses, "the Emperor Trajan thought that horses had passed their usefulness. We may not see it, but horses will be back, stronger and as useful as ever . . ."). His creed, however, was the latter: the United States Army. He was her most loyal and devoted son. To him, service to his country was the highest ideal that any man could have. That he succeeded in his ideal was readily apparent in the starred, light blue rosette he wore in his lapel. It was more apparent if you knew him and if you could read his record, which is an important segment of American history. . .

When George H. Morgan was born in 1855, a naval commodore had just concluded a treaty with a mysterious country in the Far East; three years still had to pass before a message could be cabled to Europe; Florence Nightingale was ministering to the sick and wounded in the bloody war between Britain, France and Russia; and our own civil war was six years away.

He was a year old when his family moved to St. Anthony, Minnesota. It was a small town, whose falls were to attract first a milling industry and then a change of name—Minneapolis. He was twenty-one years of age and a school teacher when he passed a competitive examination and was appointed to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

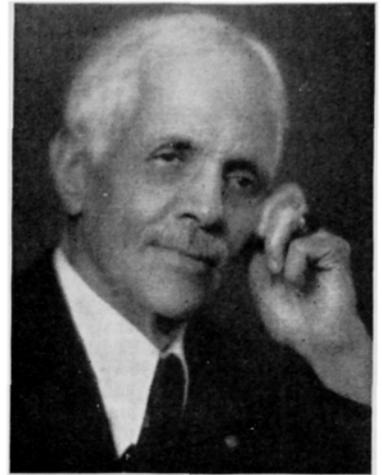
It was natural he would be attracted to army life; his father had relinquished a thriving business to organize the 1st Minnesota Volunteers; a regiment that history will always remember as the keystone of a Union victory at a place called Gettysburg.

For an appointee to the Academy, class of 1880, from distant Minnesota the journey to the Hudson Highlands was long and hard: horseback to the river, boat to Chicago, and then rail to New York. The incoming class had to report early that year; there was to be intensive drilling for the whole corps of cadets—the United States would be one hundred years old on July 4th, and there was to be a parade in Philadelphia; the plebes had to have some polish! ("I had the darndest time getting to the Point," he said. "I knew it was east, so I headed east. From where I started, east put me in Canada, and I spent so much time in the purlieus of Canada, I nearly was late reporting. . .")

Four years later, though, in 1880, there was a new second lieutenant in

the United States Army, and the 3rd Cavalry at Fort Washakie, Wyoming, had a new officer. He was a popular officer; he had a way with animals, human and otherwise. He knew horses, which was well for a cavalryman, and he also had a pet bear. ("Best pet I ever had," he said. "It terrified a young lady alighting from a stage to visit friends at the Post. I rescued her gallantly and she later became my wife.")

These were the days of the Indian Wars, and young Lieutenant Morgan learned about the Utes and the



Apaches. They learned about Lieutenant Morgan too, especially the latter at Big Dry Wash in Arizona on July 17, 1882. The citation accompanying his Medal of Honor reads simply: "For distinguished conduct in action against hostile Apache Indians at the Big Dry Wash, Arizona, July 17, 1882, by gallantly holding his ground at a critical moment and firing upon the advancing enemy until himself disabled by a shot; while 2nd Lieutenant, 3rd Cavalry, and serving as a volunteer with Lieutenant West's command of Indian scouts and Troop I, 6th Cavalry" The lead that disabled him was a dum-dum; he carried it for the rest of his life. (The Indian? "When he got me," Morgan said, "he was so pleased he started to jump around and do a sort of victory dance. He was an easy target. I guess he was the last one, for we weren't bothered any more.")

His marksmanship, that had proved so valuable that day, distinguished many a rifle competition from Arizona to Texas, for after he had recovered from his severe wounds—a convalescence that enabled him to continue his courtship and wed Molly Brownson of Omaha, Nebraska.—Lieutenant Morgan's duty with the Third Cavalry took him to most of the frontier posts of an expanding United States.

From October 10, 1891, to October 1, 1895, he was Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Minnesota. He was student as well as teacher; during this time he studied law, and was admitted to the Minnesota bar in 1895. ("What we need today," he said in 1947, "are lawyers with a basic idea of justice. I think maybe I'll start practicing.") The following year he was promoted to Cap-

tain, commanding Troop H of the Third Cavalry, which he led up San Juan Hill in the Spanish War on July 1, 1898, to win a Silver Star for gallantry and a promotion to Brevet Major.

After the war, in January 1899, he rejoined his troop and regiment at Augusta, Georgia, where he was instrumental in quelling a mutiny of volunteers. Then followed a few months of comparative quiet in assignment to Fort Myer, Virginia.

Morgan, however, was a soldier, and although the United States had won a war, it was not yet at peace. Half a world away the insurgents in the Philippines were putting serious obstacles in the way of their liberators from Spanish rule. Therefore, on November 23, 1899, Morgan arrived in Manila in command of the 1st Battalion, 28th U.S. Volunteer Infantry, and for the next two years was in almost continual action. The new century was only a week old when at Putul Bridge, Luzon, Morgan again distinguished himself and won his second Silver Star. By January 20 he had marched his battalion to, and taken possession of, Taal District, Batangas Province, and after acting as Inspector General of Southern Luzon, he sailed in December with his regiment to Caygayan de Misimis and participated in the campaign that resulted in General Capistrano's capture and the establishment of civil government in that section.

After he had been mustered out of the volunteer service with his regiment, Morgan rejoined the Third Cavalry. He was aide to General Bell and Chief Commissary of the brigade in the Malavar campaign, December 1901 to April 1902, and while in command of the Taal District, participated in the first important surrender of the insurgents on January 12, 1902. In April, he returned home and was assigned a year later as Major, 9th Cavalry, to Fort Assiniboine, Montana.

For the next two years, Major Morgan was again Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of Minnesota, rejoining his squadron of the 9th Cavalry at Fort Riley, Kansas, on October 3, 1905. While on duty there, he was member and President of the Cavalry Board, President of the Cavalry Examining Board, and at times director of the school.

On December 6, 1906, he was appointed Adjutant General. From the following June until August 1909 he performed a tour of duty in the Philippines as Adjutant General of the Department of Visayas, of the brigade at Fort William McKinley, Rizal, and as Justice of the Peace. Back in the United States, he received his lieutenant colonelcy in the 11th Cavalry on 3 March 1911, and after a tour of duty at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, he was assigned to Fort Leavenworth to take the Field Officer's Course, then to Winchester, Virginia, at the Camp of Instruction, and then in August 1913 to the Army War College.

Promoted to colonel on April 26, 1914, he commanded the 15th Cavalry and Post at Fort Bliss, Texas, until August, when he was assigned first to the 7th Cavalry and then, in October, to the 8th Cavalry.

He was chief of staff of the 13th Militia District from December 1915 until August 1916, and when the United States entered the first World War, he was in command of a provisional cavalry regiment of the 10th Provisional Division. Although he was greatly disappointed that he was unable to take a regiment overseas, Colonel Morgan's experience in past wars made him invaluable in training the rapidly mobilized troops. Training and selecting cantonment sites occupied his energies, and in 1917 he again assumed command of a regiment, the 17th Cavalry at Douglas, Arizona; a command he held until his retirement on New Year's Day of 1919, five short years before the death of his beloved wife.

Those who knew Colonel Morgan will always remember his energy, his wit and his infinite good humor. His love for the service he handed on to his children and their children—of five daughters, three married into the Army and one into the Navy; of five grandsons, four are Academy graduates, to the fifth (a civilian and Naval Reservist) he bequeathed his precious class ring. ("He's the only one without one," he explained before he died. "He ought to have it." I think he knows I will treasure it.)

West Point was foremost among his loyalties. Absence at the annual graduation ceremonies at the Military Academy was as unthinkable to him as his death was to his friends. For many years he was the Academy's oldest living graduate and the week's festivity was the high point of each of his later years. His health was remarkable for one of his age; on the twelfth of January, having a bad cold he was admitted to Walter Reed Hospital. He was recovering from that when, as usual never allowing anyone to be bothered on his account, he got out of bed without assistance, slipped and broke his shoulder. Even then his general recovery did not seem retarded. It was therefore a complete surprise when on the 14th of February his remarkably strong constitution weakened and, quietly and without pain, Colonel Morgan joined his classmates. His life had been active and of service. He asked no more; he gave all that was in his capacity to give. And that was considerable. His pride was the Army; never has the Army had a prouder possession. —E. S. P.

Charles Dudley Rhodes

NO. 3307 CLASS OF 1889

Died January 24, 1948, at Washington, D. C., aged 82 years.

CHARLES DUDLEY RHODES, son of Major Dudley Woodbridge Rhodes and Marcia Parrish Rhodes was born at Delaware, Ohio, February 10, 1865, and received his early education in the schools of that city and of Washington, D. C., where his parents made their home from the time he was about 10 years old. He completed the course and received the degree of A.B. from the Columbian (now George Washington) University in June 1885 and entered the Military

Academy in the same month. His un-failing courtesy, friendliness and consideration for others at once commanded admiration by his classmates, and this popularity indeed extended to the other classes. At that time the number of cadets seldom exceeded 300 and personal acquaintance was not limited to classes or companies to the extent that it has necessarily become in recent times with the great increase in the number of cadets. I think it can be said without contradiction that in the latter '80's there was no more popular cadet at West Point than "Teddy" Rhodes. But this man of mild and agreeable manner was to have an outstanding military record, both in peace and in war.

Upon graduation, Lieutenant Rhodes joined the Sixth Cavalry and most of his line service was with that regiment. He remained a member of the cavalry arm until he was appointed to general rank, but he was frequently detached for staff and other duties; and his service was well balanced between the staff and the line.

It was Rhodes' good fortune to take an active part in every important mil-



itary operation in which the army was engaged from the time he graduated to his retirement at the age of 64; and the commendatory reports of his superiors show his excellent performance. He served with his regiment in the campaign against the Sioux Indians in the Dakotas in the winter of 1890-1891. He was in the battle of Santiago as an aide to the Inspector General and as adjutant of the Second Brigade, Second Division, Fifth Army Corps, and among several commendatory reports was one by General Henry W. Lawton for "conspicuous industry, efficiency and gallantry". He commanded a cavalry troop in the China Relief Expedition and was adjutant of a brigade and an Anglo-American command for which he was highly praised by the Division Commander, General James H. Wilson. He was in many engagements in the Philippine Insurrection, for which he received high commendation, among which was one by General James F. Bell for "gallant action in charging overwhelming numbers of insurgents with fearless gallantry" (1901); and by the same commander for "ability, efficiency and zeal in securing the sur-

render of the Santo Thomas column of insurgents, and of General Gonzales and his entire force of insurgents at Tanauan" (1902); and by General Lloyd Wheaton for "gallantry in connection with Felizardo's band of outlaws" (1903). In a later tour in the Philippine Islands he received the praise of the Commanding General of the Department of Mindanao for "the destruction of the Moro outlaw Jammang and his followers" in the fight at Bauno Jolo.

Thirty years of efficient service with earnest study of his profession had well fitted Rhodes for high command in World War I. He was appointed Brigadier General in the National Army in December 1917 and took command of the 157th Field Artillery Brigade, 82nd Division, which he led through the Aisne-Marne, the St. Mihiel and the Meuse-Argonne offensives so ably that he was appointed Major General in October 1918 and commanded in succession the 42nd and 34th Divisions. Upon the signing of the Armistice on November 11, 1918, the Interallied Armistice Commission was established with its offices at Spa, Belgium, and General Rhodes was appointed its American member; but a few weeks later a plane on which he was traveling crashed and he suffered severe injuries, somewhat disfiguring his face and necessitating hospitalization for some weeks, as well as his relief from his duties with the Interallied Armistice Commission. Upon his recovery he was assigned to the command of the American Base Section at Bordeaux where he was engaged in sending divisional and other troops home until that section was closed in July 1919.

On his return to the United States, Rhodes served on the General Staff (1920-24) and exercised brigade commands at El Paso, Texas and in Panama. He had served on the initial General Staff (1903-06) and again in that organization (1909-12). He was appointed Brigadier General in the regular army in 1925 and Major General in 1928. He was retired for age February 10, 1929.

General Rhodes received the Distinguished Service Medal for his services in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives and for conspicuous service as a member of the Interallied Armistice Commission. He was honored as Knight Commander of the Bath by Great Britain, as a Commander of the Legion of Honor by France, and as Commander of the Order of the Crown by Belgium for his services with the Interallied Armistice Commission. The Act of Congress of 1918 providing for the Distinguished Service Cross enabled General Rhodes to receive that decoration for "extraordinary heroism in an action in the Philippine Insurrection in December 1901"

Rhodes was an honor graduate of the Armed Services Schools at Ft. Leavenworth (1908) and a graduate of the Army War College (1920). Throughout his service he devoted his leisure time to the study of military problems of the highest importance and wrote many interesting and instructive articles for military and other periodicals. He was the Prize Essayist, U.S. Cavalry Association (1898); the Seaman Prize Essayist,

Military Service Institution (1901); and Gold Medalist, Military Service Institution (1905). He was the editor and associate editor of the Journal of the U.S. Cavalry Association, an associate editor of "Upton's Military Policy of the United States", and the author of "The Cavalry" (Review of Reviews). After his retirement he wrote "Robert E. Lee—The West Pointer"

Lieutenant Rhodes was married in 1890 to Mary F. Counselman, daughter of Colonel Jacob H. Counselman, who graduated at West Point in 1863. She shared his army life at his many stations in the United States. Mrs. Rhodes died at their Washington home in 1942. General Rhodes died in Washington January 24, 1948 after an illness of many months which was not of a painful nature. General and Mrs. Rhodes are buried in Arlington Cemetery.

—W. A. B.

Edwin Baruch Winans

NO. 3402 CLASS OF 1891

Died December 31, 1947, at Washington, D. C., aged 78 years.

MILITARY HISTORY

Cadet United States Military Academy June 16, 1887
 Second Lieutenant of Cavalry, June 12, 1891
 First Lieutenant of Cavalry, April 30, 1898
 Major, Michigan Volunteer Infantry, May 25, 1898
 Honorably mustered out of volunteers, November 26, 1898
 Captain, Cavalry February 2, 1901
 Major, Cavalry September 2, 1914
 Lieutenant Colonel, Cavalry, February 2, 1917
 Colonel (temporary) August 5, 1917
 Brigadier General, National Army, June 26, 1918
 Honorably discharged, National Army, July 31, 1919
 Colonel, Cavalry February 23, 1920
 Brigadier General, December 30, 1922
 Major General October 18, 1927
 Some outstanding points in his military service:—
 Served in the Indian Territory and Texas, 1891 to 1897.
 With 35th Michigan Volunteers in Santiago Cuba campaign, June and July 1898.
 Quartermaster of transport "Flintohive" during China Relief expedition, 1900.
 Served in the Philippine Islands, 1906-1907.
 Professor of Military Science and Tactics, Pennsylvania Military College, August 1909 to August 1911.
 Served in Hawaii, 1913-1914-1915.
 Commanding squadron, 7th Cav., Punitive expedition into Mexico, 1916.
 Sailed for France, A.E.F., November 14, 1917.
 Student, General Staff College, Langres, France, and G-3 Service of Supply at Tours, till March 31, 1918.
 Commanding Officer, Pontanezen Barracks, France, till May 15, 1918.
 Commanding 6th Infantry A.E.F., to July 11, 1918.

Commanding General, 64th Infantry Brigade, A.E.F., participating in Aisne-Marne; Oise-Anse and Meuse-Argonne offensives, 1918 to May 5, 1919.

With 2nd Cavalry at Ft. Riley, Kans. to August 20, 1920; comdg. 10th Cavalry and Post of Ft. Huachuca, Ariz., to September 19, 1921; comdg. 10th Cav. and 2nd Cav. Brigade and Post, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz., to December 30, 1922.

Commanding 8th Inf. Brigade and Camp McClellan, Ala. with Headquarters at Ft. McPherson, Ga. 1923 to 1925.

Commanding Ft. Clark, Tex. and 1st Cav. Brigade, Oct. 1925 to March 1926.

Commanding Ft. Bliss, Texas and 1st Cavalry Division to October 1927.

Superintendent—United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, Oct. 1927 to March 1928.

Commanding Hawaiian Division, Schofield Barracks, T. H., April 5, 1928 to October 24, 1930.

Commanding Hawaiian Department, Honolulu, T. H., in addition to other duties, July 9, 1929 to September 24, 1929 and from August 8, to October 24, 1930.

Commanding 8th Corps Area, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, from November 22, 1930 to date of retirement October 31, 1933.

Member of the League of Nations commission for the Government of Letitia January to July 1934. This was to settle a boundary dispute between two South American nations, Colombia and Peru.

