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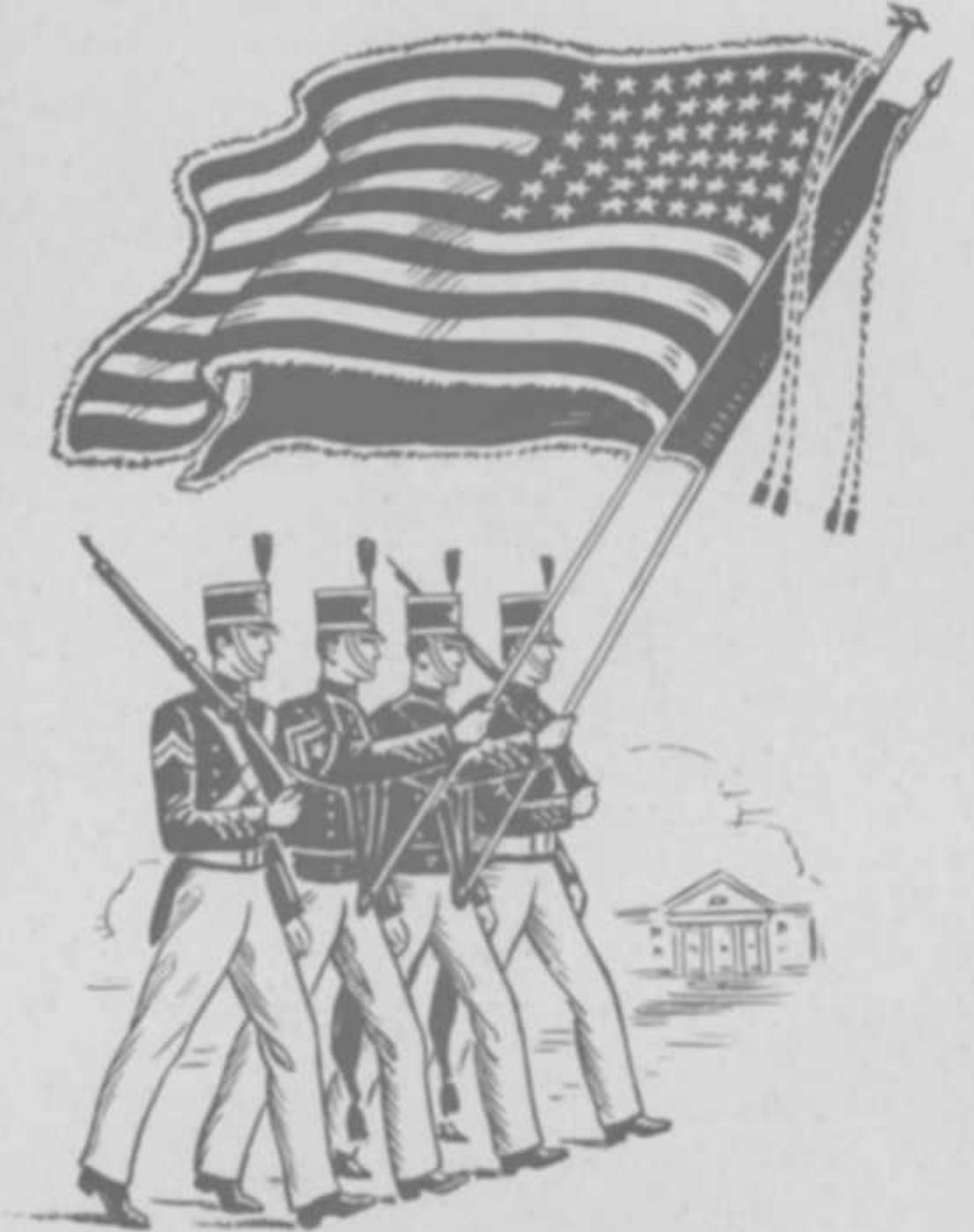
Colonel S. Stewart Pitcher

We, the graduating class of nineteen hundred and forty-four, do dedicate our yearbook to a gentleman whose character has commanded the admiration and respect of countless cadets with whom he has become associated—to an instructor with ability, tolerance, and patience which are unexcelled—to a friend whose personal interest and kindly advice guides many of the confused to the right direction.

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Dedication * * * *



F oreword

In a world now in the midst of a bitter conflict, and with the Allies righteously upholding the principles of mankind, we, the senior class, look to the future, not for a series of easy-gained victories; but instead, for a rough and rocky road of bloody battles, each decisive, and each another permanent contingent in the assurance of a better world. We are not seeking a Utopia, but a world in which all the happiness and kindliness of the one we formerly knew is subtly blended with a new foresight, and with a better appreciation of man's relationship with man.

And so, to this cause do we forswear ourselves, even if need be, our lives.

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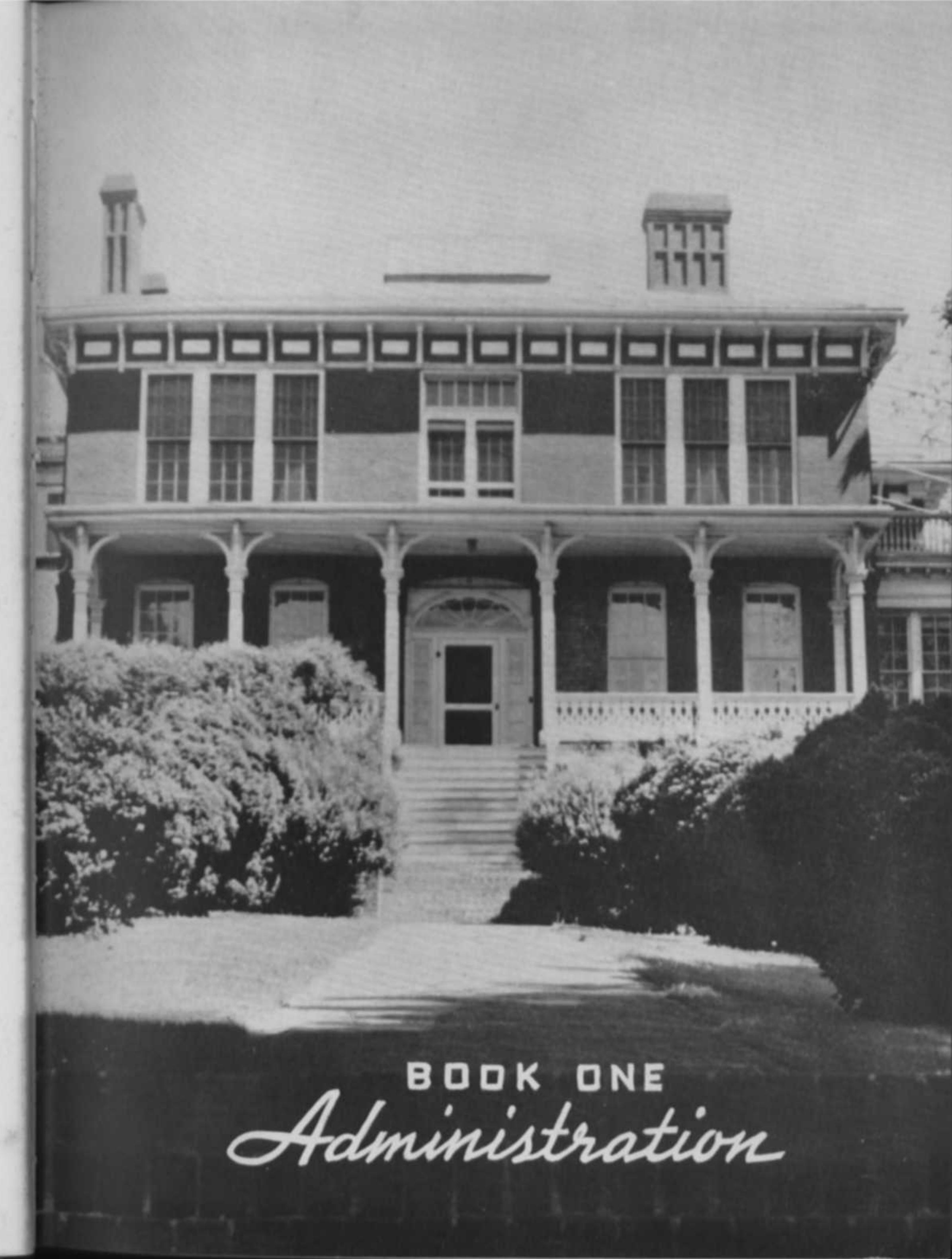


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BRIGADIER GENERAL EARL McFARLAND

General McFarland was born in Topeka, Kansas in 1883. He was graduated from United States Military Academy, West Point in 1906. Later he attended Worcester Polytechnic and is graduate of Ordnance School of Application and Technology, Command and General Staff School, Army Industrial College, and Army War College. He holds B.S. and M.E. degrees. The General was commissioned in Field Artillery in 1906. He served in Philippines, in the War Department, twice was Commanding Officer at Springfield Armory, and had two tours academic duty at West Point, one as Professor and Head of Department. Following World War I he served in France, Italy, Turkey, and other foreign lands.

The General is author of widely used textbook and recipient of Distinguished Service Medal.

September 1943, General McFarland was named Superintendent of Staunton Military Academy and assumed office at opening of the 1943-44 session.

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Headmaster



Major Pence was born at Quicksburg, Shenandoah County, Virginia. He was awarded the B.A. degree from Roanoke College and the M.A. degree from Columbia University, and pursued additional graduate work at the University of Chicago and the University of Virginia.

He was an instructor in a rural school in his native county in 1912 and 1913, and from 1916 to 1919 the Major served as principal of two high schools in the same county. After this he came to the Staunton Military Academy as an instructor in mathematics, and in 1939 was made acting-headmaster, until the following year when he was promoted to Headmaster.

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Commandant of Cadets
Professor of Military Science
and Tactics

Colonel Creel was born in Louisville, Kentucky on March 25, 1896. In 1917 he entered the United States Army, serving as a captain in the First World War in both France and Germany. A graduate of the U. S. Army Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kansas, the Colonel has served with the 3d, 10th, 12th, and 14th Cavalry regiments. He has been the instructor of Cavalry of the Connecticut National Guard and the Assistant P.M.S. and T. at Massachusetts State College, Amherst, Massachusetts. In 1941 Colonel Creel came to the Staunton Military Academy in the capacity of Assistant Commandant and P.M.S. and T., and the following year became Commandant of Cadets and Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

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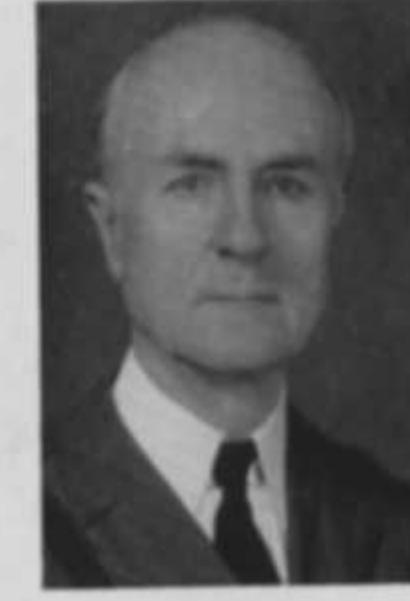
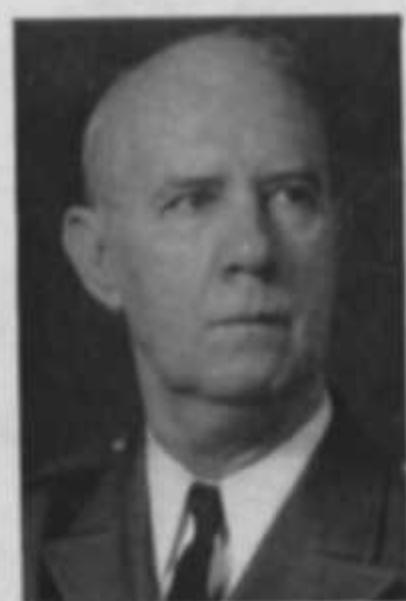


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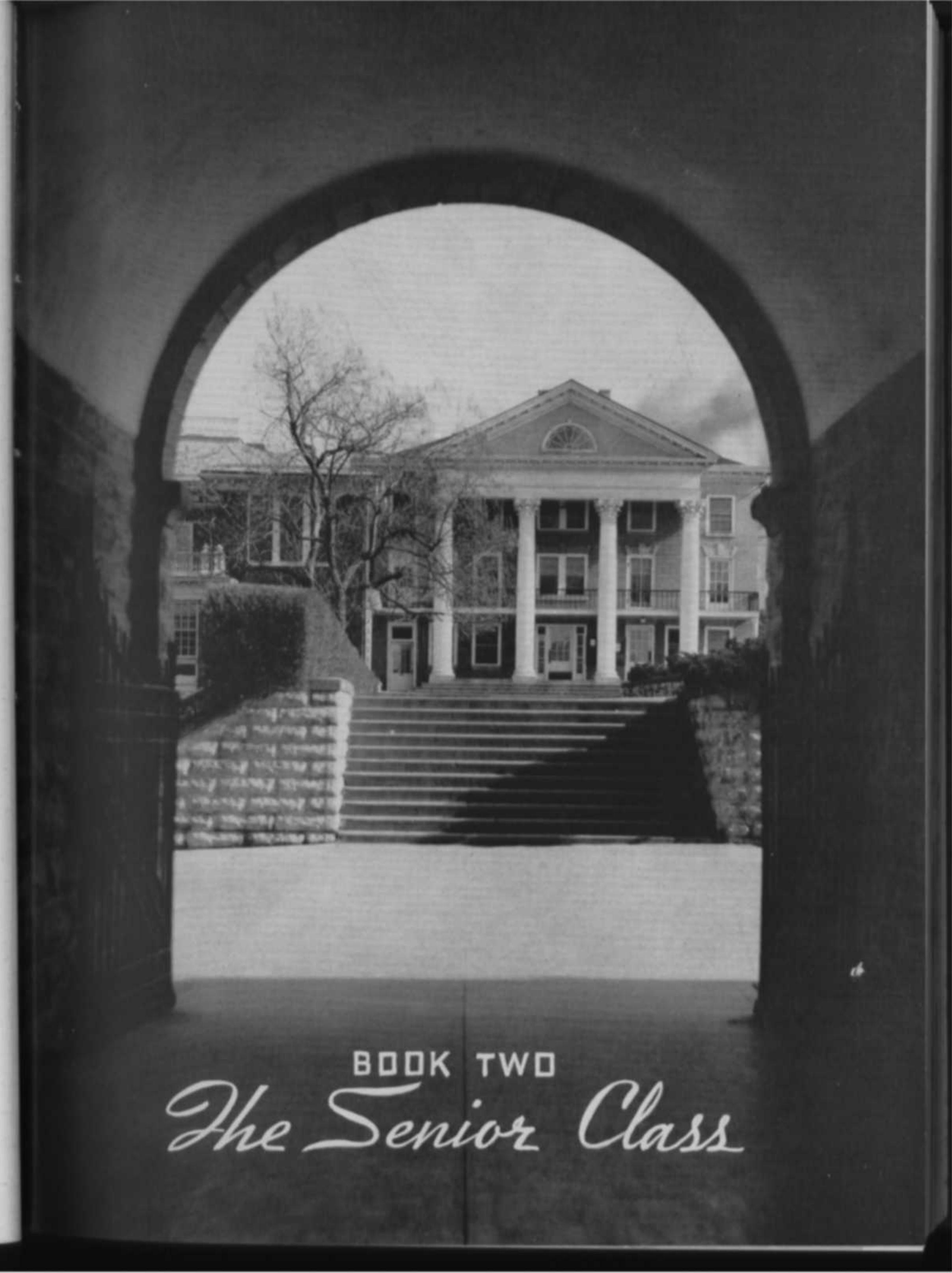
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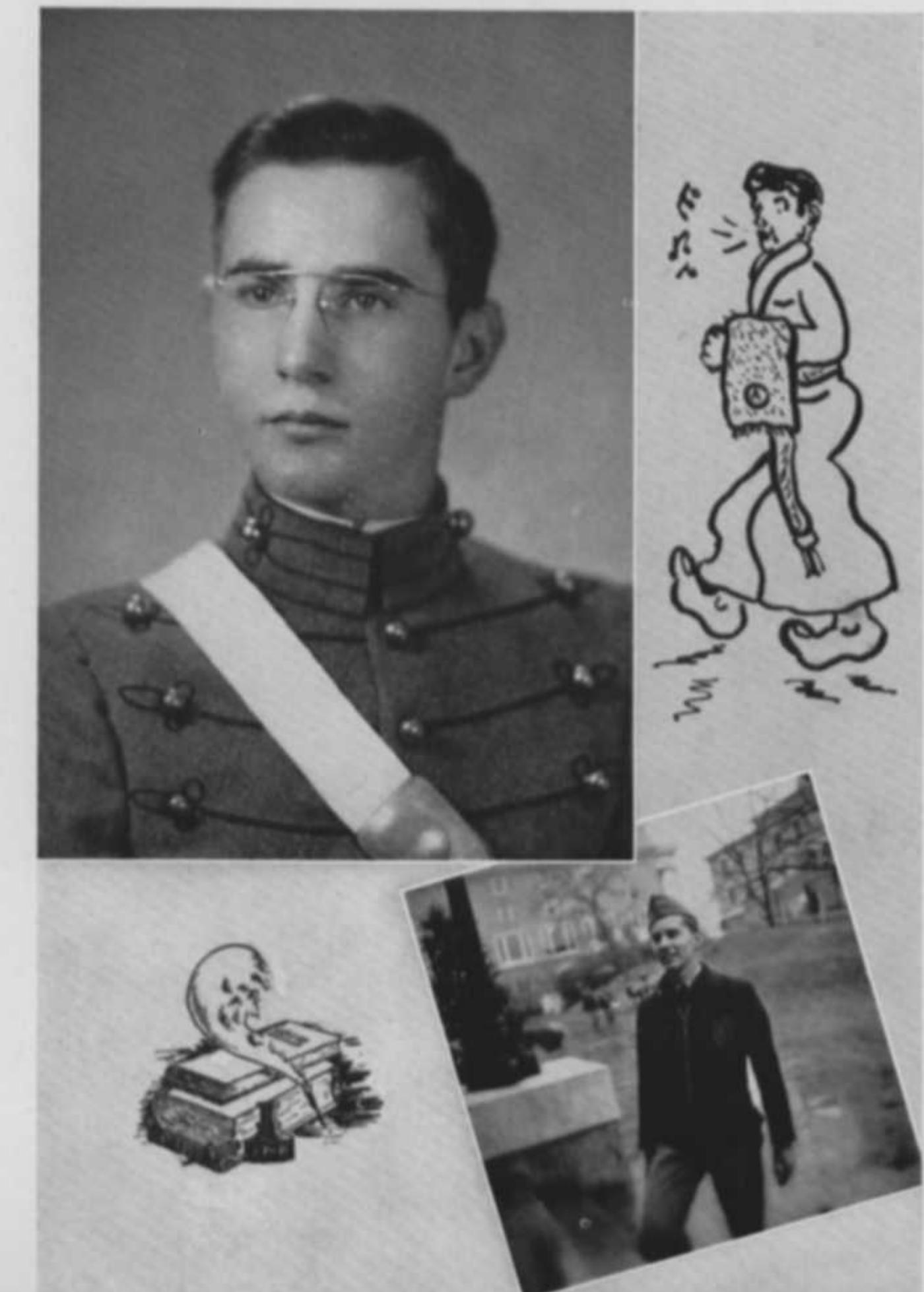
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JAMES L. ABBOTT
Hagerstown, Maryland
"Jim"

Private Band (I); Intramural football (I); Intramural baseball (I).

Navy V-12

Where's that ungodly sound coming from? It must be Abbott th' wabbitt playing "Star Dust" or "Sugar Blues" on his trumpet. Too bad he doesn't know something else, for he really isn't as terrible as general opinion claims. Jim is a swimmer of unknown ability, and he tells us he's pretty good, so who are we to argue? Any old boy is fortunate when he catches him not "finning out," for he really has the knack of bed making. The corridors of Mary Baldwin are not strange to him, as Jim has spent many hours of his perfectly good leave pacing the aforementioned halls debating whether to give the poor girls a break or remain true to the one back in the hills of the "Old Line State." Jim has chosen Civil Engineering as a career, so in the future when you curse the crooked roads of Maryland, blame it on Jim.





THOMAS B. ANDERSON

Birmingham, Michigan

"Andy"

Private, Company "A" (I); Corporal, Company "A" (II); 2nd Lieutenant, Staff (III).
Track Team (I-II); Kablegram Staff (II); Intramural Football (II); Varsity Boxing (III).

United States Navy Air Corps

For anyone who knows Andy, the above picture needs no write-up. It portrays a typical likeness of the lanky cadet who has been trying for three years to rest up so he won't be tired. Those who have seen Andy in the ring (or on dates for that matter), know that he does occasionally work fast, but the outside will never know why there are girls at Mary Baldwin College who live in constant anticipation of having two of the "Terrible Three" turn up under their very noses at any time of the day . . . or night!

What we would like to know, Tom, is how one fellow can do so many darn fool things without getting caught when most of us find the Colonel breathing down our necks when we look longingly toward the spires of Staunton at the wrong times?

Since we hear that his latest fortune is a rosy future, all we can add is that the Royal Crown in these parts must be pretty powerful stuff.

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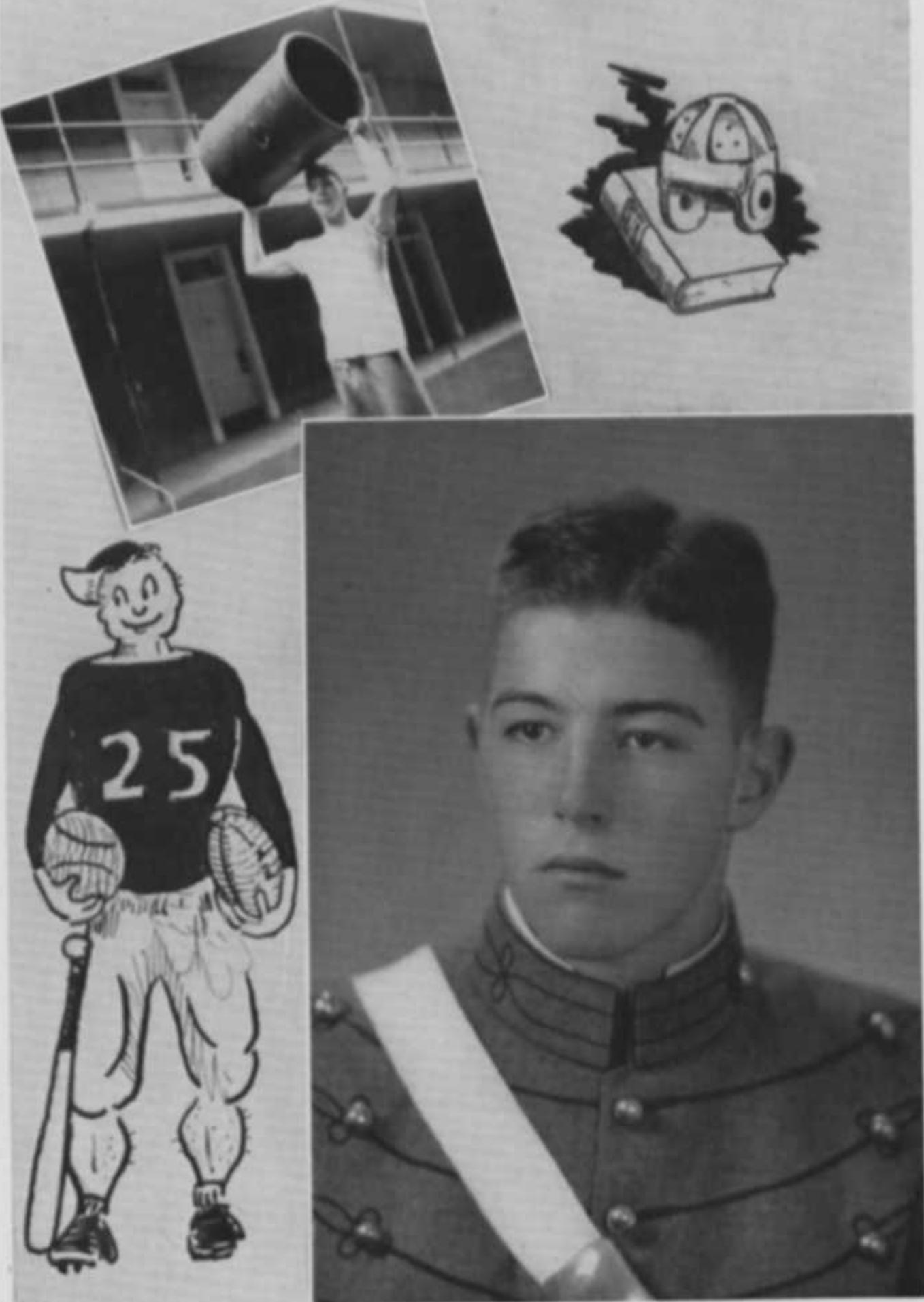
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WILLIAM A. ARGUEDAS
Habana, Cuba
"Oje"

Private, Company "C" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); 2nd Lieutenant, Company "B" (III).
Intramural sports (I-II-III); Varsity Swimming (II-III).

Our mutual Cuban associate has made quite a name for himself these last three years at the Academy. Besides being a star on the swimming team and a Fairfax Hall Casanova, Bill is also a pretty smart cadet. Around these parts, the team of Bill and Brit is pretty well known; ask any of those "B" Company Rats about that. Needless to say, Bill is one swell "Louie," and on dark nights one can hear him vigorously using the paddle deep in those secret recesses of Kable Hall. That Orderlies Out detail certainly respects his Latin temper. A strange thing about Bill—he passes mechanical drawing after only taking it once. With you gone, Fairfax Hall will certainly be sad, Bill, but we hope you can slay them in Cuba like you did here.

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REAVES H. BAYSINGER

Syracuse, New York

"Base"

Private, Company "A" (1).
Varsity Football (1); Varsity Basketball (1); Varsity Baseball (1).
Captain Football (1); Captain Basketball (1).

United States Naval Academy

Here he is, folks. Mr. "Sports" himself. Every year S.M.A. seems to come up with a superlative athlete, and this year it is Syracuse's own "Base."

Every team needs a sparkplug, and ours had Reeves. He seemed to come through at all times. To show you we're not kidding when we say the guy is hot, look up the All-State team for '43. Heading the list you'll find Reeves Baysinger. Is the guy good or isn't he?

Football isn't his only interest. "Slick" is a tolerable basketball player and we hear a pretty sharp pitcher (for further information, get in touch with opposing teams).

Women don't interest "Base" at all (it says here in small print at the bottom of the page). We happen to know the guy is one of the smoothest wolves ever to hit S.M.A. The amazing part is that his varied accomplishments don't hinder Reeves from making those nineties in the class room. That's the way we like to see it.

If we are to believe all we hear, "Base" is to leave Staunton gray for Navy Blue. He's planning to enter Annapolis this summer. Fellow, with your abilities you don't need luck, but we'll wish it to you anyway, so adieu m'boy, we'll miss you.

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CHARLES L. BERMAN

Mount Vernon, New York

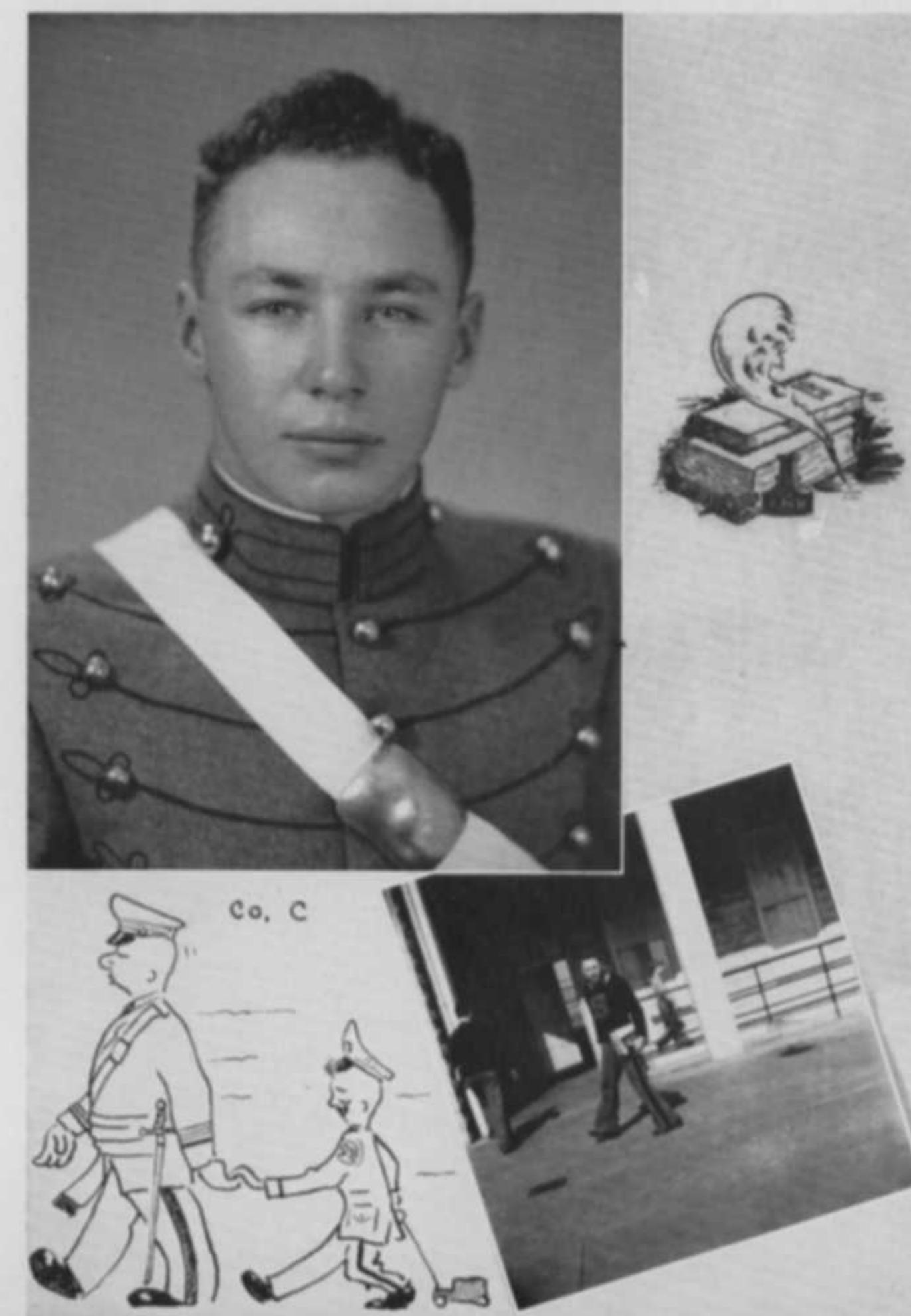
"Chuck"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "D" (II); Corporal, Company "D" (III); Communications Sergeant, Company "D" (IV); Corporal, Company "B" (V); Sergeant, Company "B" (VI); Lieutenant, Company "E" (VII); Captain, Company "C" (VIII). Junior School Swimming (III-IV); W.W.L.S. (III); Track (IV); Varsity Swimming (V-VI-VII-VIII); Co-Captain Swimming (VIII); Kablegram Staff (VI-VII); SHRAPNEL Staff (VIII); Cheer Leader (VII); All-American Prep School Swimming Team (1942-43).

United States Merchant Marine

After eight short years, our boy Chuck has finally decided to graduate. But . . . don't jump at conclusions, Charlie spent his first four years with the J. D.'s. Incidentally, it took him seven years at S.M.A. to realize his secret ambition . . . dates with real live girls!

Charlie has done well athletically and militarily. He co-captained the swimming team and ranked fifth among interscholastic breast-strokers for the country. Under his command Company "C" tops the Corps in esprit de corps.



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JOHN R. BOSWELL, III

Cleveland, Ohio

"Boozy"

Private, Company "C" (I); Platoon Sergeant, "B" Company (II).
Track (I); Cross Country (II); Captain of Track (II).

United States Army

The starting gun bangs, the crowd cheers—and there goes Boswell streaking to another victory for the S.M.A. track team. Without this tireless lad, the track team would not be what it is today. "Bos," as he is commonly called by his fellow cadets, is a member of the famous second gallery of North. That is quite an accomplishment in itself. Wherever we go, we are assured of seeing John's smiling face. He has only been here two years, but in that time he has made a success of everything that he has undertaken. If you don't believe this, just take a look at the way he handles that first platoon of "B" Co., of which he is platoon Sgt. Again we see Jack streaking off, this time into the future, and this is one race that he ought to have little trouble in winning.

JOHN E. BRICK
Salamanca, New York
"Jack"

Private, Company "B" (I); Varsity Basketball (I).

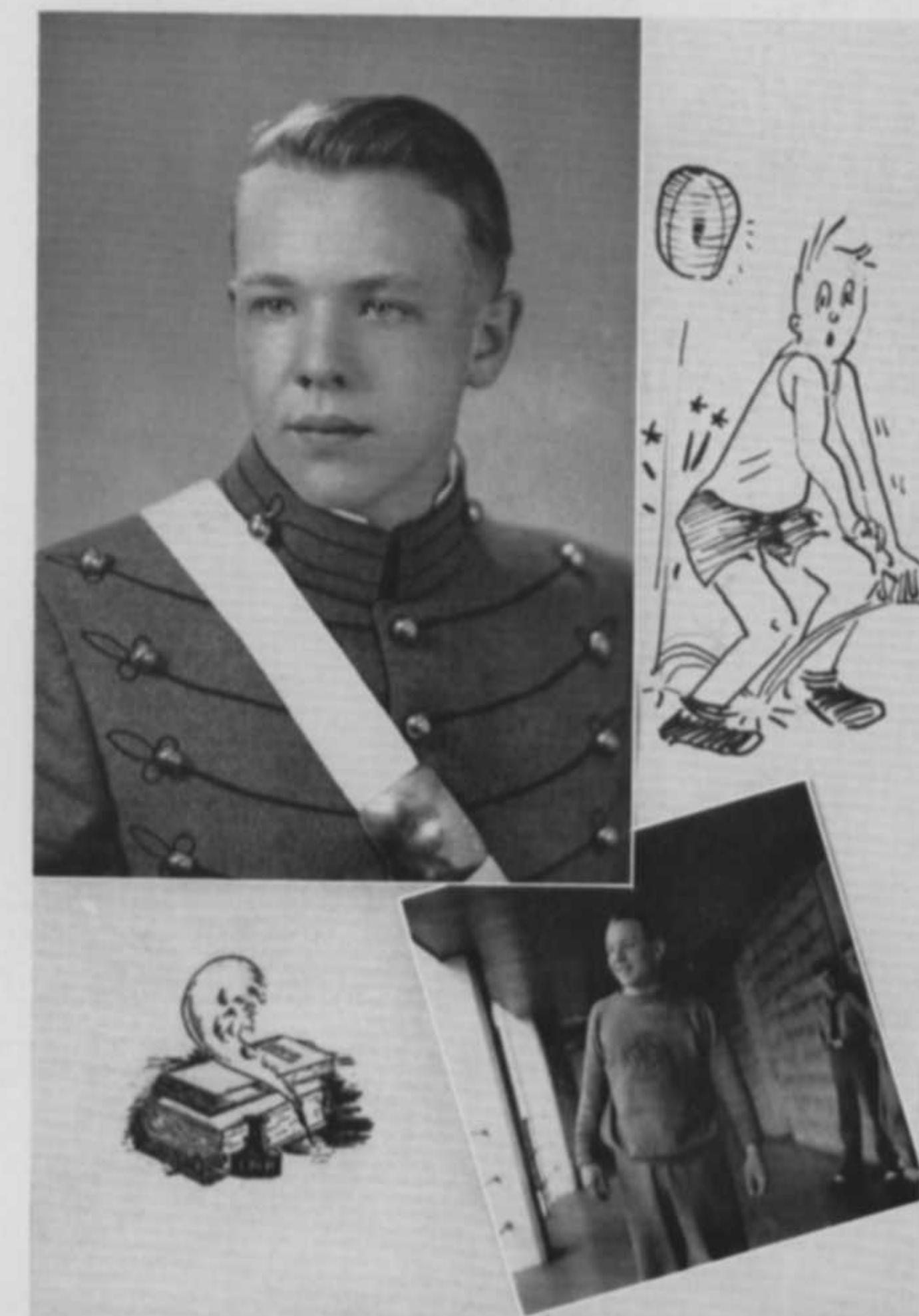
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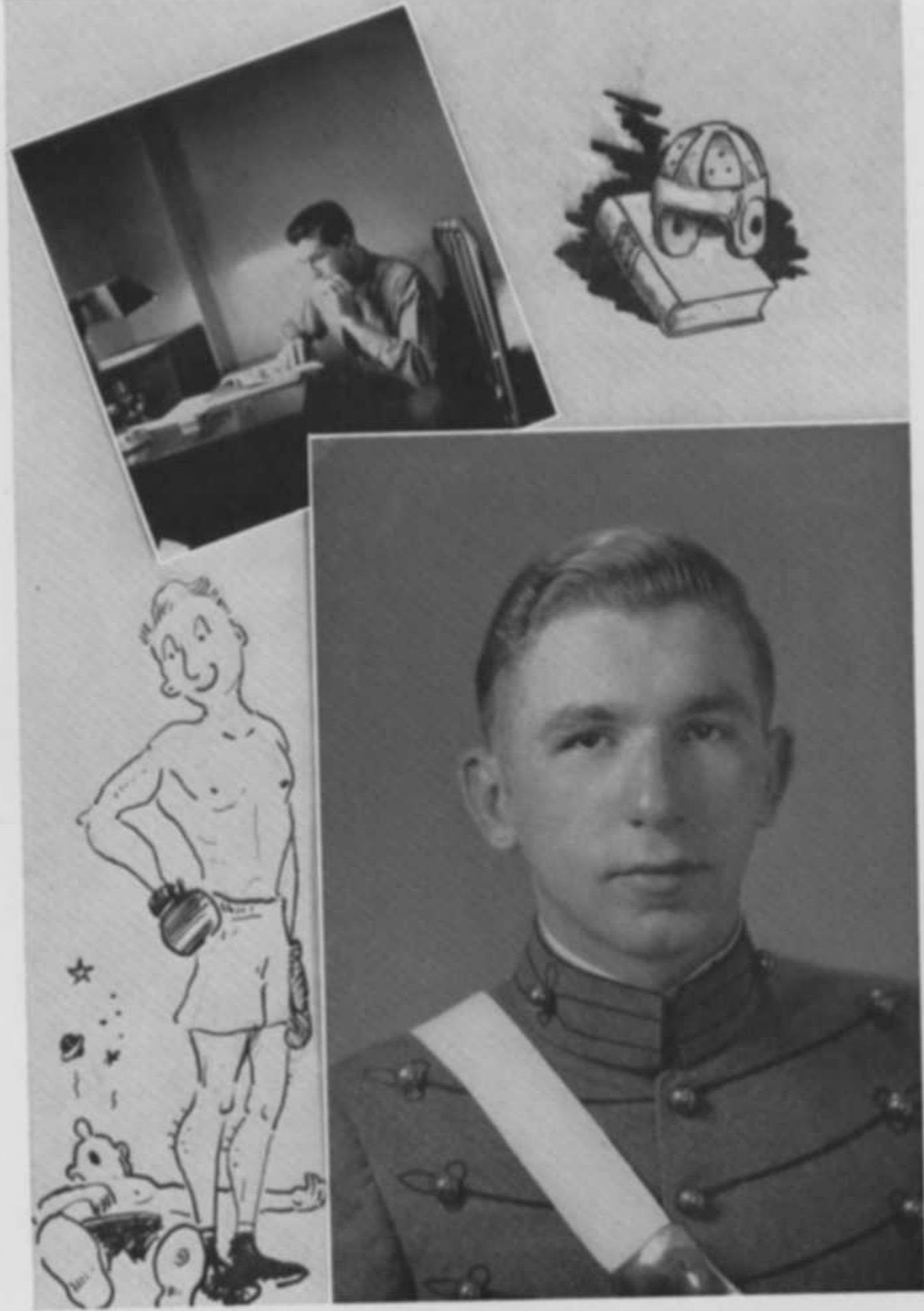
Jack was one of those boys who came to S.M.A. to settle down and get a year of serious work. We can say he accomplished his mission, and he enjoyed doing it, but we might feel a little sorry for him because he was a victim of the "joke book." The deciding factor in his coming here was that beautiful golf course so vividly pictured in the catalogue. After one look at that, our golfer said, "That's the school for me." You all know the saying, "Ain't no mo, chief." Well that applied to the golf course.

After that shock wore off, school was running smoothly for our boys until he had trouble in the mess hall. There was enough food at the table for ten men, but then Kahn ate half of it, so Jack picked up his knife and fork and changed tables.

Basketball season came along and Jack made the squad as a dependable reserve.

Jack decided to leave the Infantry and join the birds up in the clouds. Best of luck up there.





F. LAWRENCE BURKI

Coral Gables, Florida

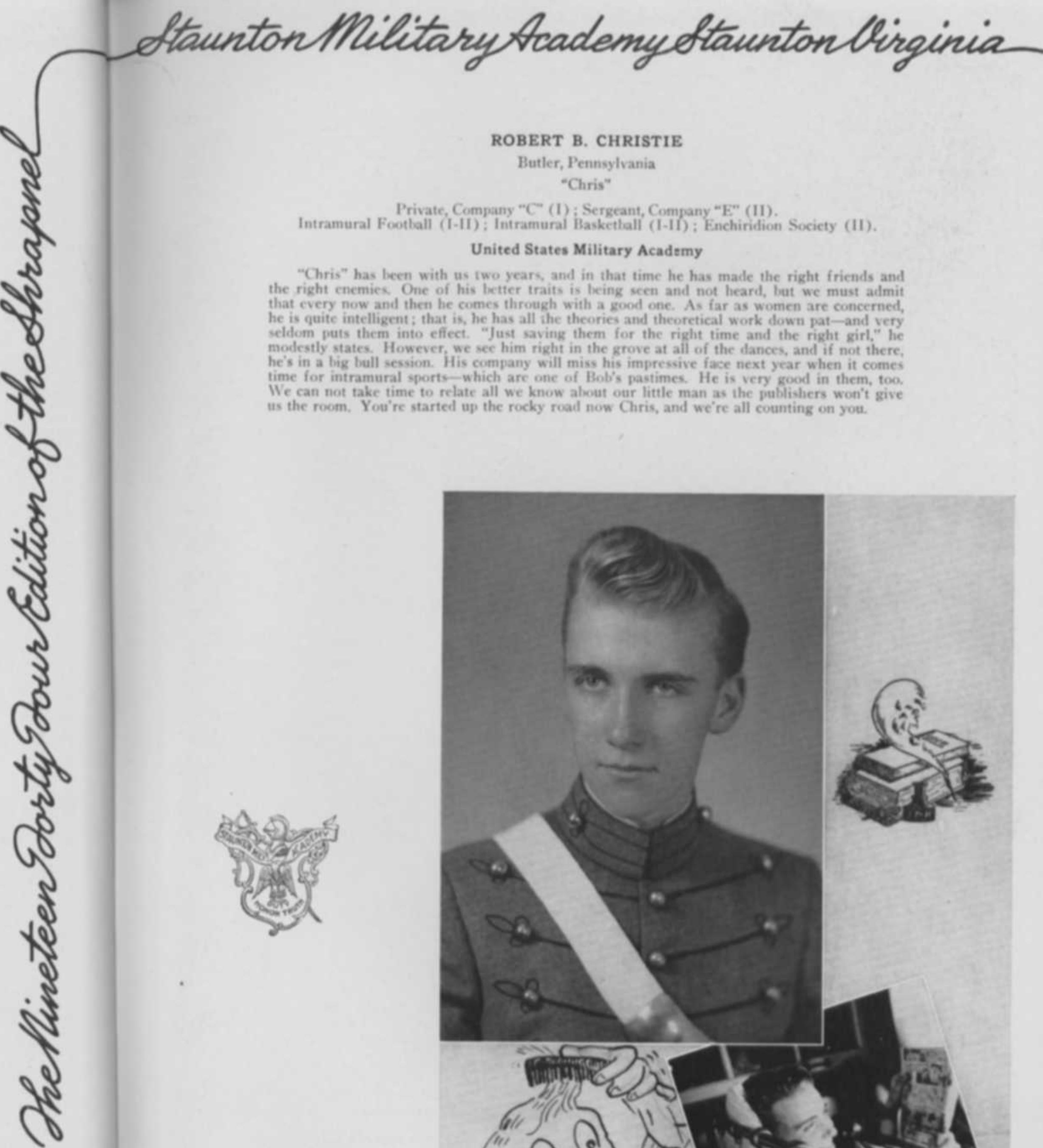
"Legs"

Private, Company "A" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "A" (II).
Intramural Sports (I); Varsity Boxing (II).