AWARDS AND CITATIONS

Awarded the Distinguished Service Medal:—"For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services. He showed marked efficiency and excellent judgment while commanding the 64th Brigade in actions at the second battle of the Marne; in the attack and capture of Juvigny, and in the operations at Boise de la Norine; Boise de Chene Sec, and Bantheville Woods. In these actions by his tactical ability he was always master of the situation and executed his tactical plans with a confidence that was an inspiration to his troops".

Awarded:—Silver Star Citation by the War Department, May 6, 1924, for gallantry in action against Villa's forces at Tomochic, Mexico, April 22, 1916.

Awarded: French Legion of Honor.
 Awarded: French Croix de Guerre.

EDWIN BARUCH WINANS was born at Hamburg, Michigan, October 31, 1869, the son of Edwin Baruch Winans, a former Governor of Michigan, and Elizabeth Galloway. His early education was had at the Michigan Military Academy at Orchard Lake, Michigan, from which institution he went to West Point, entering with the Class of Ninety-one on June 16, 1887.

Winans early developed those soldierly qualities which always distinguished him. He had been cadet first captain of the Battalion of Cadets of the Michigan Military Academy and

had commanded the picked company of that institution that won the competitive drill of similar cadet organizations of the country held in Washington, D. C. in the summer of 1886, the year before he entered West Point. At the end of Plebe year at the Academy he won the coveted distinction of "First Corps" and wore chevrons during his entire cadetship. In the estimation of his classmates he easily stood one or two in general soldierly qualities and in prospects for distinction in his future career, an estimate that was abundantly justified by time.

He was lovingly known to his classmates as "Sep" due to an amusing though at the time humiliating incident of the fall of Plebe year, when for some trivial and pardonable error at Artillery Drill the Tactical officer commanding asked him ironically if he were a September member. This was too good a chance for his classmates to lose and the writer of these notes gleefully and cruelly dubbed him "Sep", which pseudonym he has carried ever since.

Winans' service comprised duty with troops in various parts of the United States, Cuba, Philippine Islands, Mexico and Hawaii and detached service on college duty, transport service, remount duty, service schools and militia duty.

Where the whole record is one of duty well performed it is hard to pick the high spots, but mention should be made of his excellent record as Major of the 34th Mich. Vol. Inf. in 1898 when he commanded his battalion with distinction at Santiago. Also of the excellent service done in command of his troop in the Philippine campaign of '99 and 1900 and his command of a squadron of the 7th Cavalry in the Punitive Expedition to Mexico in 1916. His service as Brigadier General in France won him the Distinguished Service Medal. He was awarded Silver Star Citation by the War Department May 6, 1924 for gallantry in action against Villa's forces at Tomochic, Mexico, April 22, 1916. He was also awarded the French Legion of Honor and Croix de Guerre.

The distinction which perhaps gave Winans the greatest satisfaction of any in his long career was his selection as Superintendent of the Military Academy. Loving and revering his Alma Mater as he did, he realized that selection to command it was the supreme honor it could confer upon one of its sons. Though his term was short, as it was an interim appointment and he was already slated for important command elsewhere, he placed his stamp there and left his record. However lowly a man may be in his own eyes, to have his name in the same category with those of Sylvanus Thayer and Robert Edward Lee, to mention but two stars in that galaxy whose light is part of the illumination of the Nation's history, could not fail to be a satisfaction. He also thoroughly enjoyed his tour of duty as commanding officer of the 10th Cavalry and of the Cavalry Division.

In every grade from Second Lieutenant to Major General his record was one of outstanding ability, sound knowledge of his profession, strong

compelling leadership, unflinching gallantry and those unusual qualities which made him at the same time respected and admired by those under him and trusted implicitly by those above.

While a strict disciplinarian he was never the martinet and never asked of those he commanded that to which he was not ready to lead them himself. While not an athlete, Winans always kept himself in fine physical condition by abstemious temperate living, and hence was always fit and in condition for any call of duty which might come. Immaculate in dress and equipment he set an example to his men in that soldierly appearance and demeanor which resulted in his command always being one that was distinguished for its fine military appearance and training. A man who served in Winans' troop of the 4th Cavalry said to the writer that his old troop commander stood out in his recollection as a man of marked attainments and commanding leadership, whose example had been of abiding influence in his life. He cited the fact that a number of men of his time in the troop had since



won promotion and distinction, which he had always attributed largely to the inspiration which they, as young men, in the formative period of their lives, had gotten from the example and training given them by Winans.

As a comrade Winans was always loved, though a fine natural reserve compelled that respectful treatment which men willingly accord to unaffected dignity.

Winans married in June the year after graduation, Edith May Auman, the daughter of Captain (later Brigadier General) Auman of the Army. By her he had two daughters who followed the footsteps of their parents and both married in the Army. His family life was happy and he was always a considerate and loving husband and father.

Winans' outstanding characteristic was perhaps a thorough knowledge of his profession in every phase of his career and his confidence in his ability to use his knowledge, coupled with a high sense of duty. No demand which conditions made on him or his command was ever beyond the call of duty, and it was accepted immediately and

cheerfully. This was in large part the result of his West Point training—a part of the spirit imbued in him by his rock-ribbed Alma Mater. It is in the hands of such men as Edwin Baruch Winans that the motto of the Academy is safe. "Duty, Honor, Country." To him it was all-impelling, not merely an empty shibboleth. It was the God-given marching orders of his life and with all the ardor of a high born trained soldier spirit he followed it. May God grant him peace and may eternal light rest upon him.

—A. M. D.

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The preceding article was written by a classmate, Colonel A. M. Davis, and was found in an envelope containing data on General Winans' service. Some minor changes have been made but otherwise it is as written by Colonel Davis. The present writer, another classmate, has always thought and spoken of Winans as "Sep", and he will be referred to by that name during my part of the article. Sep was an outstanding cadet from the start. He showed the result of his military training at Orchard Lake and he stood out like a shining light among the collection of beasts assembled at West Point that year. I remember that when we drew our first dress coats the inspecting officer said—"Mr. Winans you look as though you had been here a year"—the only words of praise that I heard at that inspection. There was considerable speculation as to how much extra hazing he would receive on account of his previous tin soldier training. If he did receive extra attention, I never heard of it. I do not believe the most hardened plebe hazer would continue to work long on Sep, he was too fine a man. There was a natural dignity and reserve about him that inspired respect from all with whom he came in contact. I was not especially intimate with him during cadet days. I do not recall that he was a member of any special group, he was friendly with all. I recall that he was always the first man out to assembly for any formation and at any meeting of the class he always wanted to get rid of the matter in hand and go on to doing something else. He never tried to make himself prominent in class affairs and was content to leave all such matters to others.

After graduation Sep got his father, who was then, or had been, Governor of Michigan, to invite the other three cadets from that state to attend the summer camp of the state militia. After the camp was over we visited Sep and met his fine family at their beautiful home on the border of a small lake. It was not far from Orchard Lake Military Academy. Brought up in such a family and surroundings Sep was bound to have the fine character and the natural dignity he maintained throughout his life. In achievement Sep ranked with the top two or three men in the class, in character he was second to none.

After graduation, except for occasional times at class reunions, I saw little of Sep until 1923, when he was stationed at Fort McPherson, Ga. and Camp McClellan, Ala. For the next four years I saw and served with

him frequently. His most outstanding characteristic was his ability to maintain strict discipline and at the same time hold the respect and affection of those under him. Such tokens of affection were shown practically every time he departed from a command, they were too many to mention here.

Sep retired for age on October 31, 1933. He was not the youngest man in the class but he was on the active list about one year and four months longer than any classmate. His record envelope contains letters from practically every officer under whom he served in his later years, all praising his services. There were two or three from General Pershing, who was especially warm in his praise. Here are three of these letters chosen from the many. From General W. G. Haan who commanded the 32nd Division: "I consider General Winans one of our very ablest officers, regardless of rank. He is qualified for any command that can be given him". Letter from General Pershing, November 20, 1918: "It gives me great pleasure to inform you that on October 20th I recommended you for promotion to the grade of Major General basing my recommendation on the efficiency of your service with the American Expeditionary Forces".

Letter from General Pershing June 1937 inviting Sep to be present at the unveiling of a monument in France: Extract—"If you could realize the personal satisfaction it would give me to have you present with others who had important positions in the army during those grilling days of the Meuse-Argonne battle, I am sure your wish to be here would be all the greater. But whether you can come or not, you will know how sincerely I desire your presence"

Some time prior to his retirement Sep had purchased an historic Virginia house in Vienna, Va. about thirty miles from Washington. The estate dates from revolutionary times and the original owner, an officer in the revolutionary war, and his wife were buried near the house. Here for ten happy years Sep led the life of a country gentleman. Some members of his family were usually with him, he had his horses and his dogs, he loved to entertain his friends both army and civilian, entered into the social life of the community and was interested in church affairs. (He had always been a regular attendant at church and I noticed at class reunions he and Colonel A. M. Davis always signed up to attend chapel exercises. This interest in church affairs was probably one of the reasons for the strong friendship between these two men.) There was a sufficient amount of land attached to the house to require considerable supervision and Sep thoroughly enjoyed attending to these duties. So he lived a happy life for ten years and then the blow fell. He suffered a stroke in the month of May 1943, the effects of which left the entire left side of his body paralyzed. Then began a long and gallant struggle to regain in some measure his health. First in the hospital, and later in a home he purchased near Walter Reed Hospital, the gallant struggle went on. Three trips a week were made to the hospital, all the ex-

ercises prescribed by the doctors were faithfully practiced and the struggle continued up to the end. His mind was never affected, he was always glad to see his friends. I never knew him to be despondent, he seemed determined to get well and was always enthusiastic when any improvement, however slight, was noted. But improvement, if any, was very slight, he never walked again. While temporarily alone in his home he fell while attempting to practice walking. Other complications set in and he did not live long after his fall. He died on December 31, 1947.

In September 1943 Sep was married to Miss Esther Walker. It was a very happy marriage. Mrs. Winans was constantly with him the rest of his life and devoted her entire time to ministering to his wants. It was due to her devoted care that Sep's last years were so much happier and easier.

In trying to describe Sep's character as I saw it, one expression from the Bible came constantly to my mind. "The Pure in Heart." To me that describes him exactly, he was pure in heart and mind, a distinguished soldier and a Christian gentleman.

Dear Sep is buried in the beautiful cemetery at West Point, the West Point of which he was at one time the Superintendent and which he loved so well. He has joined the Long Gray Line, and due to his achievements, but more especially to his character, he has taken his rightful place with the select few near the head of the line, for few men more worthy for membership have ever joined, few men more closely followed West Point's ideals, "Duty, Honor, Country"

—R. J. F.

Lawrence DuVal Cabell

NO. 3926 CLASS OF 1899

Died November 24, 1946, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, aged 72 years.

"DUVY" CABELL, as he was familiarly known by his many friends, was born in Dallas, Texas on the 22nd of August 1874, and was appointed to West Point from the 6th District of that State by Jo Abbott. He was the son of William Lewis Cabell, a Virginian, Class of 1850, Cullum No. 1482—who resigned as a Captain of Infantry, U.S. Army in 1861, joined the Confederacy and became a Brigadier General, C.S.A. (Old Tige), later Mayor of Dallas from 1874 to 1882—and of Harriet Amanda Rector a Kentuckian.

"Duvy's" widow, Frances Miller Cabell, to whom he was married at Dallas in 1911, and their only child, Frances, reside at 4719 Montrose Drive, Dallas.

Before entering West Point, "Duvy" had attended grammar and high schools in Texas, a college preparatory school in New York, and the A.&M. College of Texas during 1890 and 1892.

Upon graduation from West Point he was assigned to the Infantry and served with the Cuban Army of Occupation until July 1900 thence to Fort

Sheridan, Illinois, in preparation for duty in the Philippines where he arrived in October 1900. He was Aide-de-Camp to General J. M. Bell until March 1901 when he joined his regiment, the 14th Infantry, in Manila, thence to Fort Niagara, New York, until July 1902, thence to Fort Porter, New York, to February 1903, thence again to the Philippines from February 1903 to April 1905, and back to continental United States at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, to December 1905.

Following this service at Vancouver Barracks he was detailed as an Acting Quartermaster and appointed Assistant to the Depot Quartermaster at San Francisco until October 1906. He was then sent to Havana, Cuba, as Assistant to the Chief Quartermaster, Army of Cuban Pacification, to November 1906. Thus over a period of about six years he had served with two Armies in Cuba and had two tours of duty in the Philippines!

Following this latest service in Cuba he again became Assistant Depot Quartermaster at San Francisco and later was in the Quartermaster Depart-



ment by detail in February 1907. He was Quartermaster of the U.S.A. Transport *Thomas* from December 1907 to July 1909, thence on duty as Assistant Depot Quartermaster at Jeffersonville, Indiana, to February 1911, when he was relieved from detail in the Quartermaster Department and assigned to the 10th Infantry, joining that regiment at Maneuver Camp, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in March 1911; appointed Regimental Quartermaster in May of that year, preceding the regiment to the Panama Canal Zone in September 1911, and remaining on this duty until December 1912. He was transferred to the 6th Infantry in April 1913, which he joined at Presidio of San Francisco in May of the same year.

Again he was detailed to the Quartermaster Department in April 1914 and sent to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, as Assistant to the Depot Quartermaster, and then put on detached service at Naco, Arizona, during border trouble at that place. He was Quartermaster at Douglas, Arizona, from January 1915 to March 1916 and served as Assistant to the Division Quartermaster and Field Quartermaster with the

Punitive Expedition into Mexico from March to July 1916. Following the completion of his duty with the Punitive Expedition he was Quartermaster at Llano Grande, Texas, until December 1916, and then became Assistant Depot Quartermaster at New York City until July 1917, in charge of the Purchase Branch during a portion of this tour and later was in the Transportation Branch which included operation of the Army Transport Service at that Port. He was actively engaged in organizing, equipping and controlling the movements of the Army Transport vessels out of New York to August 1917, when he was relieved from his detail in the Transportation Branch and assigned to duty as Quartermaster of the 83rd Division at Camp Sherman, then at Chillicothe, Ohio, until May 1918. He then was ordered to duty as Depot Quartermaster at Newport News, Virginia, until September 1918, thence as Depot Quartermaster at Nantes, France, returning to the United States in January 1919 as Zone Supply Officer at Jeffersonville, Indiana to July 1921. He then became Depot Quartermaster, 8th Corps Area General Depot, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, remaining on this assignment until July 1924. For the next three years he was on duty with the Organized Reserves at Dallas until September 1927, and then was transferred to the Recruiting Service until June 19, 1928, when upon his own request he was retired after 30 years' service. Thus a long, interesting and effective career of active service came to an end, enabling him with his family to enjoy many happy years among his early associates at Dallas, the city of his birth.

He received the following promotions in the Regular Army:

2nd Lieutenant—upon graduation—February 15, 1899—Infantry.

1st Lieutenant—December 17, 1900—Infantry.

Captaincy—January 9, 1907—Infantry. Majority—May 15, 1917—Infantry.

Lieutenant-Colonelcy (National Army)—Infantry—August 5, 1917.

Colonelcy—July 30, 1918—Infantry—U.S.A.

Upon the reduction of the Army following World War I, he was returned to a Lieutenant-Colonelcy, with his contemporaries on July 1, 1920; he then was transferred to the Quartermaster Corps in that grade on July 30, 1920 and on March 2, 1923 he was promoted to the grade of Colonel, Quartermaster Corps.

He received the following decorations: Spanish American War, Philippine Insurrection, Cuban Pacification and World World I.

After retirement he devoted his time to his family, friends and personal affairs. He repeatedly requested during his long illness that his obituary for *Assembly* be limited to his official Record as on file in the War Department. This we have attempted to do, for to act otherwise would not have pleased him. His temperament was such that he sought no preferments, no publicity—he was never a "self-seeker". He was always content with the satisfaction of knowing that whatever his duties were they were well performed under the dictates of his

conscience. His many and varied duties called upon him to serve as an organizer, executive and even as a "trouble-shooter" in difficult situations but he never lost sight of the Motto of his Alma Mater—"DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY".

"Duvy" was universally popular with those who knew him well—modest, considerate and tolerant, a real gentleman and a loyal friend.

We regret and mourn his passing and we wish his widow and daughter to know that his old Army friends respected, admired and loved him.

—Class of 1899.

Duncan Kennedy Major, Jr.

NO. 3932 CLASS OF 1899

Died May 26, 1947, at Washington, D. C., aged 71 years.

DUNCAN K. MAJOR, JR. departed this life on May 26, 1947 at Walter Reed General Hospital. He was born in 1876 in New York City and was appointed from there to the Military Academy in 1895. He is survived by his widow, Ruth Barkley Major; a brother, Kenneth, in New York; and another, Malcolm, in Colorado. He was a direct descendant of the noted Chancellor Robert R. Livingston of Revolutionary fame and his family had long been prominent in New York City.

When Major reported at the Academy, it was a grim, hard place. It was then conceived that the military virtues were necessarily Spartan, best developed by thwarting in the newcomer everything he wanted to do and compelling everything he did not want to do. The finest flower of an academic course was deemed to be labor rather than knowledge.

For Major, as for some of the rest of us, the course was hard. But from the beginning he manifested those traits to be so conspicuous in his later career,—austere devotion to duty, capacity for hard work, and sincere subordination to authority. However, his social side developed along with the military and the academic, for he easily and quickly made friends in the class and his weekends were filled by visits from his New York family and friends.

When after three years at the Academy, the Spanish-American War came along, the Class of 1899, in its own estimation and in accordance with the more modern and enlightened theory, should have been graduated at once. But the theory then prevailing was that "the standards of the Academy would be lowered" by any premature graduation, so Major missed that war, as did all the rest of his class.

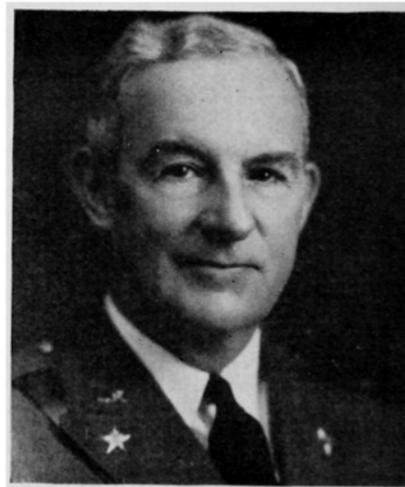
However, when the insurrection in the Philippines broke out, the need of the Army for officers was so great that the War Department graduated the class four months ahead of time, on February 15, 1899. Major, along with a few other venturesome and impatient ones, fearful of missing the shooting, asked for "any Philippine regiment" and April found him in the front lines with the 14th Infantry. A year of jungle warfare; the Boxer cam-

paign in China, more Philippine service, and by the time the regiment returned to the States, he was a seasoned campaigner, well known to older officers as a reliable, competent and promising young officer, ripe for the Service Schools.

In 1905 he was detailed to the old Infantry and Cavalry School where he did well and showed that, in addition to being a practical field soldier, he also had talent as an instructor and a staff officer. The courses also developed in him a great enthusiasm for the study of his chosen profession and he became the military student that he remained to the end of his days. In 1912 his all-around promise was recognized by one of the first details of anyone of the class to the Army War College.

By World War I, he had served as an instructor at the Infantry and Cavalry School, as Assistant Military Attache in Paris, and much with troops, including the famous "Maneuver Division" on the Mexican border, the largest concentration of U.S. troops since the Civil War. In World War I, his most important service was as Chief of Staff of the 26th Division, which service was recognized by the Distinguished Service Medal for "exceptionally meritorious service . . . as Chief of Staff" and for "invaluable services to the American Expeditionary Forces".

This post-war duty was eloquent testimony to the esteem in which he was held as an instructor, staff officer and soldier. He was in turn instructor



at Leavenworth, an aide to General Pershing, a member of the War Department General Staff, and Chief of Staff of the Fourth Corps Area. In 1929 he received a top testimonial to his soldierly qualities in his detail to the command of the crack 29th Infantry, then the only war strength regiment of the Army and the demonstration organization of the Infantry School at Fort Benning.

His success with his command led to another detail with the War Department General Staff, in which he distinguished himself by eminently able administration of the Civilian Conservation Camps, thereby bringing much credit to the War Department and to the Roosevelt Administration. The demonstration in this duty of his

genius for careful and far-seeing planning, his great executive ability and tremendous drive perhaps had much to do with his selection in 1935 as a general officer of the Line as did his high purpose and his complete devotion to duty.

In 1936 he went to Hawaii to command an infantry brigade, where his fine studies of the defense of the islands, and the tactical schools he personally conducted for his officers, attracted much attention and favorable comment. Later, and until his retirement for age in 1940, he commanded the San Francisco Port of Embarkation.

After retirement, he and Mrs. Major built themselves a country home near Alexandria, Virginia, a few miles out of Washington. There they were hospitably and delightfully at home to their many friends until the time of his last illness.

Major was an outstanding staff officer, a highly competent instructor and a real military student. And, also, he was a fine commander of troops. Always he drove himself hard and his command had to follow where he led. As much as he could, he held in hand his fierce intolerance of duty ill-performed, but the slackers and the incompetent escaped from his command at the earliest opportunity. The competent remained, profited by his example and his precepts,—and thanked him for them!

Eminently a soldier, he had a very social side. Long a bachelor, he was a bon vivant and much in demand socially. He thoroughly enjoyed the lighter side of Army life and as General Pershing's aide saw much of the mighty in the land, and of the gay post-war Washington. But it was in Washington that he met and married the altogether lovely Ruth Barkley, whose charms and talents surpassed even his critical standards and with whom he was more than happy until the end.

It is not far from the truth to say that Major never spared himself or knowingly evaded any military duty. His devotion to duty was so complete as to be terrifying at times. No one in the Class of '99 more consistently lived the life of "Duty, Honor, Country", and no one more truly had the devotion of all close enough to know him well. We mourn his passing, for he brought honor to the Class and had our deep affection. When he died, General Pershing telegraphed to Mrs. Major: "Deeply grieved by the sad news of the passing of your distinguished husband and extend to you my profound sympathy. General Major leaves a record of able and devoted service to the Army and to the Nation" —C. D. H.

Lewis Hathaway Rand

NO. 3871 CLASS OF 1899

Died April 27, 1948, at Burlingame, California, aged 71 years.

LEWIS HATHAWAY RAND entered the U.S. Military Academy June 19, 1895 at the age of eighteen and one-half years. He was a shy and

modest lad from New Jersey with a not affluent background. He did not mingle much with fellow cadets, but applied himself strictly to the business of acquiring the education available at West Point. He was not unpopular, and as his character for industry, honesty, frugality, and ability unfolded, he was thoroughly respected by his classmates and other cadets. He was not concerned with athletics, beyond the physical training required, and he was never tempted to side issues which had no bearing on his main purpose at West Point, to graduate, and as high in his class as possible.

His military history was varied and extensive. He was promoted in regular sequence in the Corps of Engineers through all the various grades from Second Lieutenant to and including Colonel, in which latter grade he was retired on July 3, 1922 for disability incident to the Service. Among other important assignments he was an Instructor and Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Military Engineering and also temporarily attached to the Department of Practical Military Engineering and to the Department of Mathematics at the United States Military Academy during the years 1904 to 1908; he was in charge of the 2nd Engineer District at Cincinnati for two years, 1912 to 1914, and of the 3rd San Francisco District for nearly six years, 1914 to 1920. He had service in the Philippine Islands, 1900 to 1903, and at Coblenz, Germany, for about six months in 1922. All was highly creditable and marked by meticulous attention and accordance with regulations. The writer served with him in the Philippine Islands, at Wilmington, N. C. and at the Military Academy, besides being his classmate and almost always in the same sections while Cadets.

I had opportunity to know him as a man. He reported to me at Dagupan, P.I., in 1901, for duty. I saw him coming in the street, approaching the nipa shack where I had what I called an office. In spite of the intense heat, thick dust, and informal and lax conditions under which we lived, he had on full uniform, a saber, and white gloves. I rushed out the door to greet him. He stopped before me, stood at attention, and saluted me as if I were an entire stranger to him. He was complying with regulations, and all his military service was characterized by such rigid obedience to the letter of the laws. It may be said that his unyielding attitude toward form procedure for himself and for his superiors at times worked to his disadvantage.

Rand planned his life beginning with his cadetship. On February 15, 1904 he married Mira Lewis Buchner, of Toronto, Canada, who survives him. Until he was thirty-five years old he practiced frugality to the extreme; he neither smoked or drank; and he saved his money. At thirty-five he had accumulated a sufficient amount so that he and his splendid wife could live in luxury, which they did, especially after his retirement for disability in 1922, in San Francisco.

Rand had a great heart, and did go to bat for his friends in need, to my knowledge. He was a great engineer,

and was recognized as such, even outside of the Corps of Engineers. He had a responsible position with a bridge company in San Francisco in 1927, and his private office was spacious, elegant, and commensurate with his ability and position. He didn't appear to be the same boy who entered West Point in 1895.

Rand was a good man, a superior Army officer, a capable engineer, a devoted husband, and his life story should be an inspiration to all boys starting out in life. His ambition was "to retain a consciousness of his own integrity". This ambition he fully realized.

The world is a better place to live in on account of Rand.

—Classmate.

Editor's Note: No picture of Colonel Rand was obtainable for publication with this biography.

George Washington Stuart

NO. 3928 CLASS OF 1899

Died March 2, 1948, at Carmel, California, aged 73 years.

GEORGE WASHINGTON STUART was born in Chariton, Iowa, in 1875, and came to West Point from the University of Minnesota. Graduating from the Point in 1899, he went the full route of his fine army career and



retired for age in 1939. On March 2, 1948, he answered the final roll call at Carmel, California.

In the Academy his cheerful and friendly ways, his courtesy and his cordiality endeared him to his classmates, and everyone in the Academy of that day soon learned to recognize his fine figure and debonnaire manner. Few will forget his good looks and graciousness.

The graduation of his class immediately followed the outbreak of the Philippine Insurrection in February 1899, and he was soon embroiled in the turmoil that marked not only the finish of the Spanish-American War and the beginning of the Philippine campaign, but also the transition of a black-powder, Indian-fighting Army

into something vastly different, even though not yet modern. A recital of his years of infantry service brings nostalgic memories to those of that period. Alaska, Texas, the Philippines once and again, and Montana; then the school of the Line and the Staff College; a captain in Mexico with Funston and a colonel with Pershing in France and Belgium. He commanded both the 9th and the 148th regiments of Infantry in battle and was five times decorated. After the Armistice he commanded a brigade of the 37th Division and served both as Chief of Staff and Commander of the Division before its demobilization.

After the war it soon became apparent that his happy combination of fine personality and solid military accomplishment were highly useful with the civilian components and accordingly, practically all of his post-war service until the time of his retirement was with the National Guard and the Reserves in Oklahoma and in Denver.

In 1908, in the Philippines, he married Florence, the charming and talented daughter of that famous Indian fighter and scout, Colonel J. M. T. Partello, and the sister of Colonel J. I. Partello, now retired. Upon Colonel Stuart's retirement in 1939, he and Mrs. Stuart established their home in Carmel, where his cordiality and engaging personality won him a place in the hearts of the community which, like his classmates and army friends, now mourns his passing.

—C. D. H.

Francis William Clark

NO. 4009 CLASS OF 1901

Died November 12, 1948, at Carmel, California, aged 70 years.

BELOVED by all who knew him well, Army and civilian friends of Colonel Francis William Clark, retired, were shocked to learn of his sudden death from a heart attack at 8:03 p.m. on November 12, 1948. He was in his home with his family and friends when he passed away. Private services were held on November 15, and interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia.

Colonel Clark was born in Kansas, November 20, 1877 and appointed to West Point from Illinois in June 1897. At graduation February 18, 1901 he was Cadet First Captain, held three A's—for Football (left halfback), for Track, and for Baseball—and stood No. 16 in his class. He chose the Artillery Corps, and his first assignment was at old Ft. Morgan, Alabama until June 1901, when he joined the 20th Battery of Field Artillery at Fort Riley, Kansas under Captain William J. Snow. In August 1904 he was relieved and ordered to the United States Military Academy at West Point as an instructor in Mathematics. He was promoted to First Lieutenant on the 14th of April 1905 and in March 1906 he was appointed Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General Albert L. Mills who was then under orders to the Philippines. General Mills and family and Lieutenant Clark went through Europe on their

way to their new station, and stopped in Rome, Italy to see General Mills' old friend Colonel Francis A. Edwards, Military Attache there. Thus began the romance of Lieutenant Clark and Colonel and Mrs. Edwards' daughter Louise, which culminated in their marriage at Fort Monroe, Virginia on November 26, 1908.

When the division of the Artillery Corps took place in 1907 he asked to be relieved as Aide and was ordered to the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe, Virginia. There he was an honor graduate of the Class of 1908 and graduated with the Advanced Class in 1909. He was promoted to Captain, C.A.C. on March 8, 1909. Colonel R. P. Davis asked him to remain and be an instructor in the School but, because of his bride's health, he asked to be sent to the Pacific Coast to be near her family. At Fort Rosecrans, California their only child, Louise, was born in October 1909. In June 1910 he was sent to Fort Mills, Corregidor, Philippine Islands as Artillery Engineer; Colonel and Mrs. Edwards, then with the 12th Cavalry, were at Fort McKinley, Manila, P.I. In January 1913, on orders to Fort Dupont, Delaware he and his family came home through Europe and visited Colonel and Mrs. F. A. Edwards in Switzerland, where Colonel Edwards was Military Attache. He was on duty in the office of the Chief of Coast Artillery



from November 1915 to June 1917 and on the General Staff in Washington from June 1917 to August 1917. He was appointed Assistant Chief of Staff of the 91st Division at Fort Lewis, Washington, in October 1917. On St. Valentine's Day in 1918, while eating lunch with his family at the Officers' Mess at Camp Murray, he received orders to go overseas immediately and report to the General Staff College at Langres, France. Then followed general staff duty with the 3rd Army Corps, A.E.F., from June 1918 to July 1919. He was awarded the World War I Victory Medal with four Battle Clasps; Aisne-Marne, Oise-Aisne, Meuse-Argonne and Defensive Sector; and the Distinguished Service Medal, the citation reading: "For exceptionally meritorious and distinguished services. As Acting G-3 of the 3rd Corps he displayed sound judgment

and military attainments of the highest order. With the utmost clearness and skill he prepared the orders under which his corps operated both from the Vesle to Aisne Rivers during the Meuse-Argonne offensive until October 14, 1918. By his marked tactical ability, loyal devotion to duty, and untiring zeal he contributed materially to the success of those operations".

In 1919 he was ordered home to the General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, graduating in July 1920 and at the same time being promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and transferring to his preferred branch, the Field Artillery. That fall he became a student officer at the Army War College, Washington, D. C., graduating in 1921. He was selected on the Initial General Staff Eligible List and assigned to the G-4 Section of the newly organized War Department General Staff, Washington, D. C., where he remained four years until 1925, when he was ordered to Fort Lewis, Washington, to be second in command of the 10th Field Artillery. He was relieved in 1928 and sent to Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio as Assistant Chief of Staff, Fifth Corps Area, and was promoted to Colonel of Field Artillery on September 1, 1931. In the Spring of 1932 he was ordered back to Fort Lewis in command of the horse drawn 10th Field Artillery, and in 1934 he became Chief of Staff of the 3rd Division at Fort Lewis. Four years later in September 1939 he was retired on his own application after 40 years service and came with his family to make his home in Carmel, California.

In January 1941 he was called back to duty and given command of the Presidio of Monterey. Obeying orders, as he expected of his command, he took the "Yellow Fever Shots" with the first group in 1942; which caused jaundice and hospitalization and his retirement for physical disability in line of duty in the Spring of 1943. He regained his general health except for a lame leg and foot, and enjoyed his home and garden in Carmel; and nothing was further from his or our minds, than his passing on the evening of November 12th.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. F. W. Clark, who had been with him for 40 beautiful years; and his daughter, Louise, who treasures every year she had the privilege of knowing a father who was always considerate of others and lived according to the high ideals which West Point bequeaths to her sons. A brother, Dr. S. N. Clark of Jacksonville, Ill.; and a sister, Mrs. J. G. Floyd of San Diego, California, also survive him.

—His Daughter.

Andres Ponte

CLASS OF 1903

Died November 9, 1948, in New York City, aged 67 years.

ANDRES PONTE of Venezuela, a cadet in the United States Military Academy, Class of 1903, under a special Act of Congress, died in New York City on November 9, 1948. He is

survived by his wife, Mrs. Carmen Luisa Velutini Ponte; a son, Andres Jose; and two daughters, Mrs. Lope Mendoza and Mrs. Adolfo Nass, all of Caracas.

Ponte's family were settled in what is now the Republic of Venezuela nearly a century before the earliest English colonists landed on our Atlantic seaboard; and the family has throughout subsequent years played a prominent part in the history of Spanish America. In two separate lines he traced relationship with Simon Bolivar, the Liberator.