United States Army

This man, Larry Burki, is a cautious fellow. He doesn't believe in rushing things. During his first year here, it was obvious that Larry possessed athletic ability, but it amazed everyone to see that he didn't use it to any great extent. That's an old Burki trick; he was just looking over the situation. This year he picked his sport, boxing, and with the help of "Captain Joe" has become a very fine scrapper.

Larry hails from Coral Gables, Florida, the garden spot of America. When he isn't in the ring or arguing with our California contingent, you can find him out in front of Company "A" where he is employed as guide. Although "Legs" has to restrain himself so the little six-footers in the rear can keep up, he's doing a great job, and the "A" Company cadets, as well as the rest of us, will miss him when he leaves.



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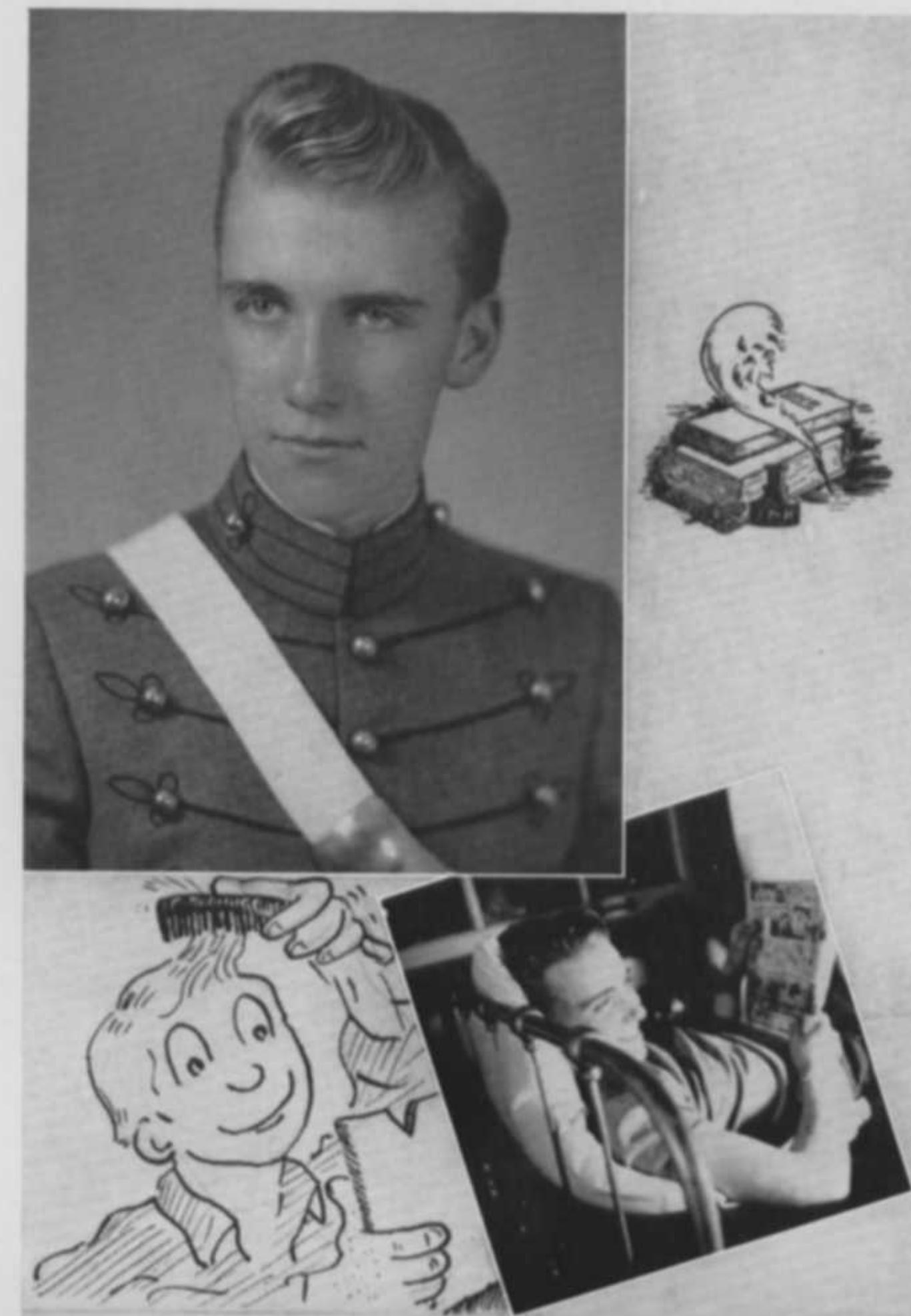
Butler, Pennsylvania

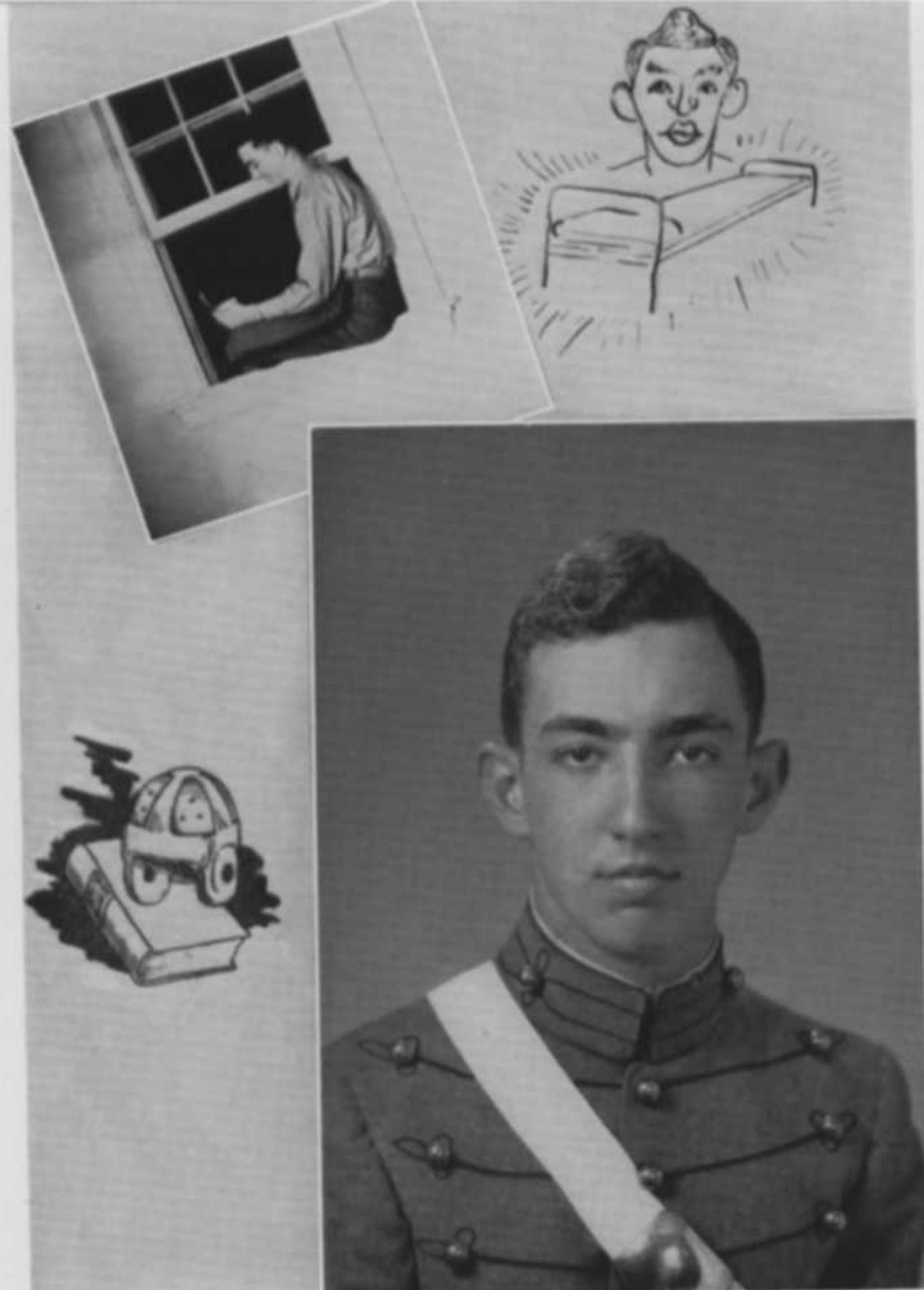
"Chris"

Private, Company "C" (I); Sergeant, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Football (I-II); Intramural Basketball (I-II); Enchiridion Society (II).

United States Military Academy

"Chris" has been with us two years, and in that time he has made the right friends and the right enemies. One of his better traits is being seen and not heard, but we must admit that every now and then he comes through with a good one. As far as women are concerned, he is quite intelligent; that is, he has all the theories and theoretical work down pat—and very seldom puts them into effect. "Just saving them for the right time and the right girl," he modestly states. However, we see him right in the groove at all of the dances, and if not there, he's in a big bull session. His company will miss his impressive face next year when it comes time for intramural sports—which are one of Bob's pastimes. He is very good in them, too. We can not take time to relate all we know about our little man as the publishers won't give us the room. You're started up the rocky road now Chris, and we're all counting on you.





CHARLES J. COLLINS, JR.

Orlando, Florida

"Doc"

Private, Company "A" (I).
Intramural Football (I); Intramural Basketball (I).

Emory University

This is Charlie Collins, one of our Florida boys. He came to us just nine months ago, but in that short time, he has made quite a name for himself. He has too many talents to discuss in this limited space, but we'll touch lightly on some of his more important ones.

First of all, without Charlie's fiery type of game, it is very doubtful that "A" Company would have had such a fine football team this year. Win or lose, his superior sportsmanship made him a favorite with his opponents. It's a pleasure to play against a guy like that.

"Doc" is quite a lover too, as you can see by the picture above, he's no Tyrone Power, but few girls have been able to remain frigid while under the attack of his charm. We'd give our last ration stamps to know how he does it.

More power to you "Doc." May you be as successful in later life as you have been here at S.M.A.

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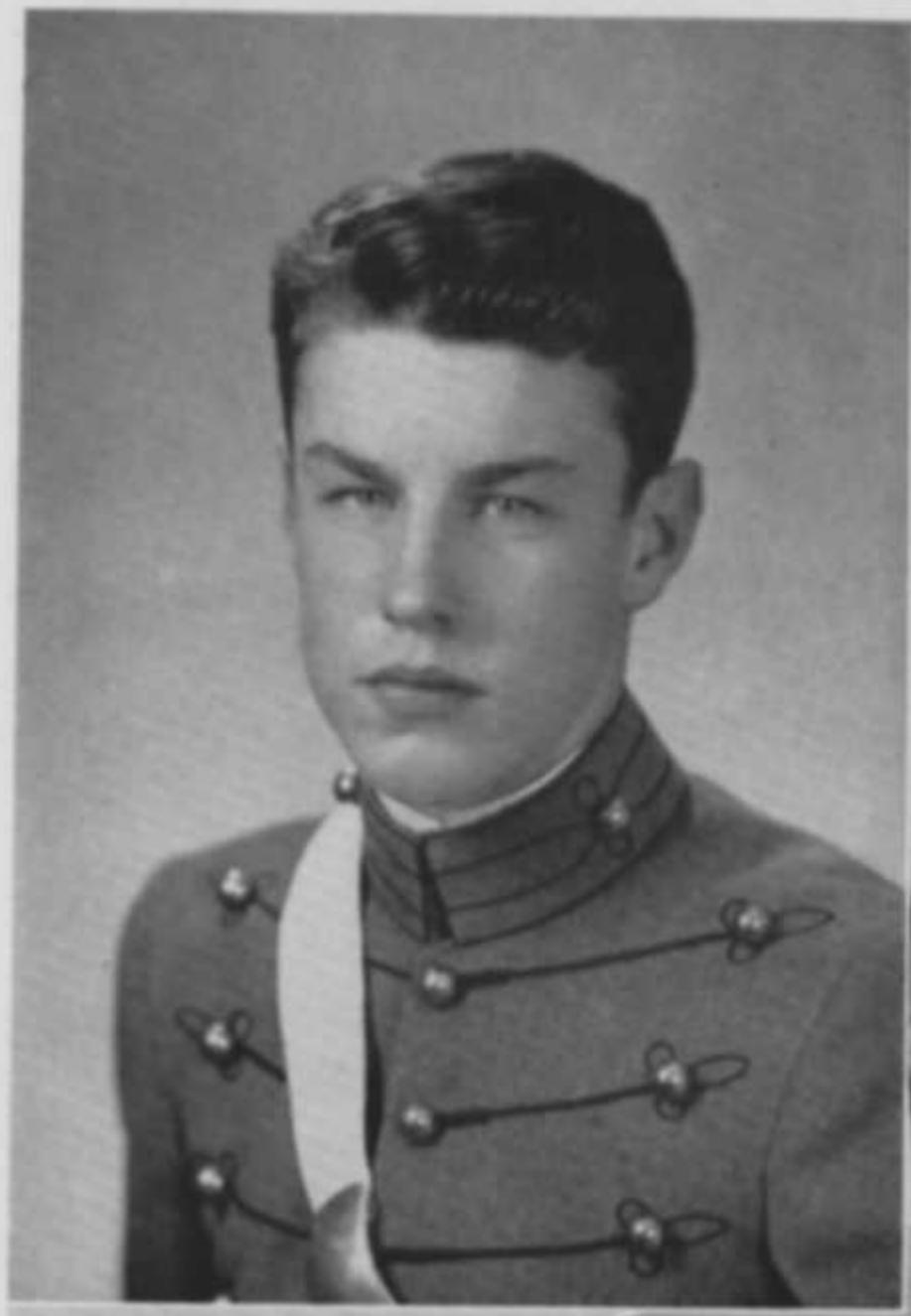
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WILLIAM H. COLLINS
"Collie"
Scarsdale, New York

Private, Company "E" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Varsity Track (II); Intramural Football (II).

Princeton

This "Don Juan" Jr. (perhaps Sr. would be more fitting) has more worries about his love-life than the original Don Juan. Yes, indeed, although Bill has been to every dance at the Academy, he never ceases to worry about how his next date will turn out. Oh, well, our motto is: every man to his own worries. We first knew Bill as a nephew to that well known faculty officer, but this theory was soon disproved to everyone's satisfaction. (No offense meant, of course.) That miniature cyclone seen tearing around the track every once in a while may be identified after some difficulty as being Bill practicing his method of a fast walk. One of those gentlemen who prefers the boxing gym to the dance floor, Bill nevertheless has a kind heart. He even went so far as to play a little football for his company, and, really, folks, his interest was appreciated. It is our mutual hope that Princeton will develop in him those qualities which already have made him one of the old gang here at S.M.A. So long, fellas', and keep 'em smilin'.









RUDOLPH V. COSENTINO

Seneca Falls, New York

"Bull"

Private Company "B" (1).
Varsity Football (1); Varsity Basketball (1); Varsity Baseball (1).

Notre Dame

Before we characterize this powerful "Dauntless Dan" we feel that it is only fair to prepare you innocent people for anything from a cyclone to a blockbuster.

With the delicacy of a Mack Truck, we have seen this irresistible force plow his way through countless lines, crack head-on with the best the other teams could produce, shake off his adversaries and carry that old pigskin across that last white line. Yes, it's none other than Rudy "The Bull" Cosentino.

When basketball season came along, Rudy was in there in his usual style and came through the season as high scorer.

Yes, Rudy is quite an athlete, but he still found time to visit the fair maidens at Mary Baldwin. Rudy really had some girl there, in fact every time the football team went on a trip the first thing they would see when they got off the bus was Pat. This happened so often that she became known as the "wandering one."

"Cos" plans to join up with the fighting Irish this summer; we'll be watching the sport pages for you.

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ANTHONY J. COSTANZA

Merchantville, New Jersey

"Tony"

Private, Company "B" (1).
Varsity Basketball (1).

West Point

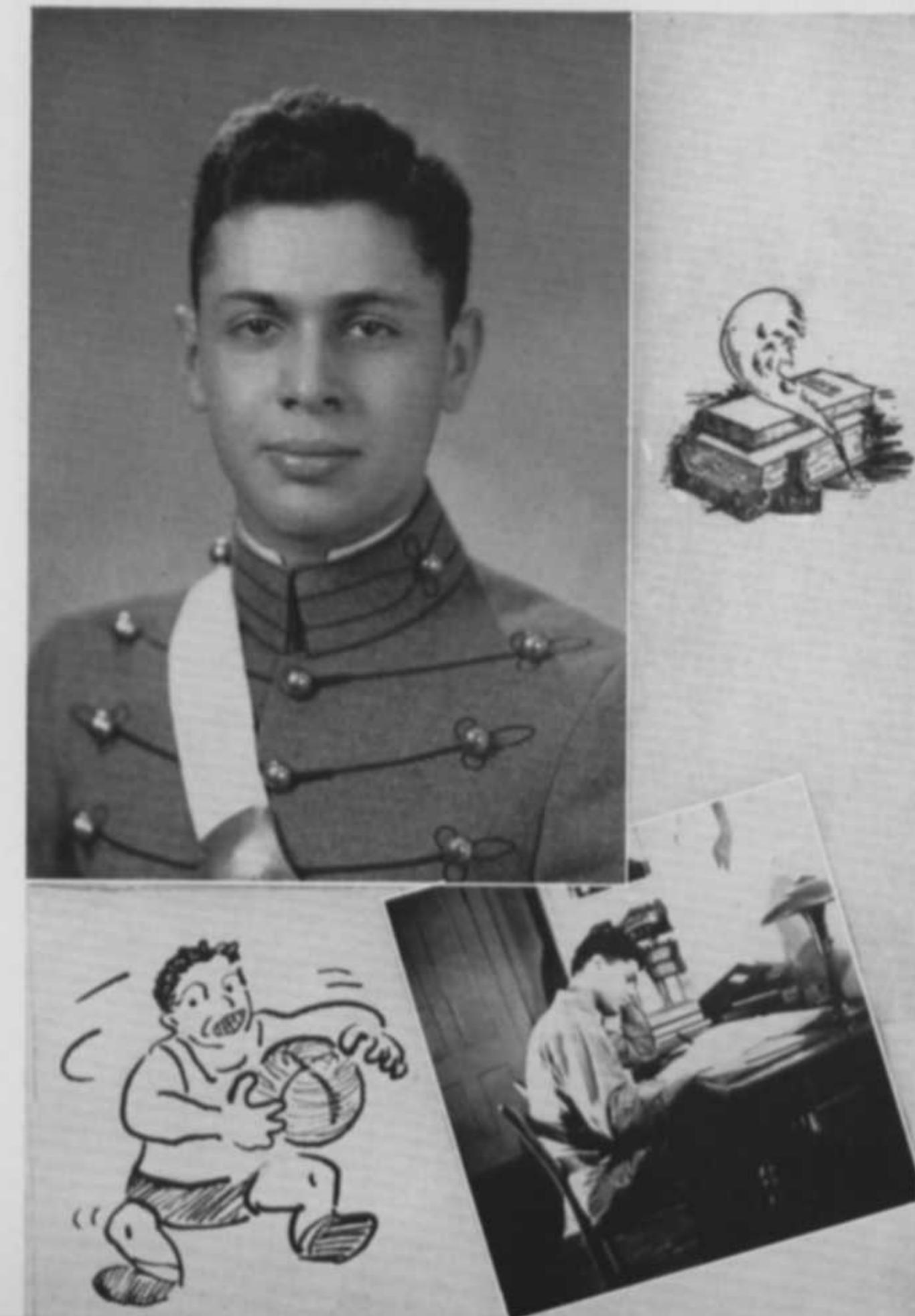
It was just nine short months ago when Joseph Anthony Costanza first came to S.M.A. He had a pleasant smile on his face when he strolled through the "Sally Port," but little did he know what was in store for him. Within a week you could hear his sad voice sobbing, "New Jersey was never like this."

He learned to like S.M.A., and we of S.M.A. learned to like him. To know Tony is to like him, and that has been proven by all the fellows he's met in the last nine months.

Surprisingly enough, Tony is the studious type. Any night he can be seen burning the midnight oil doing that last solid problem. "Cos" is the type that gets results from his labor, as you can see by looking over the Headmaster's list.

Don't get us wrong, though, he's no bookworm. He loves to play football and basketball, and was good enough at the latter to make the varsity group.

He's leaving us now, and we're sure that nothing but the best is in store for him.



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RICHARD B. CRAY

Birmingham, Michigan

Diz

Private, Company "C" (I).
S.M.A. Players (1); Tennis Team (1); Intramural Sports (1).

Case School of Applied Science

The thing that you see before you, in case you can't recognize it, is the face of a lucky guy in more than one way. He is graduating from our hallowed halls after a sentence of only one short year, and is accomplishing this astounding feat at the tender age of 16. Now you see partly why we say he's lucky. One of the things which students of a certain physics class will remember for a long time is that when the learned professor said, "All right Mr. Cray, you teach the class, then," and this downy checked youth proceeded to conduct a lively little session of physics by answering questions from all corners. The second reason is not so phenomenal when you consider he's an S.M.A. cadet. Still to become a frequent fixture (and with such beautiful attachments) at the little group of buildings down the street in so short a time, in a little bit of all right.

Good luck kid, but we're darned if we can see where you need it.



THOMAS L. DALEY

Monroe, North Carolina

"Tom"

Private, Company "B" (I); Sergeant, Company "B" (II); Platoon Sergeant, Company "E" (III).

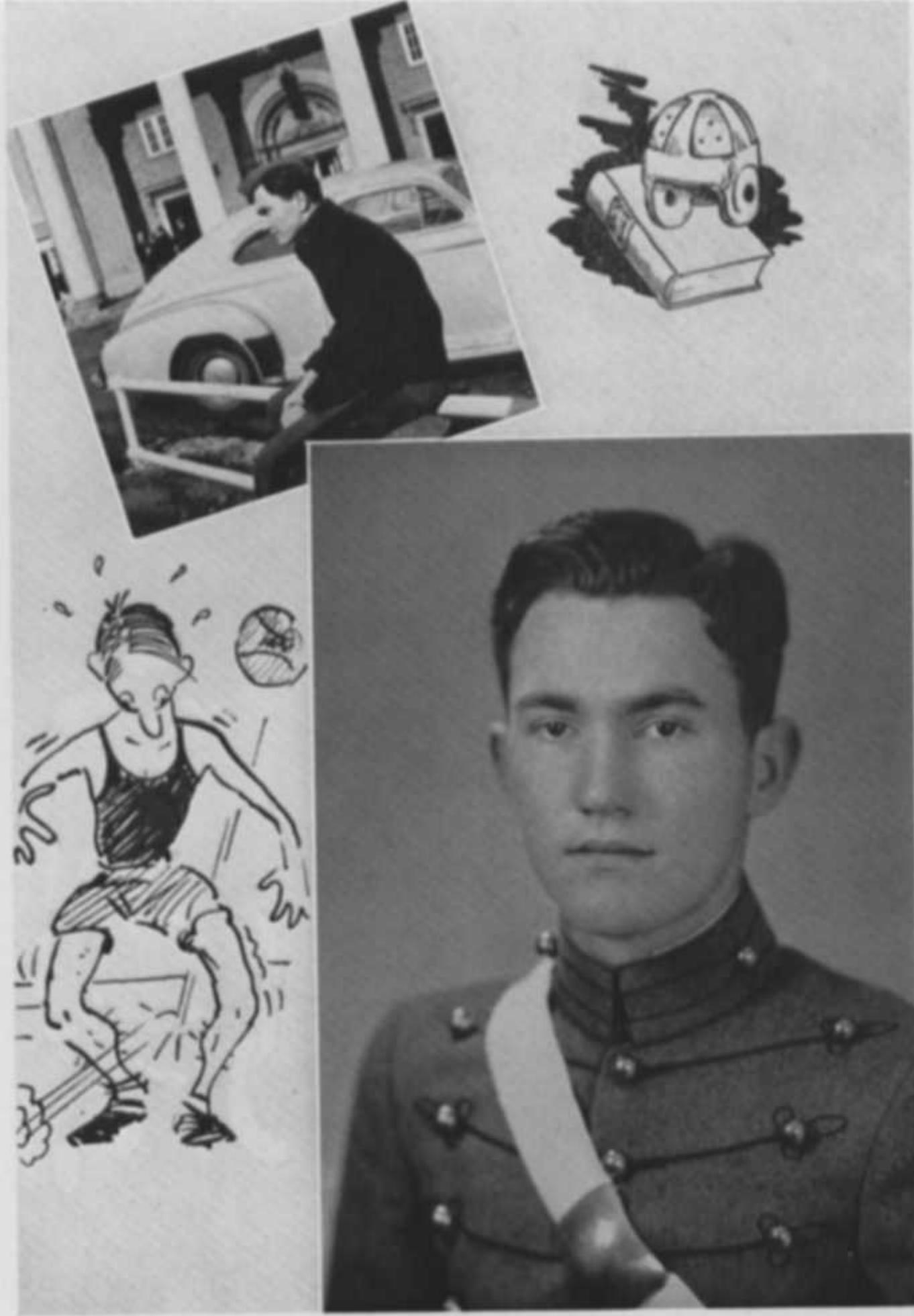
Glee Club (II); Company Football (I-II-III); Company Softball (I-II-III); Varsity Track (II-III); Kablegram Staff (III); SHRAPNEL Staff (III).

United States Marine Corps

Stand back gentlemen! Here we have the pride and joy of the entire Cadet Corps, none other than "big Tom" . . . need we say more. Many stalwart gentlemen have passed through the immortal gates of dear old Staunton, but here, folks, we have the lad who crawled through the cellar window. Thomas has spent three remarkable years in our fine institution, and I might add . . . three years well spent. More than once you might distinguish a tall lanky lad tripping down to the local "hen house" to woo some innocent, unsuspecting southern belle.

Seriously, though, Tom has really made good here at S.M.A. If you have any doubts, just take a look at some of those activities above. Of course Tom has some screwy ideas about where he's going, but we know that he will be a Corporal in no time at all!





JIMMY P. DEARING

Holly Grove, Arkansas

"Lefty"

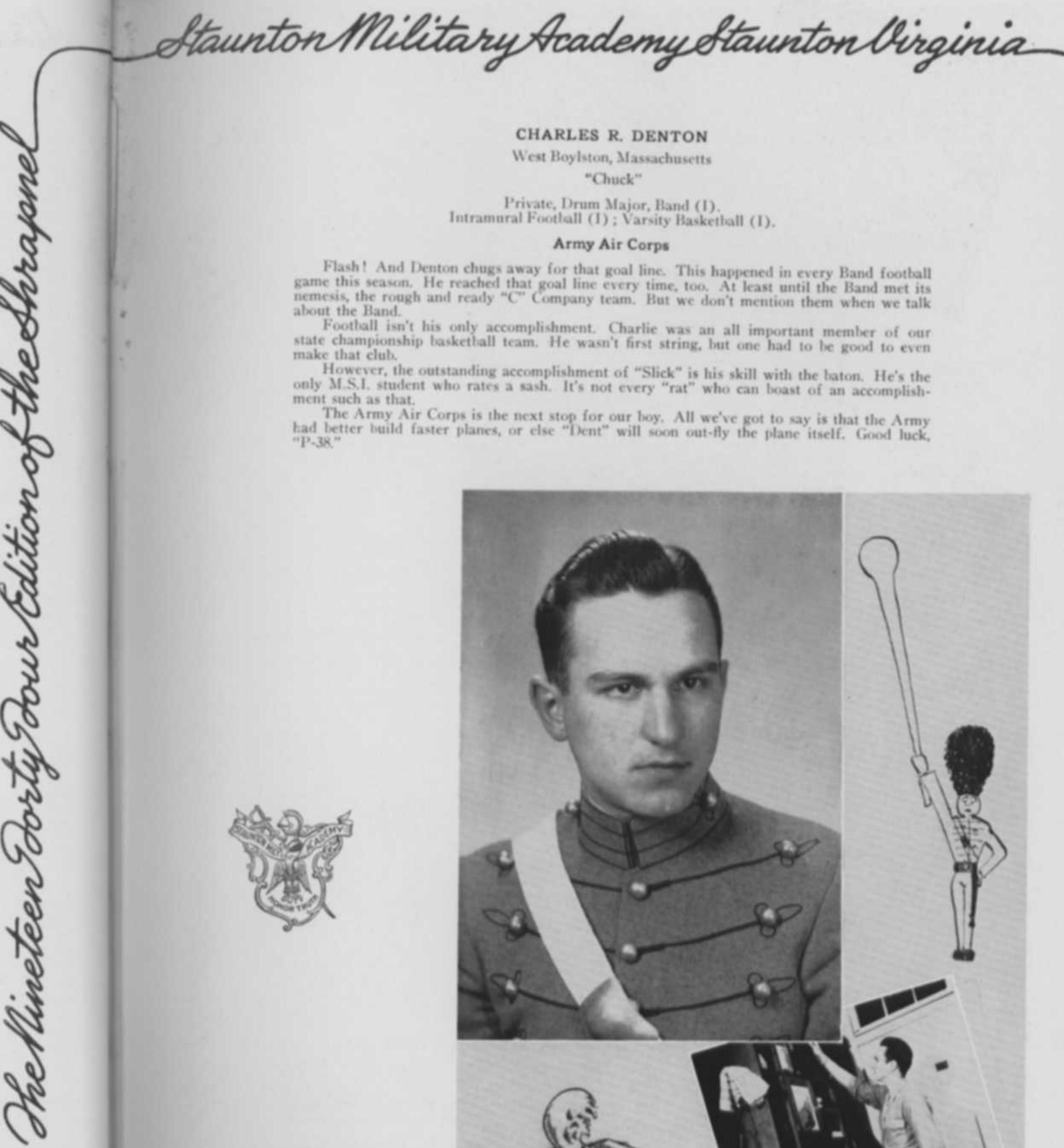
Private, Company "A" (I).
Intramural Football (I); Intramural Softball (I); Varsity Basketball (I).

United States Army Air Corps

This "Arkansas Traveler" cautiously ventured from his home-town of Holly Grove up to S.M.A. about nine months ago. In that short time, he has made many friends on the "Hill." His smiling face and good-naturedness have captured the admiration of all who knew him.

"Lefty's" prime interest in life is sports. He was good enough to make the varsity basketball and baseball teams while his spirited game helped "A" Company make a strong bid for the Company football title.

Immediately after graduation, Jimmy will renew his travels, this time via the air lines to Berlin and Tokyo. We hope the air corps will appreciate him as much as we did.



CHARLES R. DENTON

West Boylston, Massachusetts

"Chuck"

Private, Drum Major, Band (I).
Intramural Football (I); Varsity Basketball (I).

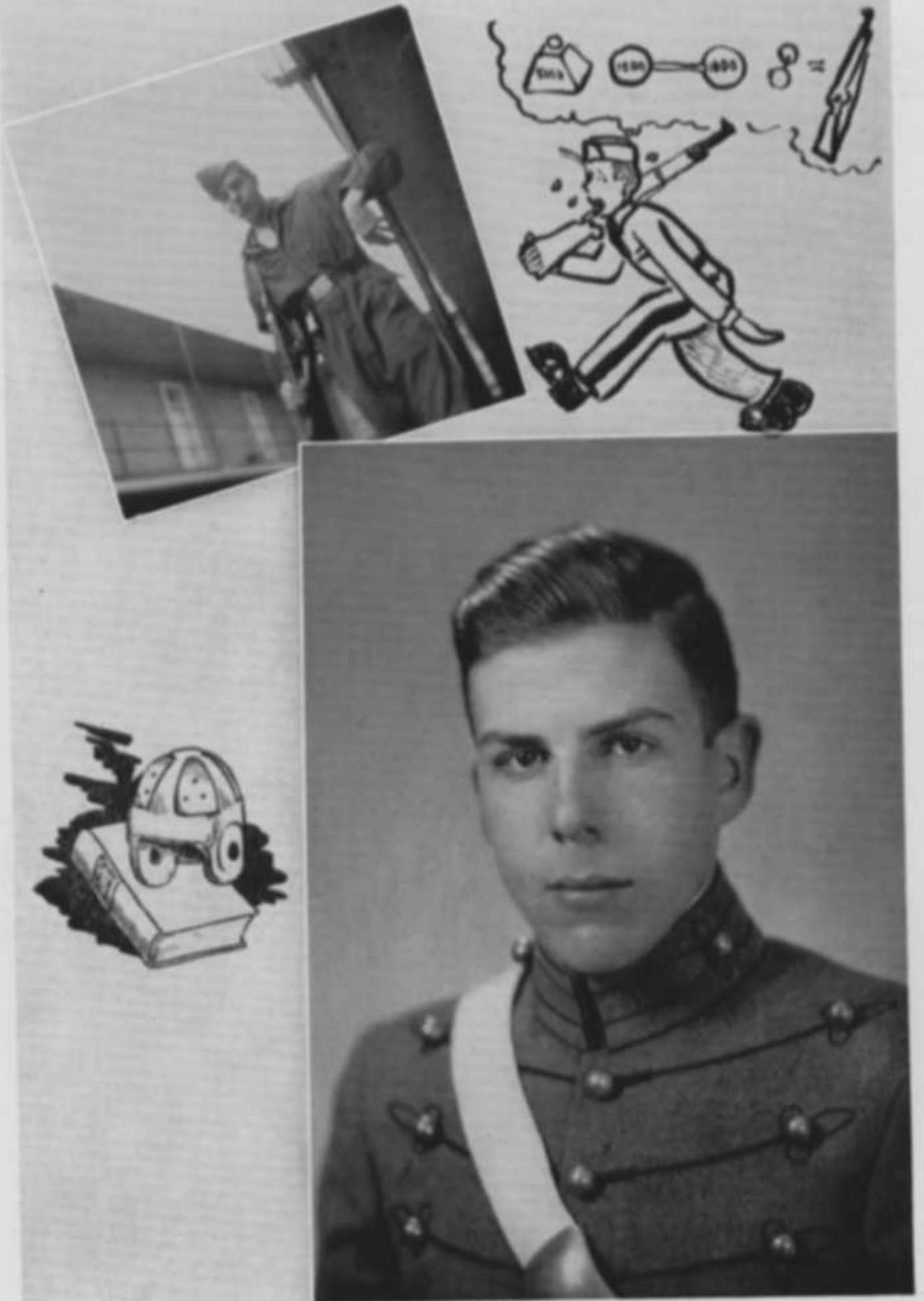
Army Air Corps

Flash! And Denton chugs away for that goal line. This happened in every Band football game this season. He reached that goal line every time, too. At least until the Band met its nemesis, the rough and ready "C" Company team. But we don't mention them when we talk about the Band.

Football isn't his only accomplishment. Charlie was an all important member of our state championship basketball team. He wasn't first string, but one had to be good to even make that club.

However, the outstanding accomplishment of "Slick" is his skill with the baton. He's the only M.S.I. student who rates a sash. It's not every "rat" who can boast of an accomplishment such as that.

The Army Air Corps is the next stop for our boy. All we've got to say is that the Army had better build faster planes, or else "Dent" will soon out-fly the plane itself. Good luck, "P-38."



EDMUND R. DEWING

Wellesley, Massachusetts

"Eddie"

Private, Company "B" (I); Corporal, Company "B" (II);
Intramural Sports (I-II); Glee Club (I); Enchiridion Society (I-II); Kablegram Staff
(II); Dramatic Club (II).

United States Army Air Corps

As was presented to us—we present to you our own and only, Ed Dewing. Coming from that well known state of Massachusetts, Ed stopped over on what he thought was a short stay, but one that lasted two years. Ed came to us a very fine and respectable young man, and unusual to S.M.A.'s processing, he is leaving us the same way. He came to take up where his brother left off and we're sure he did the job well. When Ed leaves it will be the last of the Dewings for quite a while. As for Ed's social life, well, we guess there's nothing serious here in Staunton, but we've heard that he has a little "kitten" waiting at her door step for his return—and these days that's something. As you go into the Air Corps, Ed, we hope you will remember the good times and the friends at S.M.A. They won't forget you.

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ROBERT DI GIACOMO
Pelham, New York
"Jock"

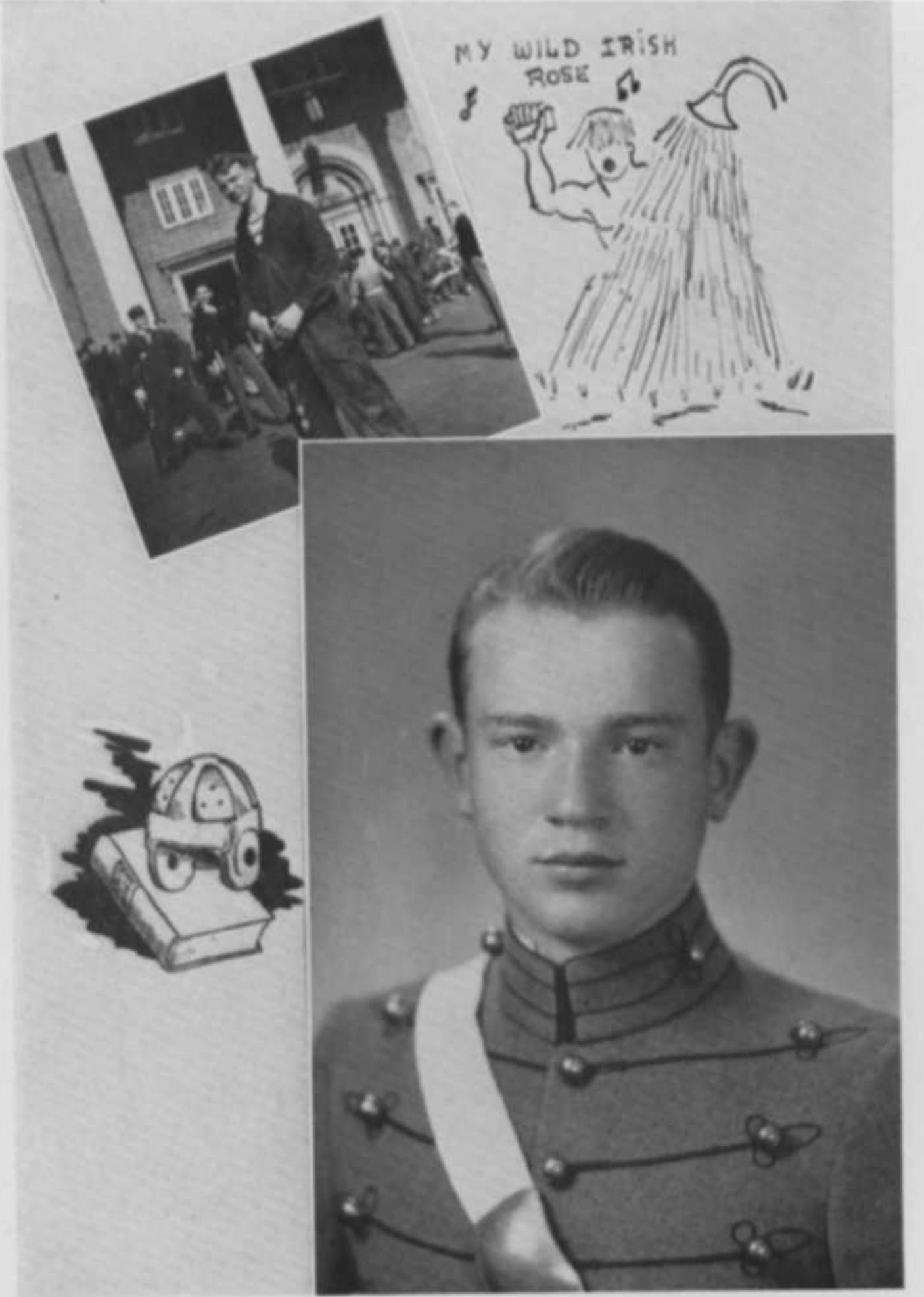
Private, Company "B" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Platoon Sergeant, Company "D" (III); Captain, Company "F" (IV).
Rifle Team (I-II-III-IV); Intramural (I-II-III-IV); Y.M.C.A. (I-II); Honor Society (II); Camera Club (I-II); SHRAPNEL Staff (IV); Cotillion Club (IV).

United States Army

Click! Click! From behind the bookcase, through the key hole, up the ink well, comes a familiar cry, "Got 'em, heh-heh." Then out steps our red headed marksman, pockets bulging with flashbulbs and film. Who could it be other than our hero . . . "Dead Eye DiJock." Bob is not only a genius with a camera but also an expert on the target range. He is the last of the Di Giacomo klan, at least for this generation, and naturally to keep the family tradition high we find that Bob is still on the team. More than once it was found that our "F" company commander went tripping lightly down to the local chicken coops, but still he had that far away look in his eye . . . er—ah, the girl back home, Di Jock? It has been so told that our boy plans a session with that brainy institution, M.I.T. In the years to come, one will undoubtedly find that Bob has attained his inevitable goal . . . to be a great engineer.

ROBERT DI GIACOMO
Pelham, New York
"Jock"

EDMUND R. DEWING
Wellesley, Massachusetts
"Eddie"



ISAAC L. DONKLE, JR.

Greenville, South Carolina

"Rusty"

Private Company "A" (I) ; Sergeant Company "A" (II).
Company Football (I) ; Company Baseball (I) ; Company Boxing (I) ; Enchiridion Society
(I-II) ; Varsity Football (II) ; Track (II).

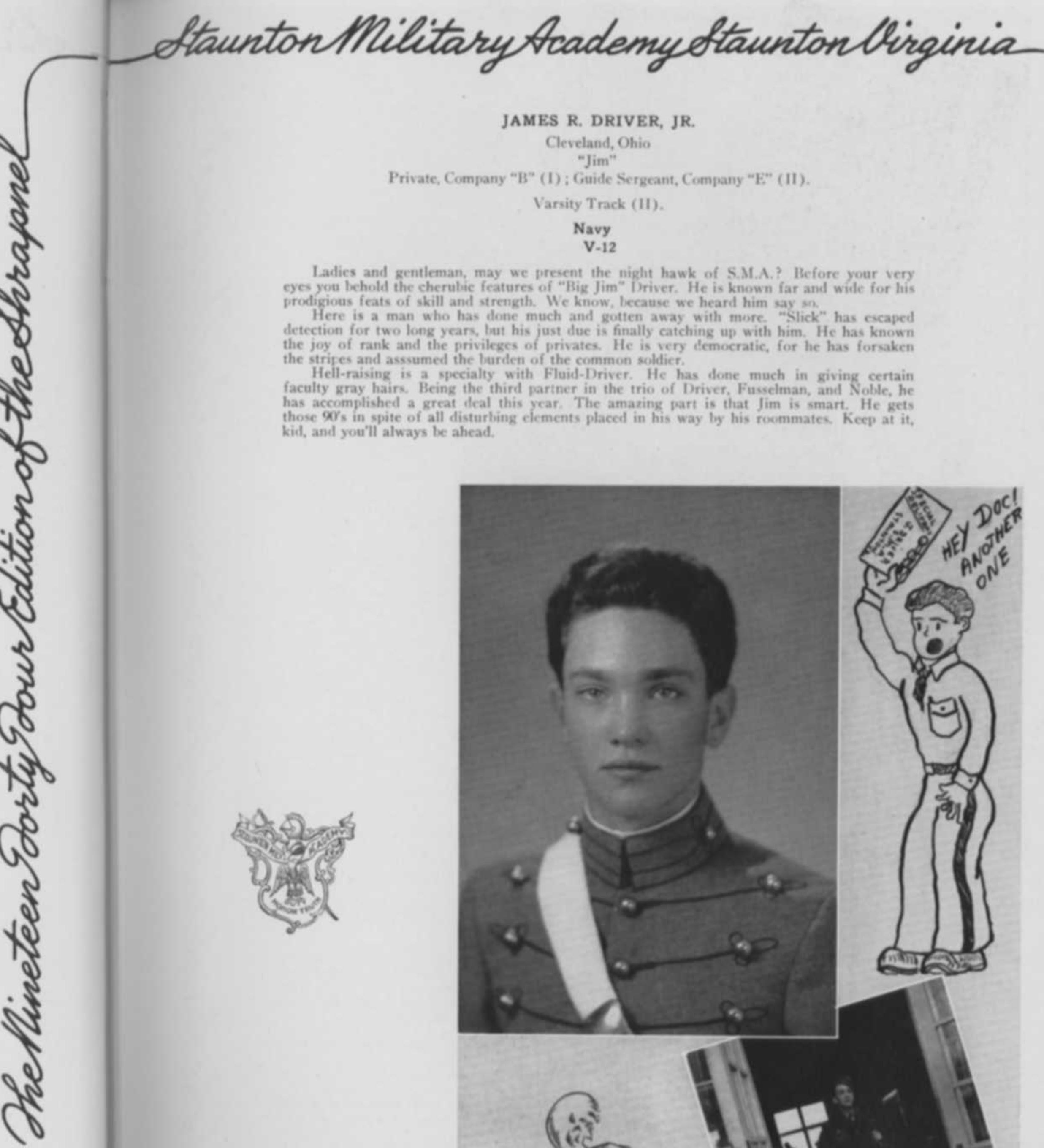
United States Naval Air Corps

Out of the quiet C.Q. in North comes the yell "Five Letter Man"—who could it be other than Rusty—the man from South Carolina (he's proud of it). If you've ever heard or seen Rusty we're sure you'd never forget him, but for the benefit of the unacquainted we will give you a brief summary of his two year stay.