After graduating from West Point, service in such a small military establishment as that maintained by Venezuela could offer little attraction to a man of Ponte's tastes, and little scope for his talents. Nor, though politics was his main interest, as he was so often heard to say, could the small country of Venezuela offer him many inducements. He preferred the role of student and observer from the stalls to that of active participation on the stage. His life was devoted to the study of politics and to writing on politics and kindred subjects; and it is not to be wondered at that, as his activity in these fields increased, he moved to the more congenial atmosphere of Europe.

In 1916 he sailed with his family for the Continent of Europe, where he spent twenty years. Anyone who knew Ponte well would surmise that



his changes of domicile from one European country to another during these years were largely influenced by the richness of archival material that these countries offered and the accessibility to their archives.

Three catalogue cards in the New York Public Library attest the authorship of Andres Ponte. His works are thus described in the catalogue:

"La Revolucion de Caracas y sus Proceres", Caracas, 1918.

"Bolivar y Otros Ensayos", Caracas, 1919.

"Como Salvar a Venezuela", New York, 1938.

One of the essays in the second-named work is the address delivered by Ponte at the meeting of the National Historical Academy of Venezuela at which he was received in membership. The subject of the address was

"Reflections on History". For some twenty years previous to his death, and to within a few weeks of his final illness, Ponte had been collecting material for and writing upon a work which he described as largely genealogical, but which, because of the wide ramifications of his family through many generations in many countries, would have much of general historical interest. He had begun to survey the field of publishers with a view to committing this work to print. It is to be hoped that we shall see it between covers on the shelves of our libraries. It is the fruit of much painstaking study.

In 1936 Ponte returned to Venezuela. When Trinidad, British West Indies, became an important Allied base during World War II, he was appointed to represent his government there as consul-general. His selection for this post was not fortuitous; as he knew, he was sent to Trinidad by the Government of Venezuela because there he would have frequent transactions with the military authorities of the United States, for which, as a graduate of the Military Academy, he was especially qualified. Ponte looked back upon his service in Trinidad with the greatest satisfaction. There for the first time since graduation he associated with other graduates. Needless to say he was highly regarded in official circles at the Trinidad base; and when his health began to fail under the stress of exhausting work in a wretched climate he received the best medical care, including hospitalization, that the United States authorities could offer. Ponte never ceased to speak with warmth of the solicitude of our Army at this stage of his illness.

The return to the healthier climate of Caracas did not bring much improvement. Having exhausted every possibility of thorough diagnosis and treatment in Venezuela, Ponte came to New York City early in the spring of 1948 and entered the Harkness Pavilion at the Presbyterian Medical Center. Shortly thereafter he underwent a very serious abdominal operation. His recovery was rapid, and apparently complete; and he was able to attend all the features of the forty-fifth reunion of his class in June, 1948, including those that took place at West Point. This was the first occasion on which Ponte foregathered with his class.

Still in a sense convalescent, though to all appearances very well, and as always tirelessly active, Ponte spent last summer in New York City. He spent many hours in research in the library; many hours in the agreeable pastime of book-searching for which the city is such a splendid field; and many hours in the halls of museums. He sailed early in September for Venezuela, apparently in high spirits at the prospect of rejoining his family. It was not long after his departure that we learned he had begun to fail soon after reaching Caracas, and had again come to New York to enter a hospital. From the time of his return to the Harkness Pavilion he declined rapidly. Further operation was considered inadvisable. He died surrounded by his family. A solemn mass was

celebrated for him in St. Agnes Church in New York City, at which his class was represented by Pope, Howze, and Shnyder. Interment was in Caracas.

Ponte when a cadet was held in high regard by his class and by the Corps. He was really one of us, not merely a ward of the United States Government with the backing of an Act of Congress. What of good, bad and indifferent befell us ordinary cadets was shared with comradely spirit by Ponte. With the rest of us he took examinations, completed the course and received a special diploma of the Academy. After so many years of separation he considered himself most fortunate to renew cadet friendships at the forty-fifth reunion of the Class of 1903. The class too was fortunate that he was with them at last, though for the last time.

Clarence Earl Bradburn

NO. 5155 CLASS OF 1913

Died December 5, 1947, at Pasadena, California, aged 60 years.

CLARENCE EARL BRADBURN was born October 25, 1887, at Nebo, Illinois. After completing nine years at public schools in Illinois, he served for several years as a grammar school



teacher. He spent one year as a sub-freshman at Colorado Agricultural College, at the completion of which he began his studies for the entrance examination to the United States Military Academy. Unsuccessful in his first attempt, he succeeded in passing the examination in the spring of 1909 and was admitted as a New Cadet on March 1, 1909. Four years at West Point of which countless hours were spent on the Area, gave "Nebo", as his classmates still refer to him, the ambition, determination, and character which were in later years to make him an outstanding soldier and a highly respected business executive. He graduated from the Military Academy on June 12, 1913, and was appointed a Second Lieutenant of Cavalry. On June 14, 1913, he married Florence Lyle Easton at Arcola, New Jersey.

He resigned his commission in 1915, but was reappointed in 1916, this time in the Field Artillery. During the First World War he served with the First Division, and was continuously in action, never being relieved from front-line combat duty until the cessation of hostilities. He was promoted to the rank of Major of Field Artillery in 1918, and was awarded two citations for gallantry in action, one of which included the Silver Star Medal. He served with the Army of Occupation in Germany and returned to the United States in 1919. At this time he again resigned his commission, and was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Reserve.

Shortly after returning to civil life, Colonel Bradburn purchased the Ward Iron Works, which he re-named The Pacific Iron and Steel Company. Despite the impact of the depression years, The Pacific Iron and Steel Company grew and prospered under his capable leadership. As President and General Manager he was respected and admired by his employees; their confidence in him inspired mutual trust and cooperation between the departments of the company. During recent years, Colonel Bradburn's policies have been highly successful in solving labor-management problems prevalent throughout the steel industry; many executives of other firms have relied upon his advice and example in promoting better relations with their employees.

Purely professional achievements certainly did not claim all his attention, for Colonel Bradburn's greatest pride and joy was his family. At the time of his departure for overseas service during World War I he had two daughters, Florence, who was born July 14, 1914, and Helen, who was born September 30, 1915. On July 3, 1921, a third daughter, Priscilla, joined the family, and on May 27, 1925, his son, David was born. Helen was married to Robert N. Simpson in 1935, and has brought three grandchildren into the Bradburn family. Priscilla married First Lieutenant Richard Phillips Woods in 1942, and has a son, Richard Phillips Woods, III. Lieutenant Woods, an Infantry Officer, was killed in the Battle of the Bulge during World War II. Priscilla was married to Captain John Seymour, a pilot of the United States Air Force in 1947. David graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1946 and married Barbara May Hurff in the West Point Chapel on June 5, 1946. Colonel Bradburn lived just one day after the birth of his fifth grandchild, Carol Diane Bradburn, who was born on December 4, 1947.

Until a few years before his death, Colonel Bradburn was an enthusiastic golfer, and his many trophies, including his membership in the Hole-In-One Club, were among his most cherished possessions. In 1943 he purchased a small farm in Glendora, California, as a business venture for his daughter Florence. He took an active interest in the farm and spent his weekends working in the fields and caring for the livestock. Hard work of this kind was his favorite relaxation.

His last visit to the Military Academy was during June Week, 1946, when

he attended his son's graduation. The Class Reunion, the Alumni Parade, Graduation Parade, the Graduation Hop—all became a part of him after this, his last week at West Point.

There can be no finer tribute to a leader in any field of endeavor than the words of Colonel Bradburn's shop foreman: "We haven't lost just our boss—we've lost a real friend".

—David D. Bradburn,
First Lieut. U.S.A.F.

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Vicente Lim

NO. 5282 CLASS OF 1914

Killed by the Japanese during the period November 1944—January 1945, while a prisoner of war in the Philippine Islands; officially declared dead as of November 11, 1945; aged 56 years.

VICENTE LIM, our Filipino classmate, who is now a national hero to his people, was executed by the Japanese in Manila, early in 1945. He had commanded a division of the Philippine Army in the Bataan cam-



paign, surrendered, escaped, joined the resistance movement, and was recaptured. Vicente was the kind of man who is always loved and respected by those who knew him. He was anything but handsome, having the darker Chinese cast of countenance, marked with smallpox, and a heavy build. He had a rough and cheerful, even boisterous manner, was a born gambler, and willing to join in any activity. He had a kind heart under this rough exterior, and was very considerate of others in the smallest details. He fully absorbed the spirit of West Point, and was always proud that he was a graduate. He was also very proud of his country and his people, and during his military career had a number of controversies on points of his duties when he thought these were not given due consideration. He was in a difficult position, for the white man in the orient does not always appreciate the oriental; Vicente, however, had a very clear understanding of both points of view. His classmates always felt free to talk to him on any subject in their

usual frank manner, and counted upon him to give life and interest to any assemblage. He was christened "Cannibal" at West Point, and he used that title with his classmates all through his life. We all respected and admired his fine mind, his determined character, his honesty and sincerity, and his professional ability; we were pleased when his people gave him an important post in the new independent government, and we were sure of his ability as a commander in the field. His untimely death has been a great sorrow to his classmates. We remember the Cannibal, after West Point days, for such incidents as his improvised class yell at a West Point dinner in Manila, his continual winnings at bridge, his enjoyment of our fifteenth reunion and his regret at missing our 25th, and for his comments on his life as a general: "To be a general officer in any army is no advantage whatsoever; I have lost all the privileges of a young man, and I have to be very careful of my steps".

He was born on April 5, 1888 at Calamba, on Laguna de Bay in Luzon. He entered the United States Military Academy with his class on March 1, 1910, and graduated number 77 in the class of 107, on June 12, 1914. No better choice could have been made for the first representative of the Philippines to attend West Point. He was commissioned a 2d Lieutenant in the Philippine Scouts, then a part of the United States Army. On his way home on graduation leave he was marooned in Berlin by the outbreak of war, and had quite an adventurous time making his way across Siberia. He remained in the Philippines during World War I, and did not reach the grade of major as did the rest of his classmates; in 1920, however, his permanent majority came. He served with the various Filipino infantry regiments, was an instructor at the Constabulary Academy, and served with the Philippine National Guard. In 1926 he came to the United States with his family for an extended stay; first he attended the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga.; next, he attended the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; and in 1928 he went to the Army War College in Washington. In 1929 he returned to the Philippines and was detailed as P.M.S.&T. at San Juan de Letran College. On June 30, 1936 he was retired from the United States Army with the rank of lieutenant colonel, and immediately appointed brigadier general in the new Philippine Army. He was first assigned to the War Plans Division; quoting from his own letter, "Some of you who are on the inside of the War Department might have read my strategic reconnaissance of every corner of this country. I found that we have the manpower to defend our vital areas, and God has given us the advantage of our natural terrain features to effectively give a nice showing against any first class power. But because of our lack of finance we are struggling hard economically to solve this problem". In 1939 Lim became deputy chief of staff, and in 1941 he was assigned to the command of the 41st Philippine Army Division. He fought in the Bataan campaign and

was captured on April 9, 1942. Later, released from the prisoner of war camp because of illness, he contrived to join the resistance group which included President Roxas. A great many of his associates were captured by the Japs and executed; he attempted to reach the American guerilla leader on Mindoro, but was captured by the Japs and executed sometime in 1945; January 6 according to one report.

"Lim is the hero of Bataan", states the Philippine Army Bulletin of April 1947, "General Lim's 41st Division made possible the Battle of Abucay, which I believe is the most decisive battle of Bataan. . . . At Abucay the Japs for the first time met real opposition. . . . Contact at Abucay was about 8 January 1942. The Japs, employing massed artillery followed closely by aggressive infantry action hit the 41st Division. For the next 16 days the Japs tried to break the 41st Division line and failed. Abucay was abandoned on 25 January when Jap breakthroughs in Moron and Natib made Abucay untenable. . . . After Abucay the Japs started to withdraw from Bataan, and resumed their attack in April, thus allowing MacArthur forty precious days for the preparation of Australia as an operational base. If any one factor can be said to have contributed mostly to make Bataan possible, that can be Abucay. And if any one unit can be said to have made Abucay possible that is General Lim's 41st Division. . . . General Lim knew his military science. General Lim had an uncanny faculty of predicting events. . . . General Lim was an excellent judge of men. Although he had gained the reputation in peace time of being rough and outspoken, in war he was father to his men. He was accessible, and gave his counsel when this was sought. He made his subordinates fight by making them feel that upon their personal efforts depended the outcome of the battle. He was never satisfied with half measures. . . . General Lim had human weakness. . . . our radio announced that Mrs. Lim would broadcast to her husband. General Lim ran to our radio tent and tears welled from his eyes as he heard his wife's voice and a message from his daughter. . . . He had a sense of humor. . . . His ability to estimate the situation, his judgment of men and his common sense were working full blast when, some time on April 7, 1942, General Lim suggested that the fight was over." One of Lim's close associates, Colonel Isagani V. Campo, wrote, "(General Lim's) most cherished thoughts were centered in the welfare of the war veterans and their widows. He had planned for the establishment of memorial homes or hospitals for the veterans and their widows and had pledged to devote the remaining years of his life to this cause". One of Lim's last official acts was to issue a commendation to his division, "Your courageous and tenacious defense of your line for the last five days against tremendous odds and continuous bombing and shelling by the enemy merits my highest praise and commendation. I am proud to lead such a group of men".

Vicente married Pilar Hidalgo in Manila, on August 12, 1917. They had

six children: Luis, a graduate of M.I.T., is now with the Philippine Bureau of Aeronautics; Roberto, a graduate of Annapolis, is now a civilian pilot in Manila, having served as a military flyer in the war; Vicente, a graduate of West Point, who also had a war record as a flyer, is with Westinghouse, destined for their Manila branch; the three smaller children, Patricio, 17, Eulalia, 15, and Maria, 10, are at home in Manila with their mother. The family lived in the United States during the war. Pilar Lim is a leader among the women of the Philippines; she and her children will undoubtedly have great influence in the new Philippine nation.

Vicente's classmates remember him as a most lovable person, having a keen sense of humor, capable of attacking any new problem, and having the brains and stamina to carry through. Surely his record bears out their opinion. He lived and died a soldier.

—H. B. and F. W. H.

Frank Charles Jedlicka

NO. 5822 CLASS OF AUGUST, 1917
Died April 10, 1948, at San Antonio, Texas, aged 54 years.

CAPTAIN FRANK CHARLES JEDLICKA, retired, Class of August 1917, was born in New York City on September 19, 1893.

He served overseas in World War I, following which he was Assistant Military Attache at Prague, Czechoslovakia and also at Warsaw, Poland. Later he was assigned to Teheran, Persia, where he served as Military Attache.

In 1924 he returned to the States and transferred to the Field Artillery, in which branch of the service he served until February 1936 when he was forced to retire for physical disability.

He died on April 10, 1948 at San Antonio, Texas and was buried with full military honors, services being held at the Old Cadet Chapel at West Point on April 15, 1948 with interment in the Post Cemetery.

—L. M. J.

Frank Jedlicka is dead. I knew him well. We first served together some twenty-two or three years ago and I have loved and admired him ever since. He was a man of parts, possessed of an acute and active intelligence, of a command of language and of languages, of a sympathetic and understanding nature, and of the common sense and strength of character eminently fitting him for an active part in the building of the Great Republic.

All this great promise of achievement was, seemingly, destroyed by the ravages of an insidious and progressive disease which, during a succession of many years, reduced his body to impotence and doomed it to be merely a pain-wracked enclosure for his indomitable spirit. What is the reading of this riddle? What could the Almighty Shepherd of the Golden

Stars have intended when he wrote this tragedy in the Book of Destiny?

The answer is to be found in the life the man lived and in the influence he exerted over his friends. His suffering was tragic and continuous. His last words were that, for the first time in many years, he was relaxed and free from pain. But he never lost his interest in his country, his profession, or his friends; his sense of humor was just as infectious as ever, and his judgment was unimpaired. He was one of the most widely educated men I ever met and to all of us who knew him and loved him and respected him, his house was a Mecca to which we returned from the far parts of the earth in order that we might renew our souls.

And now he is dead and has been buried in the cemetery at his Alma



Mater. And he is out of his broken and twisted body and stands erect before his Maker and he speaks and the voices of the other soldiers that surround him in that place are hushed. He lifts up his voice and says, "My Lord, You gave unto me, Thy servant, the talents of courage and of wisdom and of patience and of humility. These I have used for the betterment of weaker men than I—men who were heavy laden and who lacked the strength to bear their burdens. And behold, my Lord, I return to you ten talents for each of those Thou gavest me".

—Anonymous.

Benjamin Randolph Farrar

NO. 6378 CLASS OF 1919
Died June 11, 1948, at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida, aged 49 years.

BENJAMIN RANDOLPH FARRAR, son of William M. Farrar and the late Elizabeth Watson Farrar, was born in Jersey City, February 19, 1899. He is survived by his widow, Margaret Rankin Farrar; two daughters, Elizabeth Randolph Farrar, and Alice Megginson Farrar; and in addition to his father, by a brother, William M. Farrar, Jr. of Madison, New Jersey, and two sisters, Mrs. H. K. Duff of Bradenton, Florida, and Mrs. C. F. Lewis of

Millburn, New Jersey. He was of predominantly English ancestry, and on the paternal side all his forebears from early colonial times were exclusively Virginians. He removed with the family to East Orange, New Jersey, in 1906 and attended the public schools there, graduating from the high school in 1916. In 1917 he was designated by the late Senator Martine of New Jersey to enter a competitive examination to fill a vacant cadetship at the United States Military Academy; received the appointment out of a group of sixty-five entrants and began his training at West Point in June 1917.

On November 1, 1918, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and returned home with the expectation of being ordered to France, but the Armistice on November 11, 1918, rendering this unnecessary, he returned to West Point and was graduated in June 1919, and went with his class on tour of inspection of the battlefields of Western Europe during the summer of that year. When he returned he was ordered to the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia, whence he returned in June 1920, having been made a First Lieutenant. His next station was Camp Upton, from which he was transferred with his company after several months to Camp Dix and then to Camp Meade. He remained there until 1921 when he was sent to Western Maryland College as Asst. P.M.S.&T., remaining there until 1923 when he was ordered to Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia as P.M.S.&T. He remained there two years, and was ordered to Panama to again serve with troops. In 1927 he returned to the U.S. and was an instructor of the National Guard in Oklahoma, where he remained until 1931, being then ordered to Schofield Barracks in Hawaii, again serving with troops. While at this station he was severely injured in a polo game, was in the hospital for several months, then given leave and returned home to recuperate. While on his way back to his station he was married in Panama to the daughter of Lieutenant Colonel Osterman, then on duty there.

On March 19, 1933, his elder daughter was born in Hawaii and in 1934 he returned to the continental United States and was ordered to Fort Wadsworth. After several months on duty with troops there, he was for the second time sent to Fork Union, where his younger daughter was born. In 1935, shortly before leaving Fork Union, he was promoted to Captain.

His next station was Fort Benjamin Harrison, where he remained one year, and then was again sent to Hawaii for two years, returning home in 1939. He was then detailed to various duties in the Southern States, principally at Camp McClellan, Alabama, and finally was ordered to San Francisco, where he served in connection with receiving and sending out troops to various stations in the Pacific. He made several trips on transports to Honolulu and Manila in command of replacements, prior to Pearl Harbor, and once went to Shanghai to bring American nationals home. In pursuance of these activities he was on the high seas twenty-four hours out from San

Francisco when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, but the transport was recalled by wireless.

As soon as it was obvious that his country was in the war he made strenuous efforts to get into it himself, and having been promoted to Major, was appointed to the staff of Major General Harding, who commanded a division bound for Australia, and went with the division to Brisbane and to a training camp near that city early in 1942. In November of that year, having been promoted to Lieutenant Colonel, he went with the staff and a portion of the troops to New Guinea, landing at Port Moresby; later the staff and a small contingent of other troops were transported over the Owen Stanley Mountains to the north shore. There, in conjunction with Australian troops, they began a series of attacks on Japanese positions. He assisted in preparing plans for such an attack on Buna Mission and then requested the privilege of commanding in this action, which was granted. This attack took place on December 23, 1942, and was successful, but he was severe-



ly wounded by Japanese marksmen concealed in the dense foliage. His leg bone was shattered near the hip, and after field treatment, he was taken back to Brisbane where the leg was incased in plaster. The delay in reaching a place where an operation could be performed caused a permanent shortening of the leg, and a Japanese bullet which could not be removed added to the pain which he suffered for the rest of his days. Several months later when he arrived at Halloran General Hospital in New York, he was still wearing the plaster cast, and continued to wear it until June of that year. It was while he was still at Halloran that he was awarded his two decorations, the Purple Heart and Silver Star. His citation for the latter reads as follows:

"Benjamin R. Farrar, O-12351, Lieutenant Colonel * * * United States Army. For gallantry in action near Buna Mission, New Guinea, December 22, 1942 and December 23, 1942. Lieutenant Colonel Farrar, while under enemy automatic and sniper fire, made numerous and valuable reconnaissances of the island, just southwest and adjacent to Buna Mission. Lieutenant

Colonel Farrar voluntarily assisted in the taking and mopping up of the island position. Lieutenant Colonel Farrar's cool, courageous and intelligent leadership contributed greatly to the successful termination of this operation. * * * "

In July, 1943, he was transferred to Temple, Texas, and finally to Modena, California. After his discharge from the hospital at Modena he made strenuous efforts to remain in active service and served for a time on the War Labor Commission, which curtailed travel by plane up and down the Pacific Coast, but a medical survey finally decided that he must be retired. He thereafter made his home at Bradenton, Florida, going periodically to MacDill Field for examination and treatment. It was during one of these trips to MacDill that he passed away. He bore his pain with resignation and mostly in silence, but it was obvious that he was a great sufferer.

He was devoted to his profession, and though several times the recipient of very attractive offers from officers under whom he had served, and who were returning to civilian life, and from others, he steadily refused to resign from the service.

He was the youngest of the family and very dear to all of us, and all mourn his loss, but our sorrow is less when we realize that he has been relieved of his suffering. In a very real sense he died for his country, and we cherish his memory as a true patriot.

—W. M. F.

Louis Jacob Claterbos

NO. 6577 CLASS OF 1920

Died March 27, 1948, at Pasadena, California, aged 49 years.

COLONEL CLATERBOS was born in White Salmon, Washington, on August 29, 1898, where his parents settled after leaving their native country, Holland.

As a small boy Lou had the opportunity of living in the native heath of his sturdy forebears, from whom he inherited his strong character, and steadfastness of purpose.

Upon his return to this country Lou started his life as a true American boy in the great Northwest. Large and strong for his age, he worked hard and played hard. This he practiced throughout his life, engaging in major sports, and when time allowed, hunting, fishing and golfing filled in any otherwise idle moments.

While attending Washington State College in 1918, he was appointed to the United States Military Academy. After graduation in 1920, and his assignment to the Corps of Engineers, he entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the summer of 1921. He was initiated into the Alpha Chapter of Theta Xi, and received his degree in Engineering in 1922.

He was married while still a student at R.P.I. on October 3, 1921 to Miss Janet Hannis of Martinsburg, West Virginia, and sister of his classmate

and roommate at West Point, now Colonel Henry F. Hannis of the Corps of Engineers.

In 1922 he was sent to Fort Humphrey, where along with his duties as adjutant of the 29th Engineers, he set about remodeling the athletic program. An Alexandria, Virginia newspaper wrote the following of him, "In the two years Lieutenant Claterbos has been in charge of athletics at the Fort he has had a much greater degree of success than all the predecessors combined could boast. Small wonder he is the most popular man about the Fort. He is a credit both to Fort Humphrey and to the Army; a man worth cultivating"

His next detail took him to Pasadena, California in 1925, where he was Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the California Institute of Technology. He continued his athletics here as coach of the basketball team, and as assistant coach of football.

Hawaii was his first foreign assignment, where he served with Company "D", Third Engineers, from 1929 to 1932. Here also, he was coach of basketball and football.

On his return to the States he was made Assistant to the District Engineer in Kansas City. After two years there, he was sent to Port Angeles, Washington, where he was Commanding Officer H/S Company, Supply Officer from December 1934 to August 1935.

Once again he was called to California and made Assistant to the District Engineer in Los Angeles from August 17, 1935 to July 15, 1937. His Commanding Officer on this assignment has written: "Colonel Louis J. Claterbos served with me on three occasions; as Assistant to the District Engineer at Kansas City, in charge of Operations in connection with the improvement of the Missouri River; as Assistant to the District Engineer at Los Angeles, California, in charge of operations in connection with the Los Angeles Flood Control Project, during a trying period, when this large project was being hastily organized under very difficult conditions, and again as Assistant to the District Engineer at Honolulu, T. H., from December 7, 1941 to about January 1, 1942. During this period he acted as Supply Officer in connection with the hasty organization and construction of the Defenses of the Hawaiian Islands.

"Louis Claterbos possessed all the desirable characteristics for an Engineer Officer of our Army. On every occasion he carried out his duties in a manner warranting the highest commendation. He gave everything he had to give. He inspired in both his subordinates and his superiors an affection which resulted in hundreds of life-long friends who will grieve his passing."

From 1937 to June 1938 he was a student at the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He even found time there to coach a scrub football team made up of the younger boys stationed on the post.

After graduation he was sent to Washington, D. C., as an Assistant to the Chief of Engineers, O. and T. section, and while there was ordered

to Eritrea as Engineer to the North African Military Mission. While enroute by air he was in Hawaii on December 7, 1941, and planned to take an early morning plane out from there, when due to engine trouble the plane was delayed. After the Jap attack on Pearl Harbor he was ordered to immediate duty and worked night and day for several weeks, when he was ordered back to the States, and once more started for Africa, by way of South America. He was not in Africa long when he suffered a heart attack, brought on by the climate, hard work, and the continual fight for supplies and men to carry on his work. On June 20, 1942 he left for home, and was the only passenger on the freighter, "The Star of Oregon". In the early morning of August 30th the ship was torpedoed about two hundred miles off the coast of Trinidad. After floating around in life boats for two days and two nights the whole crew of 52, with the exception of one man, was picked up by a United States Navy sub-chaser.

All these difficulties and highly exciting experiences during his trips to



and from Africa were so unique at the time as to warrant an article in *Time* entitled "The Odyssey of Colonel Claterbos".

His last tour of duty in the Army was spent on the Staff and Faculty of the Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, as Director of Officers' Courses. His last Commanding Officer has written, "I shall always be happy and proud that I was able to serve with Lou on his last assignment.

"His insistence on remaining on active duty to contribute everything he could, as long as his country was at war, was a most outstanding example of his utterly unselfish, intense sense of duty.

"No one will ever know the extent of his influence on the Engineer effort in World War II. Everyone of over 23,000 war time officer graduates of all ranks and ages felt the impact of his superb knowledge, character and forcefulness. His wide personal correspondence kept the Engineer School completely informed of new Engineer doctrine and practice as it developed in the various theatres. Simple contacts with Lou inspired the best type of leadership concept and development

more effectively than any texts or courses on the subject".

He was awarded the Legion of Merit for his work at the Engineer School.

In his twenty-five years of service, with few exceptions he was loved by everyone who came in contact with him; men, women and children.

As one of his Junior Officers stated, "I can see him now coming toward me with that really genuine smile, and eager handclasp of his, that inspired many a friend. Then again I experience the feeling of earnestness, intelligence and energy which always came over me when 'Lou' as my Commanding Officer talked to me. It was his personal magnetism that influenced many younger officers to better service for God and country".

On his retirement at the end of the war he and Mrs. Claterbos moved to Pasadena, California, where they built a lovely home. He was only to enjoy it ten months, for on March 27, 1948, Lou passed away suddenly with another heart attack.

He is survived by his wife and one son, Henry Louis, who graduated from the Naval Academy in 1944 and is now a Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps, and by two brothers and one sister of Washington State.

Funeral services were held in All Saints Episcopal Church, Pasadena, and graveside services on April second in Arlington National Cemetery, where no better man and friend has been mourned, and no finer soldier has been accorded this privilege.

And again to quote one of his students from the Officer Candidate School; "We loved his gentle thoughtfulness. We grieve for his loss, but glory in the knowledge that he let his light so shine before men that we were all proud of him"

—Janet Hannis Claterbos.

David Marcus

NO. 7368 CLASS OF 1924

Killed June 10, 1948, while fighting with Israeli Forces near Jerusalem, aged 47 years.

"THE most unforgettable man I ever met." That was "Mickey" Marcus according to a war-time associate. Those who will echo the statement are legion. Mick's friends and interests stretched in all directions and covered half the globe. To know him was never to forget him though his breezy "Cheerio" will be heard no more. For, on June 10, 1948, Colonel David Marcus was killed by an Arab bullet while out in a jeep inspecting his lines near Jerusalem. At the time he was in command of all Israeli forces on the Jerusalem front. Less than twenty-four hours later, the first U.N. truce between the Jews and Arabs went into effect.

A few days after the announcement of his death, the New York Herald Tribune said in an editorial: "A good soldier and a good civilian servant of the public, the story of David Marcus is hardly commonplace, but it is fortunately a familiar American story"

The story began on the East Side of lower Manhattan at 103 Hester Street, the place where Mick was born on February 22, 1901. When he was seven years old his family moved to Williams Avenue in the East New York section of Brooklyn where his father died in 1910. Mickey's brother Mike took him in tow and everywhere that Mike went Mick was sure to be there too. This gave rise to the name "Mickey" by which he became affectionately known to thousands in every walk of life.

Mickey went to Public School No. 109, graduating in 1915, and then on to Boys High School. Mike encouraged his kid brother to build up his physique and helped him train his growing muscles. Mike, who had dabbled at the game himself, gave Mickey his first boxing lessons. By the time he was 16, Mickey's body was as hard as the proverbial nails. At Boys High, Mick was the star of the 1918 baseball and football teams. He graduated from Boys High in January 1919. In the graduation number of "The Recorder", the school magazine, he gave as his ambition: "West Point"

Mick spent a year between his graduation from high school and entrance into the Military Academy, in attending the City College of New York, brushing up on mathematics and kindred subjects. On July 1, 1920 he reached his goal, West Point.

Mickey was one of the most extraordinary plebes ever to enter the Academy. He was issued a plebeskin blouse with a collar several sizes too large, because only a large sized blouse would fit his barrel-like chest and shoulders. The upperclassmen took great delight in making him pop his chin back inside that collar. They called him "Tom Jenkins' plebe". Mick's uproarious laughter became his hallmark. It was never stilled. It broke down all barriers of rank and protocol. Because of his warm, human fellowship, he won the affection of his associates as few men have ever done before in the Army.

In sports Mick concentrated on boxing and gymnastics. He had a pile driving left hand punch which he usually started from the floor. The whole Corps of Cadets could see it coming and gasped in admiration whether it connected or not. He was inter-collegiate welter-weight champion in 1923. In 1924, he switched to the gym team and competed in his specialty, the horizontal bar.

Graduating on June 12, 1924, Mick reported in September to the 16th Infantry at Fort Jay on Governors Island. He was assigned to Company H.

In the fall of 1924, he decided to study law at night. He enrolled in the Brooklyn Law School and travelled back and forth to the school in the Brooklyn Eagle Building every weekday night during the winter of 1924-1925.

In the early spring of 1925, the regiment was ordered to Camp Dix, New Jersey for the summer. This broke up the night school schedule, but Mick came to Brooklyn for the final examinations in May, passed them, and went on to get his L.L.B. degree in 1927. He went back for a year of post

graduate study to win the degree of Juris Doctor in 1928. In the meantime, he had decided to resign from the Army and pursue the law as a career, believing that he could best serve his country as a civilian soldier. He resigned in December 1926.

On July 3, 1927, Mick married his sweetheart of cadet days, beautiful Emma Chaison of Brooklyn. They had a happy married life.

Mick was admitted to the Bar in 1928, and started his legal career by opening an office at 32 Court Street, Brooklyn. In 1929, he was appointed a junior attorney in the Treasury Department in the New York City Office. In 1931 he was made Assistant U.S. Attorney on the staff of the Federal District Attorney in New York City.

In that capacity, he first attracted the attention of one of the District Judges, Robert P. Patterson, under whom he was later to serve in the War Department during World War II. Judge Patterson, war-time Under Secretary of War, says of him:

"His memory will always serve as an inspiration to the Army and to



those with enduring affection for the Army and for its traditions".

The chief assistant U.S. Attorney at the time was Thomas E. Dewey. He and Mick became fast friends.

Mick served in the U.S. Attorney's Office until January 1, 1934, when he was appointed First Deputy Commissioner of Correction of the City of New York by Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia.

Within three weeks, Mick's name was front page news. He staged and led the spectacular raid on Blackwell's Island (now Welfare Island) penitentiary. Two gangster mobs had practically taken over the prison, and had turned it into a private domain run exclusively for their benefit. Mick was the one who discovered what was going on, drew up the plans and orders for the raid, and organized and led the 71 man posse which carried it out.

Mick continued as First Deputy Commissioner of Correction until April 27, 1940, when Mayor LaGuardia promoted him to Commissioner.

Despite his active career as a civil official, Mick never lost his love of things military. He applied for a reserve commission immediately after his resignation from the Regular Army,

and was appointed a Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Officers Reserve Corps, on December 23, 1926. He was promoted to First Lieutenant on December 5, 1930.