In September 1942 a little "Carrot topped kid" entered the Sally Port of South. He at once started a Civil war with his Northern roommate. That's always excepted of him now. His second year was when he first began to be noticed, especially because he was a member of the two striped Zebra club.

Rusty has done a good job on both the athletic field and in the class room. Either that or they have done a good job on him. He doesn't pay much attention to the weaker sex, but more power to him.

Seriously though, Rusty is really one of us. We will surely miss his boisterous voice and wise cracks, but our loss is the Air Corps' gain.



JAMES R. DRIVER, JR.

Cleveland, Ohio

"Jim"

Private, Company "B" (I) ; Guide Sergeant, Company "E" (II).

Varsity Track (II).

Navy

V-12

Ladies and gentleman, may we present the night hawk of S.M.A.? Before your very eyes you behold the cherubic features of "Big Jim" Driver. He is known far and wide for his prodigious feats of skill and strength. We know, because we heard him say so.

Here is a man who has done much and gotten away with more. "Slick" has escaped detection for two long years, but his just due is finally catching up with him. He has known the joy of rank and the privileges of privates. He is very democratic, for he has forsaken the stripes and assumed the burden of the common soldier.

Hell-raising is a specialty with Fluid-Driver. He has done much in giving certain faculty gray hairs. Being the third partner in the trio of Driver, Fusselman, and Noble, he has accomplished a great deal this year. The amazing part is that Jim is smart. He gets those 90's in spite of all disturbing elements placed in his way by his roommates. Keep at it, kid, and you'll always be ahead.



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LAURENCE S. EIG
Washington, D. C.
"Buddy"

Private, Company "D" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); 2nd Lieutenant Company "C" (III).

Intramural Basketball (I-II); Intramural Football (I-II); Varsity Tennis (I-II-III); Varsity Football (III); J. V. Basketball (III); SHRAPNEL Staff (III).

United States Army

Look closely, folks. You see before you one of the more unusual members of the human race.

It is truly unusual to have a fellow who can sleep all C. Q. and yet pull down top marks in all subjects. Perhaps you think he studies in the afternoon. Again, you're wrong, kiddies. Bud is forever messing around on the athletic field. In fact, he is even better at sports than at the books. He's co-captain of a doggone good tennis team and a swell basketball player (just ask some of the boys who played against him).

The thing we don't understand is how he can occupy most of his time as above and yet carry on a big league romance. Ah, yes, we mustn't forget "Smoothie" is a true lover. Just ask that O.A.O. in Washington. We think she's the one, 'cause he never talks about anyone else.

Sports, studies, or women, we can never out-do our own "Bud." We know when we're outclassed. The guy is tops now, and always will be as far as we're concerned.

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RICHARD EMMEL

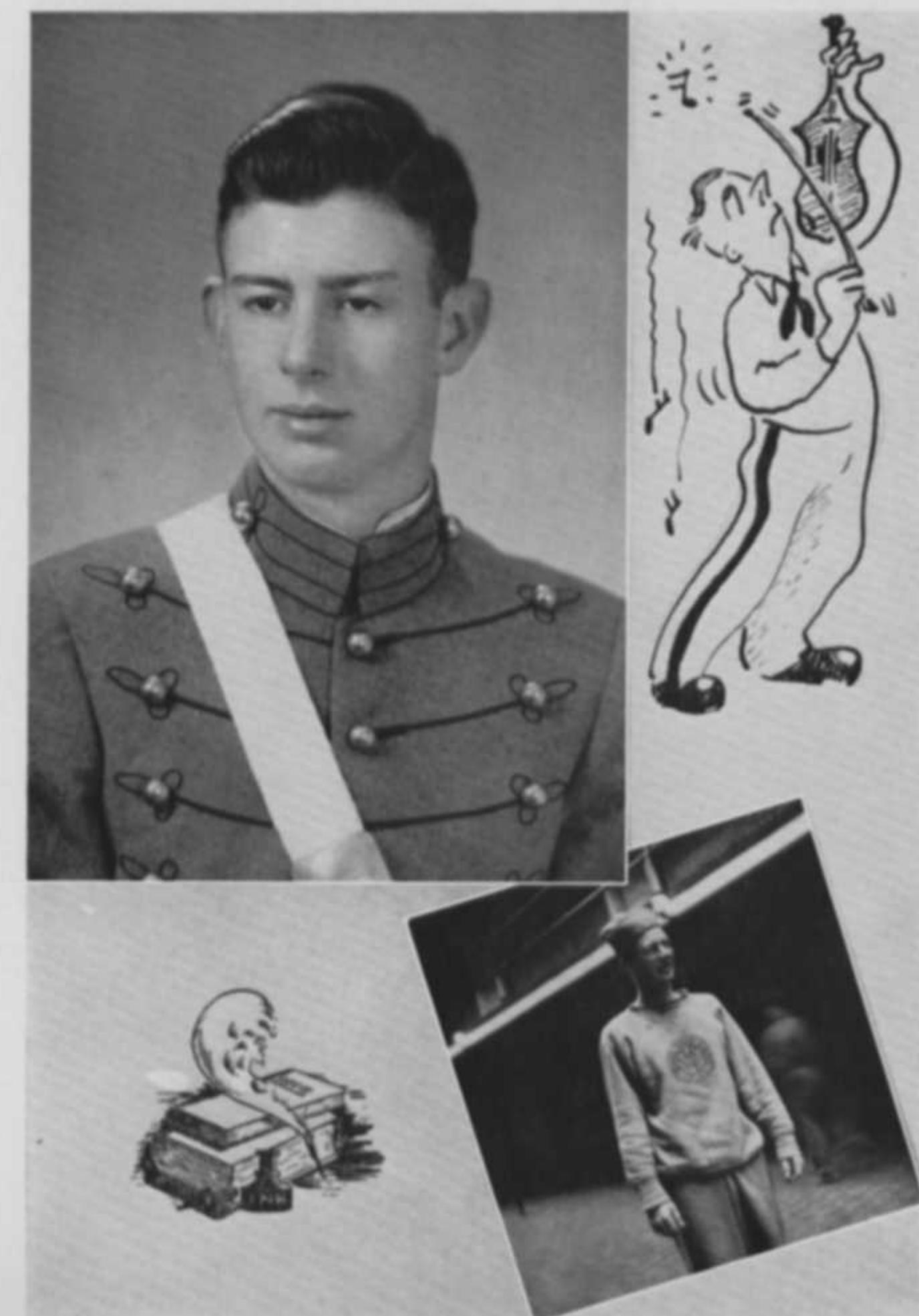
Akron, Ohio

"Emmy"

Private, Company "A" (I).
J. V. Football (I); Blue Knights (I).

United States Army

Although Dick has served only one term with us, he certainly lost no time in proving to everyone that coming from Ohio isn't too much of a disadvantage. Football found "Nose" playing center on the J. V. squad, and many have heard the vibrating strains from his 1670 A.D. violin. Dick has been one of the "Blue Knights" talented musicians all season. Aside from being an honor student, athlete, and violin virtuoso, we find that Dick is an Eagle scout . . . which may account for his absence from the usual list of "availables" at M.B.C. Guess his scout master warned him about those mercenary creatures. Whether the armed services or college take Dick after graduation, we know he'll make a record that Staunton will be proud of.





EMMET T. EVEREST

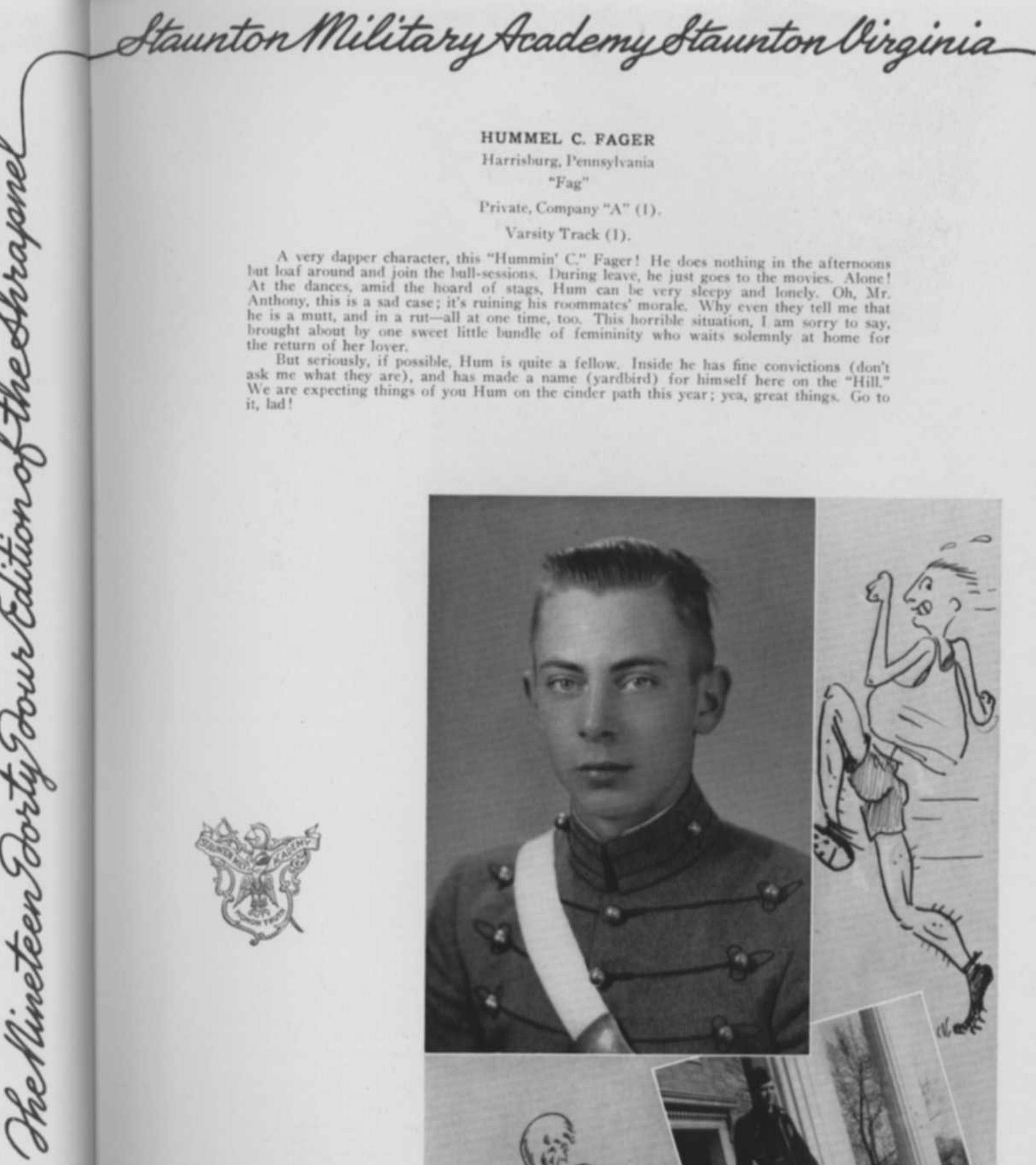
Council Bluffs, Iowa

"Tim"

Private, Company "C" (I) ; Platoon Sergeant, Company "D" (II).
Varsity Swimming Team (I-II) ; Intramural Football (I).

United States Army Air Corps

"What-a-say-kid? What-a-say?" Many times we have heard this discriminating cry ring out above all the other cries of the S.M.A. Cadet Corps. We don't have to give any clues as to who this character is, because it couldn't be anyone other than our own Emmet Everest. While he has only been with us for two short years, this explorer from the planes of Iowa has left a lasting impression with us. Without Emmet, the academic average of the school would take a very sudden nose dive. Major Moody's solid class would never have made the grade without the wit of this brain. We have yet to see Emmet enter the immortal gates of our local hen houses, but with his personality and wit we are sure that he has plenty of the fairer sex in his following. Many Saturday afternoons we have seen him making his way towards the caves with his partner in crime—none other than Lineberger. "Evy" leaves us in May to go in the Army Air Corps; we are sure that he will climb as fast there as he has here at S.M.A.



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HUMMEL C. FAGER

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

"Fag"

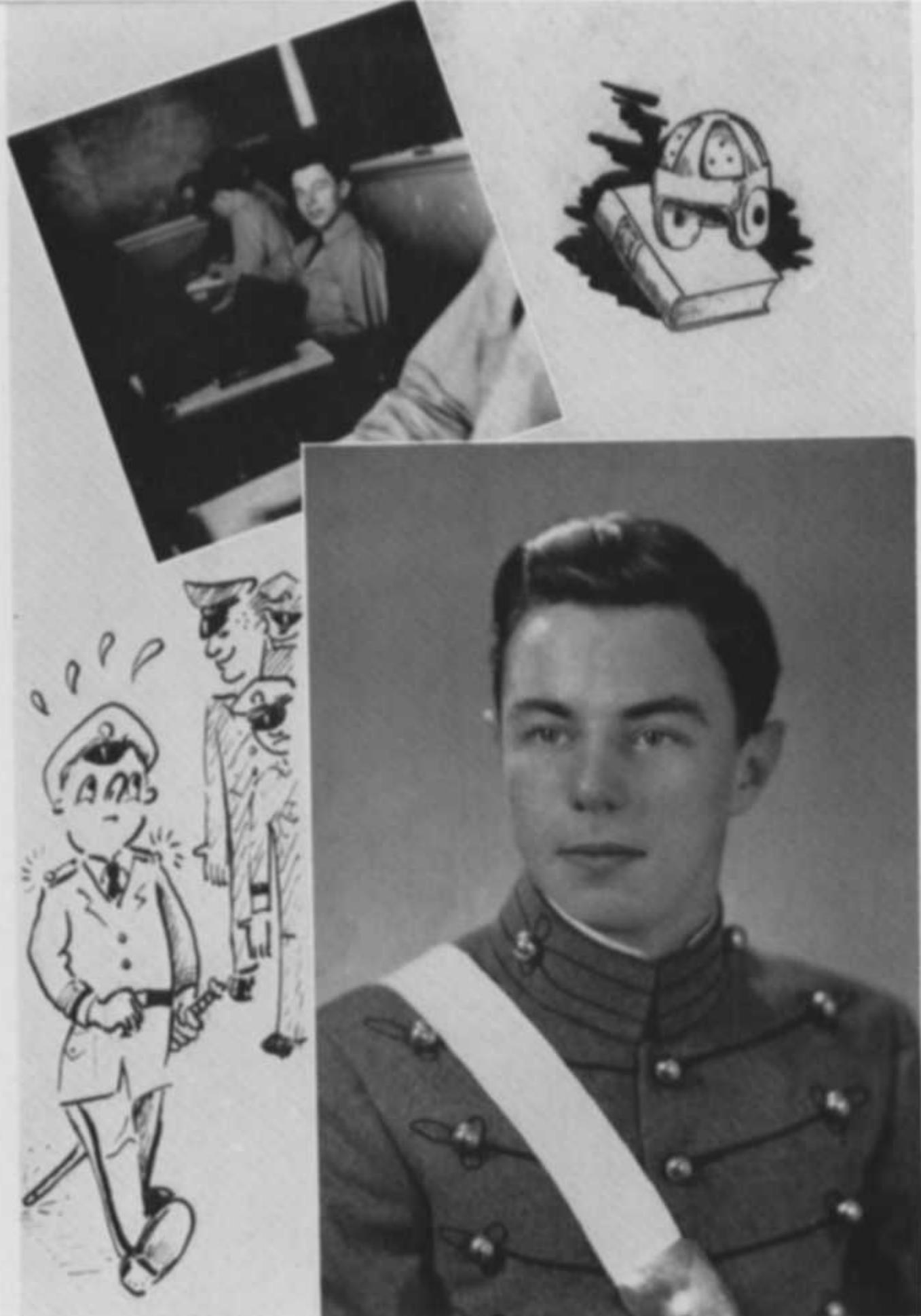
Private, Company "A" (I).

Varsity Track (I).

A very dapper character, this "Hummin' C." Fager! He does nothing in the afternoons but loaf around and join the bull-sessions. During leave, he just goes to the movies. Alone! At the dances, amid the hoard of stags, Hum can be very sleepy and lonely. Oh, Mr. Anthony, this is a sad case; it's ruining his roommates' morale. Why even they tell me that he is a mutt, and in a rut—all at one time, too. This horrible situation, I am sorry to say, brought about by one sweet little bundle of femininity who waits solemnly at home for the return of her lover.

But seriously, if possible, Hum is quite a fellow. Inside he has fine convictions (don't ask me what they are), and has made a name (yardbird) for himself here on the "Hill." We are expecting things of you Hum on the cinder path this year; yea, great things. Go to it, lad!





FRANK FERNANDEZ

Washington, D. C.

"Squat"

Private, Company "F" (1); Sergeant, Company "I" (II); Corporal, Company "D" (III); Sergeant, Company "D" (IV); Captain, Company "D" (V).
Company Football (III-IV-V); Company Softball (III-IV-V); Cotillion Club (V).

M. I. T.

Above is Frank Fernandez, the "manly mite" of Company "D." He's been with us for five years, and now he's preparing to pull up stakes and drag his muscular little self far away from Staunton.

During his sojourn here, Frank has spent most of his time in "D" Company. This year he climbed to the position of Captain of that organization and raised the little fellows to new heights.

He is also recognized on the "Hill" as the finest we have when it comes to the antics done in the gym. He never ceases to amaze his fellow cadets with the unbelievable feats he performs on the parallel bars and rings.

Although he has obviously shunned Staunton and home-town girls, it is rumored that there is a certain belle in West Virginia that has been the recipient of most of Frank's attention and letters. She must be pretty nice to get a guy like Frank or, perhaps, he just likes the "hill-billy" type.

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RICHARD M. FISCHER
East Orange, New Jersey
"Nose"

Private, Company "A" (I); Sergeant, Company "A" (II).
Flying Club (I); Intramural Football (I).

Army Air Corps

Contact! and Fischer takes off again in his little "Cub." Yes, it's another member of the S.M.A. Flying Club.

Dick came to us last year with one idea in mind. He wanted to fly, and fly he did! Besides being a budding Rickenbacker, Dick has excelled in the art of the hasty blackout of North Barracks. In fact, the barracks took a tour one night because he thought he heard an air-raid siren. At least that's the story he gave the Colonel.

Seriously, gang, "Nose" has been a credit to us all. He has contributed a lot to the subject of faculty-baiting. If there's a better way to spend one's time the boys in North Barracks haven't found it yet.

If Dick goes in the armed forces our first thought will be to sell our War Bonds, but upon consideration we have decided to wish him luck.

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WILLIAM W. FORD, JR.

Fort Sill, Oklahoma

"Bill"

Private, Company "B" (I).

United States Military Academy

Every year S.M.A. receives a handful of "Army Brats," those fellows who wander around from state to state. This year "Wild Bill" came in with the boys to add a little rowdiness to the Corps. Bill always can be found with a smile on his face, and his good character is an outstanding part of his personality. He is a joker in the true sense of the word, and his main trouble is that he joked too often with the boys wearing the gold hat bands. This always brought Bill on the wrong end of the broom. His chief regret is that he won't be back next year to get even. He had a hobby of dropping water bombs off the third gallery. I guess he liked the noise they make, or is that your way of getting back at the faculty, Bill? One might think that our boy Ford is a woman hater, for he has never been seen sporting a femme, but those who really know him know that this isn't true. There is a certain one back home—"Jake" he calls her—that he remains faithful to.

Bill really burned up the books this year, and he came out with some high class grades. He plans to enter West Point, and if what he has done here is a sample of his ability, we're sure he'll make good.



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R. WALTER FLEMMING

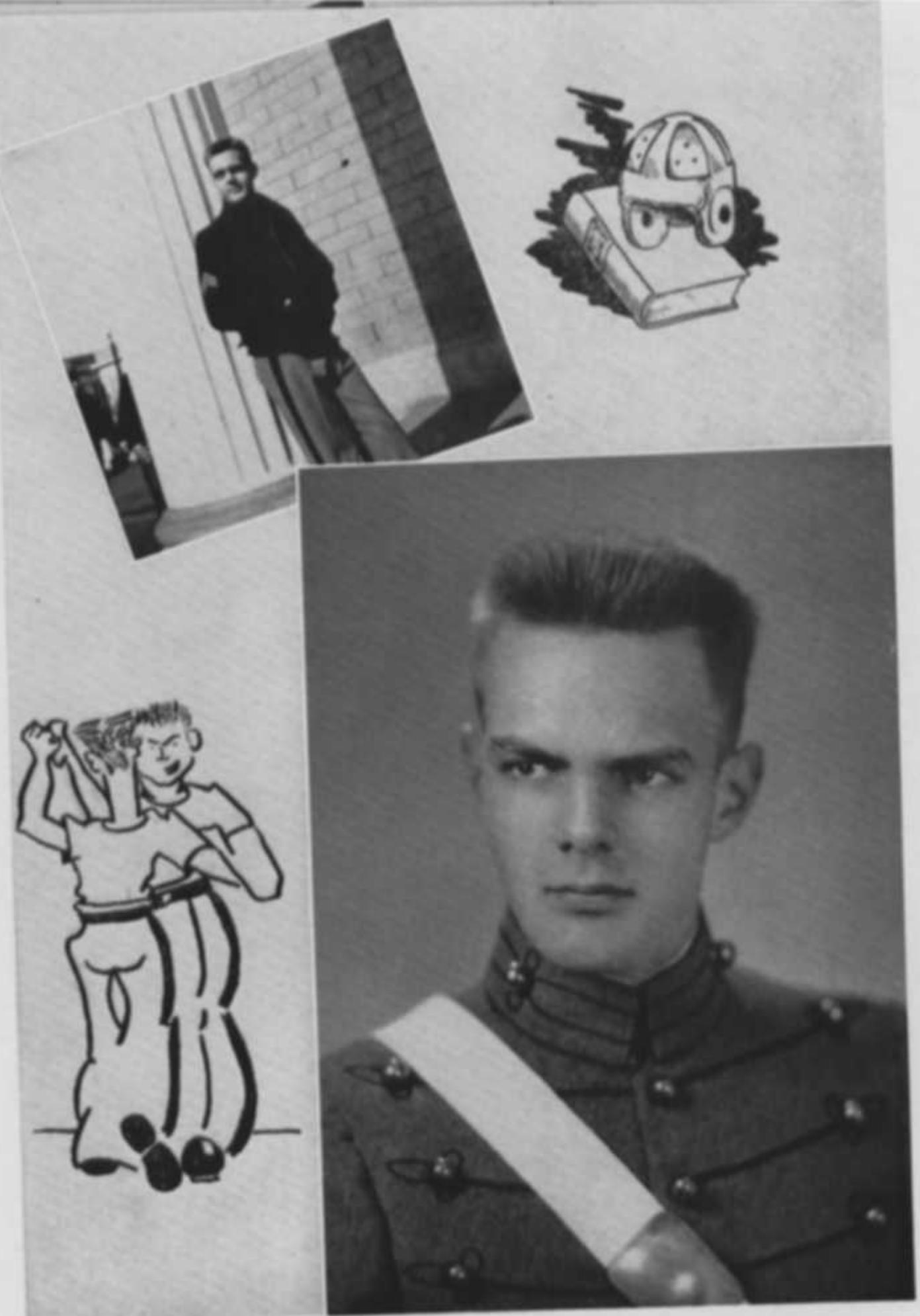
Alexandria, Virginia

"Spike"

Private, Company "A" (I); Sergeant, Company "A" (II).

United States Military Academy

Two long vigorous years ago a lad from Alexandria, Virginia, came to us. You'd never know it, though. He has no dry southern accent, but he is very much a southern gentleman. During the past two years he has made himself quite well known. Though a very quiet boy, he drives M.B.C. nuts every leave day calling for his flame. What happens to your own girl, or does she travel too fast for you to keep up? Well, what's holding you up, Spike? From what we've gathered from odd gossip, you're going to the Point next year, so all we can say is that we wish you the best of luck and keep up that old-southern fighting spirit. You've won the Civil War and you're tops in our estimation.



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HARRY E. FUSSELMAN

Youngstown, Ohio

"Doc"

Private, Company "B" (I); Corporal, Company "B" (II); Master Sergeant, Company "B" (III); Captain, Company "E" (IV).

Intramural Sports (I-II-III-IV); W.W.L.S. (II); Swimming team (II-III-IV); Co-Captain Swimming (IV); Cotillion Club (III); Senior Class Secretary (IV); Junior Varsity Football (IV).

V-12 (Medicine)

"Have a carrot, Doc?" That's the standard question asked whenever Harry walks into the room. By now everyone in school is familiar with that phrase. We'd feel awfully alone if we didn't hear it every day, too.

Besides stealing Bugs Bunny's stuff, "Fuss" has been stealing diving honors from all over the state. He's rated darned high by his fellow members on the swimming team. To show that diving isn't his only accomplishment, he's taken up the art of swimming. In fact, he is a pretty hot free-styler now. To top it all off, "Doc" is the co-captain of the swimming team this year.

But sports alone aren't his main interests. Women, or should we say "woman," occupy a tender spot in his heart. From what we've seen carved on various desks in school her name is Joan. What's more, we gather she is pretty sharp. She'd better be, because "Doc" doesn't deserve anything but the best.

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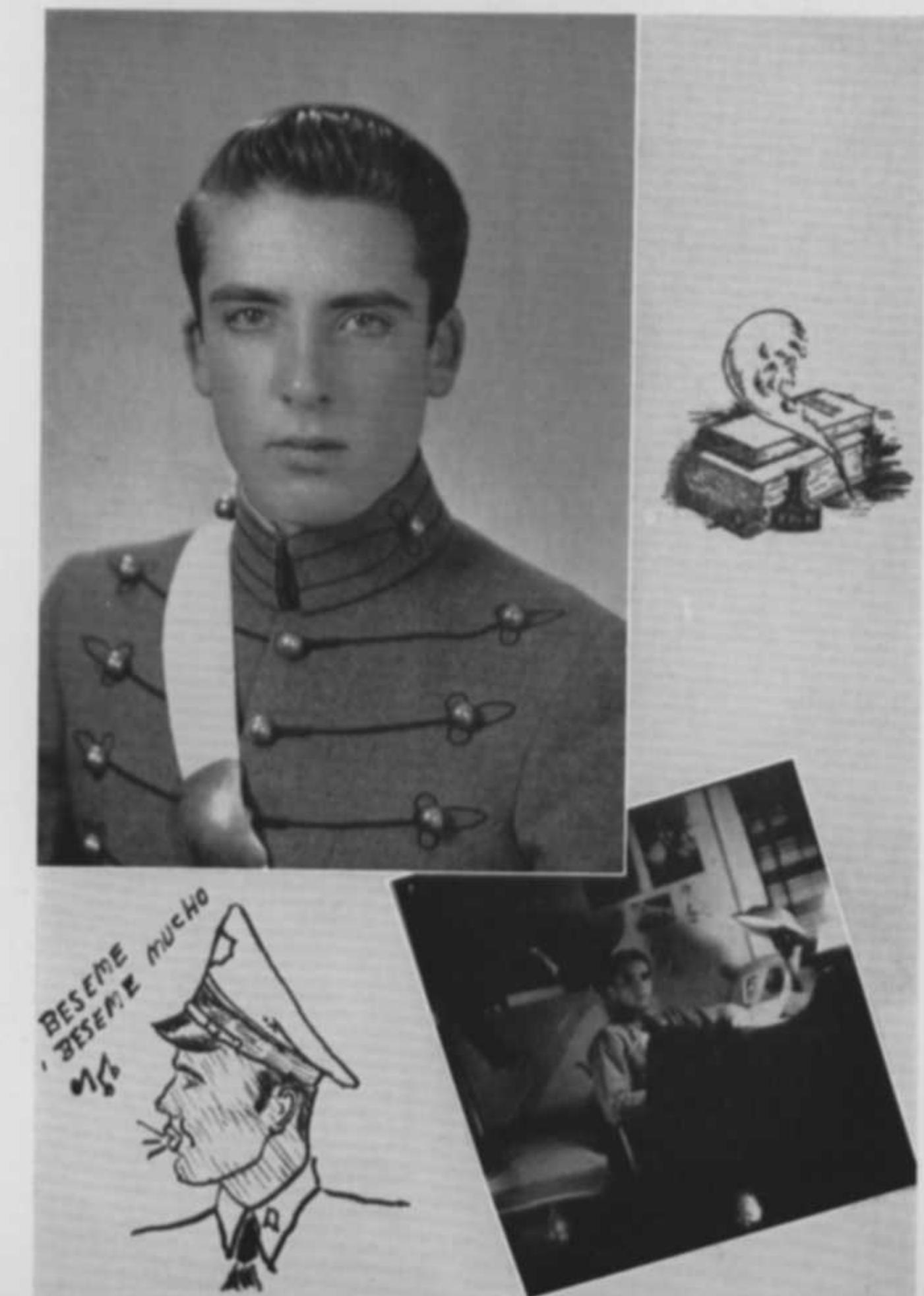
EDWARD C. GANZ

Middletown, Rhode Island

Private, Company "C" (I); Corporal, Company "B" (II); Lieutenant, Staff (III); First Captain (IV).
Rifle Team (I-II-III-IV); J. V. Football (III); Varsity Football (IV); Cotillion Club (IV).

United States Army

Handsome Ed, the Rudolf Valentino of Mexico, was predestined to spend a few years at S.M.A. During his first year here, he was just another "rat"; during his second and third years, however, he acquired the "smash and drive" and "spit and shine" of the old school, and we might add he became one of our finest regimental adjutants. This year we were barely able to decide whether to put his write-up in the *Bluestocking* (M.B.C.'s year book to you happy people who don't know) or the *SHRAPNEL*, but we took the honors because after all he at least *sleeps here*. Yes, Ed has quite a hand with the women at M.B.C. (and other places too . . . Oooooo-La-La). They were going to erect a statue in loving memory of Ed alongside of "Ham and Jam," but abandoned the idea because of material shortage. Ed has done a good job everywhere this year—as first captain, on the football field, and in the school room. It is with pride and sorrow that we see Ed leave us. As we gaze into our crystal ball, we can see that Ed will most certainly make a success of Army life—"Buena suerte," Ed!





CESAR GOMEZ

Barranquilla, Colombia

"Lucky"

Private, Company "C" (I); Corporal, Company "C" (II); Private, Company "B" (III);
Guide Sergeant, Company "E" (IV).
Company Football (I); Company Baseball (II).

University of Virginia

Step right up, ladies and gentlemen, and see the little Cesar of South America, the only one of his kind. He came to S.M.A. quite some time ago just to see what it was all about. You really did learn the hard way, Cesar, and it was a long time to serve. At last we have found one of the few boys who can truthfully boast of not entering any of the local hen-houses; or is it because of a girl back home? This great little fellow is a man of few words, and says what he wants to in the shortest possible time. To you we drink a toast of good luck, and we're sure that you'll succeed in everything you attempt to do. We leave saying so-long, not good-by, and wishing you all the best the world has to offer.

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DUANE E. GOTSCHELL
Cleveland Heights, Ohio
"Duke"

Private, Company "F" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
J. V. Football (II); Varsity Track (II); Intramural Football (I).

University of Michigan

Ohio! first, last, and always. That's the motto of this son of the Buckeye State. He must like the place, because he's always talking about going home. We really wonder if it's home he's thinking of, or could it be the women on the train?

"Duke" is one of the J. V. Boys; those little guys with all the heart. We've seen him hit that line a lot of times in order to pick up that necessary ground.

Athletics aren't his only accomplishments. He's versatile in most anything. Now we know how Kable is disrupted without anyone finding the culprit. A regular Dick Tracy character is our boy, Duane.

We've never heard him say a lot about his future, but we'll never worry about "Duke." A guy with his luck can't miss.

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PAUL R. GUILD

Miltoy, Indiana

"Indiana"

Private, Company "A" (1).
Intramural Basketball (1).

United States Army

Here's a fellow who has succeeded in making a host of friends in his one year at S.M.A. Yes, "Indiana" is an all around fellow. He came to Staunton to get an education and learn something about the Army before Uncle Sam beckoned, and he managed to do a fine job. Paul is a great fellow for sitting down at his desk and really doing a job on those books. Still he found time to aid "A" Company's basketball team in coming through with a good season. Every time he scraped thirty-five cents together he would rush down and get the latest record on hand, then rush back up to school and play it until it was worn thin.

Paul plans to join the ranks soon as a soldier in Uncle's Sam's Army. Best of luck, Paul, hope you look good in khaki.

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JAMES JORDAN HAINER

Clapville, Pennsylvania

"Jim"

Private, Company "B" (1); Private, Company "E" (II).
S.M.A. Players (I-II).

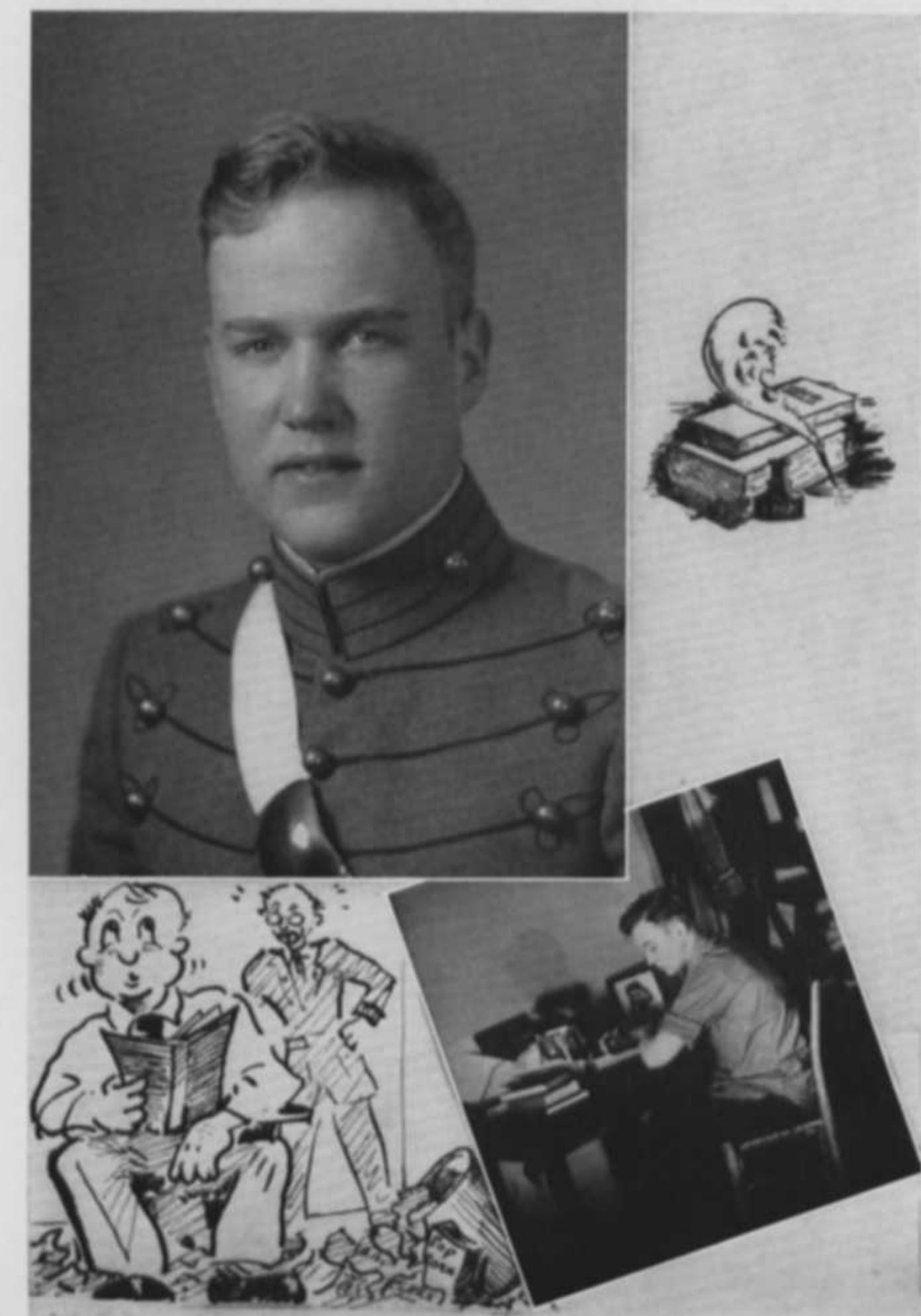
United States Army Air Corps

"I'm from Pennsy!" Many a time we've heard that cry from the lips of the one and only James Jordan Hainer. If there is one guy who should be on the local Chamber of Commerce, Jim is it. He takes more interest in his state than anyone we know.

Rumor has it that "Tricky Jim" is aiming for West Point. If spirit and desire to go is enough, the kid is already there.

Love seems to be an important factor in the life of "Falstaff" Hainer. Quite a few times we've seen him sporting a pretty sharp looking brunette on his arm. Just how do you do it, Jim?

When you stop to figure it out, Jim has been one swell guy to have around, and we hope that he'll get nothing but the best in life. So long, Jim!





ANEECE W. HASSEN

Sulphur, Oklahoma

"Blue Beard"

Private, Company "B" (I).
Intramural Football (I).

United States Army

This character is the second in the seemingly never-ending line of "Mad Syrians." His unforgettable cousin left us last year and now Aneece is graduating. What will happen to the school if another Hassen doesn't enroll next year?

This son of Sulphur, Oklahoma, is leaving an impression that will remain with the cadet corps long after he has passed through the "Sally Port" for the last time. To all the boys in South Barracks, he is an authority in all fields. This is only right, because Aneece is exceptionally well-informed in all matters concerning sports, the fairer sex, and academic subjects, which are chief topics of discussions at S.M.A.

"Blue Beard" is off to get a higher education. Good luck, Aneece, and may you join the Phi Betes.

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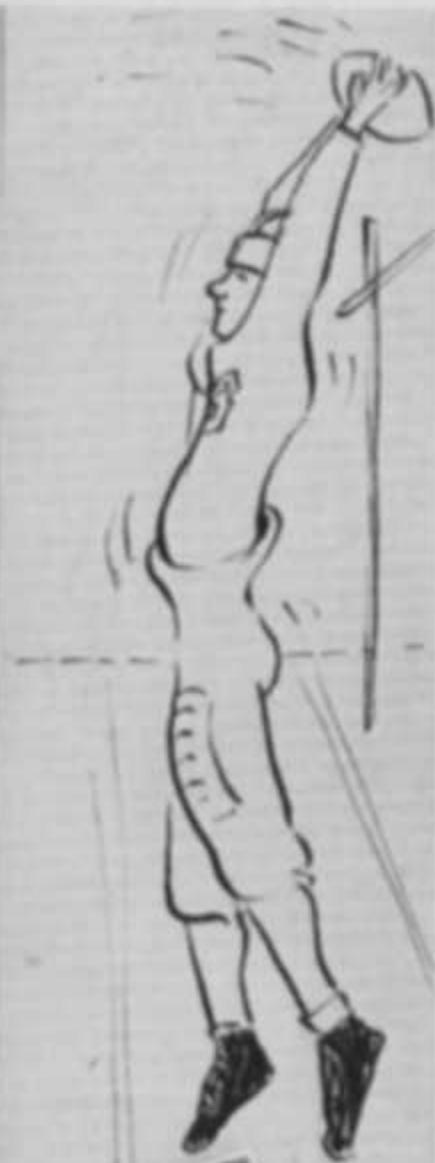
CHARLES F. HELMLY
Miami, Florida
"Chuck"

Private, Company "A" (I); Corporal, Company "A" (II); Sergeant, Company "A" (III); Captain, Company "A" (IV).
J. V. Football (I-II-III); J. V. Basketball (I-II); Track (II); Varsity Boxing (IV); Varsity Football (IV); Varsity Tennis (IV).

University of Tennessee

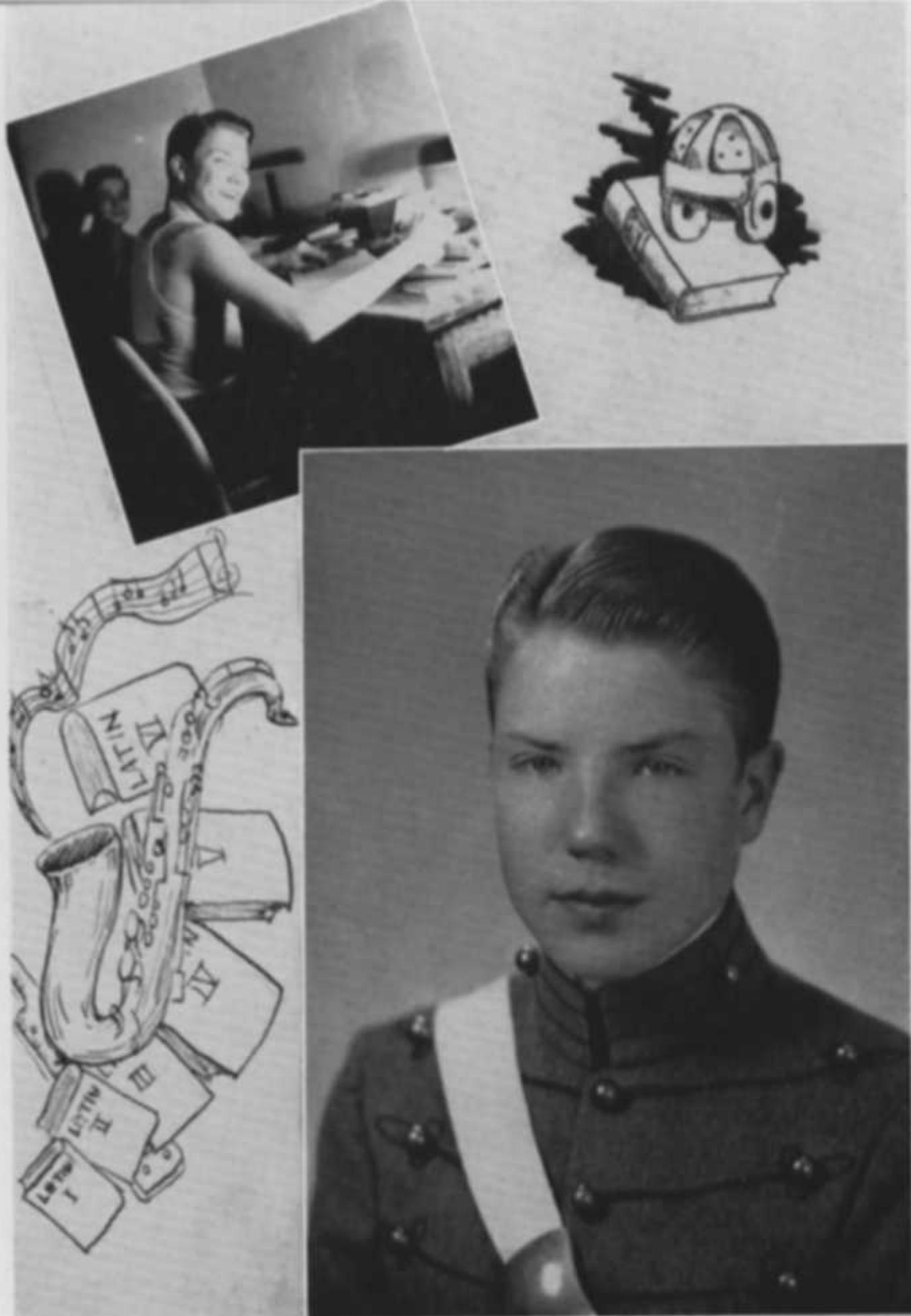
The quarterback fades to the rear, farther and farther, then a long high pass cuts through the crisp November air. Down, down into the waiting arms of "Lefty" for another S.M.A. victory. A poor lonely writer can never expect to immortalize "Chuck" as the football, boxing, and tennis star, so we will only endeavor to relate briefly his colorful career. In the far distant future when our present day class has seen many moons pass over, there will be heard in a dark, smoke-filled room, the many tales of Chuck . . . of "Old 98," Phil, "Frenchy" and the "big three." The Colonel has lost more than one hair over this trio. We do know that when you do take that final step you will be breaking the heart of more than one girl.