Upon the outbreak of the war in Europe in 1939, Mick determined to seek more active participation in military affairs. Accordingly, he consulted his friend, Colonel Arthur V. McDermott, Judge Advocate of the New York National Guard, who recommended him to Major General William N. Haskell, commanding general of the 27th Division and of the New York National Guard. This resulted in Mick's appointment as a Captain in the Judge Advocate General's Department, State Staff, New York National Guard on November 30, 1939. On August 17, 1940, he was promoted to Major, and then to Lieutenant Colonel on September 6, 1940, when he was assigned to the Division Staff as Judge Advocate. In this capacity he was inducted into active federal service on October 15, 1940, and went with the 27th Division to Fort McClellan, Alabama.

As Judge Advocate, Mickey handled the usual routine court-martial cases which pass over the J.A.'s desk, but the Commanding General of the 27th Division, Lt. General William N. Haskell, relied on Mick in many other ways. General Haskell says:

"It seemed to me that when any particularly bothersome matter came to my desk, the first man I would send for would be Colonel Marcus for his recommendation".

In August 1941, Mickey was appointed Headquarters Commandant and Provost Marshal, in addition to his duties as Judge Advocate. He held these jobs, and in addition commanded the Division Special Troops during maneuvers from August to October 1941. This was a substantial command in a "square" division and Mickey showed that his talents and heart lay with troop duty. General Haskell says of Mick during this period:

"He supervised the Division Headquarters Company's operations, and was charged with all the many movements of the Division Headquarters, including the establishment of Communications, Command Posts, etc. At this job, which was on the combat side, he was equally efficient as with his former administrative duties".

In November and December 1941, Mick accompanied General Haskell, who was about to retire, on a special inspection of the training of other Divisions all over the country.

Mickey rejoined the 27th Division in Ontario, California, in January 1942. He went with it to Hawaii in April 1942.

The new Division Commander, Major General Ralph McT. Pennell was commanding general of the District of Hawaii. Mickey was his Executive for Military Government and Island Provost Court, and was the direct contact between his commanding general and the representatives of all sorts of civilian agencies. General Pennell was transferred in the latter part of November and was succeeded by Major General Ralph C. Smith. Shortly thereafter, the Division established a Ranger School, and General Smith assigned the job to Mickey.

When Mick left the 27th Division, General Smith wrote him a letter of commendation, part of which reads as follows:

"Your most outstanding achievement is the superior work you have done in organizing and directing the 27th Division Ranger School. Your own splendid leadership and personal example of physical prowess made this school a great success. You have shown that you know the business of soldiering and tactical leading of troops".

In April 1943, the Civil Affairs Division of the War Department, headed by Major General John H. Hilldring, was engaged in establishing the machinery that would eventually control the government of four hundred million people. Mick was recommended to General Hilldring, who had him ordered to Washington immediately. General Hilldring made Mick Chief of the Planning Branch and sums up Mick's career in the Civil Affairs Division as follows:

"If the Civil Affairs Division did a satisfactory job in a completely uncharted and unknown field, after a late start, it was largely because of the far-seeing and imaginative planning of Colonel Marcus".

Mick received his promotion to Colonel on July 26, 1943.

During 1943 and 1944 he represented General Hilldring in the negotiation of important international agreements and, with representatives of civilian agencies, in the formulation of basic United States policy with respect to Civil Affairs and military government. He assisted in the negotiation and drafting of the Italian and German Surrender Instruments, and the international agreement concerning the machinery to be used for the control of Germany after her defeat. In November 1943, Mick went to the Teheran Conference representing the War Department on Civil Affairs matters.

Despite these staff work triumphs, Mick was at heart a man of action. He never stayed put in the Pentagon very long. As the time for the invasion of Normandy drew near, it was only natural that he should persuade General Hilldring to send him on a personal visit to G-5 at S.H.A.E.F. "to tie up loose ends" before D-Day. On May 10, 1944, he flew to England and a few days later he was attached to G-5 of S.H.A.E.F. Thereafter he got himself transferred to the G-5 section of VII Corps, and a week before D-Day he arranged to accompany the 101st Airborne Division in the invasion. He later told General Hilldring: "I believed it to be in our interest to see how our policies were initially received in France". Mick would have stayed with the 101st throughout the campaign if he had had his way, but General Hilldring sent a cable to Lt. General Walter Bedell Smith, S.H.A.E.F. Chief of Staff, asking him to find Mick and send him back to Washington. Mick dutifully returned to the United States on June 29, 1944.

In the summer of 1944, Mick was assigned to the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, which framed the charter of the United Nations. His duties there

were to contribute for the benefit of the U.S. Delegation the lessons learned about military government in World War II.

He became a "man in motion" again in September 1944, when he attended the Roosevelt-Churchill conference at Quebec.

For all these services, Mick was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

On May 17, 1945, Mick was transferred from the Civil Affairs Division to Headquarters U.S. Forces, European Theater. He was assigned as Deputy and Executive Officer to Major General Oliver P. Echols, who was chief of the Internal Affairs and Communications Division of the U.S. Group Control Council for the Military Government of Germany. General Echols describes Mick's services in this phase of his career as follows:

"Colonel Marcus' services during this period were outstanding. His energy and loyalty to his superior officers combined with his knowledge of municipal government and the organization and operation of police forces made his services invaluable during this initial period of the occupation when all phases of German life were completely demoralized".

When the U.S. Group Control Council moved to Berlin on July 10, 1945, Mickey was assigned as Deputy to the Assistant Military Governor in Berlin. In that capacity he was the American Representative charged with the administrative organization of the Quadripartite Control Council. Upon the completion of this assignment he was appointed chief of the Secretariat of the U.S. Military Government. General Echols says:

"Due in a large part to Colonel Marcus' energy, tact and his unusual ability to deal with international problems, the Secretariat of the U.S. Military Government quickly became a highly efficient organization"

For his services in this regard Mick was awarded the Bronze Star. Mick also received the Army Commendation Ribbon for his services in Germany.

The British took note of his prior services in the Pentagon and on December 22, 1945 awarded Mick the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in the degree of Honorary Commander. Mick did not actually receive this decoration until April 22, 1948, which was while he was home between his two trips to Palestine.

In February 1946, Mickey was called back to Washington to organize and operate the War Crimes Branch of the Civil Affairs Division of the War Department. General Hilldring said: "I needed a man with an unusual combination of talents to head it up. Marcus was the man. In eight months he recruited hundreds of judges, prosecutors, court officials, and lawyers for the war crimes trials". Mick was also charged with the administrative supervisions of these courts insofar as the War Department was concerned. In this capacity he made trips of inspection to Germany and one to Manila, Japan, Korea and China.

During 1946, the program for integration of 50,000 additional officers into the Regular Army was inaugurated. Major General Thomas H. Green, the Judge Advocate General of the Army, induced Mick to apply. Mick met all the requirements, and was commissioned a Major, Judge Advocate General's Department, on July 5, 1946.

But he finally decided to return to Brooklyn. He resigned his Regular Major's commission on April 5, 1947. His temporary commission as Colonel, A.U.S., was also terminated and the next day he was appointed Colonel, Judge Advocate General's Department, Officers' Reserve Corps, which is the rank he held at the time of his death. After his terminal leave he went into private law practice in Manhattan. But before a year had elapsed, the call of a new cause reached him.

In 1947, the United Nations General Assembly voted a partition of Palestine but no military force was provided to carry out the plan. Israeli officials came to the United States to find a leader for their irregular forces who could transform them into a modern army. On every hand they were told that Mickey was their man, so they sought him out. Mick dropped everything to jump into the new undertaking. He left for Palestine in January 1948. Mr. Aubrey S. Eban, Israeli's representative to the United Nations, described Mickey's work thus:

"Working day and night, he established training schools for officers; he organized the general staff; he supervised field training and wrote the military manuals by which Haganah became an army of democracy. When the forces of the Arab states invaded Israel on May 15th, Israel was ready on every front and it was ready thanks to the strategy which David Marcus had planned and the preparations which he had made".

Mick returned to the United States in late April but when the Arab forces struck on May 15th, the representatives of Israel in this country pleaded with him to return there to see that the plans which he had made were properly carried out. Mickey was torn between devotion to his home and the call of duty but the call could not be denied and he went, promising to return in June.

Upon his arrival back in Israel, Mickey was appointed to the supreme command of the Israeli forces on the Jerusalem front. His forces were charged with keeping the road open to get food through to Jerusalem's 90,000 inhabitants. Six hours before the first truce, Mick received a report that the Arabs intended to make a final effort to cut the road to Jerusalem so that they would have possession of it at the time the truce went into effect. Mick climbed into a jeep and went out in person to check his 22 mile front to see that his troops were prepared for any such Arab effort. Commander Joseph Hamburger, one of the two Israeli officers who escorted Mick's body home described what happened:

"When he was returning to his Headquarters near Jerusalem, he had reached a point about 200 yards from his quarters when fire opened up from the

Arab front. He and his jeep were hit and he died instantly. We would rather have lost a battle than lose Colonel Marcus. His loss is a great tragedy to us. It is a fact that Colonel Marcus saved Jerusalem and you can imagine what Jerusalem means to us."

In a talk at a recent luncheon of the West Point Society of New York, General Dwight D. Eisenhower said that West Point has existed from the beginning, not merely to defend property, territory or even rights, but to "protect a way of life", the American way of life of freedom.

The spirit of West Point was deeply ingrained in him. Colonel McDermott relates that when Mick approached him in 1940 about getting a commission in the New York National Guard, Mick told him "that his country had put him through West Point; that he owed his success completely to the education and training that he had received at West Point and that he could never repay his debt. He said that if the Army could use his services again, he felt a moral obligation to accept the commission".

Mick knew he had to answer the call of Israel, not only because it came from his co-religionists (for whom Mick had long before the war, determined to do something someday) but principally because, in keeping with his American and West Point training, he wanted to try to bring something of the American tradition of freedom to the new nation which was then about to be born. In the same spirit, men such as Lafayette, Kosciusko (whose statue stands at West Point), DeKalb, Von Steuben and many others came to help America win its freedom.

On June 30th, Mick's body arrived in New York by plane and the following day he was buried at West Point, exactly twenty-eight years to the day after his entrance into the Academy. En route to West Point the cortege passed in front of the New York City Hall, where Mayor O'Dwyer, his cabinet and an honor guard rendered Mickey a final salute in behalf of the city in which he was born and which he had served so well. Again at Camp Smith, near Peekskill, the summer camp of the New York National Guard, an honor guard of the 165th Infantry of Mick's old 27th Division was drawn up to pay their respects as the cortege passed. Finally, to the graveside came Governor Thomas E. Dewey and other notables to stand in mourning as Mickey's remains were laid to rest.

Besides his wife, Mick is survived by three brothers, Michael, Isidore, and Jack; and a sister, Mrs. Blanche Berlitz; all of Brooklyn.

Among all the tributes paid to Mickey after his death, none was more appropriate than that of Major General Robert M. Danford, Retired, who was Commandant of Cadets when Mickey was a plebe:

"I was shocked and distressed when I heard the news, and yet, I feel that Mickey Marcus lived according to the finest traditions of West Point".

—C. G. S.

Richard Jerome Handy

NO. 8283 CLASS OF 1928

Died February 11, 1948, at Denver, Colorado, aged 43 years.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL RICHARD JEROME HANDY was born on March 23, 1904 at Jamesport, Missouri, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Handy. He attended schools in Loveland and in Fort Collins, Colorado; and was a student at the University of Colorado for two years prior to his appointment to West Point.

He entered the United States Military Academy in 1924, graduated in the class of 1928 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Field Artillery. On September 4, 1928 he married his boyhood sweetheart, Miss Margaret Stover.

Colonel Handy served at Fort Bliss, Fort Sill, and in the Philippines and Hawaii; and he completed a tour of duty as an instructor of mathematics



at West Point. At the time of Pearl Harbor he was stationed at Fort Ord, California. In the early confused days of World War II, when experienced officers were few in number, he was detailed to the Air Corps, where he made a major contribution in planning for the orderly expansion of that arm of the service.

His duty with the Air Corps completed, he returned to the Field Artillery for overseas training at Camp Carson, Colorado. From there he was assigned to the command of the artillery of the First Armored Division, took part in the battle for Anzio Beach, and in the Italian campaign thereafter until the surrender of Germany. He was decorated by the United States, Italy and Great Britain. Following the cessation of hostilities in Italy, Colonel Handy remained as a member of the occupation forces until 1946. He then returned to the United States and entered the National War College as a student. He was completing his studies when, in the summer of 1947, he was stricken by his fatal illness.

As a cadet, Dick Handy was a conscientious and thoughtful student whose inquiring mind sought information far beyond that offered in the

regular courses. He was at the same time an unusually fine athlete. And he served three years as a Cadet Sunday School Teacher and a year on the Editorial Staff of the *Howitzer*. All of these activities—academic, athletic and social—he undertook with eager and contagious happiness, but with great sincerity and honesty.

These last two qualities were the cornerstone of his career, coupled with an intense dislike for sham and ostentation and a sincere appreciation for honest effort.

His strength of character and nobility of mind were instantly apparent to all who were privileged to associate with him, and were major factors in his success as a leader of men. His quiet observations were of the type that one remembers with surprise long after they were spoken; his silent scorn was more effective than any bitter reprimand; and his smiling approbation was a prize worth striving for. But while he was slow to praise, he was quick to forgive; and his immense understanding drew people to him and won him strong and devoted friends.

A man could have no better friend than Dick Handy. The confidence which he inspired was matched by his generous encouragement. One soon learned to look upon him as a rock in the midst of turmoil. He demanded much of his friends, and more of himself—but he gave most of all.

He led a hero's life and remains an ideal of all that is noble in a friend, a gentleman and a soldier.

—R. C. W.

James Judson Heriot

NO. 8811 CLASS OF 1930

Killed July 11, 1946, in an airplane crash near Hardenburg, New York, aged 39 years.

As it has so many of the Nation's outstanding officers, the crash of of an airplane instantly extinguished the life of one of the Army's most promising young officers. It was supremely ironical that Jim Heriot, after establishing a distinguished record in combat in the South Pacific, was killed while a passenger on a routine training flight from Washington to Stewart Field, N. Y.

Jim was born in Savannah, Georgia, on May 28, 1907 to Doctor George W. Heriot and Eva Hardwick Heriot. Prior to entering the Military Academy in 1926 he studied pre-law for a year at the University of Georgia. At West Point academics presented no problem to him; with little apparent effort he marched in the first section. But Jim was no mere "specoid". He at once showed an incisive, liberal, and to those of us less gifted classmates, a seemingly psychic intellect. He always cut to the heart of a problem, and while others plodded, he was exploring further ramifications of the matter.

Jim was always a stimulating companion, always ready to argue; he was a disputant whose logical thinking and clairvoyance made him a hard man

to best. But with all his brilliance and his love of argument, he was never overbearing or bigoted. The breadth of his mind and the catholicity of his interests were unfailingly refreshing.

Outstanding though his intellect was, Jim's dominant characteristic was his love of people and his intense loyalty to his family, friends, and subordinates. As a cadet he gave unstintingly of his time to coaching those in difficulty with academics. As an officer he was always ready to go to bat for his men; in fact, more than once he was in tepid water with his superiors because of his insistence upon the interests of his men. When his friends needed help Jim was the first to come to their aid. Jim was always on hand to help the new arrivals. Several widows of classmates gratefully tell of his unfailing helpfulness and persistence in seeing to a multitude of details. No one ever had a stauncher friend or more affectionate husband and father.

Upon graduation with the Class of 1930 Jim was assigned to a choice post and service: the 83rd Field Artillery at Benning. There, with his usual enthusiasm, he applied himself to all the Service had to offer. He played polo, rode in the hunts, in horse shows, and mastered the duties of a battery officer. There he had a unique opportunity to learn the teamwork with the infantry which was then too little understood or appreciated elsewhere. The reports by his commanders unfailingly testified to his intelligence, versatility, quickness, conscientiousness, integrity and loyalty.

In due course he attended the Field Artillery School at Sill, and upon graduation in 1935 he was ordered to West Point as an instructor in the Department of History. The years from 1935 to 1940 at West Point, where he could apply the full scope of his gifted mind to work he loved, were undoubtedly his happiest. That he took full advantage of his opportunities for development is testified to by the series of efficiency reports rendered about him by his Professor, Colonel Beukema, who considered him one of the most outstanding instructors who had ever served in the Department.

The most signal manifestation of his judgment and discernment was his ardent courtship of a visitor to the Post, which culminated in his marriage in 1936 in Lincoln, Nebraska, to Anne Bunting. Besides being attractive and charming, Anne was a rare match for him in temperament and intellect. Their transfer in 1940 to Hawaii was a loss keenly felt by everyone at the Academy.

In April 1941 this "malihini" felt himself exceedingly fortunate to be met at the pier in Honolulu by the Heriots, who quickly introduced him to the pleasant pre-war life of the Islands. Pearl Harbor Day found Jim commanding a battery of the newly organized 90th Field Artillery Battalion, 25th Infantry Division. By December 1942, when his battalion sailed for Guadalcanal, he was its commander, and prouder of it than anything else save Anne and his daughter Maury Anne.

The citation accompanying his Leg-

ion of Merit, awarded on the recommendation of his artillery commander, Major General (then Brigadier General) S. E. Reinhart, and his division commander, General (then Major General) J. Lawton Collins, testifies to his leadership in combat:

"During the action of the 25th Infantry Division against the Japanese on Guadalcanal January 10 to 31, 1943, Colonel Heriot's employment of his battalion was conducted in spite of serious obstacles in such a sound and intelligent manner that the fire of the battalion was a major factor in the speedy and complete overwhelming of the enemy. Without his thorough technical knowledge imparted to his battalion during months of training prior to combat, the employment of the medium battalion would have been far less successful in contributing to the victory of the entire division. This success was not possible without careful planning on the part of the battalion commander or the exercise by him of a high degree of leadership. . . Neither would it have been possible without the fostering of the proper



spirit and will in all ranks which refused to be stopped by any obstacles or difficulties. "

An even greater challenge to his leadership were the interminable months on the malarial, humid, God-forsaken island subsequent to the extermination of the Japs. There was no U.S.O., no Special Service, no PX, nothing but *Spam* and vienna sausage, blackout and mosquitoes, not even the excitement of combat to buoy morale. Maintaining discipline and morale demanded a leader. The crushing blow came when the division was committed piecemeal to combat in New Georgia, and Jim's outfit, being the medium battalion, was left to continue training and do stevedoring on Guadalcanal. Even though this writer commanded a rival battalion in the division, he must grudgingly admit that the 90th took it like men and remained outstanding in morale and efficiency.

When the division was finally ordered to New Zealand in October 1943 for rest and rehabilitation, the Division Commander, realizing that Jim was a natural for the job, made him G-1. The difficulties incident to planning

for, setting up, and handling the discipline, recreation, and welfare of 15,000 men transferred from nearly a year in the jungle to a highly civilized, man-hungry community were formidable. Jim went to New Zealand with the advance party to set up facilities. Every member of the division will always remember the welcome and the facilities for relaxation afforded in New Zealand. And what is more remarkable is that the Division left for New Caledonia three months later retaining the affectionate regard of the people down under.

In recognition of his long overseas service and in response to a call in March 1944 for combat experienced officers, Jim was sent back to the States to organize and train a new unit. After a brief tour as Executive Officer of a Field Artillery group at Camp Berkeley, he was assigned to command a battalion whose former commander had been relieved because of its unsatisfactory state of training, morale, and discipline.

In August 1944, just as the battalion was rounding into shape, he was called to duty in the Operations Division of the War Department General Staff. Here in the top command of the Army he applied his brilliant, restless energy unstintingly. He had little enough time for Anne, Maury, and his new son, James, Jr.; nevertheless he found time to help bewildered arrivals get settled in hectic Washington and to attend to the affairs of the widows of classmates killed in combat.

No small share of the credit for the smooth operation of the Chief of Staff's command post, which kept not only the Chief, but also the President up to the minute on the fluid global combat situation was due to Jim. The pressure was extreme—no one got the chance to make a second mistake. As always, his superiors' estimates, as set forth in his efficiency reports, showed clearly that he was headed for the top. Recognition was accorded him in his promotion to Colonel.

After VJ Day the problems of combat were supplanted by the perhaps even more vexatious ones of demobilization and the "cold war". And even in the War Department experienced personnel were transferred, and staff divisions cut drastically, shifting greater burdens on those remaining. Nevertheless Jim was never one to let anything but perfection get by. In spite of his own heavy burden he was always ready to lend his keen mind and broad experience to help the floundering newcomer. It seemed that a few words from Jim would quickly untangle an apparently insoluble problem.

One July day in 1946 Jim took a day off for a long planned trip to West Point. He and another officer from O.P.D., an airman who had flown 56 combat missions over Europe, took off in fine weather from Bolling Field in an A.T.-6 for the short trip to the Point. Shortly before noon the control tower at Stewart Field heard their request landing instructions. Owing to the low ceiling the pilot was told to circle for 20 minutes. No acknowledgment was heard.

For an agonizing week dozens of planes and hundreds of ground searchers combed the vicinity. Meanwhile every minute brought fresh tortures to his devoted wife, and finally heart-break, when the plane was eventually found near the top of a 3,900 foot peak in the Catskills.

At Anne's request Jim was buried in the cemetery on the plain above the Hudson to the strains he loved,

"Live, serve, and die, we pray
West Point, for thee. . ."

—A Classmate.

Paul Demetrius Duke

NO. 12291 CLASS OF 1941

Killed in Action, August 4, 1944, in Normandy, France, aged 25 years.

PAUL DUKE, son of Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Duke of Brooklyn, N. Y., was born November 10, 1918 in New York City. He attended grammar school in Oslo, Norway and grammar and high school in New York City. He also attended the City College of New York prior to enlisting in the Army as a private at Fort Jay, N. Y.

Paul served with the 16th Infantry at Fort Jay where, in July 1936, he was



afforded the opportunity of attending the Army Preparatory School for West Point. In 1937 he won an Army appointment to West Point. On July 1, 1937, Paul entered the Academy with the Class of 1941.

Those of us who were privileged to live and move in the close circle of true friendship with Paul during those four years at West Point know how applicable is the phrase "To know him was to love him".

Paul was quiet, reticent and unassuming as a cadet. He made friends slowly but once he accepted you as his friend, you soon learned that he embodied the full meaning of that word. Affectionately, he was known as "P.D.", and no matter how rough the going, he could be counted on to be there with that infectious smile that always made things seem easier.

Paul was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers

upon graduation in June 1941. After a short graduation furlough and a five week Instructors' Course at the Engineer School, Ft. Belvoir, Va., he reported to Ft. Lewis, Wash. for duty with the 10th Engineer Combat Battalion of the 3rd Inf. Div. Here he met and married Mary Jo Lindgren of Tacoma, Wash., on February 18, 1942.

On February 1, 1942 Paul was promoted to First Lieutenant, and in March 1942 he was ordered back to Ft. Belvoir, Va. to be a tactical officer in the Officer Candidate School. He later commanded Company F-2 and many are the officer candidates who remember his stern, yet kindly, guidance. Paul did much in this position to assist in the rapid production of Engineer Second Lieutenants, many of whom later became the backbone of many combat and construction battalions. As a reward for his efforts, Paul was promoted to Captain on November 23, 1942.

On December 19, 1942, at Walter Reed General Hospital, a daughter, Karen, was born to Paul and Mary Jo.

In August 1943, after having completed a War Department Field Manual on "Watermanship", Paul left Ft. Belvoir and was assigned to the 12th Combat Bn. of the 8th Inf. Div. at Camp Forrest, Tenn. He assumed the duties of S-3 and immediately gained the confidence and affection of the men and officers of his unit by his efficient and enthusiastic handling of the final training of the battalion preparatory to shipment of the unit overseas.

Paul left the States on December 4, 1943. After several months of additional training in North Ireland, Paul's unit participated in the early landings on the Normandy beach head.

He had received his first, or Entered Apprentice, degree in Masonry in Alexandria, Virginia. He received his second, or Fellowcraft, degree and his third degree in North Ireland, where he was raised as a Master Mason on March 21, 1944.

On July 15, 1944, Paul was promoted to Major and shortly thereafter on August 4, 1944 he joined "The Long Gray Line". A quotation from a letter from his Battalion Commander, Lt. Col. E. M. Fry, Jr. to his wife, Mary Jo, gives an account of his death and an idea of the esteem in which he was held:

"All of us feel the loss of your husband Major Paul D. Duke, more than I can express. I miss him not only as a friend, but as an extremely valuable part of the battalion.

"Paul was always right in the front line on reconnaissance or supervising the battalion work. Wherever he went he was an inspiration to those around him, with his cheerful manner and conscientious attitude. I remember the day he was wounded back in July. He came in with a big bandage on his head, and he was given a Purple Heart decoration. The same day his promotion to Major came, then that afternoon he got three letters from you. He was so elated he could hardly talk, but he didn't miss a minute of duty. Paul was killed while making a road reconnais-

sance miles away from the nearest friendly troops."

Paul's body was returned to the States and on September 25, 1948, following an impressive ceremony at the old Cadet Chapel, he was laid to rest at West Point. Six of his classmates acted as honorary pall bearers. He had finally returned to the place he loved so well.

Paul lived and died as a true son of West Point. It is hard to believe that he has gone, but in spirit he shall remain forever in the hearts of his friends and loved ones.

—G. H. G.

Thomas Taylor Galloway

NO. 12788 CLASS OF 1942

Killed in Action, July 24, 1944, over northwest France, aged 24 years.

TOM, the son of Joseph Baldwin and Marie Schussler Galloway, was born September 5, 1919. He was one of four boys in the family. During his brief twenty-five year life span, his conduct exemplified the superior quali-



ties of honor, character, leadership, and sportsmanship which are cherished and admired by all.

Early in life while attending Towson Catholic High School, Tom began to demonstrate his scholastic and athletic abilities. He was awarded medals for excellence in French and Latin; twenty dollars for "excellence and beloved character"; and the American Legion Medal for leadership, honor, and scholarship. Aside from his academic achievements, he concentrated on basketball and was chosen Captain of his high school team two of the three years that he played. After graduating in 1935, Tom attended Boys' Latin School in Baltimore for one year. Here he was awarded letters for athletic excellence in football, basketball, and lacrosse, and again was elected Captain of his basketball team. Recognition for his outstanding work was bountiful. He won a cup for public speaking; the Elwood Peters Silver Cup for character inscribed "For one

who loves his fellow man"; and a scholarship to St. John's College at Annapolis. While at St. John's he played basketball and football, winning a letter in the latter, and received his appointment to West Point from United States Senator Millard Tydings.

From "Beast Barracks" to graduation, Tom was an ideal cadet—handsome, jovial, alert, ambitious. Because of his constant smile, contagious enthusiasm and pleasing personality he was befriended and loved by all—cadets and "tacs" alike. An example of his classmates' esteem for him is found in the following extract from the *Howitzer* of 1942:

"T.T. has an imposing list of accomplishments. He is high on the make-list, is an accomplished athlete, is clever with the women, and anything but a dullard in academics. Then he's undoubtedly one of the most exceptional lacrosse players ever to come from West Point. His ability to improvise pure fiction about trivial matters with perfect composure on a moment's notice is a constant source of amazement to his classmates. You can always count on his making a favorable impression in anyone's company".

His cadet life was well proportioned. He played lacrosse for four years, captaining the team as a first classman; he played football for three years, winning the Academy monogram in two of them; he played basketball for two years, winning his numerals as a plebe. In all of his athletic encounters Tom displayed traits of good sportsmanship unsurpassed by man. He was Class President in his second class year and a member of the election committee for three years. He was a Corporal his second class year and became the second ranking Cadet Captain, commanding the third cadet battalion, during his first class year. On graduation, May 29, 1942, Tom ranked first in military tactics. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Field Artillery and was detailed with the Air Force.

On Graduation Day he married Margaret Mallory Almond, the daughter of Major General and Mrs. E. M. Almond, whom he had met at the beginning of his first class year, and three days later they reported for duty at Ocala, Florida, where Tom completed two months of primary flight training. He completed basic training at Greenville, Mississippi, and finally won his wings with the class of 42K on December 13, 1942, at George Field, Illinois.

After qualifying in P-38 fighter planes, which was his first choice, at Williams Field, Chandler, Arizona, he was assigned in February 1943 to the 331st Fighter Squadron, which was based at Van Nuys, California.

In March of 1943 Tom narrowly missed death when his P-38 plane and another collided in midair 20 miles out over the Pacific Ocean on a target practice mission. Miraculously, both pilots bailed out safely and were picked up several hours later by a freighter.

The sudden departure of the 331st Fighter Squadron for Tumwater, Washington, the last of that summer, prevented Tom from being on hand when

his son was born at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, on August 28. However, in November just after he was promoted to Captain, he was ordered to the 436th Fighter Squadron in Glendale, California, and most important, his wife Peggy and Tommy Jr. were able to be with him until he left in the spring of 1944 for overseas.

In April 1944, the 436th Fighter Squadron, with Tom as Assistant Operations Officer and Flight Leader, sailed for England, and on arrival became an integral part of the Eighth United States Air Force. On June 1, 1944, Tom was recommended for promotion to Major for the following superior service:

"Captain Galloway has served as Flight Commander in a superior manner since activation of the 436th Fighter Squadron, from 28 October 1943 to 26 May 1944, since which later date he has held the position of Operations Officer, and his outstanding performance of duty merits his promotion"

"This officer has held a superior rating since graduation from the United States Military Academy on 29 May 1942."

Flying his P-38 pursuit plane from bases in England, Tom completed ten sorties over German-occupied French territory on June 12, 1944. For this hazardous service, he was awarded the Air Medal on July 6, 1944, accompanied by the following citation:

"For exceptionally meritorious service in aerial flight over enemy-occupied continental Europe. The courage, coolness, and skill displayed by this officer, Captain Thomas T. Galloway, 024768, reflect great credit upon him and the Armed Forces of the United States"

Tom completed his twentieth and thirtieth sorties over France on June 29 and July 15, 1944, respectively, entitling him to two Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal. And on July 11, 1944, Tom was authorized to wear the Bronze Battle Star on the E.A.M.E. Theater Ribbon to signify his participation in "Air Offensive Europe".

On July 12, 1944, Brigadier General Auton, Commanding General, 65th Fighter Wing, commended Tom as follows:

"I desire to commend you, Captain Thomas T. Galloway, for the contribution you have made and the record you have established in aiding the 479th Fighter Group, of which your squadron is a component unit, to become operational, in readiness for service against the enemy, in 11 days after arrival in your station in this theater of operations.

"No other fighter group has become operational and taken part in combat flying so soon after arrival. This record is worthy of note and emulation. You have brought credit to yourself and to the United States Army Air Forces."

Tom's wife and family received word the first week of August, 1944, that he was missing in action. In spite of this, hope was bright in their hearts for three months. The last telegram came in November and a few days later, a letter with the hard meager facts.

Tom died in the air while on a fighter sweep through northwest France, July 24, 1944. His airplane is reported to have gone out of control, spiralling earthward from 15,000 feet. His body was found by a Frenchman in the Forest Due Preche near the village of Tournouvre, buried initially in a French cemetery, and later removed to the United States Army Cemetery at Saint Andre-De-Eure, France, Plot C, Row 9, Grave 178. This cemetery is located approximately 15 miles southeast of Evereaux.

Tom's majority came posthumously in August 1944, and by virtue of his death he was awarded the Purple Heart.

With Tom's death the Air Force lost one of its finest officers—a born leader whose high ideals and moral standards were unsurpassed. And those of us who knew him lost a true friend. We take consolation in the fact that Tom had lived a full and fruitful life.

—Dale E. Buchanan,
Major, G.S.C.

Tonnis Boukamp

NO. 13776 CLASS OF JUNE, 1943
Killed in Action, September 29, 1944,
over Bitburg, Germany,
aged 23 years.

TONNIS BOUKAMP was born in Muskegon, Michigan, on December 28, 1920. Later the family moved to Port Huron, Michigan, where Tonnis completed his elementary education and entered Port Huron High School. He was President of his graduating



class of May, 1939. He attended Port Huron Junior College for one year before entering the United States Military Academy.

His boyhood ambition was to attend West Point and become a pilot. That ambition began to be fulfilled when he entered the Academy in July 1940.

Lieutenant Boukamp received his commission in the Army Air Force at West Point, where he was graduated in June 1943 with a Bachelor of Science degree. Before he went overseas in

February 1944, he received additional training at Mather Field, California; Lake Charles, Louisiana; Laurel, Mississippi; and Camp Shanks, New York.

Lieutenant Boukamp, veteran of the pre-invasion bombings of Nazi targets in France and Belgium, served as an A-20 Havoc pilot in support of Allied ground troops on the Western Front. He participated in a Ninth Air Force attack on the railroad marshaling yard and fuel dump at Domfront, France, where bombs from his group of A-20's created fires and explosions and sent debris high into the air. His ship was one of the first group of A-20's to attack targets in enemy occupied Europe. His operational missions were against targets ranging from communication lines and airfields to railroad yards and robot plane installations.