May we say for the whole Corps, that we wish you the best of luck, Chuck, wherever you may go.



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DAVID C. HENDERSHAW

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

"Hendy"

Private, Band (I); Corporal, Band (II); Corporal, Company "D" (III); Private, Company "F" (IV).

Camera Club (I); Track (I); Intramural Sports (I-II); Golf Team (I-II); Blue Knights (IV); Y.M.C.A. (I-II-III-IV).

M. I. T.

By way of explanation let us but say that this individual claims to be from that great and teeming metropolis, Pittsburgh. We assume no responsibility for his conduct. After four gruelling years of intense study (at least it sounds good) "Iphicles" will receive his diploma. It can safely be said that few cadets have dented Major Duggan's paddle more than "Dave." Those shrieks and moans emitting from Kable Stable are only "Iphicles" working on some way to improve radio. He expects to go to M.I.T. as soon as he finishes with the discovery of some new functions of electronics. The Physics class bears many a painful scar from the Age of Hendershaw. So long, "Iph," and don't let the world get you down. We know you helped to invent the radio. Please try to keep M.I.T. standing for a few more years.

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ROLAND Mc. HOWARD

Mountain Lakes, New Jersey

"Rocky"

Private, Company "D" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Corporal, Company "C" (III); 1st Sergeant, Company "D" (IV); Battalion Commander, 2nd Bn. Staff (V).

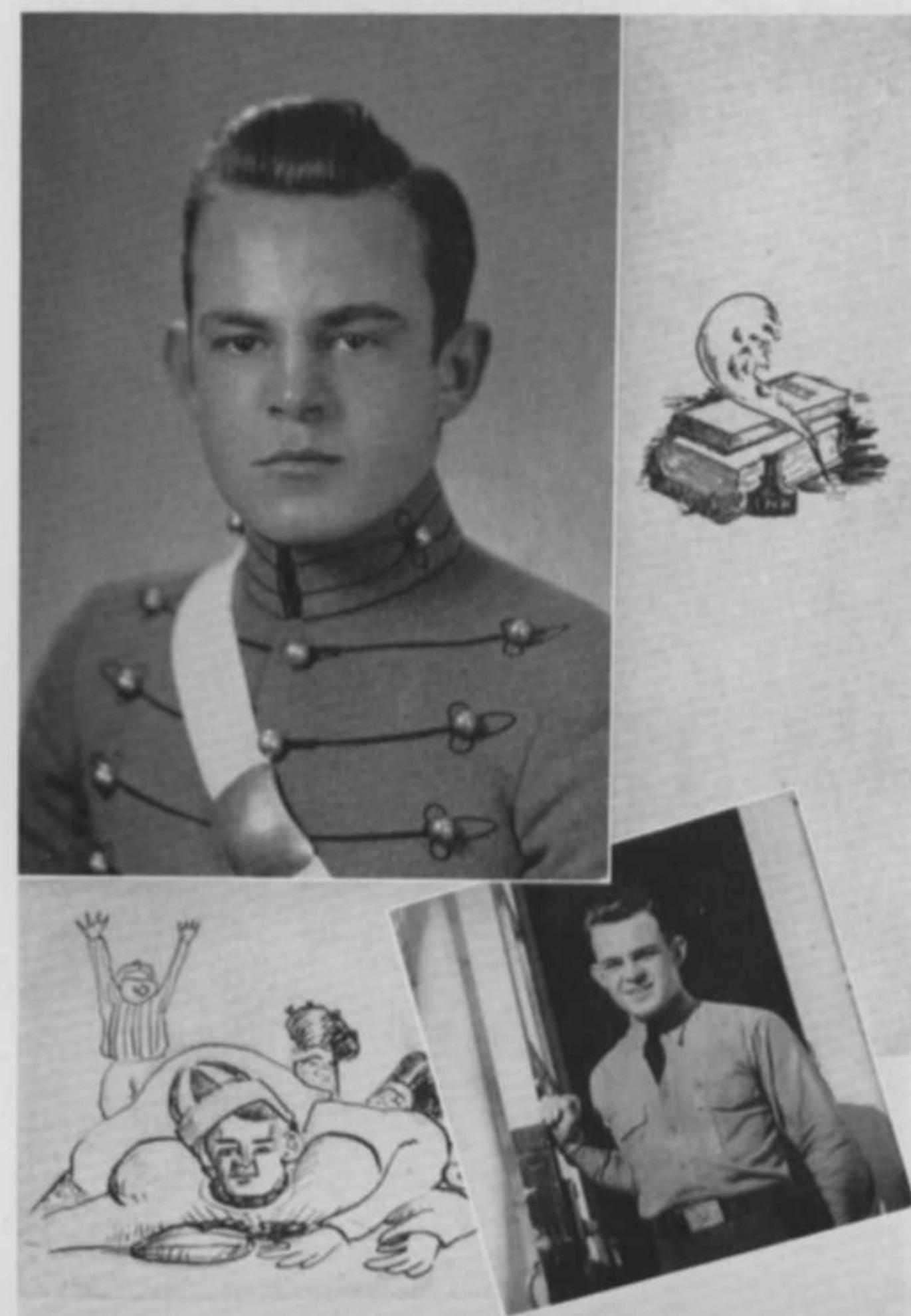
Kablegram Staff (I-II-III-IV-V); Editor-in-Chief Kablegram (III); Cotillion Club (IV-V); President Cotillion Club (V); W.W.L.S. (II-III); President W.W.L.S. (III); Y.M.C.A. (II-III); President Y.M.C.A. (III); Track (II-IV); Varsity Football (V); Boxing (II-III); Intramural Sports (II-III-IV); SHRAPNEL Staff (IV-V); Editor-in-Chief SHRAPNEL (V); Honor Society (II); Foul Four (III).

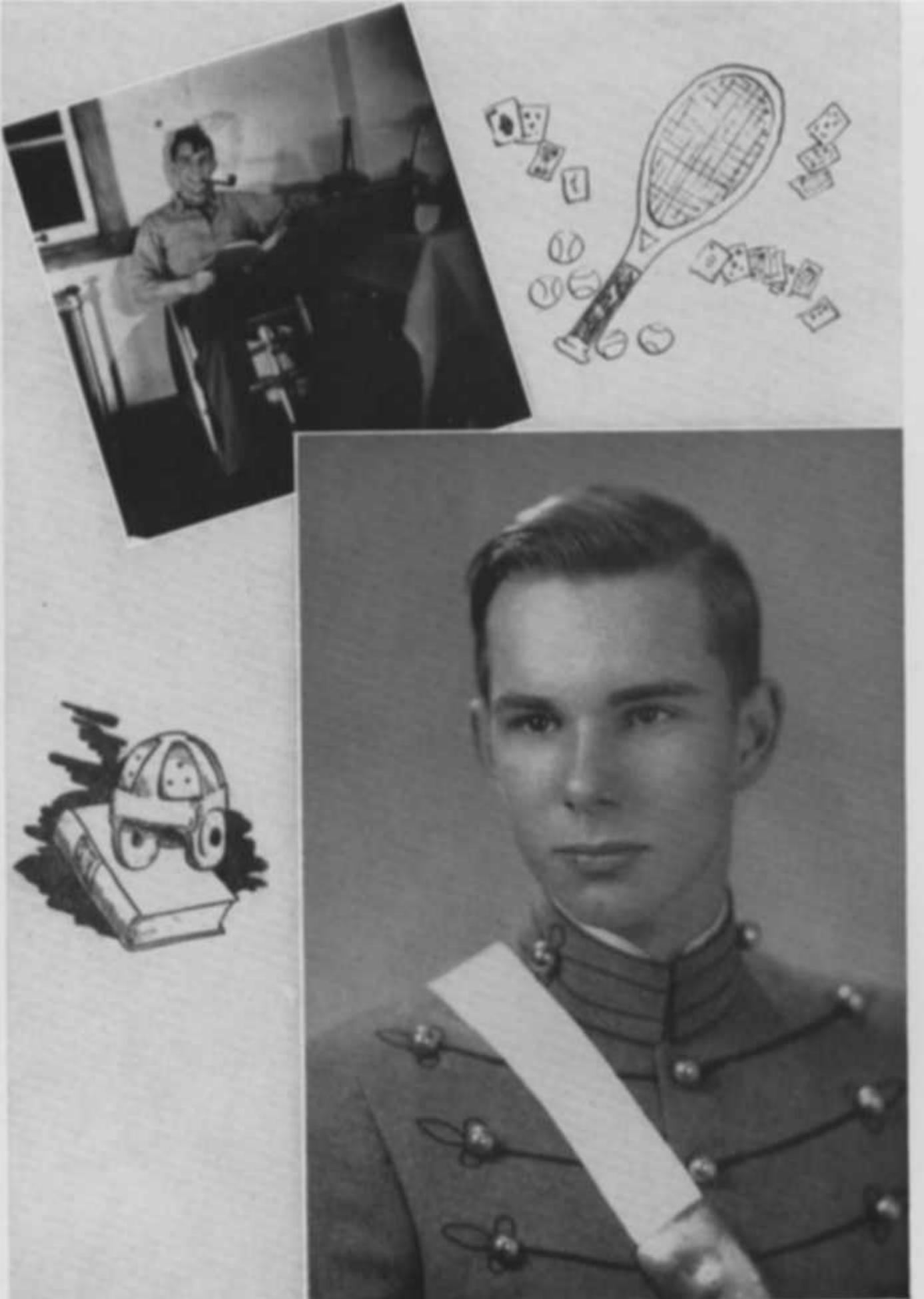
United States Army Air Corps

Our Roland needs no introduction, but just in case

Five years ago a pair of shoulders dressed in short pants walked into the Junior School. Little did anyone realize how momentous an happening this was. "Rocky" grew older, broader, and his character bolder and sturdier. He became Corporal, 1st Sergeant, and Battalion Commander; he joined the SHRAPNEL, Kablegram, Cotillion Club, and football team. His last year he headed most of these organizations, thanks to the Air Corps' generosity, the whole year.

A great guy who not only deserves, but undoubtedly will achieve success, yes, untold success.





RALPH S. HURD

New York, New York

"Mole"

Private, Band (I); Private, Company "A" (II); Lieutenant, Company "E" (III).
Tennis Team (I-II); Company Basketball (I-II); Company Football (I-II).

Yale University

East side, West side, all around the town! Yep, you guessed it, the wonder boy of New York! This lad, who can always be found playing bridge with his fellow inmates in 411, is a human dictionary. He certainly throws those words around. For the past three years Ralph has had his roommates crawling on the floor asking him to stop using words they've never heard of before. When you leave, Ralph, it would be wise to marry that beautiful gal before she throws her arms around the next first captain in the heart of Times Square. We wish you all the luck in the world, and are sure you will be on one of the quiz programs in future years. Never forget the time you licked the chief of the S.B.I. So long, champ, and many happy bridge games. Six no trump! Double! Redouble!

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HUGH A. IMLAY
Zanesville, Ohio
"Buddy"
Private, Company "B" (I).
United States Navy

Hugh came to S.M.A. this year to get away from the social ties of civilian life, and to get down to some real constructive work. But it wasn't long before he realized that the old routine of military life took up too much time. "Buddy" is a fellow who appears quiet and easy going, but behind that mask lurks a good sense of humor, and an excellent character. He came to school and started off the right way, and has continued on that line throughout the year. We have yet to see his name on the delinquency sheet. Yes, you might call him a model "rat." Hugh plans to jump out of his "kaydet" uniform this June to hop into Navy blues. Best of the luck on the high seas!

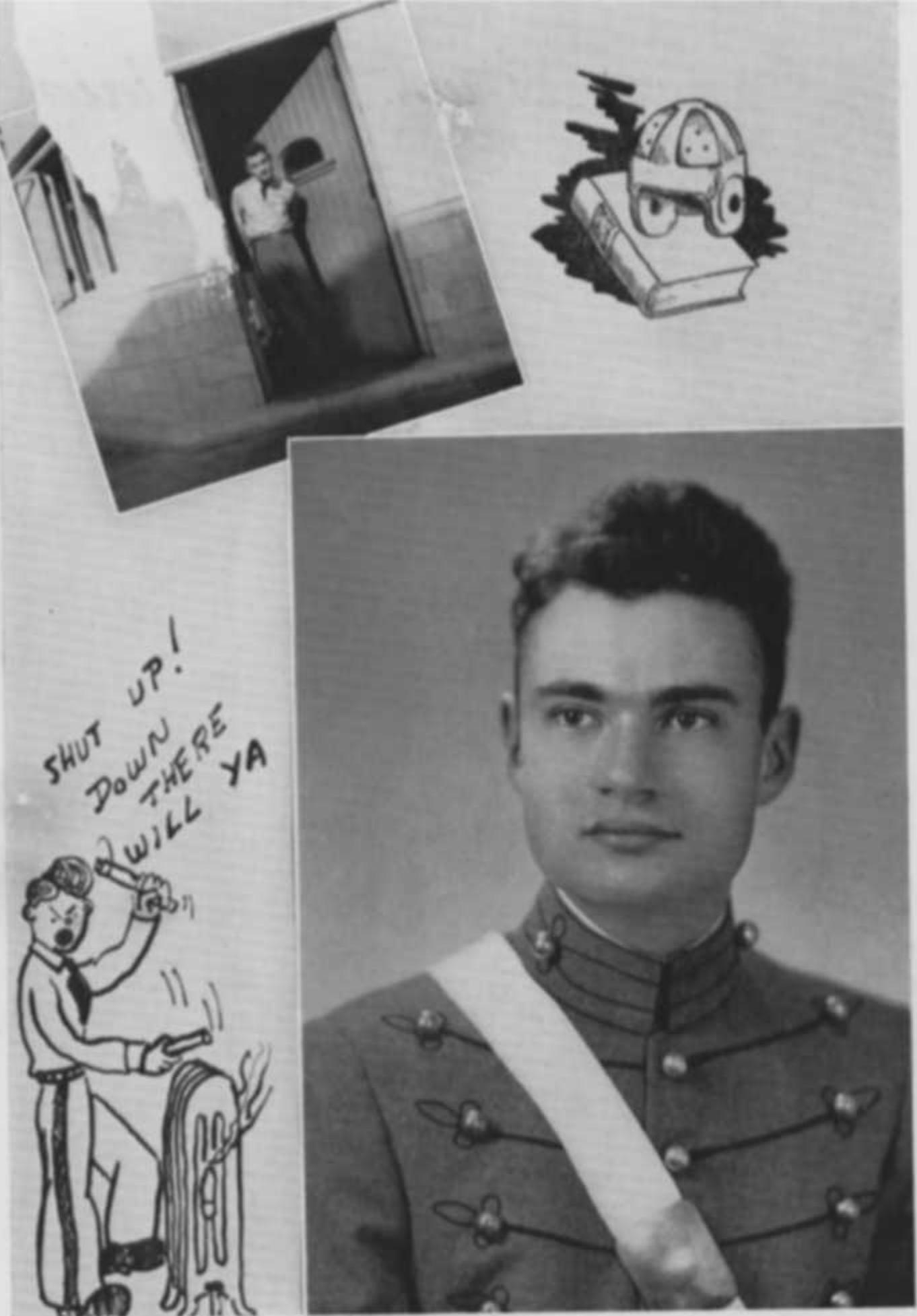


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EDWARD L. JOHNSON

Cleveland, Ohio

"Yonnie"

Private, Company "E" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Football (I-II); Varsity Track (II); Intramural Baseball (I-II).

"Prepare for inspection. Detail 'tention." Thus are uttered the fateful words of the cadet inspector as he makes his daily rounds, trying to find a molecule of dust in Ed's room. Alas, it is impossible. Despite our best efforts, Ed's room still remains the cleanest on the second gallery of North, and perhaps the best in the whole barracks. It is indeed a perplexing problem how one solitary cadet can keep his room so clean. (The fact that his roommate is always orderly has nothing to do with it.) Ed is one of our "E" Company inmates, and as a matter of record he is even guide of the first platoon. During any parade one can see Ed tripping down the asphalt with a platoon swinging along behind. This cadet is no meanie with a pigskin either, as was very evident in those close intramural games earlier in the year. Women in this town don't seem to interest this little one, but we bet that back in Ohio some lucky girl is merely biding her time. As a track man, Ed also has shown his ability. He is really out for it in full gear, and certainly is a handy man to have around for those track meets. We know that Ed will turn out okay in his chosen field, so let us merely express our sad farewell at his departure.

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ELLIOTT H. JOHNSON

Bronxville, New York

"Cokey"

Private, Company "A" (I); Corporal, Company "A" (II); Sergeant, Company "A" (III); Lieutenant, Company "A" (IV).
Kablegram Staff (I-II-III); Exchange Editor and Circulation Manager (II); Editor-in-Chief (III); S.M.A. Players (III).

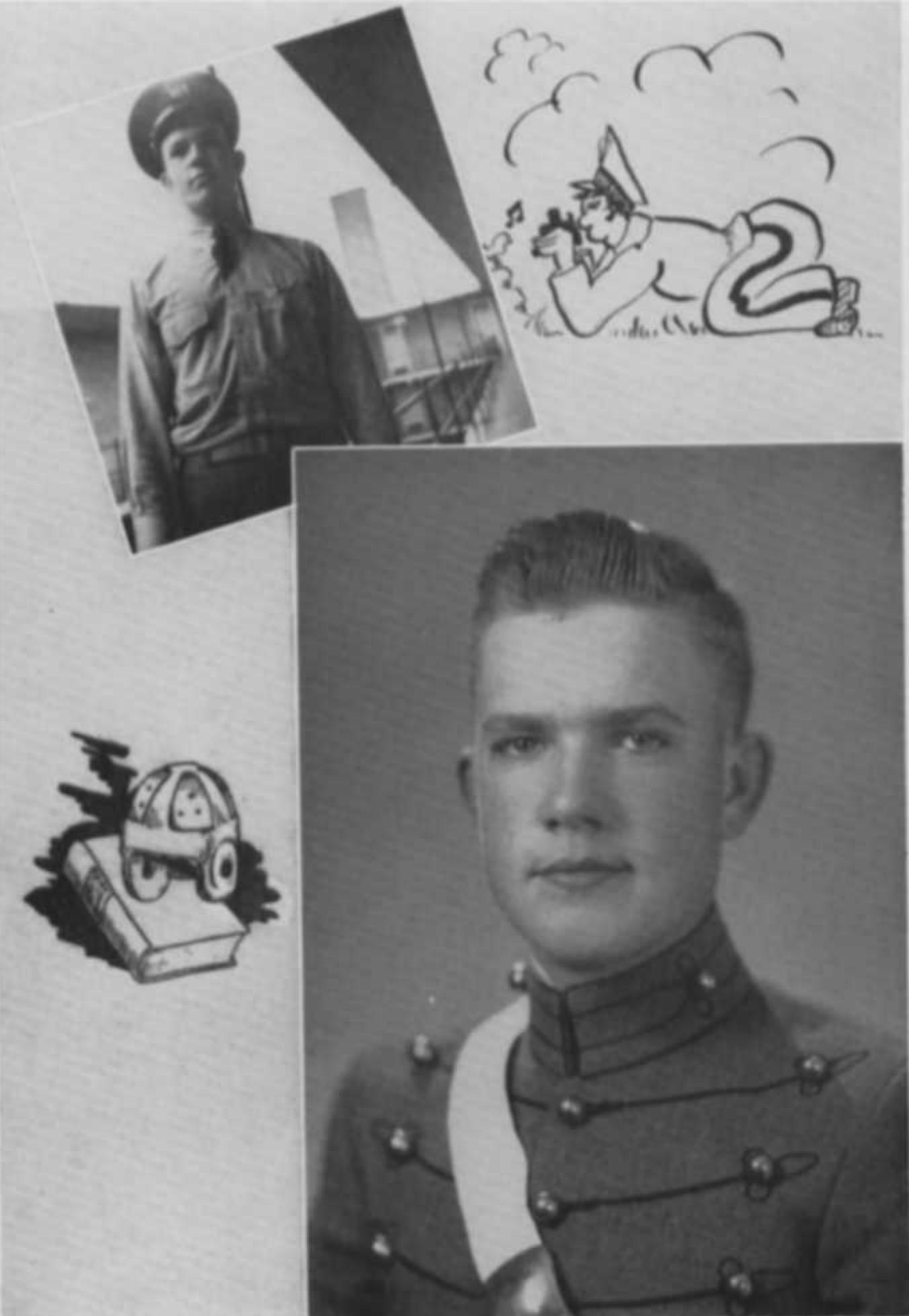
United States Army

When the staff sat down to make the write-up of the character above, Elliott Johnson, it was discovered that his chief pastime was that of entertaining the damsels of ye'o Stuart Hall. Perhaps this is the reason for his rooming with H. P. Baker. In digging into his misty past, we find that three years ago he was editor of the *Kablegram*, which is not a small feat. (Just ask J. A. K.). To be more up to date he was a noble Lieutenant in "A" Company, and is now secretary of the Dukes Club. Another visit to his past disclosed that he was one of the famous tea drunkers (typo-graphical error) of Gilbert's famed restaurant.

Elliott's father came to S.M.A. years ago, but we believe that he would have had to work mighty hard to equal the accomplishments of his son. Be seein' ya boy, on top a' the world!



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THOMAS L. JONES

Middletown, Ohio

"T"

Private, Band (I); Corporal, Band (II).
Camera Club (I); Intramural Football (II); Intramural Softball (I); Kablegram Staff
(II); SHRAPNEL Staff (II).

United States Coast Guard

Last year we added to our cadet corps a rather reserved sort of fellow who was known by the unusual and rare name of Tom Jones. "T" was a member of the band, and also aided the band in the intramural games, and we've often seen him playing his hardest for a band victory. Tom's biggest achievement at school, and one that we are grateful to him for, is his splendid work on the SHRAPNEL. He's the boy who is responsible for the majority of the pictures that decorate this yearbook. A vote of thanks for your untiring work, Tom!

Tom isn't affected by the women here because he has a certain one back home. We're jealous because we can't all boast of those faithful letters.

Tom has found many friends at S.M.A., and we're sure he will be missed by everyone next year.

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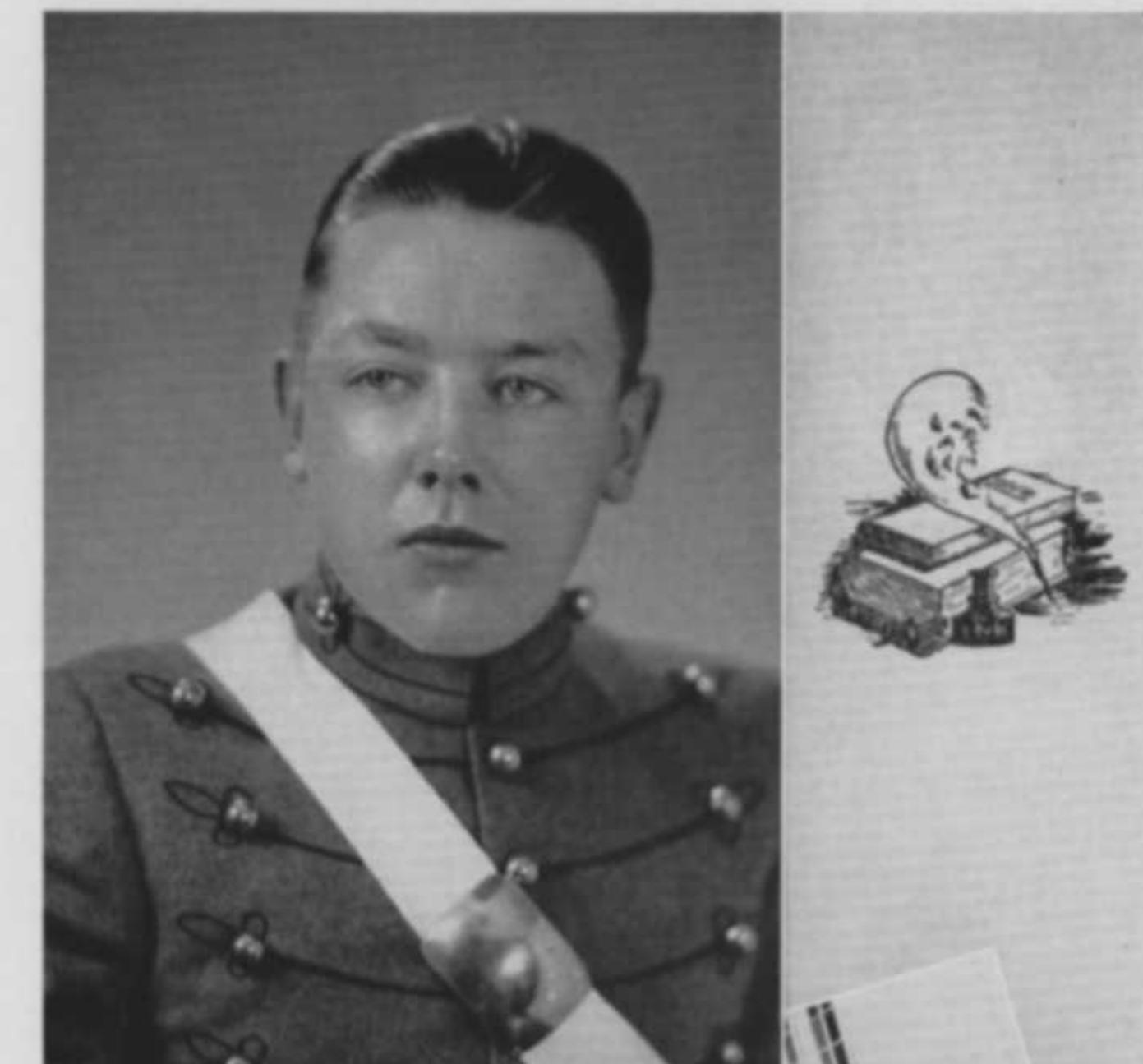
JAMES H. JORDAN, JR.

Scranton, Pennsylvania

Private, Company "C" (I); Sergeant Company "C" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II); Glee Club (I); S.M.A. Players (II); Enchiridion Society (II);
Kablegram Staff (II).

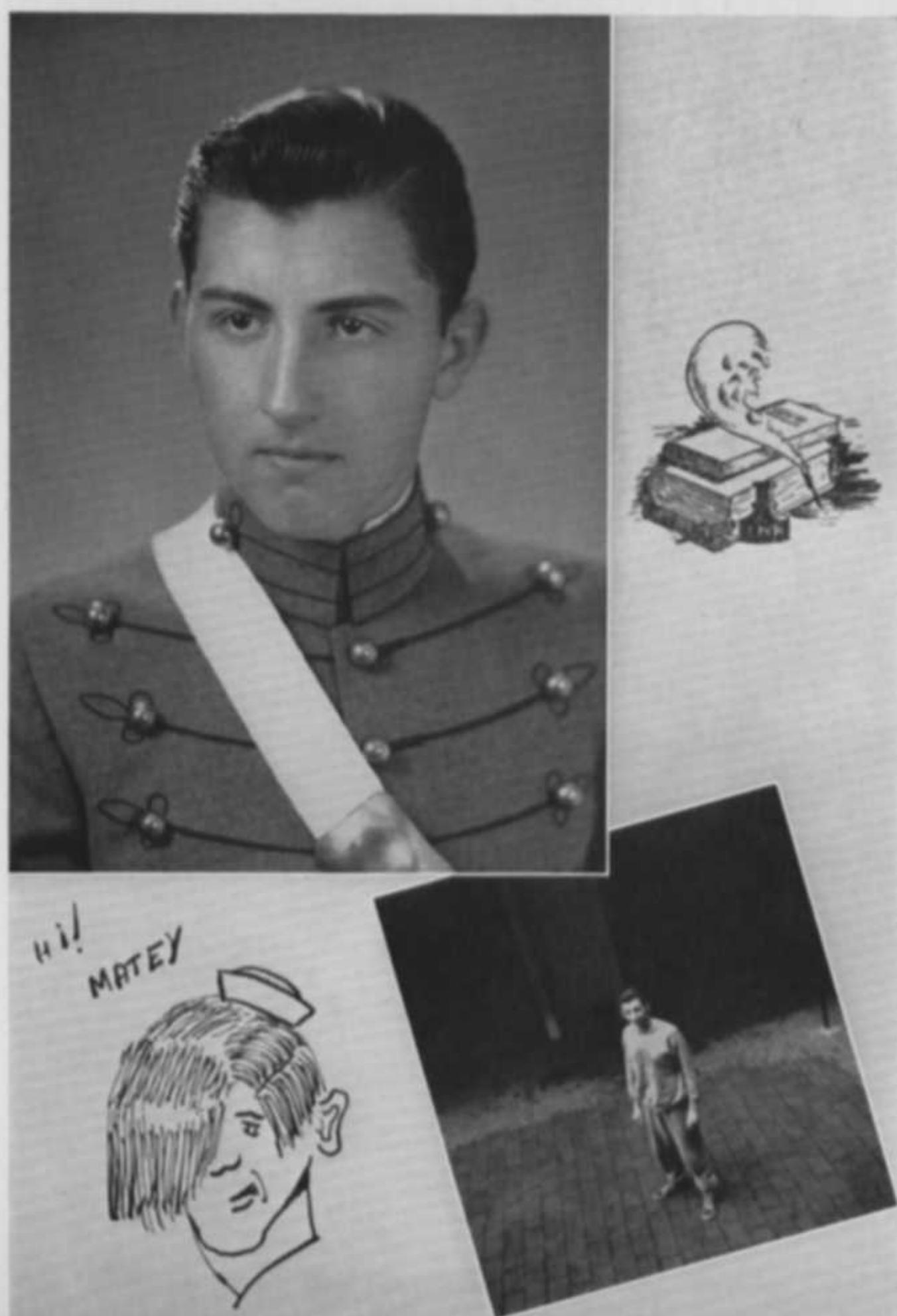
United States Army

Behind the innocent expression which you see before you, dear reader, there lies a long and gruesome story. Even Father Berman cannot conceive what a bad influence this character would be if he were to recount to the pliable young minds of his squad even a few of the escapades in which he has taken a far from minor part. If certain faculty officers ever get together and compared notes they will be amazed at the frequency with which Jim conveniently becomes stricken with mysterious, but deadly ills, not to mention the abundance of sergeants of the guard on certain nights of the week. How he manages to do all this and still remain true to a little gal in Scranton is something that we more inexperienced lovers are still trying to figure out. As the other half of that Mic twosome says with a wise wink, "All S.M.A. Cadets seem to be either love sick or farmers, and Jordan's no farmer." Make hay while the sun shines, boy, because the Army will soon have you in a place where it will be pretty hard to say, "Come on Andy, let's break tonight and see a show. This place is getting boring."



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WALTER C. KEAL, JR.

Euclid, Ohio

"Curt"

Private, Company "A" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).

United States Navy

It all started on the third gallery of South last year. Dr. Keal, the great Ohio physician, started his famous experiments concerning explosions. Little did this individual know that he was to be awarded the Order of S.M.A. In fact, it was known as the "Special Order" for quite a while. Yes, "98" took its place in the annals of our school; it was the highest of the year. Nevertheless, Walter has maintained his air of innocence to the last. The only change from last year is his new abode in North which he shares with "Charles Atlas" Rumsey. The two of them initiated the goldfish bowl for butts. That was their way of smoking all they wanted without dirtying up their spotless room. "Professor" enters the Navy by way of the air just after graduation this year. All we have to say is that Uncle Sammy is getting one swell fellow. Here's to you, boy, and keep in there fighting.



ANDRE M. KAHN
Manila, Philippine Islands
"Andy"

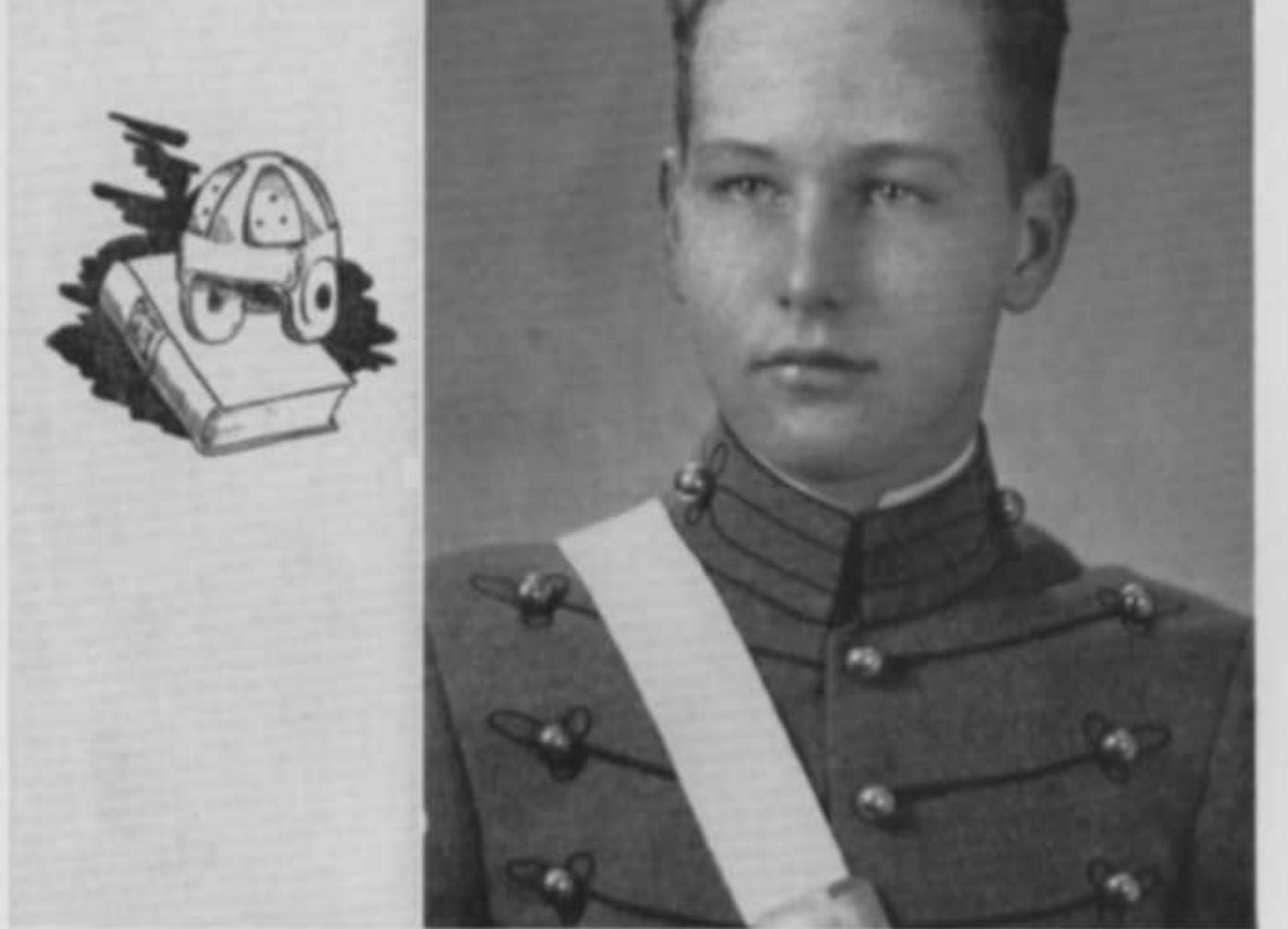
Private, Company "D" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Lieutenant, Company "F" (III).

Y.M.C.A. (I-II); Secretary (II); SHRAPNEL Staff (III); Kablegram Staff (II-III); Managing Editor (III); President, Enchiridion Society (III); Intramural Football (III); Intramural Basketball (III); Riding Club (I).

Naval V-12 Program

With a crack of a whip and the swish of a paddle, our little rat in question first became acquainted with those who use this Academy as their habitat. Yes, fellow countrymen, 'twas on that gray September morn three long years ago that Andre entered here for the first time. (Lucky chap.) 'Tis a mystery to this day how a person could graduate from here without spending many long weary hours burning the midnight oil, but truly Andre has put in nine hours of sleep every night for the past three years . . . and still he's on the Headmaster's List. If you think that's easy, just try it some time. Andre hasn't spent a great deal of time at the local "Chicken Coops," but rumor has it that some lucky girl has been receiving letters quite regularly. (He keeps mum on that topic.) Wherever he may go, we know that this is one lad who will succeed in any school, college, or business; and it is with this thought in mind that we wish him "Bonne Chance."





CHARLES R. KELLY

Maracaibo, Venezuela

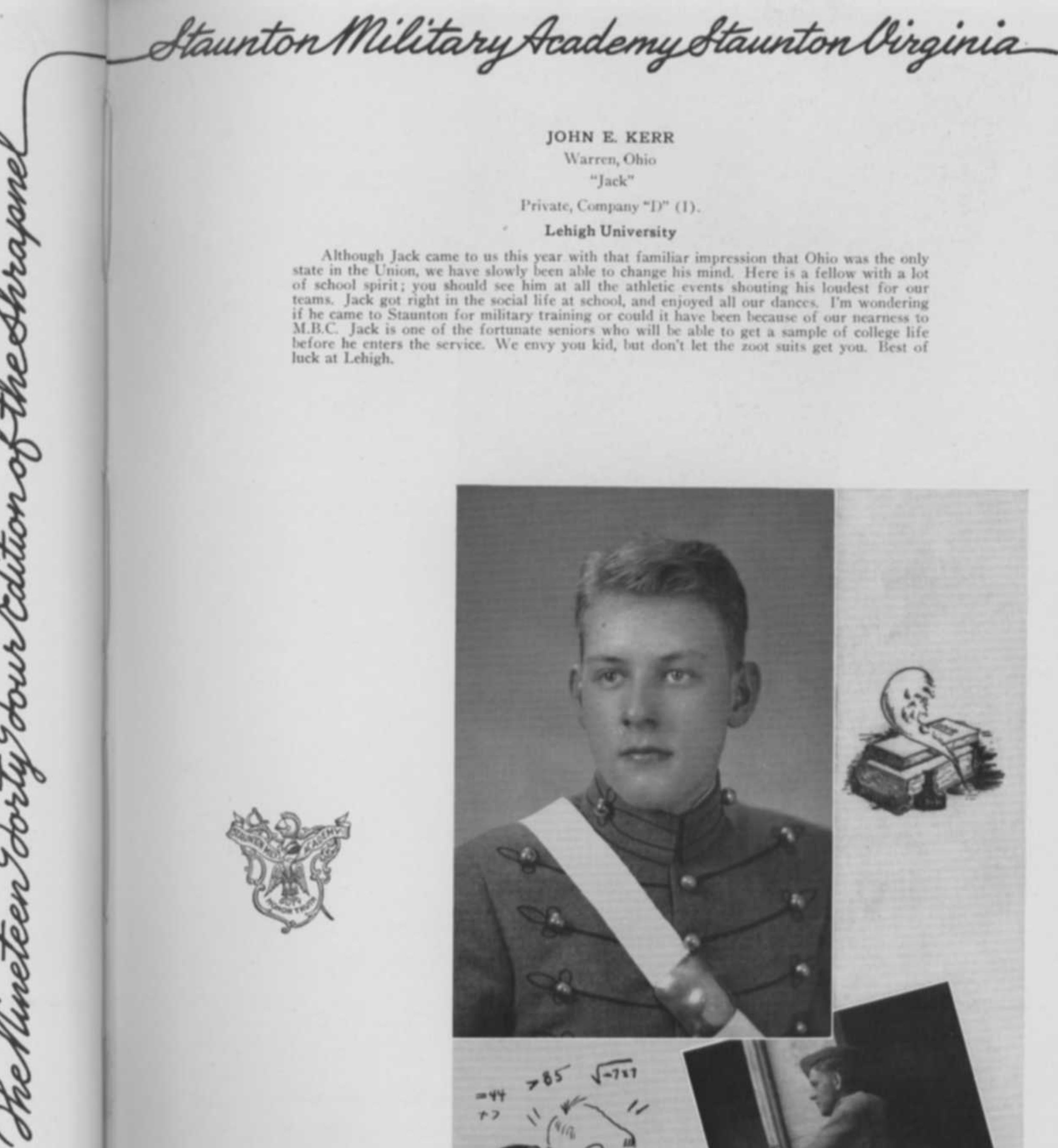
"Bob"

Private, Company "E" (I); Corporal, Company "C" (II); Sergeant, Company "B" (III);
1st Lieutenant and Regiment Adjutant, Staff (IV).
Junior School Softball (I).

M. I. T.

Here's to the "happy moron" whose voice may be heard at each and every formation, but it is at various retreats that he brings unwelcome tidings to some unsuspecting fellow cadets who have strayed from the paths of right. This poor, weak-minded fellow is still complaining as to why he received only 99.99 per cent in his last Physics examination. Rather than follow his illustrious roommate's deeds of crime, Charles is content with creating enough static through his arc-welding to make it impossible for his neighbors to gain any benefit from their radio. It is rumored that Mr. Bailey was considering giving Chuck a reduced rate on chocolate malts, but he discovered that his waitress was the attraction, not his chocolate malts. Charles, you almost make us blush, a woman hater like you, too.

Because of his poor academic standing here at Staunton Bob was compelled to enroll in a snap college such as M.I.T., from where he may even graduate before Venezuela finds out that a war is going on.



JOHN E. KERR

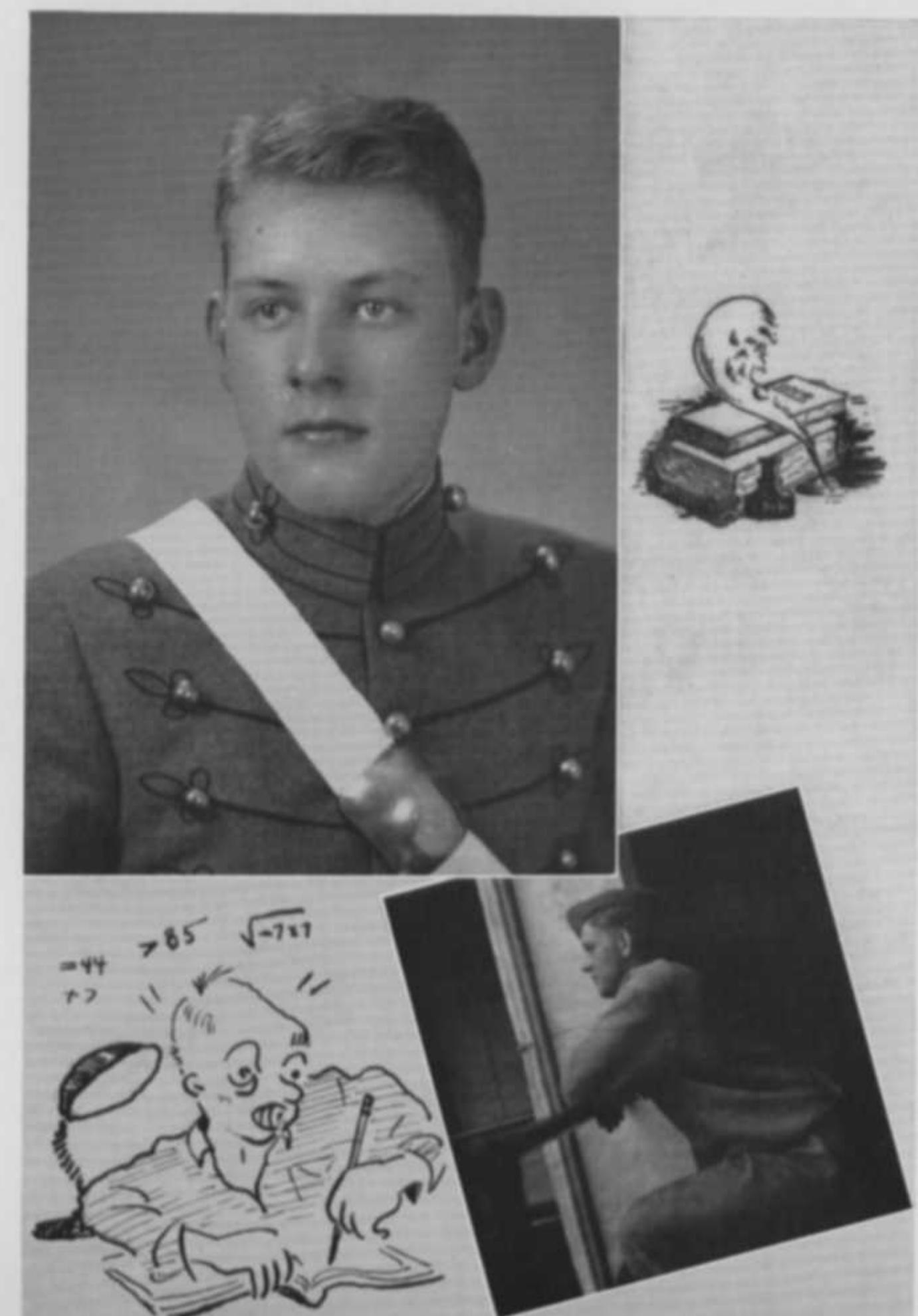
Warren, Ohio

"Jack"

Private, Company "D" (I).