Lieutenant Boukamp was killed in action over Bitburg, Germany on September 29, 1944. On that day he had to make two runs over his target. When he made his second run his right engine was hit by the heavy flak which surrounded his plane. The right wing was in flames, and seconds later the plane went into a deep right turn and crashed. He had completed fifty-two missions over enemy held territory and held the Air Medal with many Oak Leaf Clusters.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Doris Boukamp; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Boukamp; a daughter, Linda Annette; two sisters, Miss Anna Boukamp and Miss Emmajean Boukamp; and a brother, John Boukamp, who recently returned to civilian life after serving two and one-half years in the United States Navy.

James Robert Thomas

NO. 13571 CLASS OF JUNE, 1943
Killed January 12, 1946, in a plane crash at Guam, aged 24 years.

ON January 12, 1946, Jim Thomas died doing the thing he liked best—flying. That is good to remember, for not to all men is granted such high fortune. On a routine mission over Guam, Jim crashed in his P-47 that had seen him safely through missions over Japan during the war. Thus the future of aviation was dealt an inestimable loss. His abilities, foresight and steadfastness of purpose are now in the sands of time, but these traits will never be forgotten by those of us who really knew him.

James Robert Thomas was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on March 29, 1921. His early years were spent in the Hoosier state which he grew to love so well. After Post Graduate High School work, he entered Butler University with his mind set on West Point and the Air Corps for the future. During this year at Butler, Jim participated in flight training in conjunction with the C.A.A. and was rewarded with his pilot's license prior to his entering West Point.

From the very first greeting of "Hi Ya", spoken as plebes on July 1, 1940 in Room 1943 of old North Barracks, Jim did nothing but eat, sleep and

talk flying. The son of a retired Army Captain, Jim was well up on his military knowledge before the first plebe formation, which aided his gross roommate no end. His unwavering, altruistic desire to help others, was a trait which was inherent to his nature. During busy Beast Barracks Jim took time after taps to write the following concerning his first busy day at West Point:

"From the Memoirs of a West Point Cadet

"A midnight plane, late in June, the motors roar a cheerful tune, A youth awake, looking down, strings of light, an unknown town. Grey skies, dawn ahead, folks below, still in bed World's Fair, New York City. No friends here, what a pity. Aching feet, lonely heart, early to bed, early start. A long ride, at the end *West Point*, still no friend. Drop that grip! Roll those 'trou'! Beast Detail got you now. Shoulders back, chin in, double time, wipe the grin. 'Cit' clothes gone, on with new, Kaydet Grey, almost blue. Hours Pass, Each a year, Beast Barracks, No rest here. Night must Fall, Day End, Silver Lining, One Friend! New Clothes, New Life, New Friend—Roommate—(Wife)."

—J. R. T.

Thus we gain an insight concerning Jim's insatiable desire to make friends and to be of help whenever and wherever he could.

Jim's West Point life was not difficult, academically speaking. Gadgets, flying, and thoughts of the O.A.O. back



home, however, were more pleasant than the books. As a result, he never was covetous of the "stars" which we know he could have worn had he so desired.

With the activation of Stewart Field and Air Cadet Training, Jim's dreams came true. After spending the summer of 1942 in Primary Flight Training, Basic and Advanced were easily passed at Stewart Field. While still in Basic, his summer camp roommate was killed in an air crash near Stew-

art Field. This grieved Jim a great deal and from that date forward he labored determinedly to erect an air cadet memorial in honor of the fallen air men from Stewart Field. As the direct result of his persistent efforts and plans, the Air Cadet Memorial now stands in a small wooden niche near the northern end of Lusk Reservoir. This Memorial will doubtless stand the aeons of time in honor of the sacrifice that these airmen made. However, to me this memorial is Jim Thomas in all his humble sincerity, friendliness, foresight, and steadfastness of purpose.

A pair of silver wings, a diploma, the shiny gold bars, and a pretty wife, the former Miss Vivian Colglazier of Decatur, Illinois, were Jim's on June 1, 1943, after nearly three long years of waiting.

Jim's first assignment was Spence Field, Georgia. From there he was assigned to Venice Air Base in Florida where he served as a flight instructor for more than a year. He then asked for overseas assignment and was subsequently sent to Selfridge Field, Michigan; Wilmington, North Carolina, and thence to Iwo Jima from which base many combat missions were made over Japan prior to VJ Day.

After the war, Jim was transferred to staff duty as Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans, Headquarters, 20th Air Force, located on Guam. While stationed there, Jim was flying a routine mission when his P-47 went into a power dive from which he was unable to recover.

His superior officers have stated that his flying ability was excellent and his character and personal habits outstanding. We, too, know this.

Jim's air medal was posthumously presented to his widow during a special presentation ceremony, by the Commanding Officer of MacDill Field. Jim, too, was not without sorrow, for while he was stationed on the Continent, his son Russell Gwin Thomas, aged 4½ months had died due to a prolonged sickness.

The last time I saw Jim was in the crowded New York Grand Central Station in June of 1945 as he was on his way overseas. His final, happy-go-lucky parting was characteristically, "I'll Be Seeing You".

Having known you here, it will be a pleasure to meet again, Jim.

—E. H. C.

Richard Boccock Willis, Jr.

NO. 13514 CLASS OF JUNE, 1943
Killed March 31, 1948, in a plane crash at Olive, New York, aged 27 years.

DICK was born at Fort Sill, Oklahoma on March 4, 1921, the son of Colonel and Mrs. Richard B. Willis. The fact that his father was an Army officer may have influenced Dick to follow the same career—until his death in an air crash on March 31, 1948.

In early years he lived in several states, but mainly in Texas. Although

an only child, Dick was fortunate in having through most of his childhood the companionship of his cousin, Marjorie Pomfret. She wrote the following on their close tie:

"The death of young Richard B. Willis leaves a void in the lives of those who knew and loved him. A large part of our childhood was spent in the same home, and the memories of those happy days we shared are among the dearest I have. He was a typical American youth, carefree and happy, with a vivacious and sparkling personality. The memory of his fine character and his indomitable spirit will live on in the hearts and minds of all of us who had the privilege of knowing him".

When a boy, and on into adult life, Dick's paramount interests were in tennis, rifle shooting, mystery stories, horror movies and mathematical puzzles. Above all, he loved taking part in technical discussions with his friends about the subject closest to his heart and soul—the Air Corps.

While still in high school in San Antonio, Texas, Dick set his mind and



heart on going to West Point. He elected to obtain his preparation at Stanton Preparatory School, Cornwall, New York, and completed his fourth year of high school there.

Dick joined the N.Y. State National Guard while at Stanton, and considered this good experience as well as a possible opening to the Point. He also took the competitive examinations for the Academy, ranking high. It was a proud day for him when he received a Congressional appointment from New York to West Point. In July, 1940 Dick entered the Academy.

Dick wasn't a "star man", but he did rank in the upper seventh of his class, and in June, 1943 he obtained his wings and diploma.

Lt. Charles Dickinson, Dick's "wife" at the Point, wrote the following on learning of Dick's death:

"I feel that in Dick's passing I have lost my closest and best friend. No one will ever be able to take his place because such a friendship could only be developed by the closeness in which we lived, worked, and played while at West Point.

"I always thought that Dick was very contented with the simple and good

things in life. I never saw him put on airs in the seven years I knew him. It did not make much difference where he was; he was always the same. I know that he would have given the shirt off his back to help a friend".

Dick's first assignments after graduation sent him to Mather Field, California; to Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma; to Laurel, Miss.; and, finally, to Lakeland Air Base in Florida. Just prior to going overseas he married Winifred Miller of Cranford, N. J., in Laurel, Miss., on January 30, 1944. Two months later he was sent to the European Theater where he remained about sixteen months, principally in France. Here he flew A-20's and A-26's for the 410th Bomber Group of the Ninth Air Force, completing over fifty missions without incident. While overseas he obtained the rank of First Lieutenant and, later, Captain.

After his return to the States Dick was ordered to Hamilton Field, California, where he enjoyed his work immensely. His various jobs there included duty as Organization and Manpower Officer, Civilian Personnel Officer, and Assistant Personnel Staff Officer. It was Dick's belief that the more varied his work the better officer he would become.

After a year at Hamilton Field he requested and received ninety days' T.D.Y. to go to Stewart Field, New York as an instructor in mathematics at the U.S.M.A. Preparatory School there. Through this assignment he met and admired another instructor, Lt. Col. Edward J. McCormick, who wrote the following about Dick to his widow:

"Dick Willis, as I knew him, abounded in two qualities—generosity and bubbling good humor. Generosity, because his home was always open to me with plenty of food, drink and companionship. Generosity, because his car was always at my disposal so that I might catch the weekend train home. Generosity for a hundred other reasons. Good humor because he was never out of sorts and our sense of the ridiculous followed the same groove—I laughed more with Dick than with any other officer I've ever known.

"But the laughing, generous kid was all soldier, too. From pilot to mathematics teacher to club officer is a long haul, but he brought to each assignment an attention to duty, hard work and intelligence that made the job go and made his associates enjoy working with him.

My sympathy goes to David, his son, because he will never know the fine man who was his father, but he has his blood and I could not wish him anything better than growing up to be like his dad. I regret that I only knew Dick from February to June, 1947, at Stewart Field, New York, but if I ever have a permanent change of station to his new post, I know that Richard B. Willis, Captain, U.S.A.F., will be in an open door with a laugh and warm fellowship waiting."

Upon completion of the T.D.Y., Dick secured permanent duty at Stewart Field, where he held the jobs of club officer and training officer.

One of Dick's dreams was to earn, through another year of education, a degree in Electrical Engineering. He received, just a month before his death, a letter from the government which stated that he was accepted in the preliminary screening for Electrical Engineering. From then on he was happily waiting further notification and assignment.

Dick is survived by his mother, Mrs. Gladys W. Willis of La Pryor, Texas; his widow, Winifred Willis; and son, David, of 208 Central Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey.

I like the words of James Whitcomb Riley who wrote:

"I cannot say, and I will not say
That he is dead—he is just away!"

With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand
He has wandered into an unknown land,

And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be since he lingers there.

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Think of him still as the same, I say;
He is not dead—he is just away!"

—W. M. W.

Middleton McDonald, Jr.

NO. 15035 CLASS OF 1945

Killed December 29, 1947, in a plane crash near Augsburg, Germany, aged 25 years.

ON the morning of December 29, 1947, Mid took off from Furstentfeldbruk, Germany on his last flight, a routine photographic mission to Bremen in an A-26. With him was an enlisted man from his squadron. Approximately ten minutes later the airplane crashed near Augsburg, thirty-five miles from his home base. Both men were killed instantly. Nobody knows exactly what happened, but it is known that they ran into very bad weather. Mid loved flying, and, I'm sure that if he had known he was going to die, he would have wanted to go just that way—quickly, and in the plane that he enjoyed flying above all others.

Middleton McDonald, Jr., the only son of Mary H. and Middleton McDonald, was born in Americus, Georgia on February 5, 1922. At the age of three, his family moved to Miami, Florida, where he lived until graduation from high school.

After graduation he decided to try for West Point and to make the Army his career. He joined the Army and was stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia. Shortly afterward he entered the West Point Preparatory School at Fort McPherson, Georgia. Failing to receive an appointment then he was graduated from Officers' Candidate School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Then he received his appointment and in July, 1942, entered the Military Academy, where he was assigned to Company D-2. While there he distinguished himself as a diver on Army's swimming team.

After basic flight training at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City, and Stewart Field, New York, he received his wings and commission as a Second Lieutenant in June, 1945. On that day many of his hopes and dreams began to materialize. He was now entering the life for which he had worked and planned for so many years.

Mid's student officer training took him to B-25 training at Enid, Oklahoma; B-24 training at Smyrna, Tennessee, where he married Bernice Fain; B-17 training at Sebring, Florida; and Junior Officers' Staff School at Orlando, Florida.

In March, 1946, he was sent overseas, where he was assigned to Headquarters XII Tactical Air Command, Bad Kissingen, Germany. His wife joined him there shortly afterward and on August 25 their first son, Jay Middleton, was born in Frankfurt.

While at Bad Kissingen he served as Assistant Command Provost Marshal and later received a commendation from Major General Walsh for his outstanding work in that field, and par-



ticularly for the superior job he did in organizing and setting up the XII T.A.C. Military Police School there.

From Bad Kissingen Mid was transferred to Furth, where he was assigned to an A-26 squadron. His last transfer was to Furstenfeldbruck with the same squadron where he remained until his death.

Shortly after assignment to this base, he was appointed coach of the swimming team. His team won the European Theater Championship, and the three-meter diving championship. He was then appointed coach of the team selected to participate in the Inter-Allied meets in Prague, Czechoslovakia and London, England.

Mid always entered into any job undertaken wholeheartedly and excelled at it. He was easy-going and good-natured, and never worried about anything that he could do nothing about. He loved life and his gay, care-free manner won the respect and admiration of everyone he met. His personal philosophy, ideals, and actions always measured up to the highest standards attainable by man. They will always be a shining example and

influence on the lives of the ones he left behind.

Carl Christopher, his second son, was born posthumously on June 13, 1948, at Waynesboro, Tennessee.

Mid was buried in Americus, Georgia on March 20, 1948. He is survived by his wife, two sons, his mother, and his father.

Mid lived a complete and happy life during his short lifetime. Mourned and loved by his great host of friends, his spirit and the many happy memories we have of him shall live forever.

—B. McD.

John Robert Steele, Jr.

NO. 15655 CLASS OF 1946

Killed December 2, 1947, in a plane crash at Langley Field, Virginia, aged 23 years.

JOHAN ROBERT STEELE, JR., only son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Steele, was born on the twenty-fourth of January, 1924, in Houston, Texas. Shortly after his birth, his family moved to Madisonville, Texas, where he spent his early boyhood and attended grammar school. At the age of ten, on his own initiative, he wrote to Washington, D. C., requesting the entrance requirements for the United States Military Academy as well as those for Randolph Field. So it was that at an early age he set for himself the high goals which he was ultimately to achieve. About this time, he and his family moved to Austin, Texas, where he graduated from high school in June of 1941. Athletics and choral work had now become his principal interests. His qualities of leadership were amply demonstrated in sports and in the classroom; he became an Eagle Scout at the age of fifteen; and in his senior year, a member of the National Honor Society.

In the fall of 1941, he entered the University of Texas, where he was an honor Engineering student and a member of Theta Xi Fraternity. Although offered an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in 1942, he preferred to follow his chosen career by enlisting in the Army Air Forces and accepting a later appointment to West Point.

He entered the Academy in July of 1943 and emerged from the trials and tribulations of Plebe Year as a Yearling Corporal. He was a member of the Chapel Choir and the Glee Club as well as the anchor man of several impromptu Barbershop Quartets flourishing at that time in the First Regiment. Here also he was active in sports as a member of the Water Soccer Club and the Weight Lifting Club. In the spring of 1945, he left with his Air Cadet classmates to begin his training as an Army flyer. His remaining cadet days were spent in flight training, academics, and the usual leisure pursuits of First Classmen, and in June of 1946, he proudly accepted his commission and the silver wings of an Army pilot.

On graduation, he reported for duty at Williams Field, Arizona, where he

finished Fixed Gunnery and Fighter Transition Schools with exceptionally high flight and scholastic ratings. It was during this period that he established a reputation for maintaining the only neat corner in an otherwise casual and emancipated room, and an enviable string of wins in the perennial penny-ante poker games incident to bachelors' quarters. His constant drive toward perfection in every phase of his training never suffered the usual Graduation recession. He applied himself wholeheartedly to each new task. His greatest hopes were realized upon his assignment to a jet-propelled reconnaissance squadron then stationed at Brooks Field, Texas. Shortly thereafter, Johnny's squadron was transferred to Langley Field, Virginia, and he left his beloved Texas for the last time. Though a new pilot, his ability was quickly recognized, and he was assigned to positions of flight and ground responsibility.

His squadron, the 161st, was one of the first to be assigned the new FP-80 Shooting Star; and, as such, was called on for numerous Air Demonstrations and tactical problems around the coun-



try. In a squadron of seasoned pilots, his uniformly excellent flying earned him a place in every show and the job of engineering test pilot. He received gold wings from the Navy in a class with the Navy at Norfolk, Va.

It was on the bright blue day of December the second, 1947, that a jet went out of control in the landing pattern and snapped onto its back. The pilot righted it instantly, and calmly cut switches and fought to bring it out of the dive to the ground. His efforts, though superb, were to no avail.

The squadron was stunned to learn that it was Johnny. An aerial review was flown at the memorial service by his friends.

Of the thousands of people we meet in a lifetime, a few remain with us always. It is not too much to say that Johnny was loved and respected by every member of his class and squadron. His friends will take care of Johnny's memory.

"Man cannot live by bread alone; only his dreams and his vision sustain him."

—Thomas G. Gee,
1st Lt., U.S.A.F., '46.