Lehigh University

Although Jack came to us this year with that familiar impression that Ohio was the only state in the Union, we have slowly been able to change his mind. Here is a fellow with a lot of school spirit; you should see him at all the athletic events shouting his loudest for our teams. Jack got right in the social life at school, and enjoyed all our dances. I'm wondering if he came to Staunton for military training or could it have been because of our nearness to M.B.C. Jack is one of the fortunate seniors who will be able to get a sample of college life before he enters the service. We envy you kid, but don't let the zoot suits get you. Best of luck at Lehigh.



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JAMES A. KINDREGAN

Wilmington, Delaware

"Jake"

Private, Company "C" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "B" (II); Lieutenant and Adjutant, Staff (III); Rifle Team (I).

Art Club (I); Glee Club (II); Intramural Sports (I-II-III); *Kablegram* Staff (I-II); Editor-in-Chief *Kablegram* (III); *SHRAPNEL* Staff (II); Associate Editor *SHRAPNEL* (III); Cotillion Club (II-III); Sergeant-at-Arms, Senior Class (III).

United States Military Academy

Amid bands playing, crowds cheering, and spot lights focusing we present above the physiognomy of "Jamie Boy"—a scrumptious 'Jakie Wakie' to some blonde or, perhaps for this man of the world, blondes.

Jake has idled away his senior year. By that we mean all he has done is to put out the *Kablegram*, help edit the *SHRAPNEL*, play a large part in directing all dances, make drawings and posters for all school activities, and, as a side line, do his academic work.

Yes, Jake is gifted in many avocations; some printable—others not—but it all adds up to the fact that a great personality is leaving us and with the best wishes and confidence of all of us.

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JAMES W. KITCHELL

Larchmont, New York

Private, Band (I).
Intramural Football (I).

United States Naval Air Corps

On the day that S.M.A. was invaded by a certain species of human being called "rats," the pressure on this hallowed ground was greatly increased, especially where a certain senior happened to tread. Since Kitch hails from outside God's country, Larchmont, he feels quite at home here. His strained face is noticed by many as he staggers down the parade ground every Sunday afternoon under thirty pounds of polished brass and joins in the tunes the band is famed for.

Kitch is one of the biggest cadets on the campus, and he has a way with everything, including how to handle the business end of a broom. He majors in English, under that well-known clock, and minors in Trig. Surprisingly enough, he gets pretty good marks and in due time is headed for the Naval Air Corps V-5 program.



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FRANK A. LAWLER

Denville, New Jersey

"Lil' Mose"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "B" (II); Corporal, Company "D" (III); Private, Company "D" (IV); Platoon Sergeant, Company "E" (V).
Varsity Swimming Team (IV-V).

United States Navy

Here in this corner coaching the Varsity Swimming Team, we present to you our boy, your boy, everybody's boy, Frank Lawler. One of the big hell-raisers in North Barracks, Frankie came to us five long, hard years ago in the state of confusion, but he's been very amusing since he's been here. He is known for his witty remarks as well as for his good grades.

Whenever someone is in need of a friend, he is always on hand and will give anyone a square deal once, but not twice. Although he is only five feet six inches tall, he can well take care of himself.

Yes, Frank has changed for the better within the last five years. Wherever you go, Frank, or whatever you do, don't forget S.M.A., because it won't forget you!

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CHARLES S. LAZERWITZ

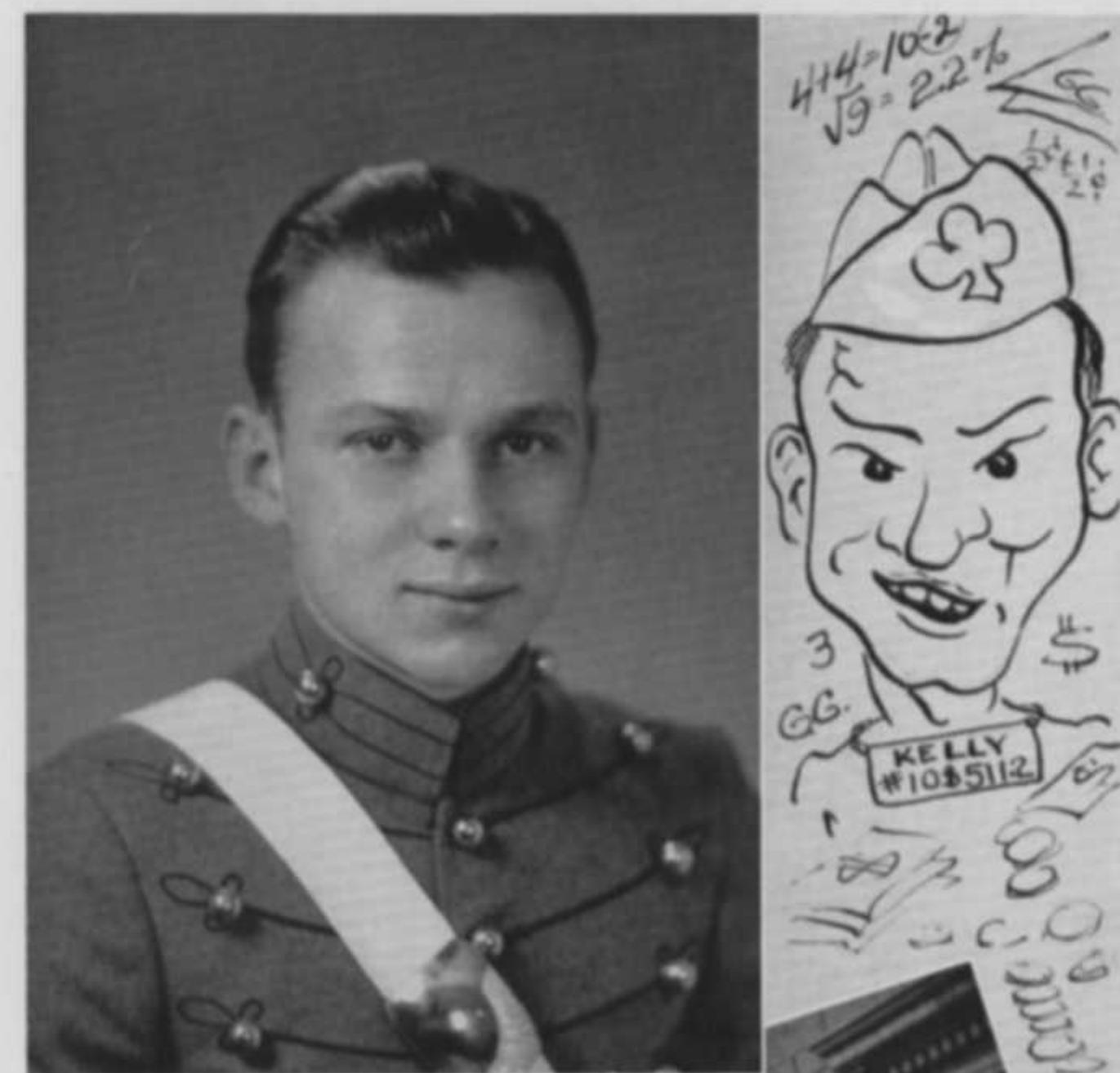
Gary, Indiana

"Kelly"

Private, Company "D" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Platoon Sergeant Company "D" (III); 1st Lieutenant "F" Company (IV).
J. V. Swimming (II); J. V. Football (II-III-IV); Golf (II); Y. M. C. A. (III-IV); Kablegram Staff (IV); SHRAPNEL Staff (IV); Intramural Basketball (IV).

United States Army

"Hey, Kelly!" Whenever you hear someone shout that familiar phrase, you can bet your ration book that our boy "Kelly" McLazerwitz will answer in that unforgettable fog-horn voice. "Irish" has served a long time—four years to be exact—and one need not refer to the records to see Charlie's accomplishments. He was a stellar lineman on the J. V. football team and paddled on Coach Onesty's swimming team. The M.S. IV class couldn't have continued without him, for, so he tells us, the Colonel often consults him on military and disciplinary matters. Maybe he considers answering a report a consultation. Seriously, Chuck, we're sorry to see you pull up stakes after such a delightful stay, but we know this will prove only the match with which to light your way into the darkness of success.



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JACK B. LEHMANN

New Rochelle, N. Y.

"Jack"

Private, Company "D" (I); Sergeant, Company "D" (II); 1st Lieutenant, Company "D" (III).

Photography Club (I); Flying Club (II); Enchiridion Society (II-III); Company football (II-III); Company Softball (II-III).

M. I. T.

Roar! Whoosh! A tiny speck in the sky grows larger...and larger....Yes, we knew it. It's Jack in his Taylor Cub flying through the air with the greatest of ease. Jack is one of the few who remains from the Flying Club, started three years ago. Although, he isn't flying these days because of the war, he'll be up there soon again. Jack claims he's from New Rochelle, but New York sounds more important. It seems monotonous, but Jack is another of those "D" Company boys. He started there, and now he's the first lieutenant. He is quartered way down south there in the wilderness. By that we mean Annex 1, Staunton's unadulterated boarding house. Jack, being scientifically inclined, is planning to attend M. I. T. He wants a nice, easy college to graduate from. Hope you make it there, Jack; but then that's foolish. We know you will.

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EDGAR S. LEVY
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
"Eddie"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "F" (II).
Intramural sports (I-II).

United States Naval Academy

When little "J. J." ventured up from old New Orleans approximately two years ago, he was very uneasy until he learned that Virginia was still south of the Mason-Dixon Line and wasn't a part of "Yankeeland" at all. After being reassured as to the lay of the land about Staunton, Edgar settled down to work and has been decorating the Superintendent's list ever since.

Little Ed's life-long ambition has been to get into the Naval Academy. His goal is in sight now, for he appears a cinch to pick up the school's appointment. We're sure he'll do well when he enters next summer, and we're also certain that he'll make a swell officer. It'll be a pleasure to salute you, "J. J."





ROBERT E. LEWIS

Phillipsburg, N. J.

"Smiley"

Private, Company "A" (I); Sergeant, Company "B" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II); Enchiridion Society (I).

United States Navy

"Smiley" (believe it or not we did see him once with a sad look on his face) came to us from the hills of New Jersey two years ago, and he liked the climate so well that he decided to settle down and stay a while. Next to his favorite pastime, studying, Bob seems to spend most of his time writing his "O.A.O." down at M.B.C.

We are sure that Bob would have made a place on this year's varsity football team, but, because of an injury sustained in an early game, he was unable to play the rest of the season. Many evenings during his "rat" year, we could hear "Smiley" arguing with his roommate, Jim Garrison, as to who won the Civil War. That's all right, Bob, we know he was bigger than you were. Seriously though, we hope your future is as successful as your stay at S.M.A. has been.

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HUGH LOGSDON

Washington, D. C.

"Logy"

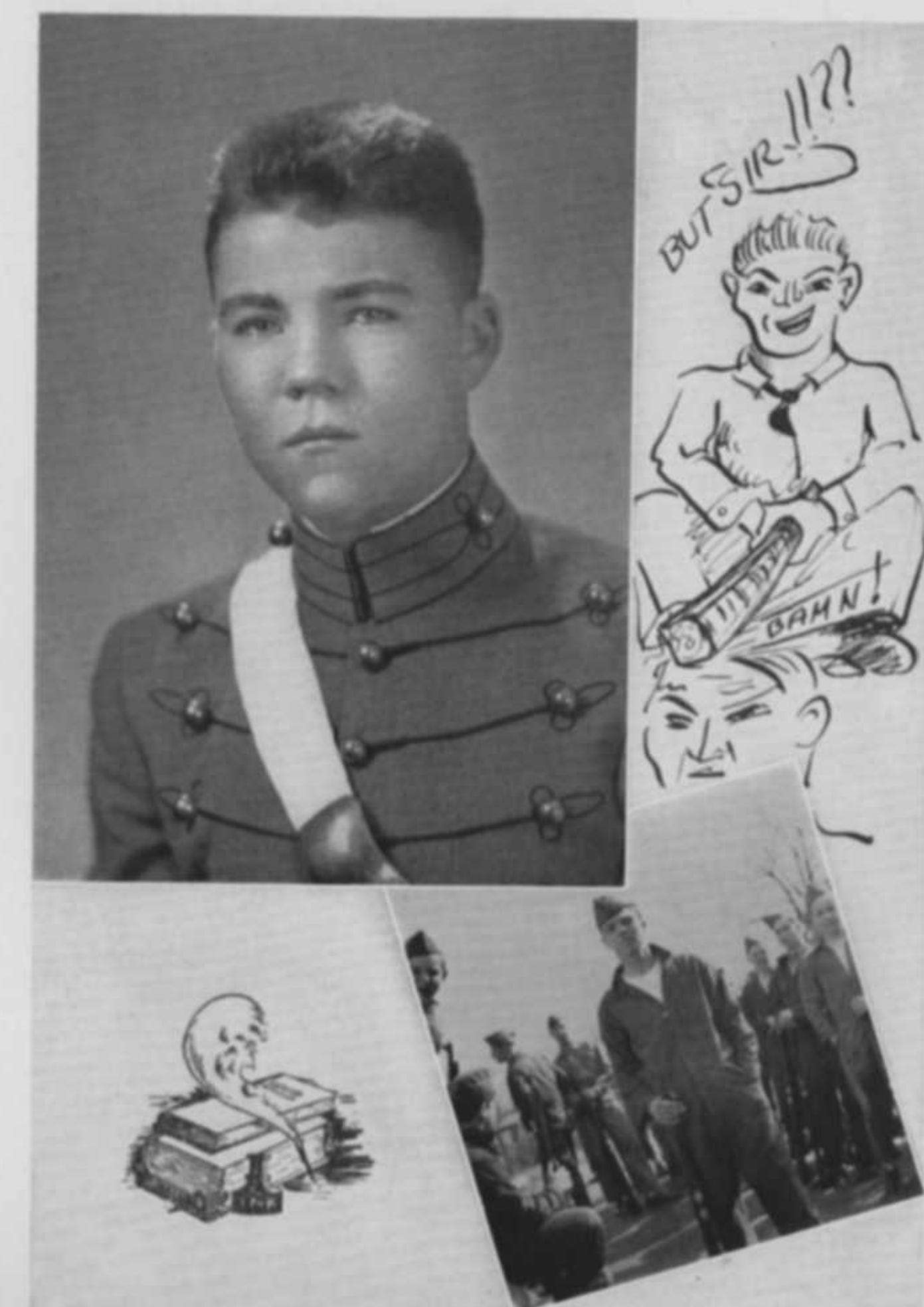
Private, Company "C" (I); Sergeant, Company "B" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II); Varsity Track (I-II); Varsity Basketball (II).

United States Army Air Corps

Crash! Another G. I. can rolls into the blacked-out quadrangle of North Barracks. From behind the door of Room 506 comes the leering face of our own Hughy Logsdon. "But, Lt. Carpenter, you can't run me until I drop, because I won't drop." The above sentence shows the determination that Hughy has shown in his two year siesta at S.M.A. As an all around athlete "Hughy" is one of the best. Captain Onesty is depending on our wonder boy to pull the track team through in the quarter-mile and the mile relay. It is still a mystery to us how a cadet can write to girls at Stuart Hall all during C.Q. and still get on the Headmaster's List. Last year, "Hughy" was too engrossed in his studies to be out getting in trouble, but this year, since he has taken his place on the second gallery of North, he has entered the limelight with his daredevil tactics. "Logy" goes into the Army Air Forces soon after graduation, and we are all sure that it won't be long before "Hughy" is zooming into fame and glory.



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HARRY T. LOYND, JR.

Brackenridge, Pa.

"Tom"

Private, Company "C" (I).

United States Naval Air Corps

This, ladies and gents, is the original wit of Lt. Harnley's fourth period English class. Oh, how we have suffered listening to his original (?) humor day after day. But then, it relieved the prevailing monotony of the daily routine.

Tom, for his single year here, has done all right for himself. He's ambitious as far as "orderlies out" is concerned; and, even in his studies, his sense of humor saves him from a dull existence. As the Cadet with the Sioux haircut, Tom has our vote. Yep, he really looks sharp, as he puts his garrison cap on where his imagination should be. It was great knowing you, Tom. Keep right on pitching after you leave here.

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HAROLD B. LYON
Youngstown, Ohio
"Hal"
Private, Band (I).
Varsity Basketball (I).
United States Navy

Behold, people; here is a "rat" who has done S.M.A. some good. Hal is one of the best basketball players to sink a shot in these parts for quite some time. He combines his great natural ability with plenty of hard practice; and, as a result, he has become the main headache of Staunton's opponents.

Besides being one of the Alma Mater's top sport stars, he is quite a "brain" when it comes to class room work. He is one of those lucky guys who can get the maximum in grades with the minimum amount of effort. To prove unusual versatility, he plays a good sax for Captain Studney's musicians.

Hal is also the most "happy-go-lucky" kid in the school. He takes everything as it comes and never seems to have any worries. When he leaves, his pleasant smile and good words will be missed by all of us who know and like him.











ROBERT McCARTNEY

McDonald, Pa.

"Bob"

Private, Company "C" (I).

United States Army

Bob has only been with us this one year, but in this short time he has made an impression that will stay with us the rest of our days. Not many "rat" seniors can claim the distinction of being on the Headmaster's list, but our Bob can. Without the help of the "Brain," Col. Pitcher's first period solid class would be at a complete loss. As far as "les femmes" are concerned, Bob has done quite well, or (should we say) extremely well. We have yet to see Bob accompanying Capt. Onesty, but then it is understood that men on the headmaster's list are smart enough to get away with such things. Whether it be in the Army or in college, we are sure that Bob will go a long way. Good luck on your journey, mister.

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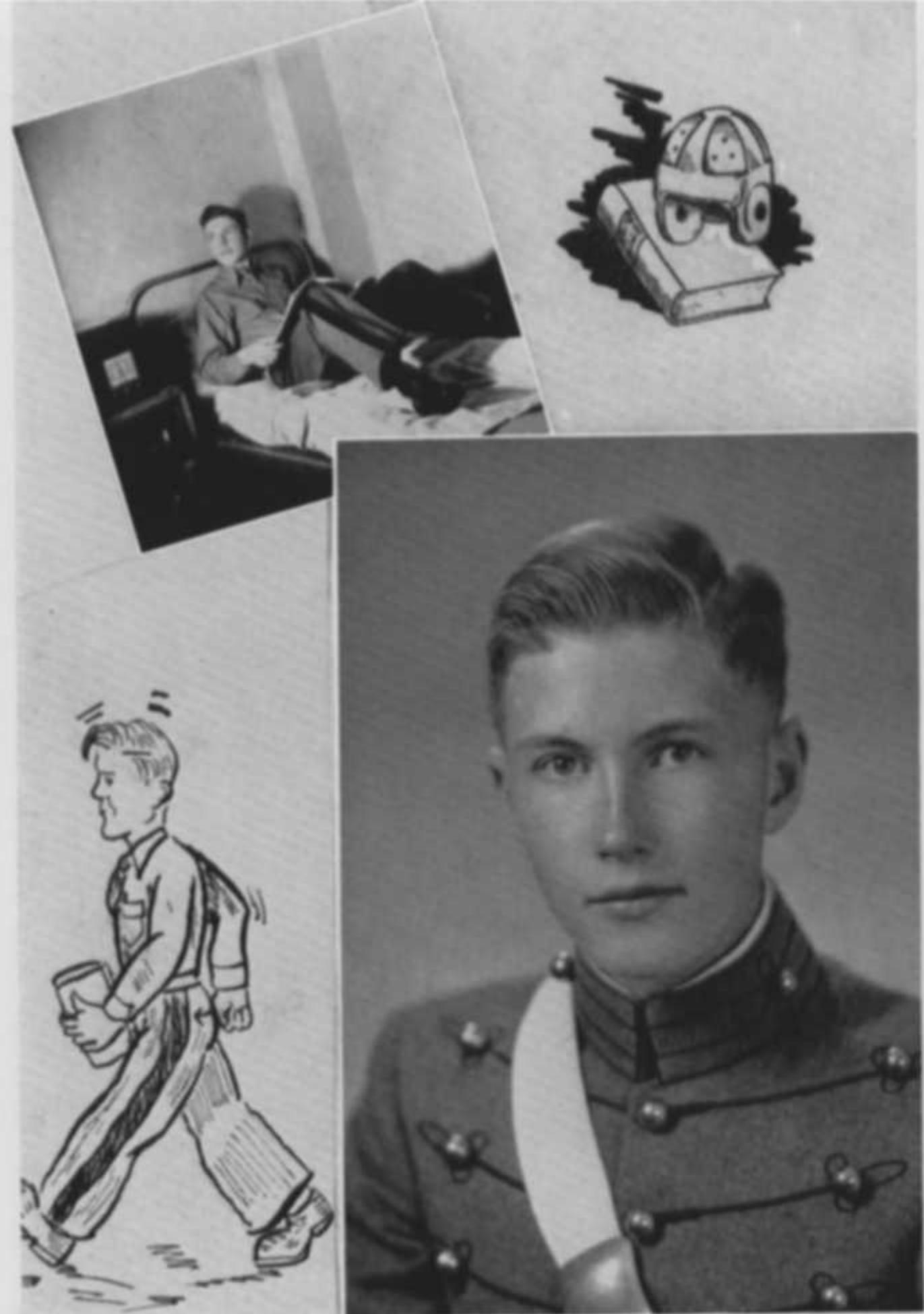
ROBERT E. McGAHEY
Fostoria, Ohio
"Bob"
Private Company "B" (I).
Intramural Basketball (I).

As we sit down to write this epic, we find it hard to decide just what things about Bob are the most important. He came to school in September and got right into the swing of things, and it wasn't long before he had a lot of friends. He was assigned to room 300 in "Rowdies Runway" and he did much to keep the name of that beloved section of ole South alive.

Bob is in "B" Company and his Company can boast of no better men than Bob. He took part in all the company sports, and he had more company spirit than any other man. He could often be found in the afternoons dragging "B" Company boys out of their rooms and down to the games.

It comes time to say goodbye now, so Bob, keep up that personality and spirit; they will always be the key to friendship.

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ROBERT D. McCREEVEY

Garden City, New York

"Mac"

Private, Company "D" (I); Sergeant, Company "D" (II).
Company Football (I-II); Cross Country (II).

United States Army

We first became acquainted with this energetic lad when he resided in South Barracks with friend Joe Linn. However, let us hasten to reassure ye, honorable readers, that it wasn't long before "Mac" was in a class by himself. Not the type to rest on his roommate's laurels, this chap proceeded to show us what he could do. In the two short years that he's been here, we haven't been disappointed. "Mac" has participated in almost all intramural sports and has certainly kept up the traditions of "D" Company. His squad looks pretty sharp with "Mac" guiding them.

Besides being a regular fella, "Mac" isn't any too bad with his studies. As a matter of fact, he's doing himself credit with all those high marks that he piles up. This year he's been residing at Kable Stable in that 800 corridor, which people (except for those that hang their hats there) should stay clear of. Not knowing what Mac has planned for the future, we, his classmates, only want him to know that it's been great knowing him. Some day his name will stand in bold type.

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ANDREW McLANAHAN

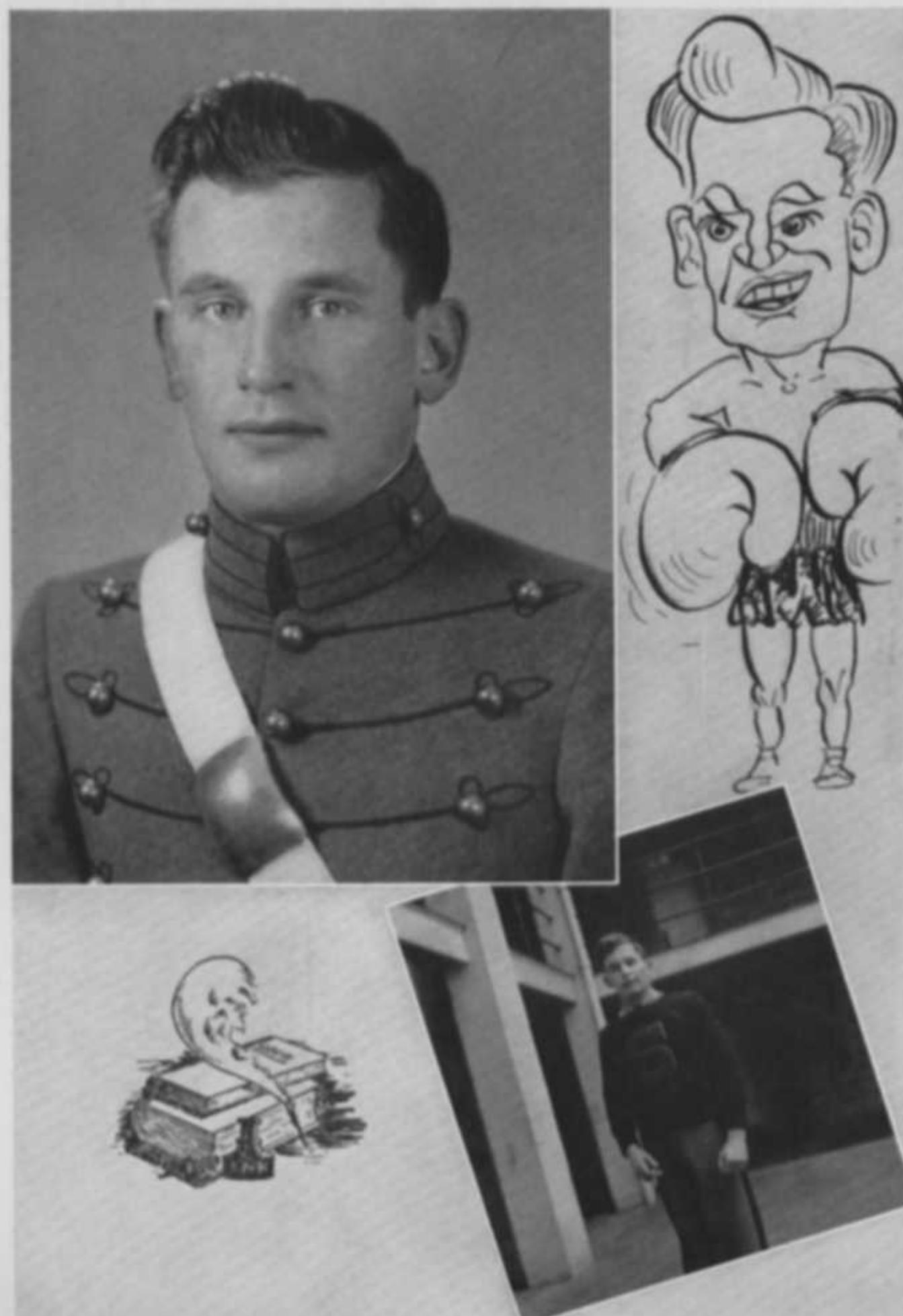
Greencastle, Pa.

"Mac"

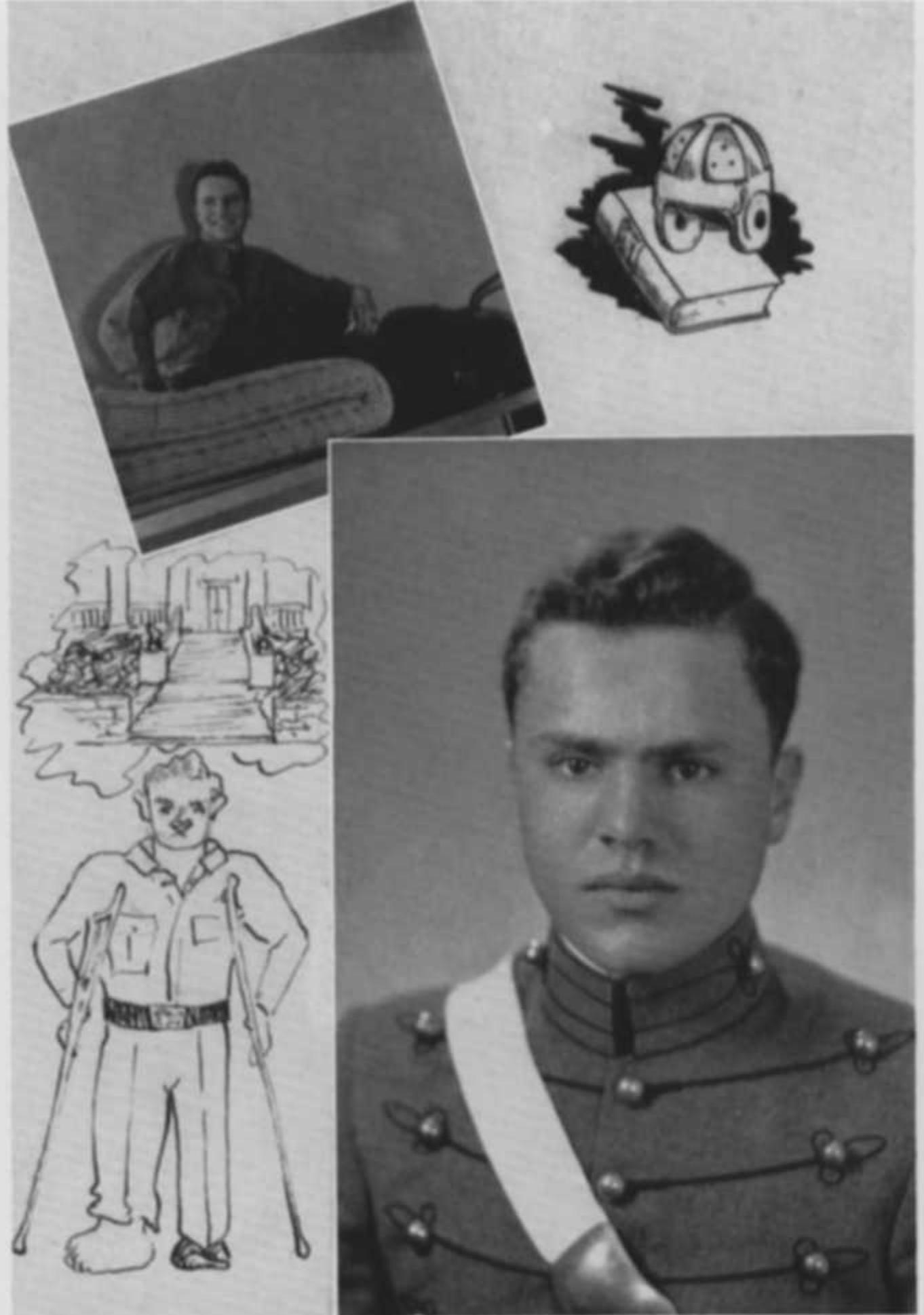
Private, Company "A" (I); Corporal, Company "B" (II); Platoon Sergeant, Company "B" (III); 1st Lieutenant, Company "A" (IV).
Varsity Boxing (III, IV); Co-Captain, Boxing (IV).

United States Army

Ladies and gents, we wish to present on this page at 145 pounds S. M. A.'s most immortal "Mac." Andy is truly a member of the old school, dating all the way back to Col. Tuttle and ten hours for A. W. O. L. And many a ten hours was received by our Andy. He raised a lot of hell in and out of the alleyways and galleries of South, but his fourth year he settled down, and brain buttons began to appear on his various uniforms. For three years he pushed leather for Captain Joe, and he really did well, to the grievance of his bewildered opponents. But let's not forget the academic accomplishments of our hero of the ring. How he ever got through Spanish is a question that will remain blank in the minds of all. He slept through each and every period for years on end but finally completed with that flat 70. Andy has put many a fellow down for the count, and you can count on "Mac" to make as much a success of his future life as he did of his life at Staunton.



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LOUIS I. MASS
Long Island City, New York
"Lou"

Private Company "A" (I); Corporal Company "C" (II); Platoon Sgt. Company "C" (III); Lieut. Company "C" (IV); Captain Executive Officer (V).
Swimming (III-IV); J. V. Football (III-IV-V); Intramural Softball (III-IV); Kablegram Staff (IV-V); Captain of J. V. Football (V).

Behind this sinister face we find a character who has made life around here a little more cheerful and exciting for the past four and a half years. "Louie" was not only the star of this season's J. V. football team but was also its captain and there were times when he could be found pacing the other breaststrokers in the pool. Lou's military career was like a roller coaster because of those "specials" he received regularly—and we don't mean letters. In case some of our readers have never seen an S. M. A. cadet who remained true to the "one and only" take a gander at him now. Yes, Lou, aided by his companion in crime, Smitty, has done much, both constructive and destructive, to be remembered by; but we're sure the one thing we'll remember you for most is your hearty smile and pleasant disposition. Here's hoping army routine will present no more obstacles than your stay here offered.

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JOSEPH L. MARKLEY

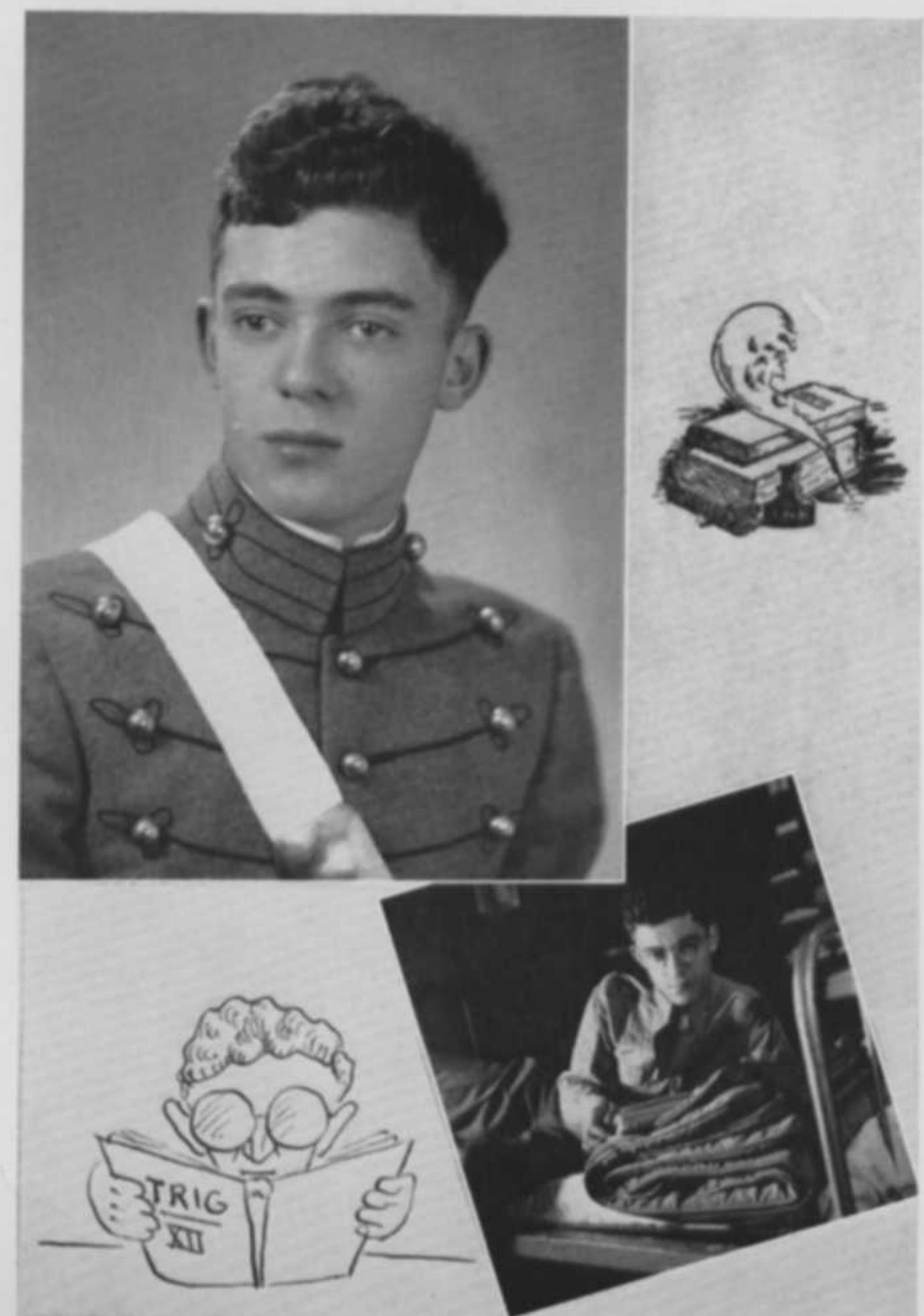
New Castle, Penna.

"Joe"

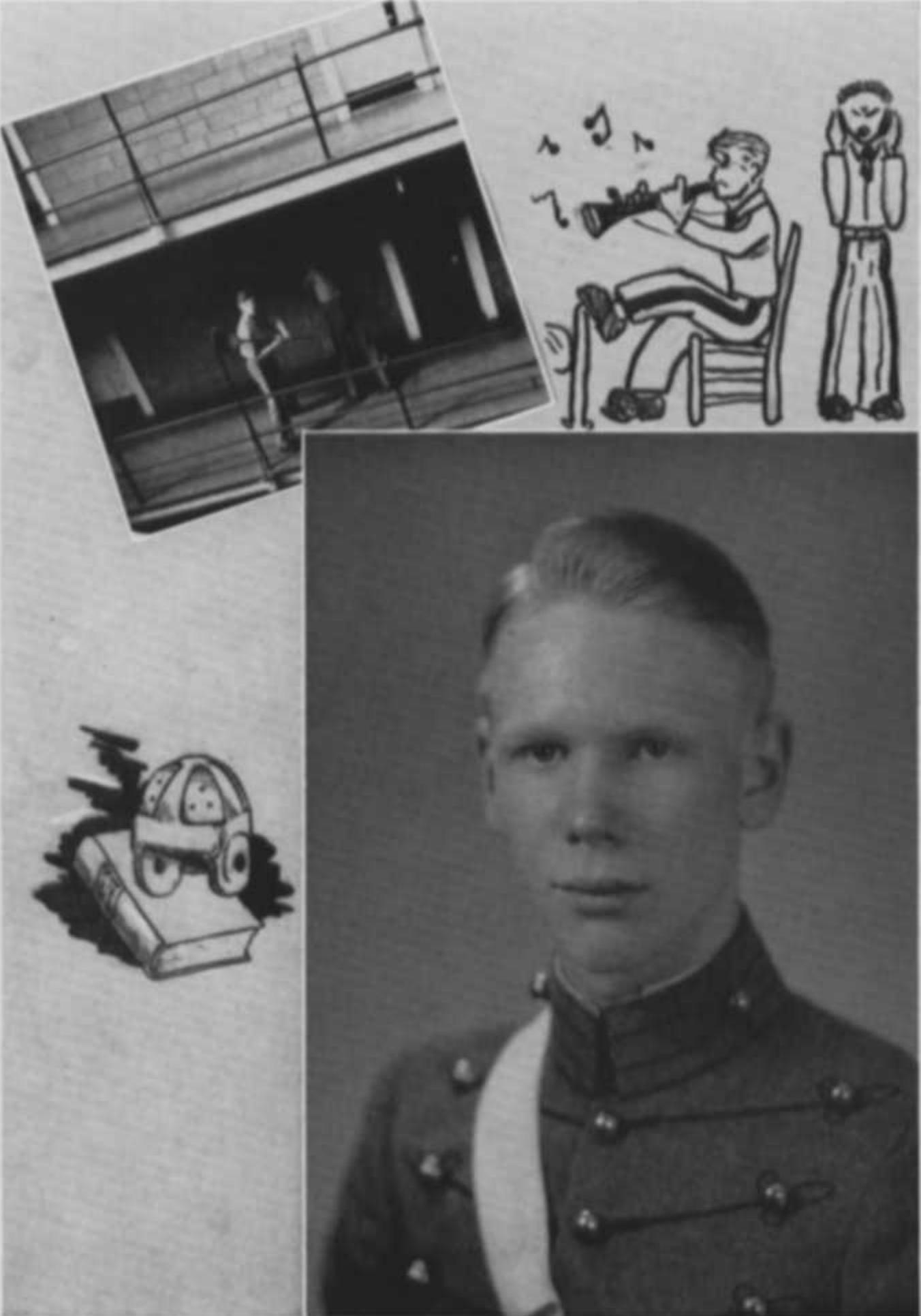
Private, Company "D" (I); Corporal, Band (II); Platoon Sergeant, Band (III).
Intramural Sports (I-II-III); Y. M. C. A. (II); Kablegram Staff (III).

Lebanon Valley College

The drums pound, the trumpets blare, and in comes our staunch supporter of the band—none other than the one—the only—the original Joseph Markley. Without this hardy little man, the intramural teams of the band would not have been what they are. Joe came to us from the coal mining hills of Pennsylvania, but that's all right, Joe, we don't hold that against you. After all, we have to have a few of you unfortunate lads to represent good "ole' Pa." Joe was one of the few in our midst who was able to graduate at mid-year. Upon graduation, Joe entered Lebanon Valley College, and we are sure that he is making as big a success at Lebanon as he did at S.M.A. Just give them all you have, Joe, and we are sure that that will be more than enough.



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BEN MELVIN

Buenos Aires, Argentina

"Benny"

Private, Band (I); Sergeant, Band (II).
Rifle Team (I-II); Blue Knights (II); Intramural Sports (I-II).

United States Army Air Corps

Ladies and gentlemen, it gives us great pleasure to present one of the few lads of the corps who can rightly say that he has an honest-to-goodness girl at Greenbrier College—none other than our own Ben Melvin. Yes sir, folks, that is an accomplishment within itself. If you don't believe us, just ask him.

Without this blond-headed youth, the Band's intramural teams would not be what they are. Whenever the going gets tough, you can be sure that Ben is going to be right there to help pull the Band through. He is also one of Captain Hersey's right hand men on the rifle team. Whenever he is not studying, you can be sure to find "Blondie" up at the range plugging away at the targets.

We hear that you are going into the Air Force after graduation. We all know that the Air Force is getting the best of the deal, and we are going to miss you.

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FREDERICK MILLER

Mexico, D. F.

"Jaime"

Private, Company "B" (I); Private, Company "B" (II); Corporal, Company "B" (III);
Sergeant, Company "B" (IV).
Rifle Team (I-II-III-IV); Captain Rifle Team (IV).

United States Navy

Here, ladies and gentlemen, is Mexico's gift to S. M. A. If you have wondered who this tall, well-built Latin is, we refer you to the state champion rifle team. Freddy is captain, and has more than once cinched a match for the Blue and Gold.

Women don't interest him; it's strictly "woman." We won't say anything about her, but her initials are J-A-N-E-T. As far as "Hawkeye" is concerned, Uncle Sam just created the mail to carry her "specials" to him.

For diversion, Freddy rooms with Gayle ("I loff you, leedle won") Smith, the pride of the band. If you don't think that's a diversion, just try it. These two constituted the nucleus of the hell-raisers on the 2nd gallery of North. Maybe that explains the super-blackouts that occur on certain nights.

Anyway, Freddy, we wish you all the luck in the world, and we hope that you stay "high man" all through life.



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MERWIN MITCHEL

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

"Duke"

Private, Company "B" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Guide Sergeant, Company "D" (III); Private, Band (IV).
S. M. A. Players (I-II-III-IV); Riding Club (II-III).

United States Navy

Although out of character fellow cadets recognize above "Duke" Mitchel an integral part of, in fact, almost The S. M. A. Players. Not all of his dramatic talents have been devoted to the legitimate stage. Oh no! very often he has been quite involved in the "un-legitimate" happenings recorded 'bout here.

"Tis history how he took Kable Stable apart and then moved on to North where he and his friend Cutler..(maybe it's better to leave that out). Nevertheless, Mitch will truly be remembered by classmates for his likeable personality, ready smile and willingness to help. Luck to you, our own "Koris Borloff."

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FRANKLIN T. MOFFAT

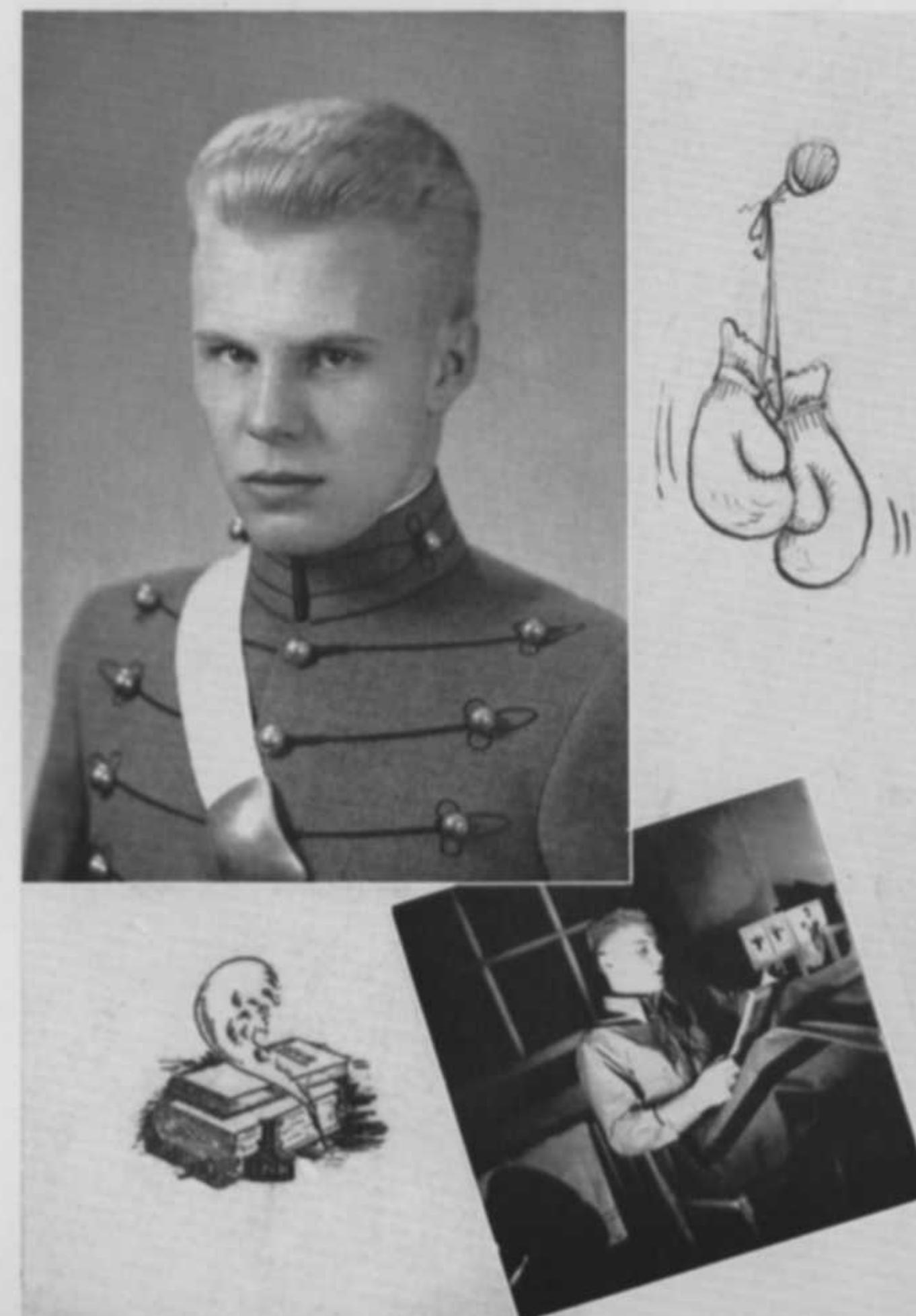
Binghamton, New York

"Frank"

Private, Band (I); Private, Band (II); Private, Company "F" (III).
Intramural Sports (I-II-III); Enchiridion Society (III); Blue Knights (II-III).

United States Army

This tow-headed youth came to us two and a half years ago as the model-meek-little cadet. Many times we have heard blood-curdling screams coming from the room of "Red" Pearson and "Tex." Although we are certain that it was nothing serious, we are sure that Frank was ably defending himself. Frank has been one of the mainstays of the Band Intramural teams for the past two years. This year he has helped pull "F" Company out of many near disastrous ruts. Tex is also one of the boys who are the backbone of the Blue Knights. We never see Tex wasting time walking around the campus because he has more important things to do. "Blondie" has never been seen to wander into the immortal gates of M.B.C., but we are sure that it is because he is being true to the O.A.O. back home. All in all, Tex is one of the swellest fellows we know, and we hate to see him go.



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ALAN B. MONTGOMERY

Youngstown, Ohio
"Monty"

Private, Band (I); Corporal, Company "A" (II); Platoon Sergeant, Company "A" (III).
Kablegram Staff (I); J. V. Football (II).

United States Navy

This dynamic mountain of muscular masculinity has been seen prowling around S.M.A.'s hidden catacombs from the paradise of "rats" (North Barracks attic) to the oversized fishbowl (swimming pool) in Kable Hall. Alan certainly hasn't remained hidden since he's been here. As "A" Company's efficient platoon "Sarge" this year, he's led them to many a victory at parade in the absence of his "loogie." Alan is really on the beam as evidenced by his interest in M. S. III classes. One can always depend on our hero to ask the question that makes everyone gasp. Nevertheless we're all proud of him, as much for his ambitions as for his ruggedness. Living in a busy corner of Kable Stable with his original counterpart (no one knows who's the heaviest) Smith Howard, Alan keep right on living his complacent life. Although no southern belle has captivated his heart yet, those Sunday open-houses at the second Presbyterian Church haven't been attended just for the refreshments. Eh what? Or are we wrong? With his heart as large as his bulk, we know that Alan will someday make S. M. A. proud to have known him. Consequently, we leave him with our best wishes for his continued success anywhere he may go.

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M. KEMP NEWNAM

Denton, Maryland
"Reet"

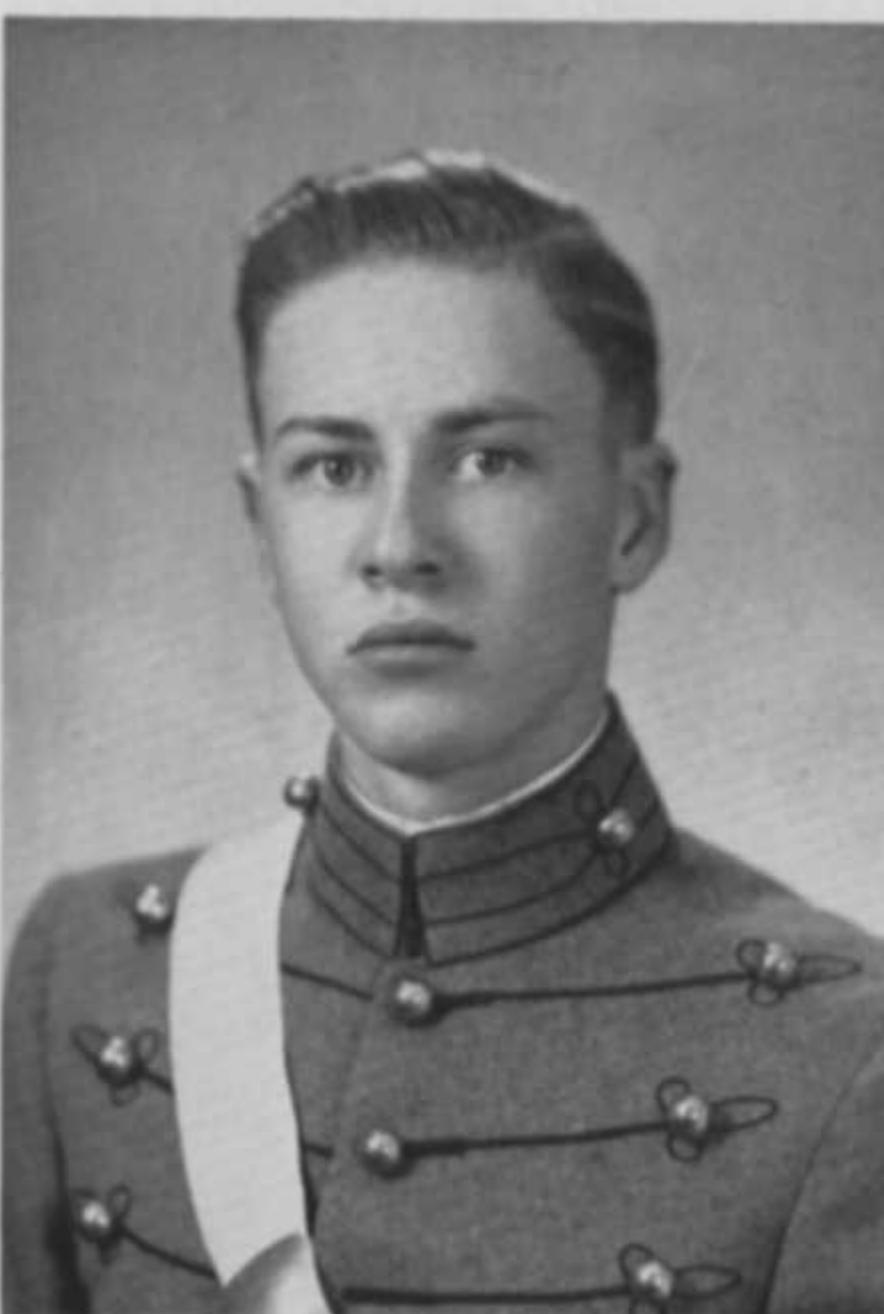
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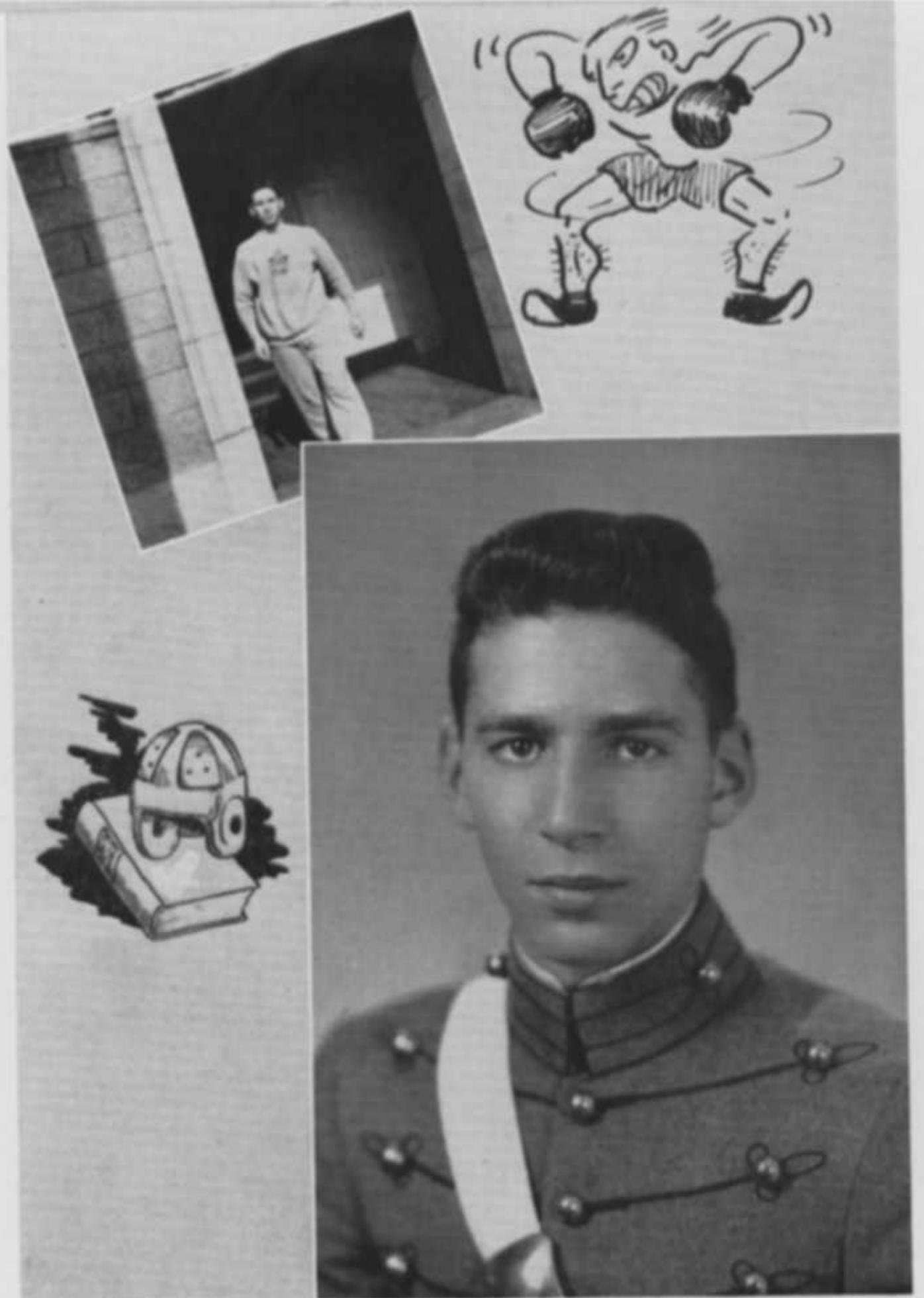
Civil Air Patrol

If you're from Eastern Shore, Maryland, you've probably heard fabulous stories of "Cutie's" escapades here at S. M. A. The amazing part is that no two stories are the same. Will the guy never stop creating incidents?

Kable Hall houses many types of people, but the crew of Liberal Students surpasses anything that the school's founders had in mind. Kemp is one of those chosen few. By "chosen" we mean those that beat themselves to death studying. But don't misunderstand us; Kemp won't die of overwork. No Marylander ever will.

We don't know what "Bubbles" has in mind, but we're pretty sure it spells evil for Tojo and Adolf. If that's the case, Kemp, we wish you all the luck in the world.





GENE NOBLE

Philadelphia, Penn.

"Punchy"

Private, Company "C" (I); 1st Sergeant, Company "E" (II).
Boxing Team (I); Co-Captain Boxing Team (II).

United States Army Air Corps

In this limited space it is impossible to write the words that will express the way we feel about our own Gene Noble. In the short space of two years, "Punchy" has attained the rank of first sergeant of "E" Company. If you don't think that Gene has a job on his hands with this "crack" outfit, just get in it sometime, and then you will know. There are few cadets in school who can boast of as high an academic record as he can. Here is one of the reasons that Lt. Kivighan's hair will turn grey five years sooner. Up until the time that the "wonder-boy" took a "pot-shot" at the quadrangle light in North Barracks, he had almost a perfect conduct record, and then there was added a very large black dot. Needless to say, Gene is co-captain of our high acclaimed boxing team. By now, you can probably gather that Gene is a fairly busy lad. This is a mild understatement; he is one of the busiest cadets on the "Hill." You've got the stuff Gene, now go out and give them that old left jab.

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SEYMOUR PAGE, JR.
Madison, Connecticut
"Frenchy"

Private, Company "B" (I); Corporal, Company "B" (II); Sergeant, Company "B" (III); Captain, Company "B" (IV).
J. V. Football (I-II-III); J. V. Basketball (I-II); Track (II); Varsity Football (IV); Varsity Basketball (IV); Cotillion Club (IV); Varsity Tennis (IV).

United States Army

From the halls of M. B. C. comes the never dying cry, "No! No! Don't let him go! Don't let Frenchy go!! Life won't be complete!!" Yes, girls, we hate to see him go too, and we can remember four long years ago when a shy little cadet walked into the dark interior of S. M. A. We watched him make his way up the little ladder of success year by year until at last we can present the Captain of "B" Company—Seymour Page. Frenchy seems to be always up in the air (not over girls) whether he is reaching and stretching for a touchdown pass, grabbing the basketball off the backboards, or hanging by his toe nails from the highest beam in Memorial hall Gym placing a spot light for a coming "henn-hop." Frenchy has had his share of trouble. He was a steady cash customer of Confinement Hall because of frequent visits to Ye Old Snack Shack. We could list a few other accomplishments of Frenchy's days at S. M. A., but we would have to put an extension on the bottom of this page; so we will close in saying that if we ever felt sure of a grand fellow making a success of life, we feel sure of Frenchy. God Speed, Frenchy!

SEYMOUR PAGE, JR.
Madison, Connecticut
"Frenchy"



JOSEPH R. PAGNOTTI

Old Forge, Pa.

"Wop"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "F" (II); Private, Company "F" (III).
Company Football (I-II-III); Company Basketball (II).

Lehigh University

Here is S. M. A.'s edition for the big-little book—a little body, but always a big smile, 'cause we're a tellin' ya "Wop" is one fine kid. We usually dedicate this portion of write up to the individual's accomplishments among the opposite sex. As far as "Pag" is concerned, we are at a loss; but we imagine he has a little "bambina" back home. "Pag" is a staunch member of the gangster gallery of Kable Hall, and the day he decided to go to reveille will undoubtedly be a national holiday. You can see him and his partner in crime, Patsy Totaro, anytime, night or day, canvassing the barracks for "cigs" or food. From the rear of many a class room has been heard in a screeching soprano, "Sorry, sir, but I believe you're wrong." We might add that he was right. Yes, the "Mighty Midget" has a mighty brain, and to top that off, his books look the same at the end of the year as they do in September.

"Wop" is a grand little kid, and S. M. A. won't be the same without him. When he reached up to grab his diploma, we know everyone there felt the same as we.

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J. RICE PARLAPIANO

Pueblo, Colorado

"Bud"

Private, Company "B" (I).
Intramural Football (I).

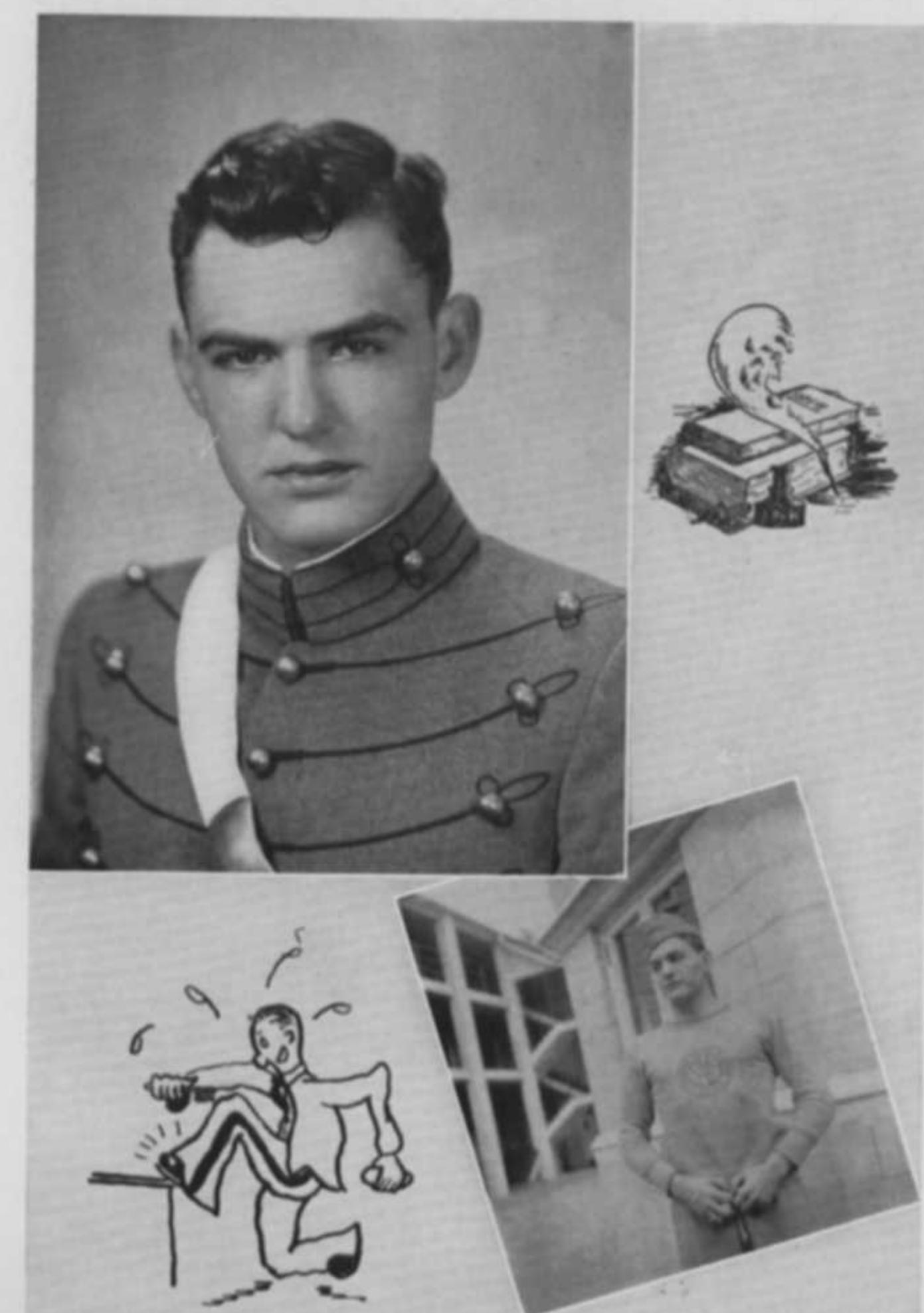
United States Army Air Corps

Way back in September, Bud hopped a train in search of new lands, women, and, finally, a new education. He reports to us now that Virginia is O. K. as far as education is concerned, but as for the girls—well, he claims that Colorado puts our gals to shame.

Bud was a tower of strength on "B" Company's football team. He and his shoulders added many bruises to its opponents and led the way to "B" Company's victories. Bud is one of those boys who likes to add color to the conversation with a few over-stretched stories. And as for carrying out his points, Rudy can vouch for that. Often Rudy was heard muttering at one o'clock in the morning, "O. K., Bud, I'll admit you're right; now let's go to sleep." Bud plans to follow up this ability of his by studying law after the war.

Rice has long held the ambition to enter the Air Forces. We hope you're in there in time to soar over Berlin in the final victory.

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JAY A. PECK
Cortland, New York
"Jay"

Private, Band (I); Sergeant, Band (II).
Intramural Football (I); Intramural Basketball (I); Intramural Softball (I-II); Blue Knights (II).

United States Army

Harry James, the second. That's our boy, Jay. Wherever you hear that clamoring horn in the band at parades, you know who it is. No one else plays exactly like that. "Gobby" learned about S.M.A. the hard way. He spent his first year in the "Drum and Bungle Corpse," and if that's not a handicap, what is?

Don't misunderstand us. "Handsome" doesn't concern himself with music alone. When there is fun to be had, you can bet your bottom dollar that Jay is mixed up in it to his ears. There aren't many guys who can claim that combination of qualities. Keep it up, boy, and you can stay on top forever.

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THEODORE R. PETERSON

Yardley, Pennsylvania
"Pete"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "F" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II); Boxing (I-II); J. V. Football (II); Baseball (I-II).

United States Naval Air Corps

"Yes, Colonel. No, Colonel. But Colonel . . ."
So "Punchy" receives another invitation to join the walking tour prepared especially for the rowdies and the ones who didn't have the proper contacts with the Guard.

But don't get us wrong. Pete just doesn't hear those bells in the morning. How else could he get those hours? Are we kidding!!

Seriously, though, he has his finer points. Besides being one of "Captain Joe's" better boxers, Pete was the spark plug of the J. V. football team. However, sports aren't his only accomplishments. He still manages to astonish his teachers with the right answers when they least expect it.

Still we can't ignore love life. We don't know what attracts the women, but Pete has to beat them off with a club. Just ask any girl in the "Arc."

Thus ends the S.M.A. story of one of the nicest guys ever to hit the old school.





GEORGE M. PETTIGREW

Claymont, Delaware

"Petty"

Private, Company "A" (I) ; Private, Company "F" (II).
Intramural Football (II).

United States Army Air Corps

Two years ago the sally port of South Barracks opened to admit this unusual character. Little did the barracks commandant know what was in store for him. Maybe that's one reason why we got a new one.

Quickly adapting himself to the rigors of kaydet life, "Gawge" decided to retire from contact with the outside world. He abhors drill, and for that reason we seldom see him at formations. Possibly he's dreaming up new ways to get into trouble, but we never know until the smoke clears away. He's quiet until he's with his small group of close friends.

Women don't interest "Pug"; in fact, they bore him. Didn't we say he was unusual! Maybe that's one reason why he gets those marks in school. And if he continues on his way, he'll be out on top of the world. Good luck, kid. We'll miss you!

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RICHARD C. PIETRAFESA

Syracuse, New York

"Pete"

Private, Company "B" (I) ; Platoon Sergeant, Company "B" (II).
Intramural Football (I) ; Varsity Football (II) ; Varsity Track (II) ; SHRAPNEL Staff (II).

United States Marine Corps

At first glance, one could easily take "Big Pete" to be just another cadet with a G. I. haircut, but we who have known him for his two years here know better, for Pete has proved to be an outstanding character. The toughest courses in school gave him little difficulty, as you can see by a look at the Superintendent's list, and Coach Simmons' grueling workouts were only a warm-up for him. Yes, Pete was quite a lineman on this year's football squad, and Coach Onesty found him quite handy on the track team as a weight man. North Barracks can vouch for his ability to maintain discipline for the third gallery would have been worse, if possible, if Pete hadn't been able to take over. The other member of 601 Chemical Laboratories, Pete was often to be found planning with his roommate some diabolical trick for the faculty. They still don't know how he and Sibert managed to fire that shot without the gun.

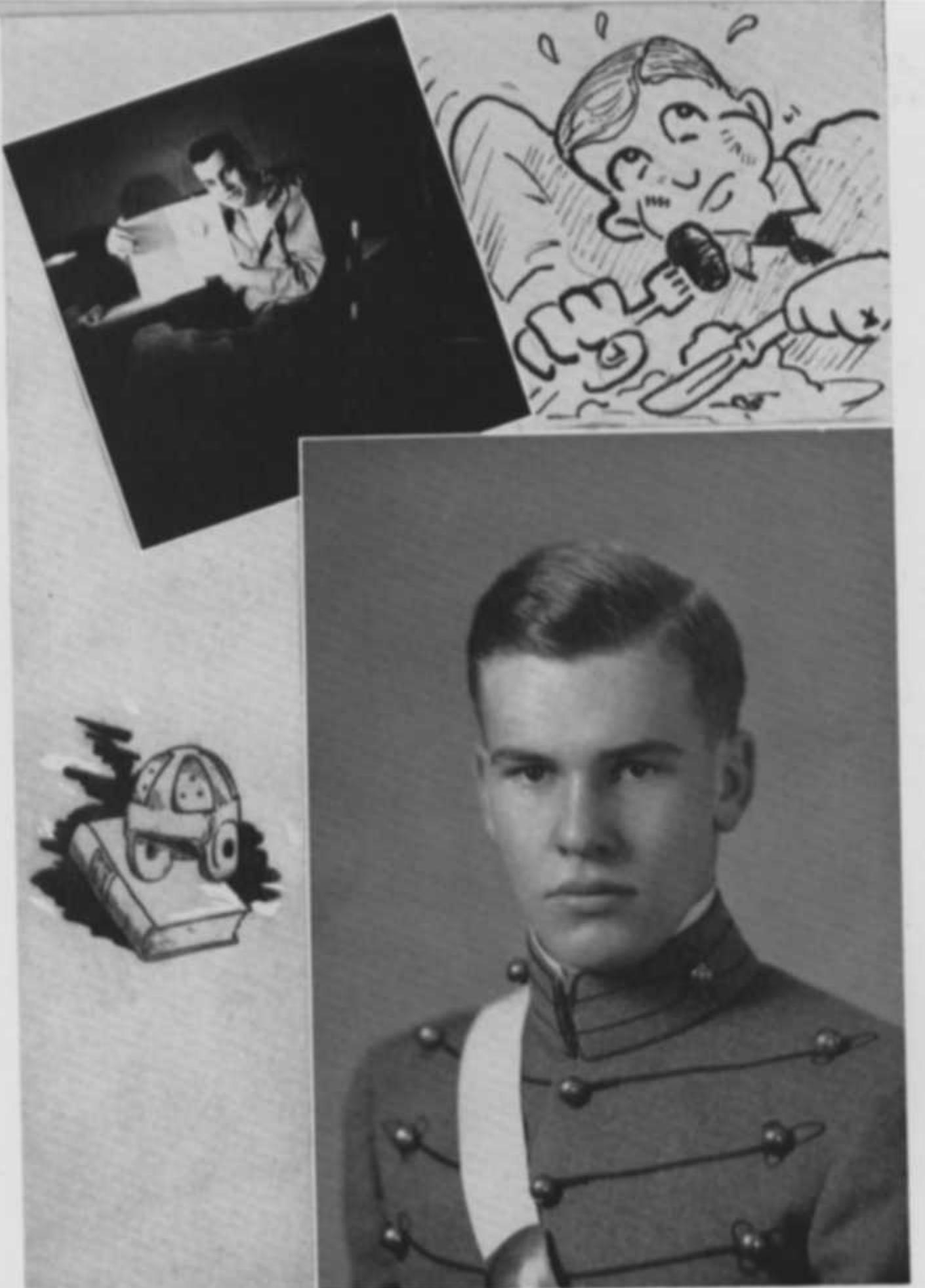
Whether Pete enters West Point or the Army, we feel sure he'll give top generals a race for the D.S.C.



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FRANKLIN ROCWELL POISSON

Wilmington, North Carolina

"Rock"

Private, Company "C" (1).
Varsity Football (1); Intramural Basketball (1).

United States Naval Academy

And the band played "Dixie," and the crowd cheered, and Poisson yelled himself hoarse. Yes, folks, Rocky is the original Southern drawl himself. Just because he's from below the Mason-Dixon line, "Rastus" isn't lazy. Well, not very! He managed to get enough energy assembled to play varsity football. And with our own "Rough Ralph" coaching the sport, we know that he earned all the praise that we gave him. "Fish" (for that's what his name means in French) is the goldbrick extraordinary of "C" Company. He is the boy who carries the guidon at every drill, and manages to miss all the work pushed upon the rest of the common herd. Adding up all he's done in one year, we figure that the kid has done all right for himself. Best of luck, Frank!

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DONALD A. POSKIN

McDonald, Pennsylvania

"Don"

Private, Band (1).
Intramural Football (1); Intramural Basketball (1).

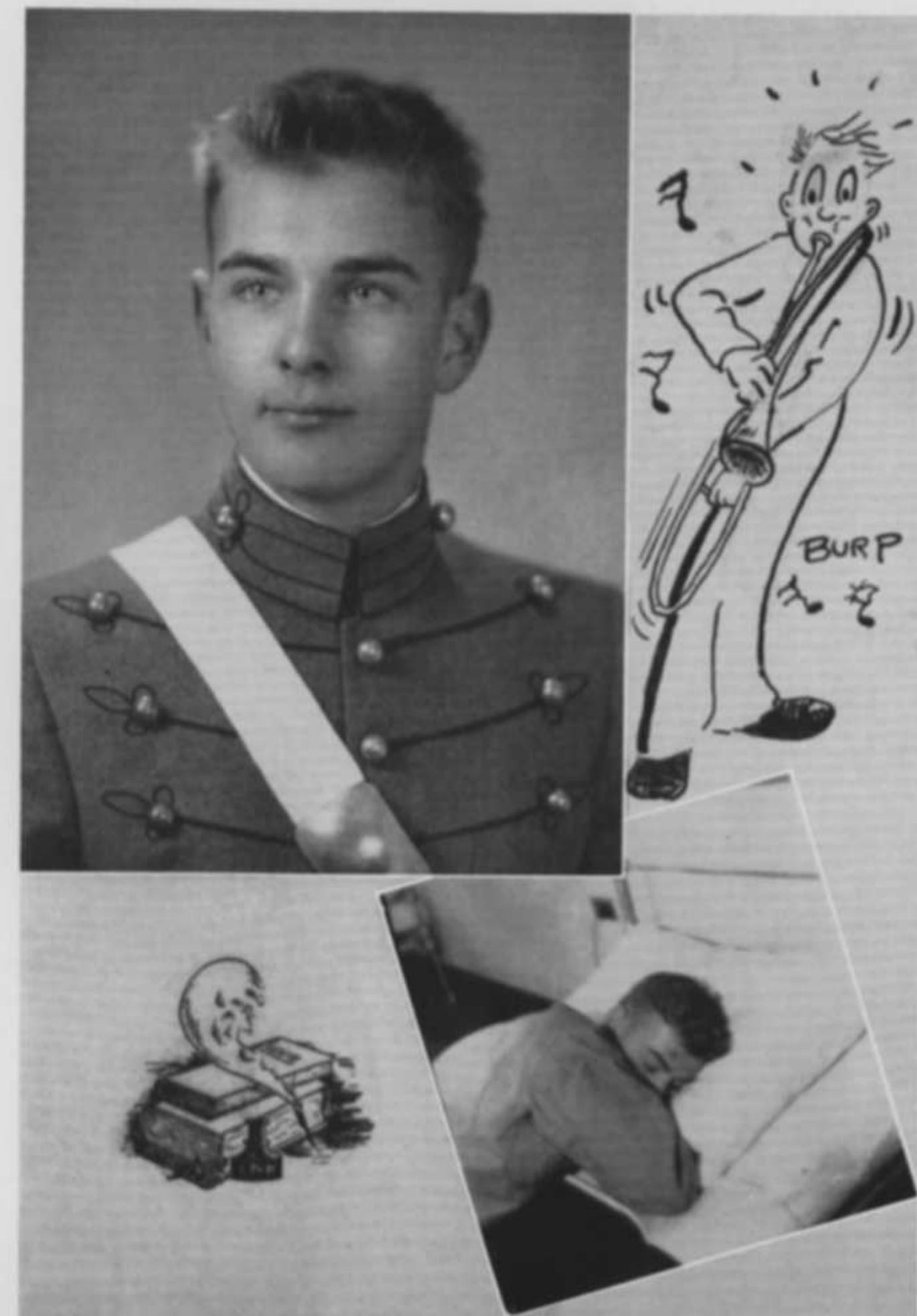
Georgia Tech

Donald Poskin is no ordinary "rat" by any means. It is indeed true that he entered the academy in the same manner as did the other recruits, wide-eyed and feeling very insignificant, but he was soon singled out of the mob by the old boys as being a "rat" with a bright future. The kid really has talent.

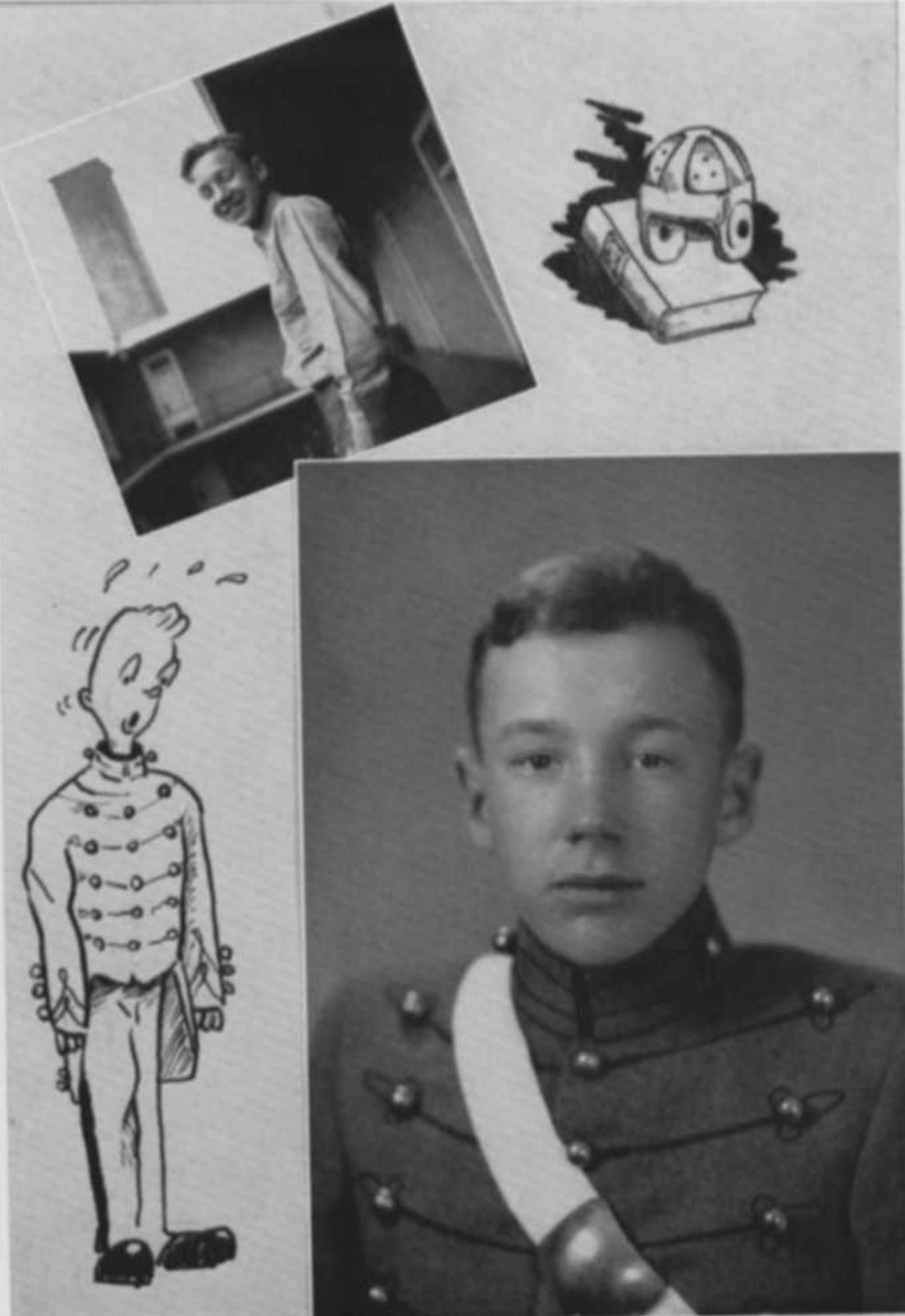
Besides playing one of the sweetest trombones this side of Mason-Dixon Line, he is also a sport-loving character. His spirit and skill were two of the main factors responsible for the Band's strong stand in athletics this year.

His scholastic record is amazing. This is because he received those better-than-average grades without as much as cracking a book. He's also the type that makes a day of classes interesting. His snappy come-backs have kept many a disinterested cadet from the spell of the sand man.

On top of all this, he's really a great guy and we're sorry to see him go.



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MICHAEL D. READ

York, Pennsylvania
"Mike"

Private, Company "B" (I); Sergeant, Company "B" (II).

Lehigh University

And here, ladies and gentlemen, is one of the few brains at S.M.A. It gives us real pleasure to present Mike . . . better known to his pals as "Dogface." In his two years here at S.M.A. Mike has made an impression that will remain with us the rest of our days. Last year we heard very little of this lad because he spent most of his time studying, but this year, since he has taken his place among the "immortal" squad sergeants of "B" Company, we have noticed how much more he has attracted our attention. Every afternoon at four we see "Dogface" make the long and dangerous journey to the swimming pool to meet the rest of his "tanker" friends. Take it easy, Mike, and remember . . . nothing higher than a 105% in any of your classes.

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JAMES RUSSELL READER

Detroit, Michigan
"Russ"

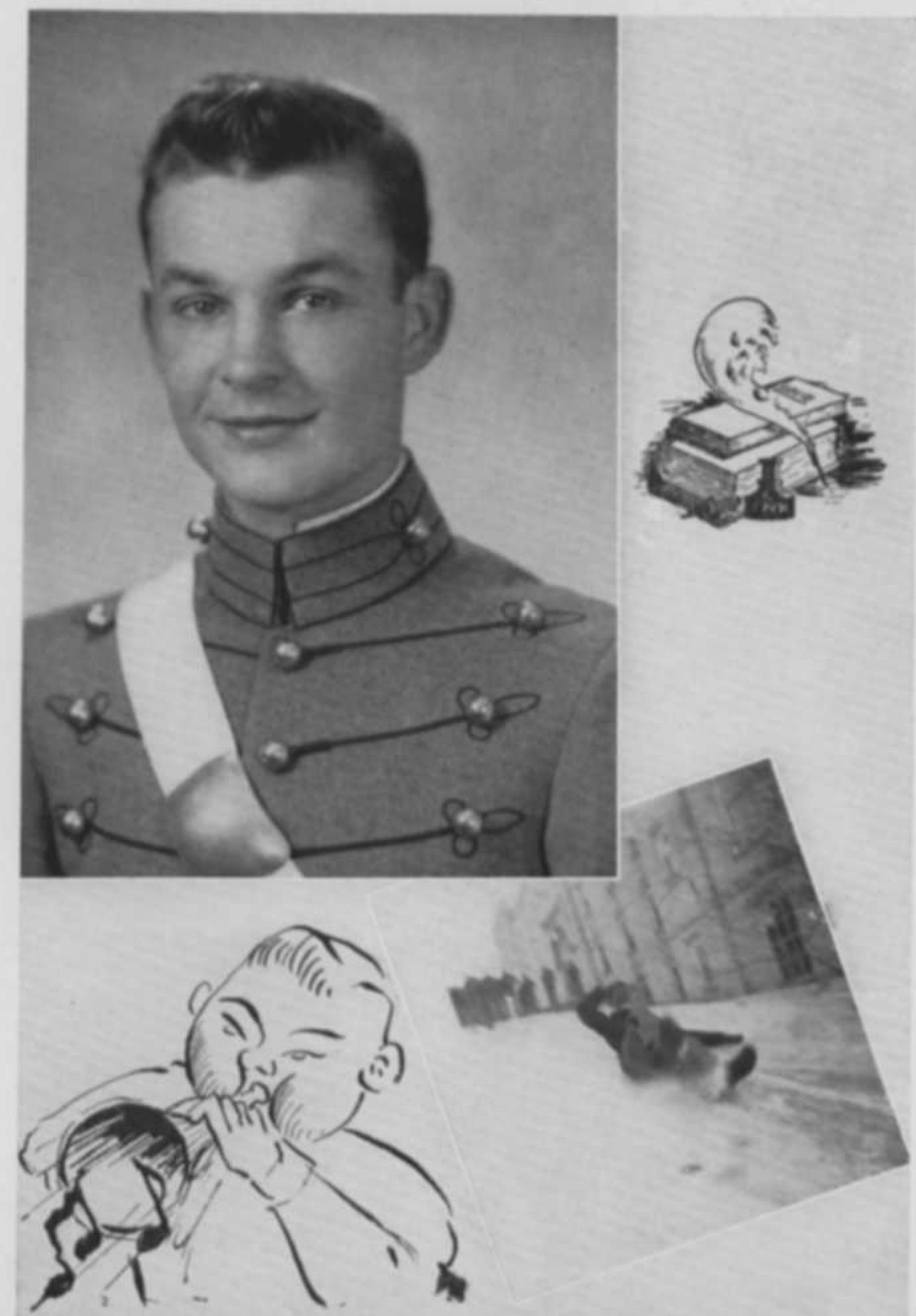
Private, Company "B" (I); Corporal, Band (II); Sergeant, Band (III); Private, Company (IV).
Intramural Baseball (III).

United States Army

Jim, as we who know him well call him, is one of those cadets who in an unassuming way has made himself known to all of us in the cadet corps. A member of our well-known band for the past three years, this season, Jim wanted to be different and joined the ranks of "E" Company.

As a member of one of Kable Hall's exclusive cliques composed namely of Schmid and Van Heemst, Jim has really gone to town in the four years he has honored the Academy by his presence.

Jim hasn't raised much hell this year (that's what he tells us, because he's never been caught yet). We remember Jim as the frightened little rat, such as we all were once upon a time. Now behold, after four years, what we have. A thoroughly polished gentleman, no less. So long, keed, and don't take any wooden nickels during your turbulent career.



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CHARLES L. REVELLE

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

"Chuck"

Private, Company "A" (I).
Kablegram Staff (I); Track Team (I).

United States Naval Air Corps

Look carefully at the face under that wavy hair. It belongs to none other than the "Brain from North Carolina." Charlie has probably accomplished more in the way of studies than any other "rat" this year.

The academic side of his life is his main interest, but we've seen the guy put some real effort in athletics. He has been a mainstay for "A" Company all year long. Seldom has his beaming face been missing from any school sporting event. In fact, "Leather-Lungs" is a cheering section in himself.

Women aren't mentioned much by "Chuck." As far as we know, there is only one who succumbs to this backwoodsman's style, and he won't tell us her name. But from what we've heard, she must be a bit of all right.

Anyway, sports, studies, or femmes, you'll always be tops with us, boy.

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WESLEY D. RICHARDS

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

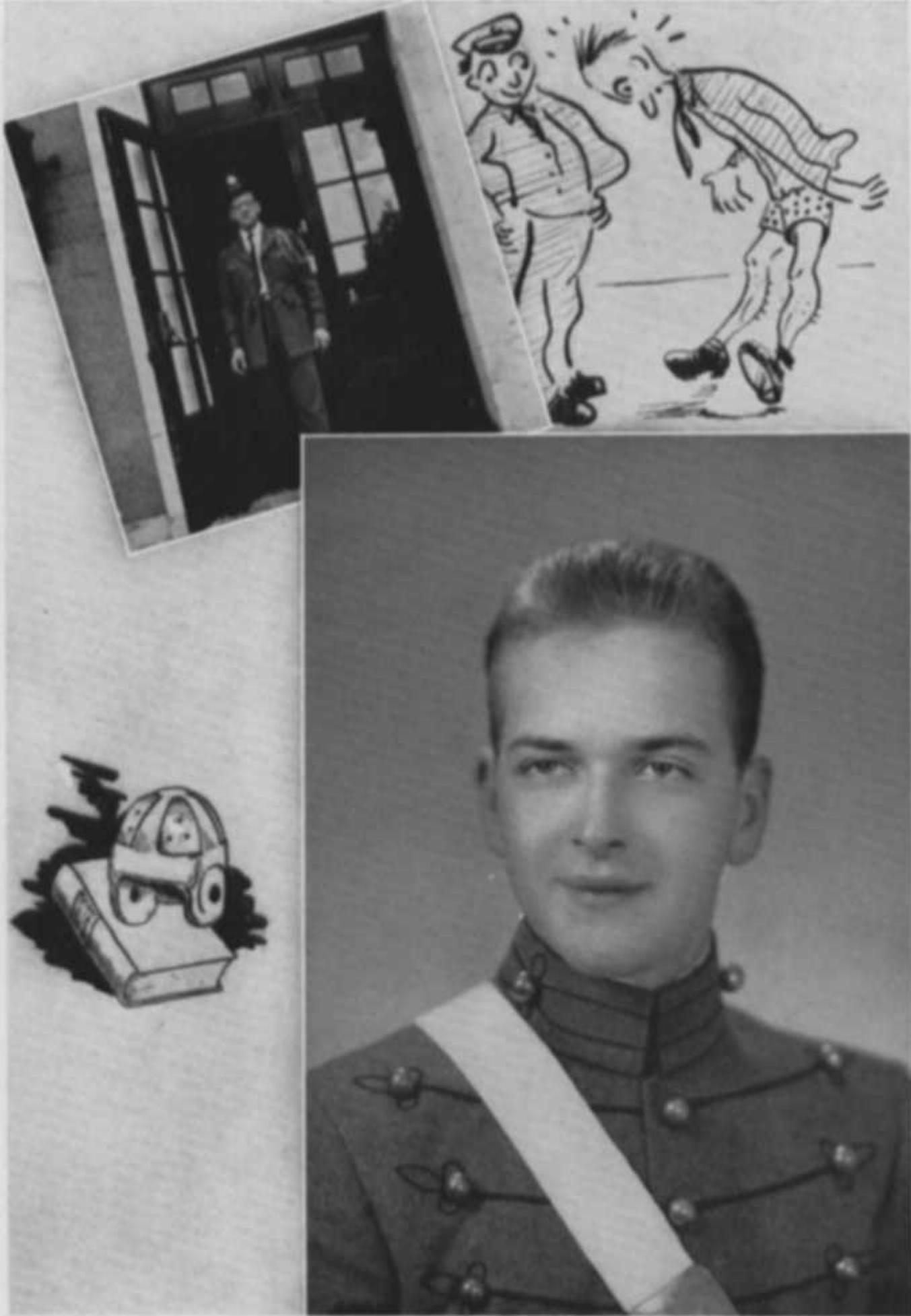
"Dickie"

Private, Company "A" (I); Color Sergeant (II).
Intramural Softball (I-II); Boxing (II).

University of Pittsburgh

And now we come to "Wes" Richards, a last year's roommate of the formidable Kale—that in itself is quite an accomplishment. The story has it that two years ago a quiet and reserved fellow crawled out of that smoke-filled city of Pennsylvania to get a glimpse of the world. He got it all right—in Staunton, Virginia, the heart of the picturesque, healthful and historical Shenandoah Valley. "Big Dick" is one of the few heavyweights on Captain Joe's boxing team, and he does right well for himself. Here's also one of the honorable four who wear the silver hat band and the white cap covers of our Color Guard. Because of his outstanding marks in Chemistry(?) he has decided to devote himself to the betterment of society and will follow in the footsteps of his father and become a doctor. We know you've got it, so keep busy with your medicine ambition, man.





CHARLES F. ROLPH

Newark, Ohio

"Chuck"

Private, Company "B" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Glee Club (I); Intramural Football (I-II); S.M.A. Players (II).

United States Army

Never let it be said that Ohio is a hick state, at least, not before Chuck, press agent for the Buckeye Chamber of Commerce. The kid is easy-going until some misguided soul slanders the fair state of Ohio, a small suburb of West Virginia.

However, not all of Charlie's time is spent polluting other people's minds about his native state. He manages to make those high grades just when it counts. He's forever astounding teachers by waking up in class with the answer when nobody else knows it.

We can't ignore his love life, either. There are a few femmes, such as Adelaide and Louise, that the public is entitled to know about.

But we're afraid to say any more, except that we all love you, "Chockie-boy."



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RICHARD D. ROSENBLATT

New York, New York

"Rosy"

Private, Company "B" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Varsity Swimming (I-II); Varsity Football (II); Kablegram Staff (II).

United States Military Academy

This is "Rosie" Rosenblatt, a little bit of Hollywood at S.M.A. Everybody here at Staunton knows Rosie because he is always seen and heard at every classroom session, sport event, and social affair he attends. It's fellows like him that make life here at school interesting.

"Rosie" is a terror in a "bull" session and will go far out of his way to indulge in one of these S.M.A. specialties. His lavish tales of New York night-life have earned him the nickname of the "Broadway Kid." He's on the "in" with all the New York big-shots and has attended parties, the magnitude of which makes a country boy's head swim. We know 'cause "Rosie" told us so.

He's leaving us now, and his bright carrot-top, smiling face, and good word will be missed by all.



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DAVID M. ROTHWELL

Charlottesville, Virginia

"Thumper"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "C" (II); Corporal Company "C" (III); Sergeant, Company "C" (IV); Lieutenant, Company "B" (V).

Varsity Swimming (II-III-IV); Varsity Golf (III); Intramural Sports (III, IV, V); The Foul Four (III); Varsity Tennis (III-IV-V); Co-Captain Tennis (V); SHRAPNEL Staff (II-III-IV-V); Cotillion Club (V); Senior Class Treasurer (V); Kablegram Staff (V).

University of Virginia

From the depths of deepest, darkest Africa to the highest peak of the highest Alps comes the call of the female's wonder—"Buckles" Rothwell. Let us say now that there has never been in history a woman who could stand up against our Dave's inevitable blitzkreig of "wooin'." Dave has a more serious side, believe it or not. The success of more than one dance and Kablegram issue has depended largely on the efforts of Dave. One might see in the wee hours of a dawn a tall, lanky figure hovered over a typewriter, beating out the next "Corn Column" for our periodical—or else hanging by one hand atop the rafters diligently trying to solder the last piece of paper into place for the forthcoming dance. Whether it's on the tennis court or in the pool, it will be Dave every time with that last "stroke" which wins the contest. We all know that wherever you may go, or whatever you do, old man, success will be safe in saying—"see ya' 'round—."

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OLIVER H. RUH, JR.

Cleveland, Ohio

"Harry"

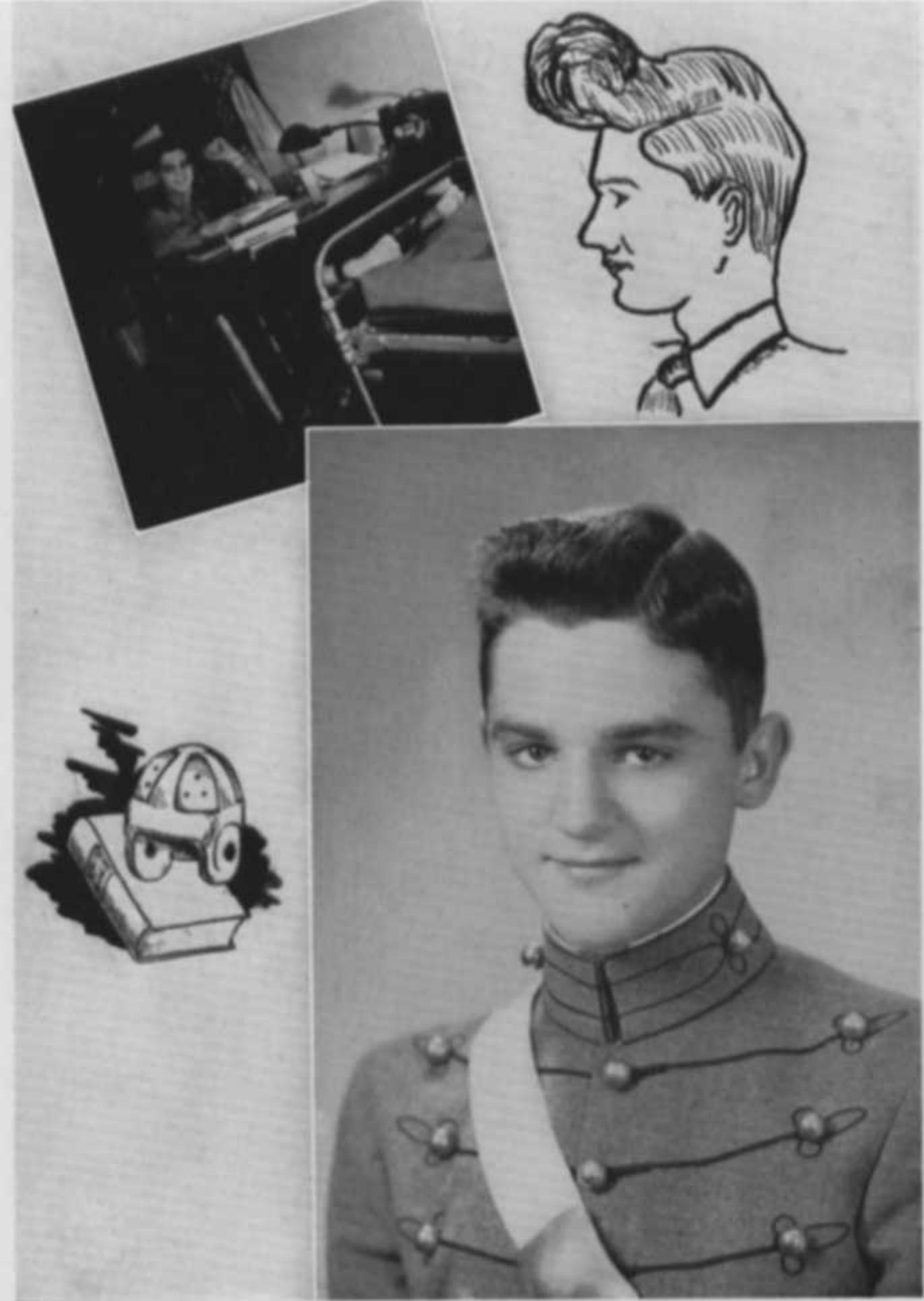
Private, Company "B" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Softball (I-II).

United States Marine Corps

Observe, ladies and gentlemen, the brains of the good Major's Chemistry classes. We also have reports that his grades in a certain math course have been much higher than those of any other moron on the "Hill."

Hailing from Cleveland, Ohio, "Baby Ruh" is completing his second year here in the Academy. In the past year, he became president of the "Mexican athletic society." Surprisingly as it may seem, he is practically a womanless man—and that ain't good. It seems that he's not a woman hater, but that all women he writes or knows are man haters. Don't worry, fellow, someday you'll get hooked. Regardless of what you do, here's to you now and always.





RICHARD T. SADLER

Euclid, Ohio

"Dick"

Private, Company "D" (I); Sergeant, Company "D" (II).
Rifle Team (I); Intramural Sports (I-II); Varsity Boxing (II).

United States Naval Air Corps

Scene: The Asphalt. Time: 7:10 A. M. Through the blinding snow and pitch black darkness we see the "Mighty Midget" galloping up to formation, buttoning his overcoat, tying his shoes and checking his squad—all at one time. This paper-weight edition of Charles Atlas and Errol Flynn, it has been rumored, is the cause of many grey hairs in the head of one miserable, obscure first sergeant. Seriously though, Dick is very conscientious and is really on the ball in everything he does, work or play. He was not only a runner for the "D" Company football team, but a good boxer. For such a little guy, he sure could hit hard! In the ring, Dick can handle the gloves. But with the opposite sex, Dick is a little shy. A little shy! He hasn't yet recovered from the devastating effects of his first date. Move on lad, move on.

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LCUIS SAMBLANET
Canton, Ohio
"Sam"

Private, Band (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Sergeant, Company "D" (III); Sergeant, Company "F" (IV).
Intramural Sports (I-II-III-IV); Y. M. C. A. (I-II-III); S. M. A. Players (III).

United States Navy

For the present epoch this "immortal guide" has run loose and unchained around our campus. His little self could be seen scurrying out to formations on those cold winter mornings—that is, most of the time. Part of that inseparable bridge team of 411, Louie really has what it takes. In two more years he'll learn how to bid. So far he has learned that diamonds and hearts are red, and that spades and clubs are black. A promising start!! Although we haven't seen him at the dances very often, a look in his wallet would tell you how many females he sports. In four years it still remains a mystery whether Louie has changed the Academy, or whether the Academy has changed Louie. Perhaps the fact that Louie hails from Canton may explain the way he is, without our trying to. All in all, Sam, you may get enough allowance money yet. Just keep on plugging.



LCUIS SAMBLANET
Canton, Ohio
"Sam"



United States Navy

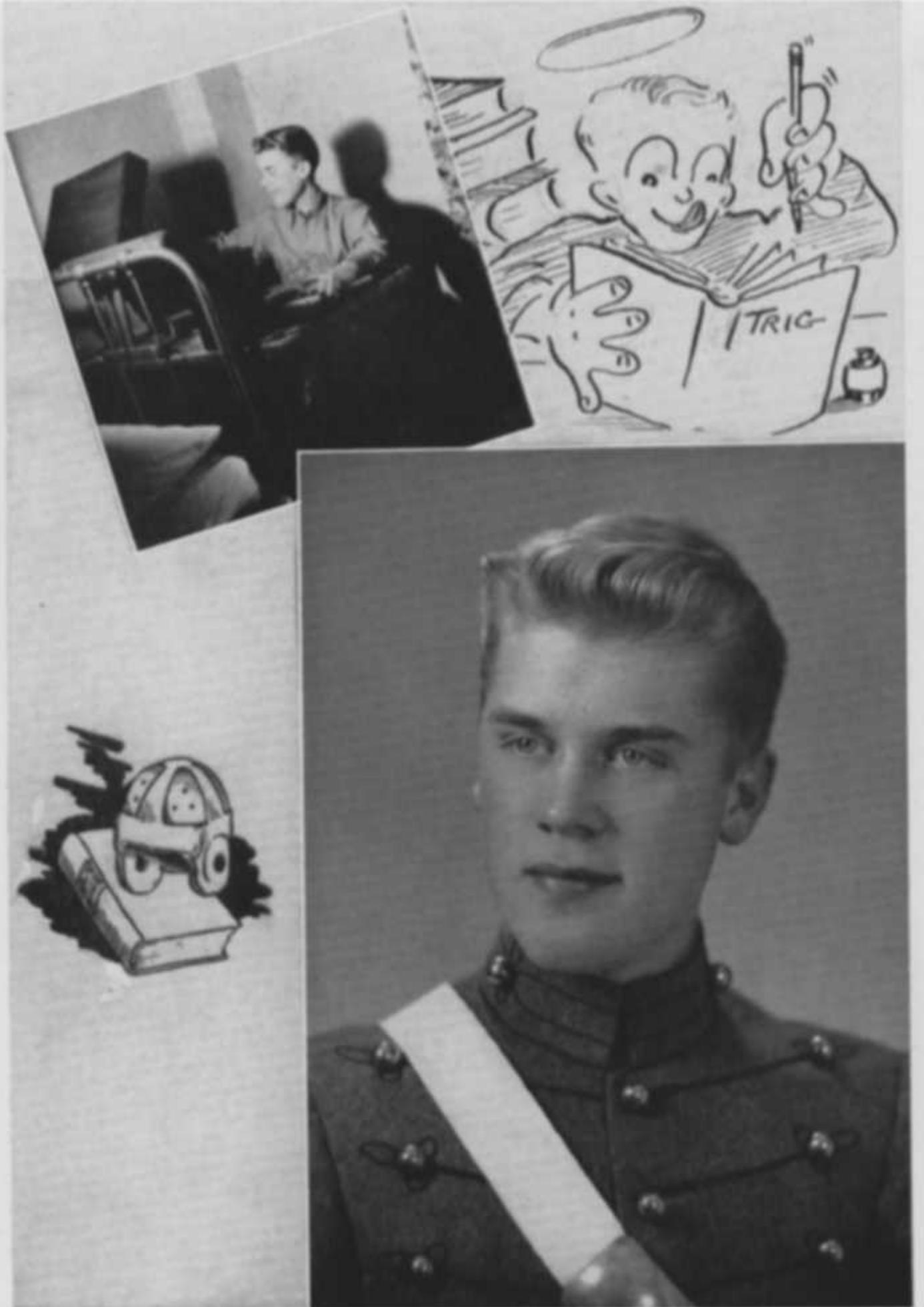


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BIG DATE!





WILLIAM D. SHELDROP

Rockford, Ill.

"Bill"

Private, Company "B" (I); Private, Company "F" (II).
Blue Knights (I).

United States Army

When Illinois finally got a railroad leading to the outside world, our boy Bill hopped aboard in search of "book-learnin'". Little did he realize what he was headed for. Setting up housekeeping in South, midway between Panther Corner and Rowdie's Runway, "Blondie" proceeded to ignore all temptations set before him.

Seriously, though, Bill did get his education, despite all rumors to the contrary. He never seems to crack a book, but he manages those good grades. If he has any vices, we have to find out about them. As for women, the less said, the better. Bill's only claim to fame is that he was a member of Lt. Simmons' first period history class. We hope the world won't hold it against him.

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WILLIAM A. SCHMID
Washington, Pa.
"Weasel"

Private, Band (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II).

United States Naval Air Corps

Bill Schmid, better known as the "Weasel," has been at S. M. A. for two years now. Although he doesn't appear on the rosters of many of the honor seniors on the following pages, he has been kept busy during his stay with us. Besides being a member of the famous "900 Club," he is one of the Company E "hell-raisers" and a member of the "Duke" society.

He is recognized as the happiest cadet on the "Hill." It is truly a great event when he is seen on the campus without that broad grin decorating his face. Good-naturedness and the fact that he is an all-around good fellow has made him one of the corps' favorites.

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RICHARD W. SCHUMAN

Pittsburgh, Penna.

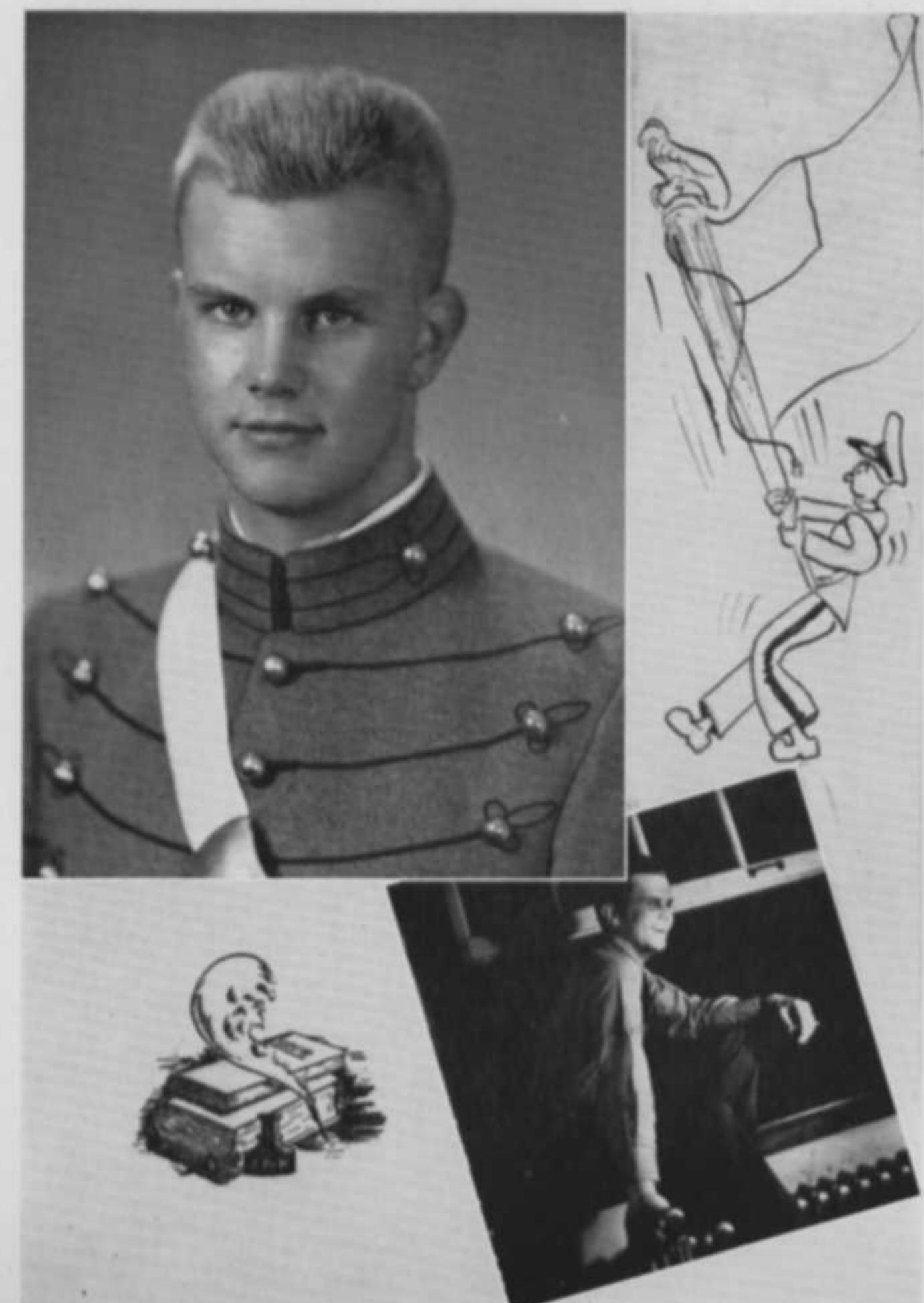
"Dusty"

Private, Company "A" (I); Color Sergeant (II).
Glee Club (I); Blue Knights (II); Kablegram Staff (II); Intramural Football and
Basketball (II).

Haverford College

Well Dusty, it's been a long hard struggle these past two years in this place. To him and us (?) there is no place on earth that can compare with good old Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Here is the boy who beats his way to a woman's heart by playing a piano. Ever so often, we hear tinkling notes of music come pouring out of M.B.C., or Memorial Hall, and several cadets who appreciate good music go dashing up to find out who is playing. There they behold Dusty Schuman!

We are sure you will become successful in the music world as well as the medical world. We wish you all the luck possible, although we know you won't need it. Whatever goal you might choose, we are sure you will make the grade even if it is a long, hard grind.



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LAWRENCE J. SCHNECKER

Middletown, Ohio

"Larry"

Private, Company "A" (I),
Intramural Football (I); Intramural Basketball (I).

Who's the tall blond fellow over there? Oh, that's Larry Schnecker, one of the senior "rats." He is a rather quiet type of boy. He likes to spend most of his leisure time reading or listening to the latest records.

On the lighter side of life he could be seen ascending the steps of M. B. C. almost every leave day before Christmas furlough, but now he admits that his heart was left at home.

If you're wondering who that tall individual is always holding that line for "A" Company it's none other than our boy Larry.

Although Larry never seems to join in the riot for food at mess, he doesn't seem to lose any weight. Could it be that he has an agreement with the "chief?"



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LEROY A. SCHWARTZ

Brooklyn, New York
"Asher"

Private, Company "D" (I); Corporal, Company "D" (II); Private, Company "D" (III);
Private, Company "F" (IV).
Intramural Football (I); Intramural Softball (II); S.M.A. Players (III-IV); Kablegram
Staff (IV).

Brown University

Here's Asher, the fearless Trig tripper of S. M. A. and the only man able to live through four years of hell and high water in Kable Stable and still retain an inevitable grin on his face. "Ash" claims New York as his home state—we aren't sure what New York claims—and he can always be found discoursing on the fact that "Little Old New York" still has the best chop houses in the country.

In this dreamy, lackadaisical, roly-poly character one does not at first expect much vigor, but if you happen to be present at one of the bull sessions of Kable Hotel or in one of those rare and ripe Military Science IV classes you will be amazed to see our "Ash" cut loose with the dexterity of a three-year-old colt and expound, in a few choice words, the answer to questions which even had Einstein beating his head against the wall.

In ranks, "Ash" prefers to retain the same status each year, "to give the other boys a chance you know." But in laying the "joke book" aside we discover in "Ash" a rather remarkable person with good traits which demonstrate a promising future.

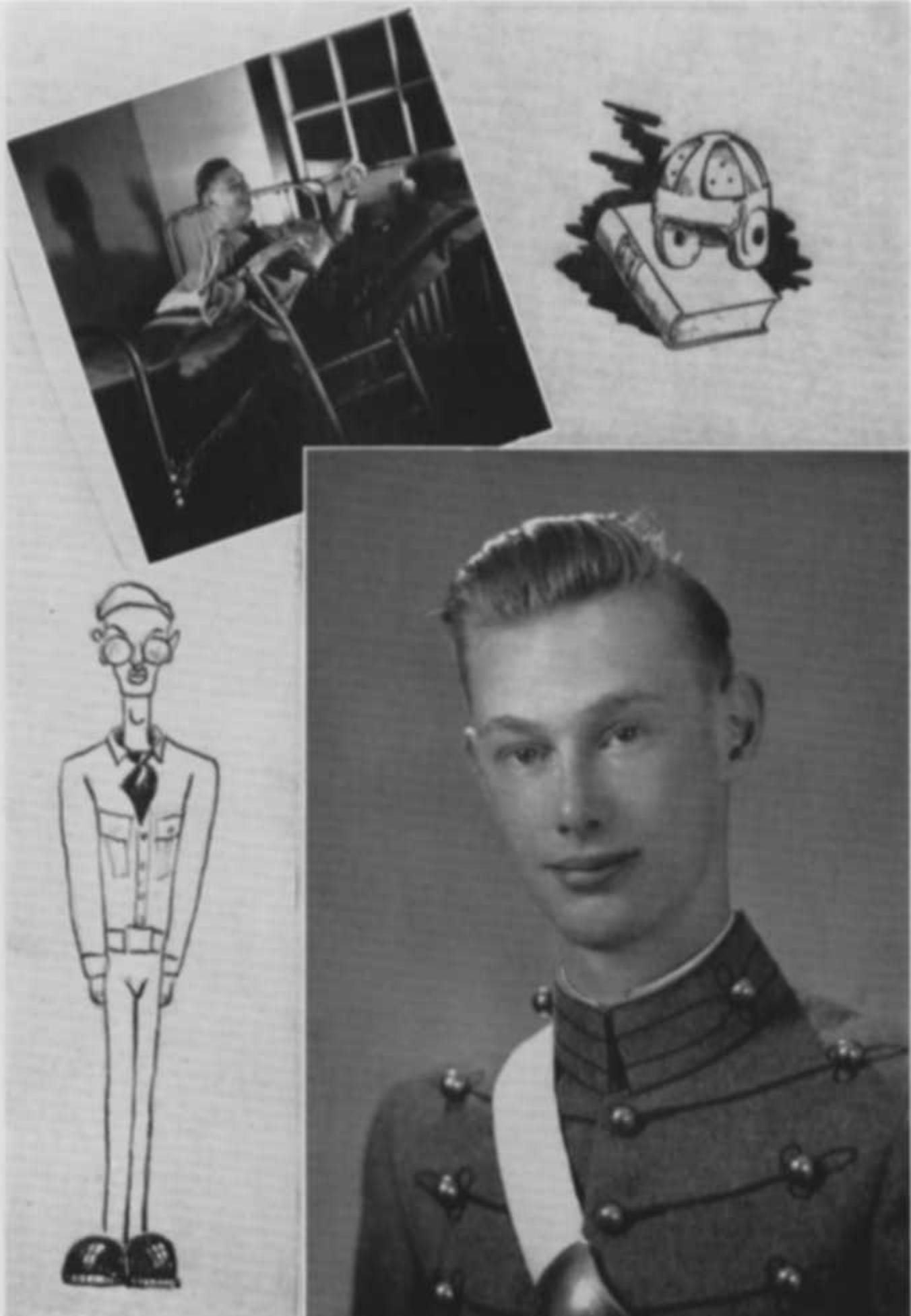
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PIERRE B. SCOTT
Staunton, Virginia
"Prof"
Day Student
University of Virginia

From the pyramids of Egypt to the halls of S.M.A. has come a student (we can't call him a cadet, because he is the only one allowed to demonstrate to his admiring comrades the latest zoot-suit fashions) who has put us all to shame as far as our studies are concerned. Pierre and his satchel have become a familiar sight, as he trods from class to class, shrugging off exams as if mere child's play. Although Pierre has been with us for only one year, he has been the way some of us hope to be but know we never will. Pierre (French for Peter, for those who don't understand) has in his own way contributed greatly to the Academy. For now at least, we can boast of an individual who is really educated (foreign languages and such). As a parting word, Pierre, keep up the good work that you started here and may life be full of cheer.



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CARL G. SEASWORD

Detroit, Michigan

"Carl"

Private, Company "C" (I); Corporal, Company "C" (II); Corporal, Company "B" (III).
Track Team (I); S.M.A. Players (I-II-III); Y.M.C.A. (II-III).

United States Marine Corps

This tall fugitive from a draft board is none other than our inimitable Carl. If he's not ad-libbing in Lieut. Harnly's English class, one can usually find him explaining (to some bored listener) the powers of the U.S.M.C. Carl is one of the distinguished members of that elite theatrical organization known as the S.M.A. Players. He also claims to have attended several Enchiridion Society meetings. (We can't disprove this theory). On field problems he's great to have around. Knows just what not to do at the right time. It's been a treat having you around for three years and here's wishing you a swell future in the Marine Corps. (After Carl joins, they'll never be the same.)

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BOYD B. SIBERT, JR.

Washington, D. C.

"Si"

Private, Company "B" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "C" (II).
Rifle Team (I-II); Intramural Football (I-II); Intramural Softball (I-II); Shrapnel
Staff (II).

United States Naval Academy

Now we come to the medal winner of the Senior Class. In Boyd's two years at S.M.A. he has gained himself the reputation of always knowing the right answers. He has won medals in almost every subject, and the joke of it is that he does it with ease. Outsiders looking at "B. Burk's" marks might picture him up in 601 studying away 24 hours a day, but we who know him best can picture him spending his C. Q. talking with Coach Simmons, Pietrafesa, and Eig, his fellow Rappatappatoos, about life in general.

For two years now, Boyd has been a member of that valley famous S.M.A. Rifle Team. This year he has been the mainstay of the team, and if you don't believe it, ask the boys at Annapolis what they think of his hawkeye.

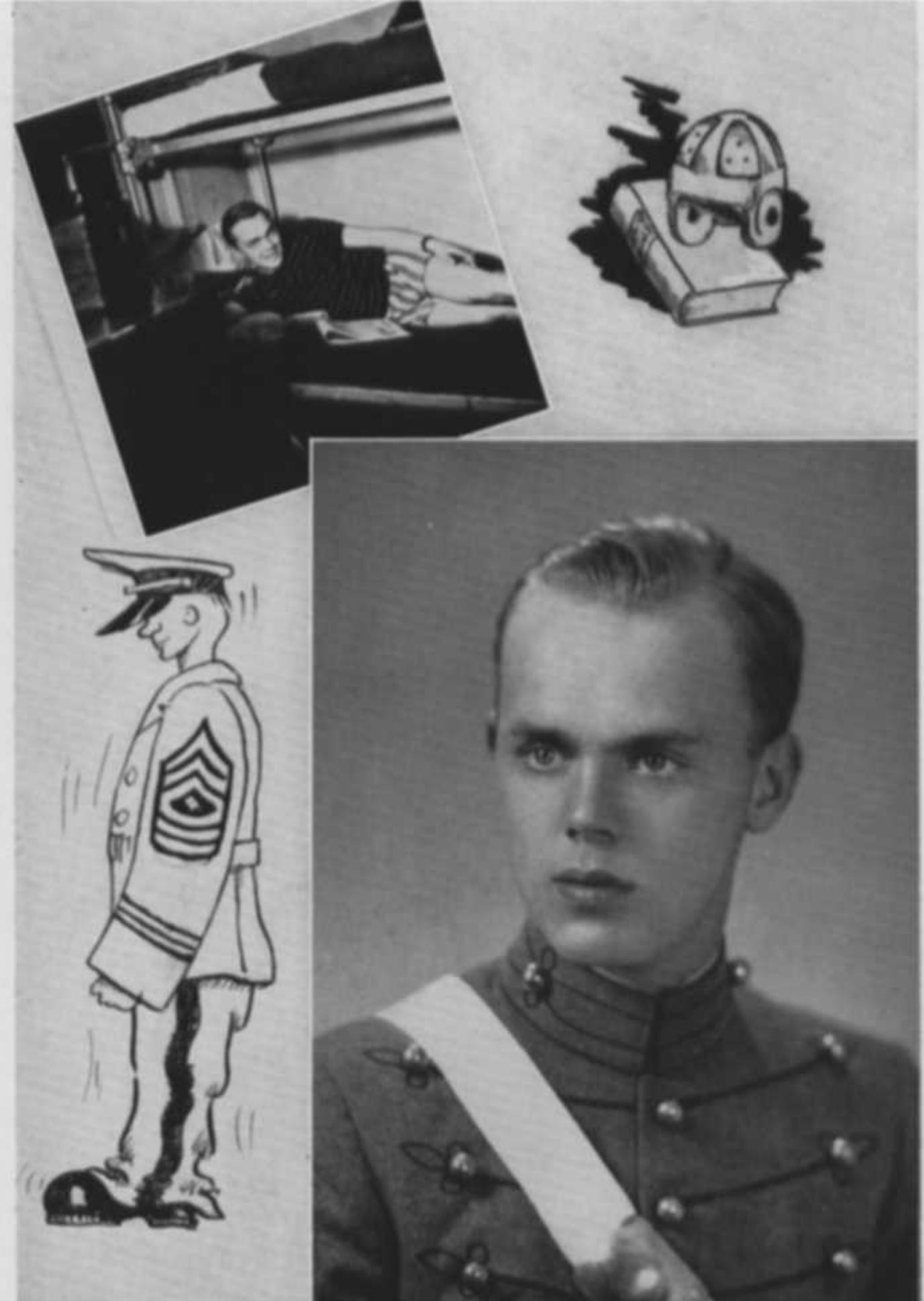
Rumor has it that he has been seen at the local chicken farms, but we can't say he plays favorites. He visits them all, but he claims the O.A.O. is back in "D. C."

His achievements do not stop here. How could they, for he lived in the third gallery of North? He was a co-founder of the "601 Chemical Laboratories," where one could walk it and get a ready-made explosion of any size.

Boyd fulfills his life ambition this year when he enters Annapolis in July. Good luck, fellow, yo've got it!!



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EUGENE S. SMITH

Tuckahoe, New York

"Smitty"

Private, Company "C" (I); Corporal, Company "C" (II); 1st Sergeant, Company "C" (III).

Intramural Sports (I-II-III); J. V. Football (II-III); Kablegram Staff (III).

Merchant Marine

To Gene (Nature's gift to little women) we wish the mostest of champagne, and the bestest of women. The latter is not necessary, as can plainly be seen. Gene's second love is hunting. Many an afternoon he has spent with his rusty trusty gun in the wilds of the Shenandoah Valley. The backbone of "Uncle Charlie's" Company (it says here in small fine print) is strictly "zoot" from Westchester. His pin-striped hunting pants and oversized field jacket (swiped from Hart, Schaffner, and Marx) have well proved he is one of the "four hundred." Besides hunting, Smitty has also played J. V. football, which has cost him many a sore spot. Another close call was the Waynesboro incident (but we don't talk about that).

Despite everything we've said, we're sure the guy will some day be the head-man in his chosen field.

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PAUL SONIA

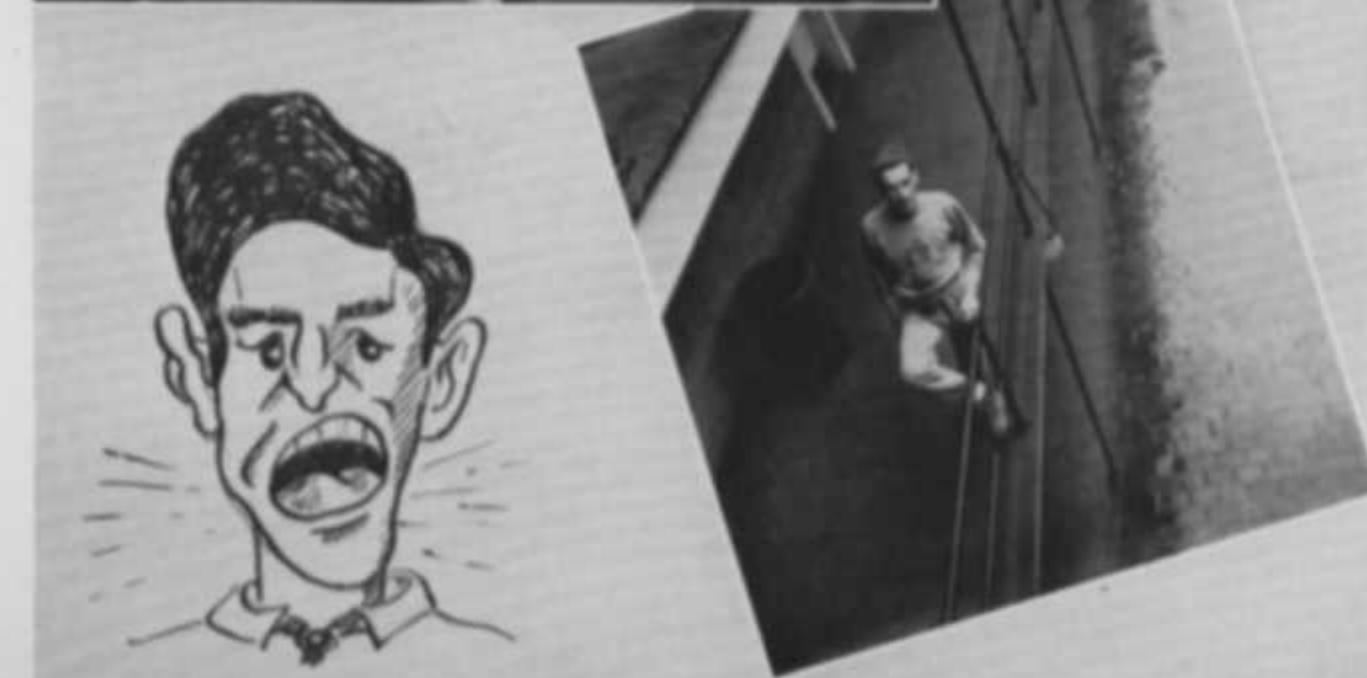
Lancaster, Massachusetts

"Gabby"

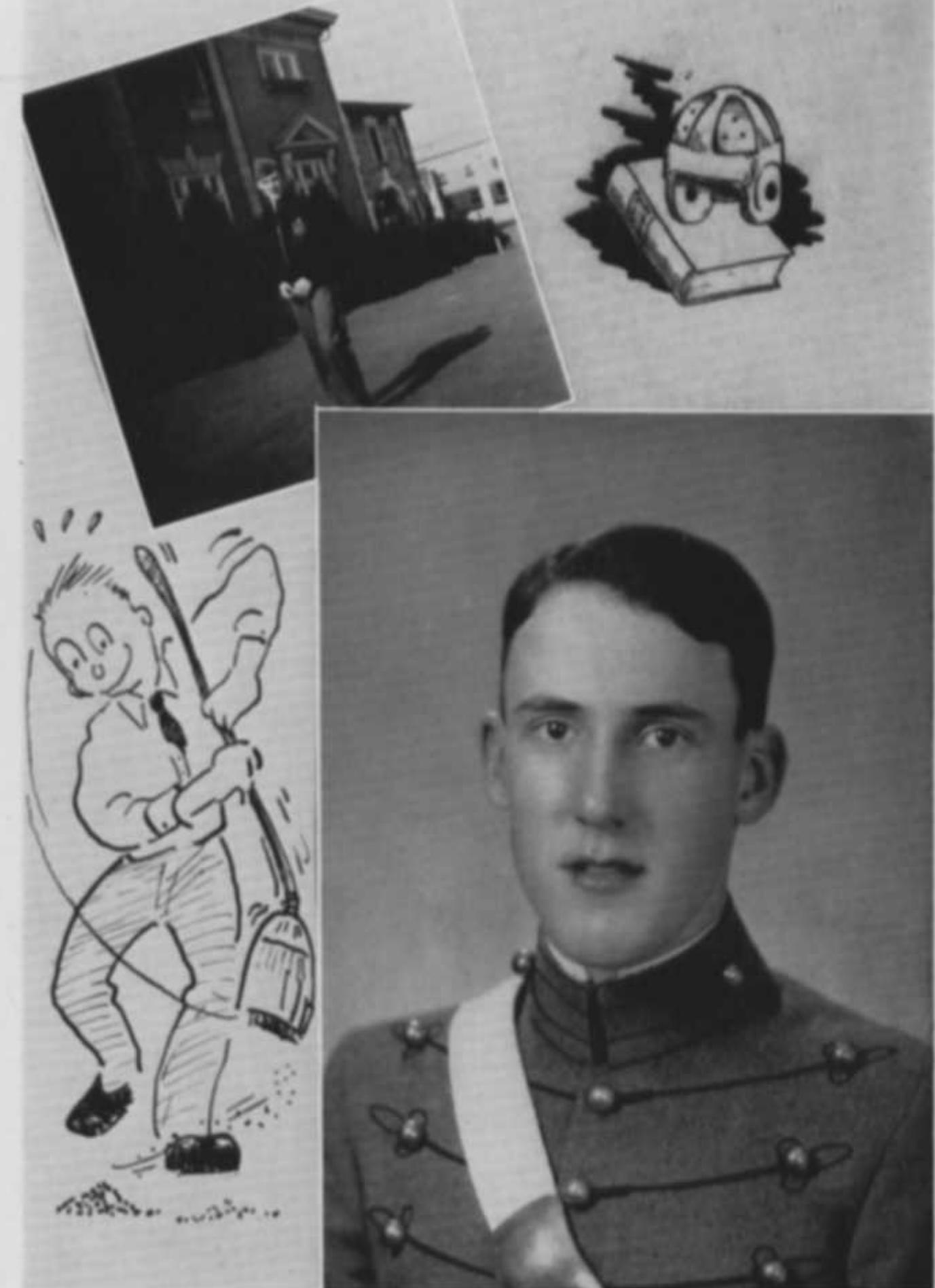
Private, Company "C" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Kablegram Staff (II).

United States Army

We lucky cadets of Staunton Military Academy have been fortunate enough for the past two years to have the unforgettable "Gabby" stringing along with us on all our daily escapades, except, naturally, for such boring formalities as drill, breakfast, and parade. We just couldn't expect Paul to attend "those." He did, however, make it a point to enjoy the refreshing "afternoon constitutinals" sponsored by Sergeant Onesty for the boys who found themselves straying from the straight and narrow. Paul has done a few constructive deeds, among which is his efficient work as one of the leading sports writers on the *Kablegram*. May "Gabby," our leading exponent of gentlemanly, and otherwise, games of chance, always be dealt the best.



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ROBERT C. SPITLER

Warren, Ohio

"Bob"

Private, Band (1).
Blue Knights (1).

United States Army

The resemblance of the above photograph to persons living or dead is accidental and highly improbable. But the "Ghost of the Five and Ten Cent Store" is not a bad sort of guy. By "Ghost" we mean that he is haunting some be-you-ti-ful li'l de-icer behind the lingerie counter at the local 5 and 10. Not to change the subject, but in "Spitty" we find a love for music surpassed only by the great Johann Strouse. This love is stimulated by a myriad of girls who dance around him as he plays the sweetest trumpet(?) this side of . . . for the Blue Knights. Confidentially, "Spitty" has very decided ideas about his future, but he just won't take us into his confidence and give us any concrete evidence. What a character! What a man!

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JOHN J. STAHL

Glen Ridge, New Jersey

"Rookie"

Private, Company "C" (1); Sergeant, Company "C" (II)
Varsity Baseball (I-II); Enchiridion Society (I-II).

United States Military Academy

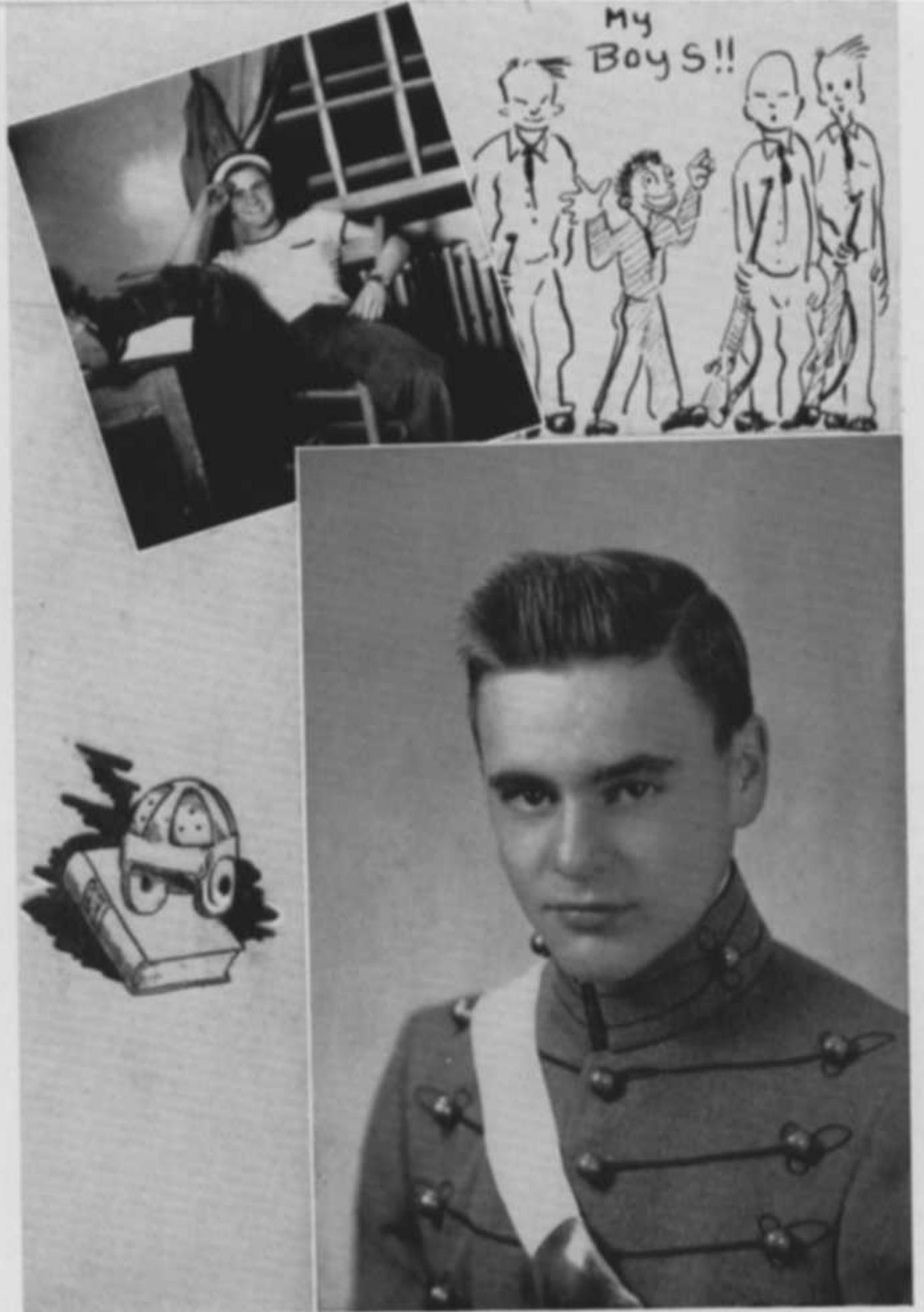
The handsome visage above belongs to J. Stahl, the pride of the first gallery of North. Gaze upon it, children, because there probably will never be another guy like him.

"Shig" is undoubtedly one of the quietest lads in the world, but beneath that calm exterior lurks the heart of a bull seeing red. We know, because we've seen him go after things.

We don't know whether "Joy" used that cave-man technique on the frills at Fairfax Hall, but we do know the story of Nancy, the belle of the ball. However, since we can't do the story justice, we refer you to Jack.

Lover or not, we know for sure that the kid is a pretty hot ball player. He won his varsity letter his first year out; and in this league, you've got to be good to do that. Take it from us, Jack is good in every way.





WILLIAM M. STRAWN

Morgantown, West Virginia

"Willy"

Private, Company "C" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "D" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II).

United States Army

When the "revenuers" closed up Lil' Willie's still back in the hills of West Virginia, he sought comfort at S.M.A. Seeing that it was the rule of the school that one must remain dry, he attempted to earn his living some other way. We won't say anything, but we'd like to get a pair of those educated cubes!

Willie has been in "D" Company ever since he can remember, but he doesn't let that cramp his style. He been a mainstay of every company team so far. However, his greatest accomplishment has gone unnoticed. No one else has pushed that sight gauge through the rifle team's targets so ably. How else could they win some of those matches?

Morgantown won't see "Little Will" after graduation, but we've got a sneaking suspicion he might show up in Moundsville before his life is over. Best of everything, "Acc," and we'll be seeing ya!

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GEORGE A. SULLIVAN
Bethesda, Maryland
"Sull"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "F" (II).
Company Football (I-II); Company Basketball (I); Enchiridion Society (II); Kablegram Staff (II); S.M.A. Players (II) Company Softball (I-II).

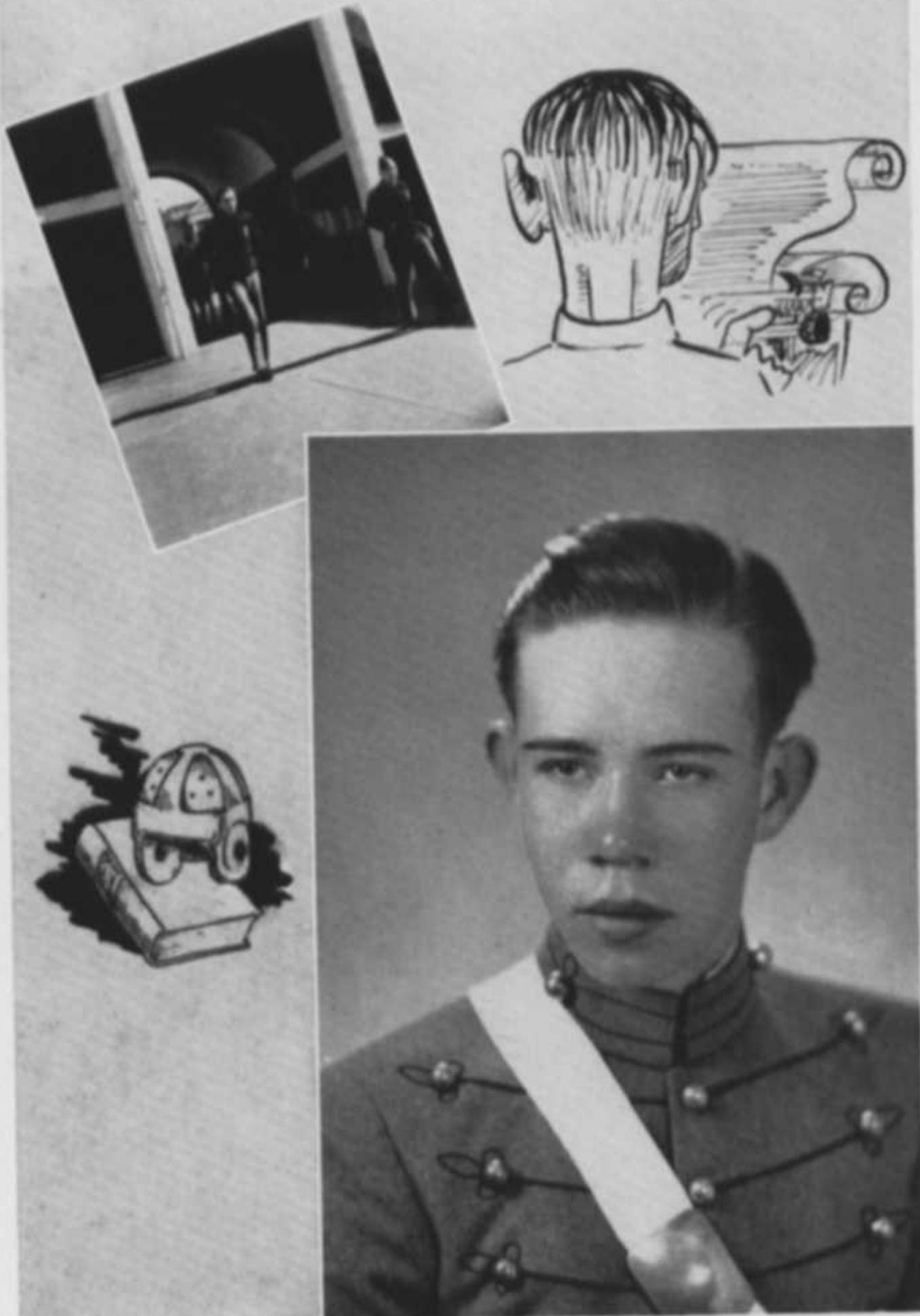
"What'sa matta with the thish?" For the answer to this delicate question, we suggest that you see the above character. For those who don't know Sully personally (it is rumored there are one or two in the Air Corps) we'd like to say that he personifies all that is best in that fast vanishing race known as hell-raisers. We who have heard the true story about Bethesda, Md., can see why Sully doesn't waste much of his time on the local lovelies. If there's anything else this smiling Irishman hasn't done during his two years here, it's only because he hasn't been dared yet. What makes his record even more astonishing is that his face is one that is rarely seen tearing over the countryside on the famous cross country "beat squad." To any one who can do all this and still graduate, we take off our hats. We're sure that in a similar position we would echo the famous statement, "Sullivan, there's not a man in the Corps I'd rather take off a stick for."











E. WARREN SWAIN

Stamford, Connecticut
"Monk"

Private, Company "A" (I); Corporal, Company "A" (II); Color Sergeant (III).
Intramural Sports (I-II-III); Glee Club (II); *Kablegram* Staff (I-II-III); *SHRAPNEL*
Staff (III).

Don't let that innocent face up there fool you. Mr. Swain is everything but innocent. We can bear this out by informing you that he is one of the "brains" behind the ruckus that is habitually raised in North Barracks' third gallery. Many of those sinister plots cooked up by the Swain-Chase combination will be put into practice long after Warren has left the "Hill." As a result of this "hell-raising" he has toured the Shenandoah Valley a great deal with Captain Onesty. We feel sure he doesn't regret any of it though. It was a lot of fun.

This tall shadow doesn't spend all his time giving the faculty headaches. When he's not carrying the school standards at parades, he can be seen at work on the *Kablegram* or the *SHRAPNEL*. He has been a mainstay in the publication of these two works of art and will be greatly missed by both staffs when he leaves.

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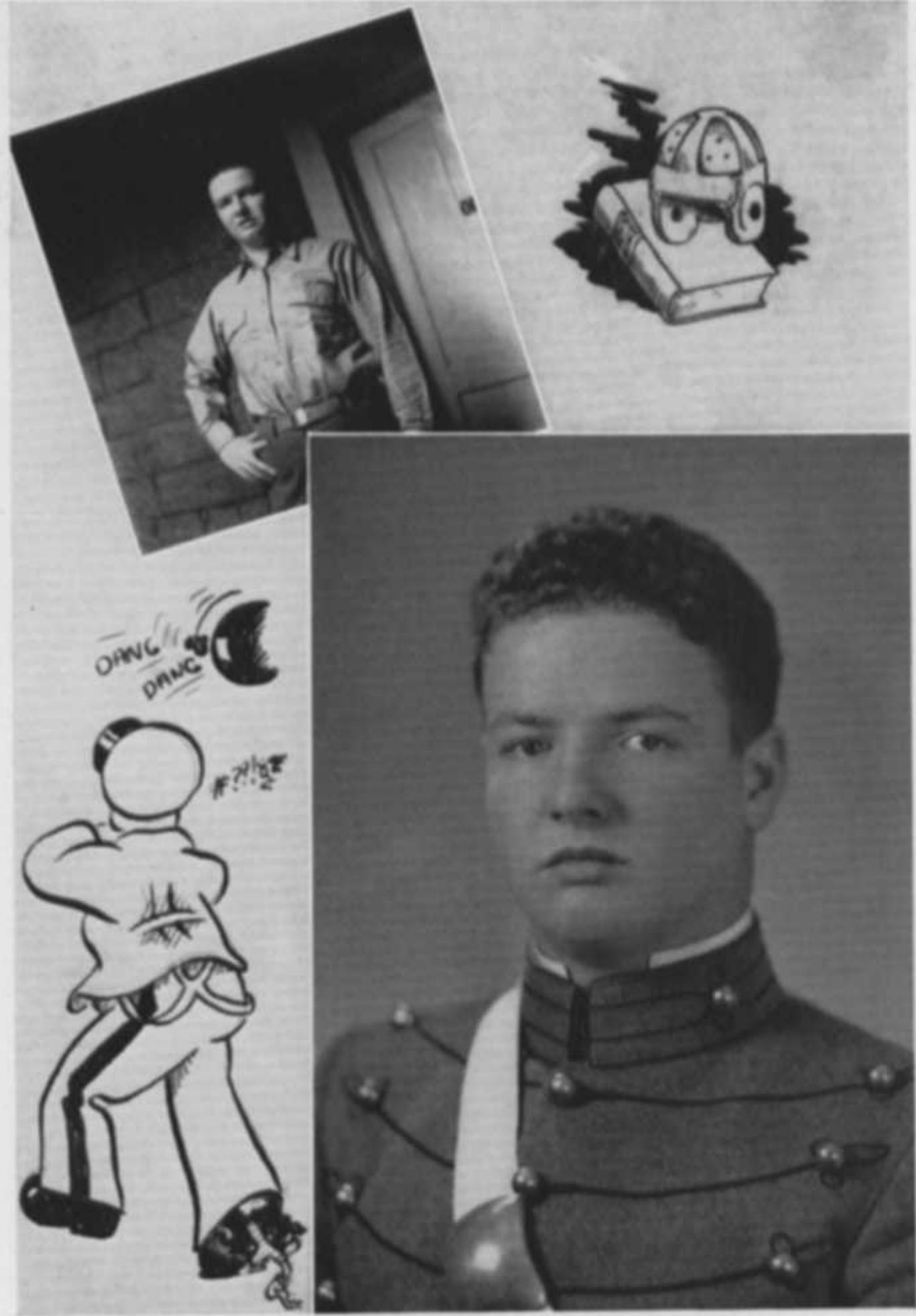
KENT L. SWIFT
Attleboro, Massachusetts
"Swiftie"

Private, Company "A" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "A" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II).

V. M. I.

This tall, lanky fellow is none other than Kent Swift (as if you hadn't already guessed it). Kent has spent two years with us and is about to leave in spite of S.M.A.'s request to keep him here. His being a brain in solid class might be a good reason for graduating, but then it's nothing to be a brain (some people are born with one, many others get along without one). Kent took up where his older brother left off, and we might add that he didn't miss a trick. For some unknown reason he seems to like to spend his leaves at M.B.C. Why, we don't know. Must be we're just envious.

Seriously, though, we will miss seeing you amble along in front of your platoon as well as seeing your cheerful face around school. Whatever happens, always remember what you learned at S.M.A.—it must be useful in one way or another.



JOHN W. SYKES, JR.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
"Sammy The Tapper"

Private, Company "A" (I); Sergeant, Company "C" (II); Sergeant, Company "C" (III); Lieutenant, Company "E" (IV).
J. V. Football (II-III); Glee Club (III); Varsity Football (IV).

University of Pennsylvania

Out of the deep, dark shadows of North steps a distinguished figure, John Sykes to you, "Sammy" to the boys. Those lines covering his fat, jovial face are not worry wrinkles but merely dimples caused by an incessant grin and giggles.

Sam has led a colorful and interesting life at our happy home, and its memories should forever remain in his mind—no doubt, S.M.A. too will always remember our lil' "Sammy." In John's first year he made a minor mistake by reporting to the Commandant draped in a pink and purple zoot suit, but then the Commandant committed a major one, by assigning our chum to room with the unforgettable "Bones" Ashbaugh. Since that day four years ago, "The Tapper" has led an active life in and out of the guard house, always managing to keep up with things and make the best of them as they came along.

This year "The Tapper" outdid himself by going out for varsity football and playing a good tackle. As 1st Lt. of "E" Company, John does a good job as executive officer. As for the future, John seems fit to follow his desire to be a "medico," but, whatever he may choose, he is bound to come out on top.



JAMES M. TAYLOR

Andalusia, Alabama
"Jamie Boy"

Private, Band (I); Supply Sergeant, Band (II); Intramural Football (I-II); Intramural Softball (I-II); Varsity Swimming (I-II); Blue Knights (II).

United States Naval Academy

"St. Louis Woman with all her diamond rings . . ." and so "Jamie Boy" Taylor comes out for another retreat.

Yes, folks, that "zoot" character, whose face is pictured below, is undoubtedly the greatest living exponent of the South. If you want a sure-fire argument just tell him that the North won THE war.

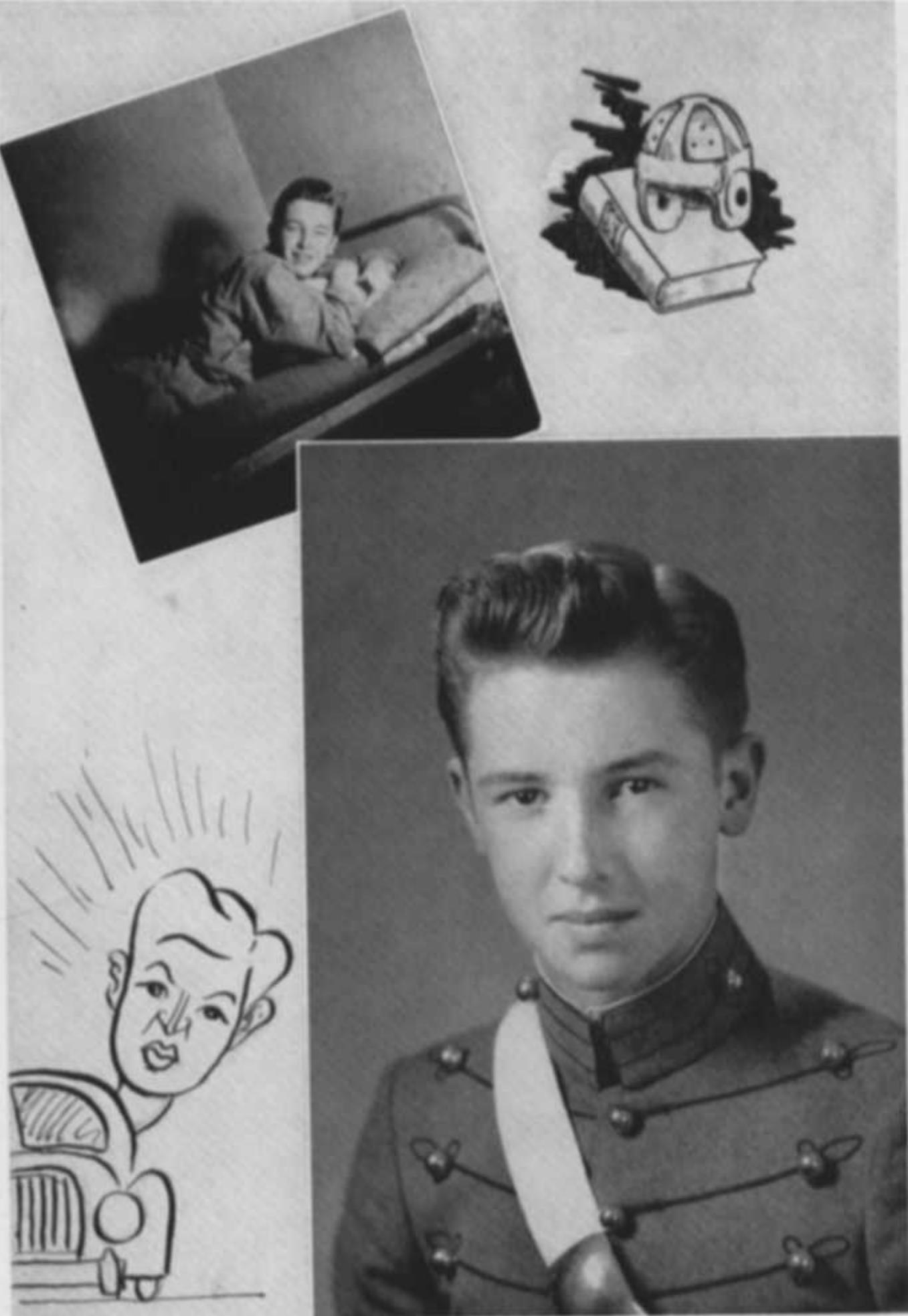
"Sunny Jim's" greatest claim to fame lies in the swimming pool. Many a time the boy has saved a meet for the Blue and Gold by virtue of his speed in the free style.

Despite all we've said, the fellow's greatest accomplishment is with the women. It must be that Southern drawl. If all these entanglements don't weigh the guy down, we've got a darn sure hunch he'll really go places in this world.

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MAYNARD THOMPSON

Newport News, Virginia

"Tommy"

Private, Company "B" (I) ; Private, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Football (I-II) ; Intramural Basketball (I-II) ; Varsity Boxing (II).

The Citadel

Tommy is a "Club 900" jitterbug and may be seen at table one listening contentedly to the vic; he is also a "Duke" of the second platoon of "E" Company. This handsome lad has never set foot in any of our local chicken-coops, which is very commendable for him, but just question him about Thelma, or one of those two "beautiful" ballet dancers down Newport News way. He may be seen cruising about in a '42 Cadillac if he hasn't anything else to do. A few bewildered cadets are still walking around in a daze wondering how they got as far as Charlottesville in one piece on their way home from Christmas vacation!

Sometimes, it is rumored, Tommy buckles down and does a little work (remember Trig.). We are sure that his sparkling wit and likeable disposition will carry him far.

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GILBERT R. TIBOLT
Newton Centre, Massachusetts
"Gil"

Private, Company "C" (I) ; Corporal, Company "C" (II) ; Lieutenant, Company "F" (III).
Junior Varsity Football (III) ; Varsity Baseball (II-III) ; Captain Baseball (III).

United States Army Air Corps

If you see a cadet walking around the grounds with an athletic sheet in his hand—that's Gil. Hailing from Massachusetts (we haven't yet decided whether that's good or bad) "Gil" has taken a keen interest in the welfare of the school in the three years that he's been here. "Gil" leaves us much the same way as when he first came here—a swell fellow and a good sport. He has proven to all of us that in a pinch he has what it takes. Quiet by nature, Gil is a veritable tiger when aroused. This he proved in J. V. football and as our aggressive baseball captain. We're really sorry to see you go, Gil, but we know that you'll burn up any league you enter.

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ROBERT A. TIBOLT

Newton Centre, Massachusetts

"Lil' Terror"

Private, Company "C" (I); Private, Company "C" (II); Private, Company "E" (III).
Varsity Boxing (I-II-III).

United States Navy

"8-9-10, and out!" Many a time we've heard that cry from the squared circle during a boxing match. Who "dood it"? Why, none other than our little pugilist of the 120-lb. class, the "Little Terror" of North Barracks, Bobby Tibolt. This small, but rugged young chap came to us three years ago from Massachusetts. Tell us, Bob, what state's that in. Or have you told us?

Well, Bob, we've all had a lot of fun, and are very sorry to see you leave. We certainly wish you could stay another term; then it wouldn't be so dull next year. Say, Bobby, are you going to continue the "White Hoods" when you get into the Navy? We're not supposed to say this, but we'll do it anyway and close wishing you the best of luck in the Navy.

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PATSY S. TOTARO

Hoboken, New Jersey

"Pat"

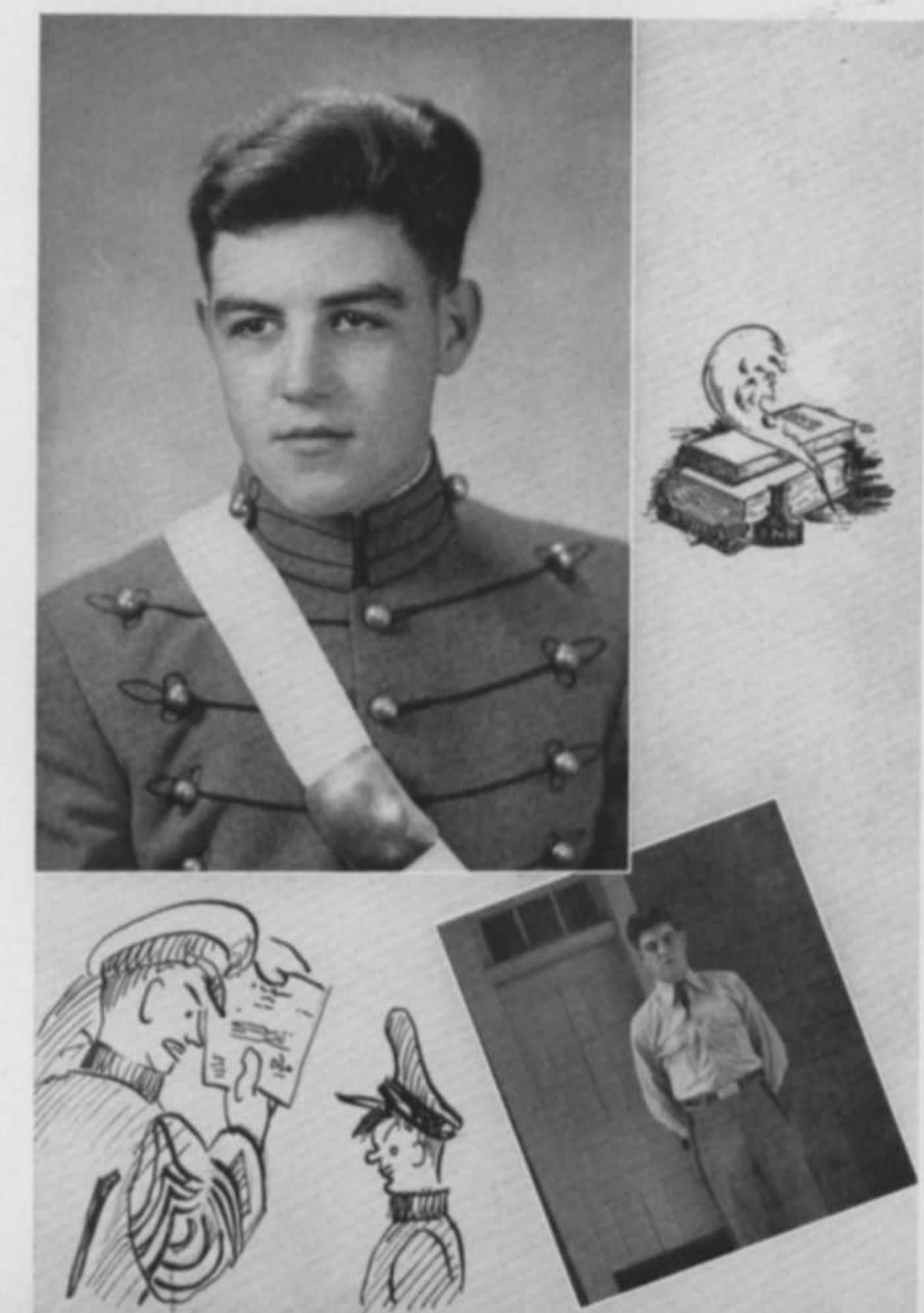
Private, Company "D" (I, II, III, IV, V).

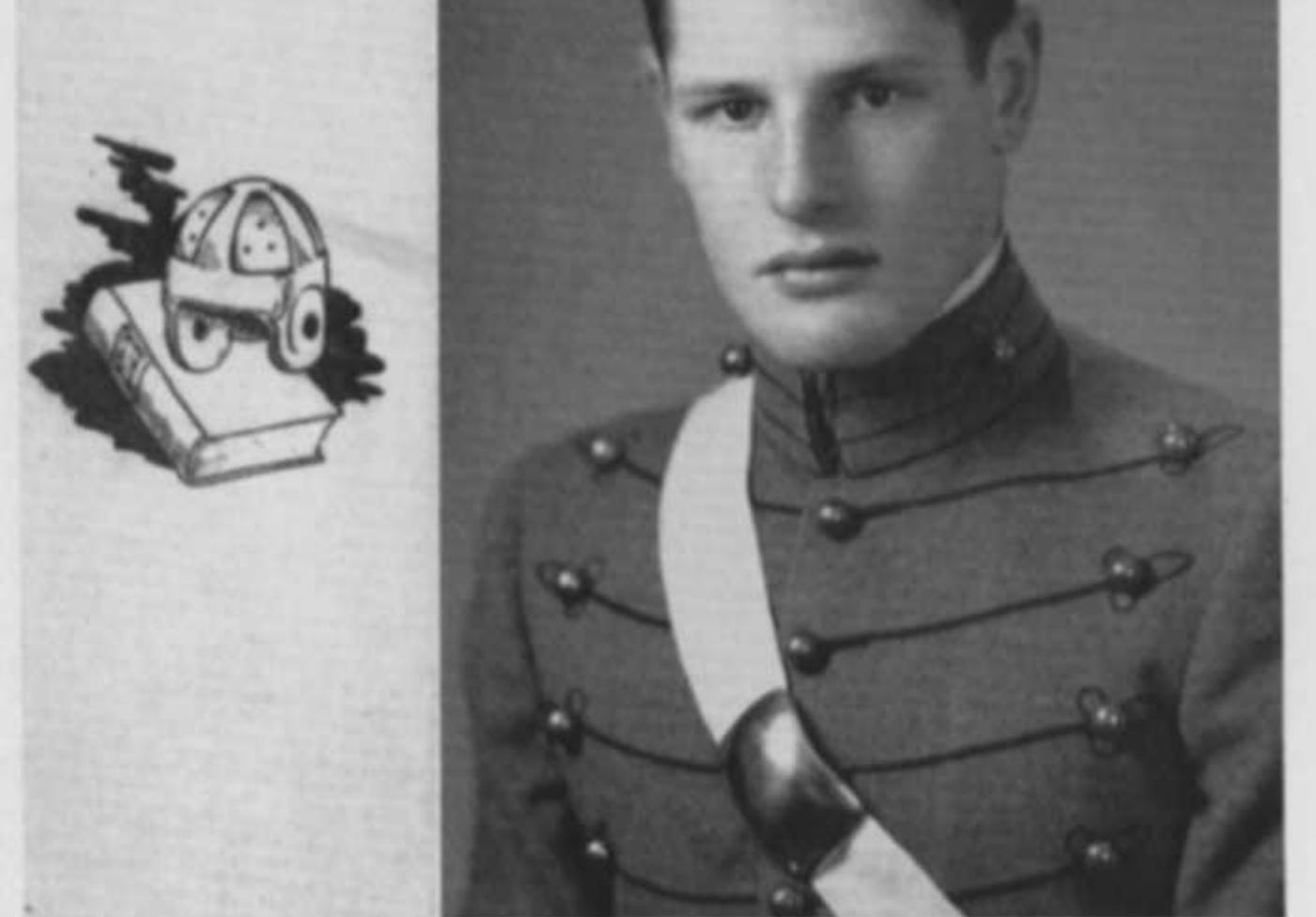
Intramural Sports (I, II, III, IV, V).

Be quiet my good people. We are about to relate to you the unbelievable tales of the one and only Patsy. He spent five years at S.M.A., and it would probably take that length of time to tell of all the interesting things he did. This is true because Patsy was the type that could make history without moving a muscle, and he excelled at loafing.

The things that Patsy will probably remember longer than anything else were those marvelous Sunday afternoons. After locking horns with lady luck for several hours, Patsy and his side-kick, Pagnotti, would invariably stroll over to Marino's for that spaghetti dinner. Those were the days!

He has gone now, but the memories of the only M.S.V. private will last as long as the bones roll in Kable Hall.





ROBERT S. TREAT

Rye, New York

"Retreat"

Private, Company "A" (1).
Varsity Football (1); Varsity Track (1).

Amherst College

This individual, ladies and gentlemen, developed from an unknown into one of our great football heroes. Yes, Bob has really helped to chalk up those touchdowns for our winning team. Despite the fact that he's a "rat" (and that is a handicap) Bob has become known to all for his excellent sportsmanship and friendly charm. M.B.C. has certainly missed a lot by not having him galavanting down there on leave days. Bob claims to be from er . . . ah . . . um . . . Oh, well, it's up in New England somewhere; that's all that is important. Bob's coming in second on the choice for "Best Rat" in our immortal Hall of Fame should serve to indicate to any doubting dowagers just what we think of him. Discussing politics seems to be Bob's favorite pastime. (This information was gathered by gooney birds, and transferred to us via carrier pigeon. As an afterthought, let us say that the "info" was compiled from Coach Simmons' history class.) Besides being on our pigskin parade, Bob is quite a student. (That part is for the benefit of his parents, and to be read by them especially.) Bob's one year spent here has been appreciated by all those who know him, and remember, kid, keep those passes flying. (This can be interpreted in any way desired.)

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JAMES H. N. TUTTLE

Northeast Harbor, Maine

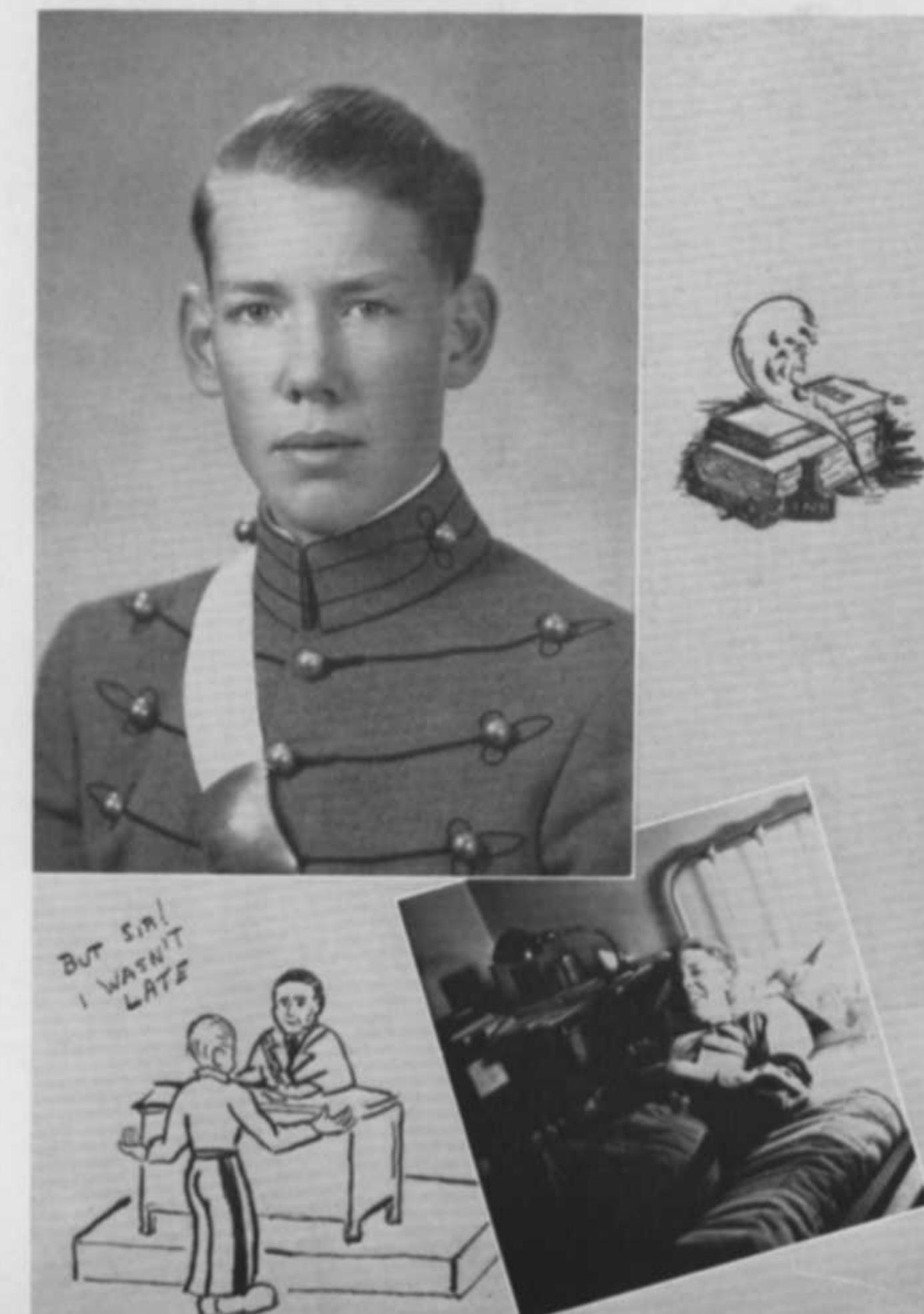
"Tut"

Private, Company "C" (I); Corporal, Company "E" (II); Guide Sergeant, Company "B" (III).
Camera Club (I); Intramural Basketball (II); Rifle Team (I-II).

United States Naval Air Corps

For three years now people have watched this long-legged Yankee wander around the learned halls of S.M.A. They have wondered just how he managed to cover so little ground when he has such a large stride. The answer is easy, kiddies—"Tut's" just plain lazy, but definitely.

Jim, in times gone by, has been a mainstay of the rifle team and a great contributor to the hell-raising in old North. Between the two he has been pretty busy. Nevertheless, "Legs" has managed to keep his head above water in his studies. Anybody who can do that deserves only the best, and if we're any judges, that's what is in store for him.



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PETER VAN AMERINGEN

New Kensington, Pennsylvania

"Avenger"

Private, Company "C" (I) ; Private, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Football (I-II) ; Intramural Basketball (I-II).

United States Army

Nazis, beware! Nips, watch out! For this time next year you will be faced with a new American secret weapon, the dynamic Pete Van Ameringen, better known as the "Avenger." This nick-name has been with Pete for some time, but still no one seems to know what he has avenged. We're sure he'll do all right though when he's in there slugging it out with the enemies of Democracy.

After two years of infantry training at S.M.A., Pete has decided that this wasn't for him. He likes the Air Corps, and can be seen any afternoon in Kable Hall practicing various air maneuvers he will soon be doing over Berlin or Tokyo.

As you can see by the picture above, Pete is a good-looking guy, and we're not the only ones who think so. There's a certain girl back home that commands most of the "Flying Dutchman's" time allotted to romance, and from what we hear, she's right sharp.

On top of all of this, Pete's a swell guy. We here at S.M.A. like him and wish him the best of everything.

ROBERT VAN HEEMST

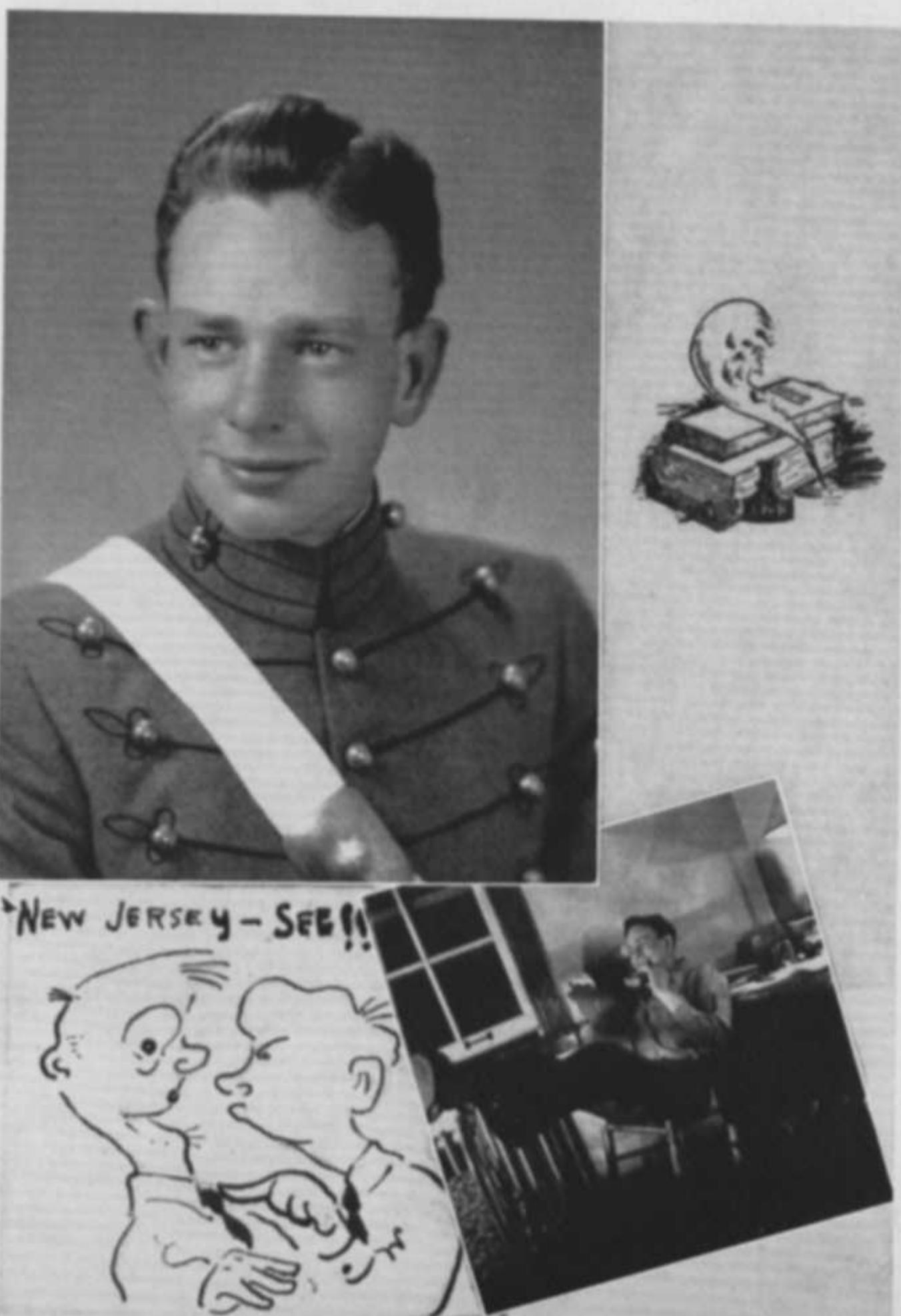
Glen Rock, New Jersey

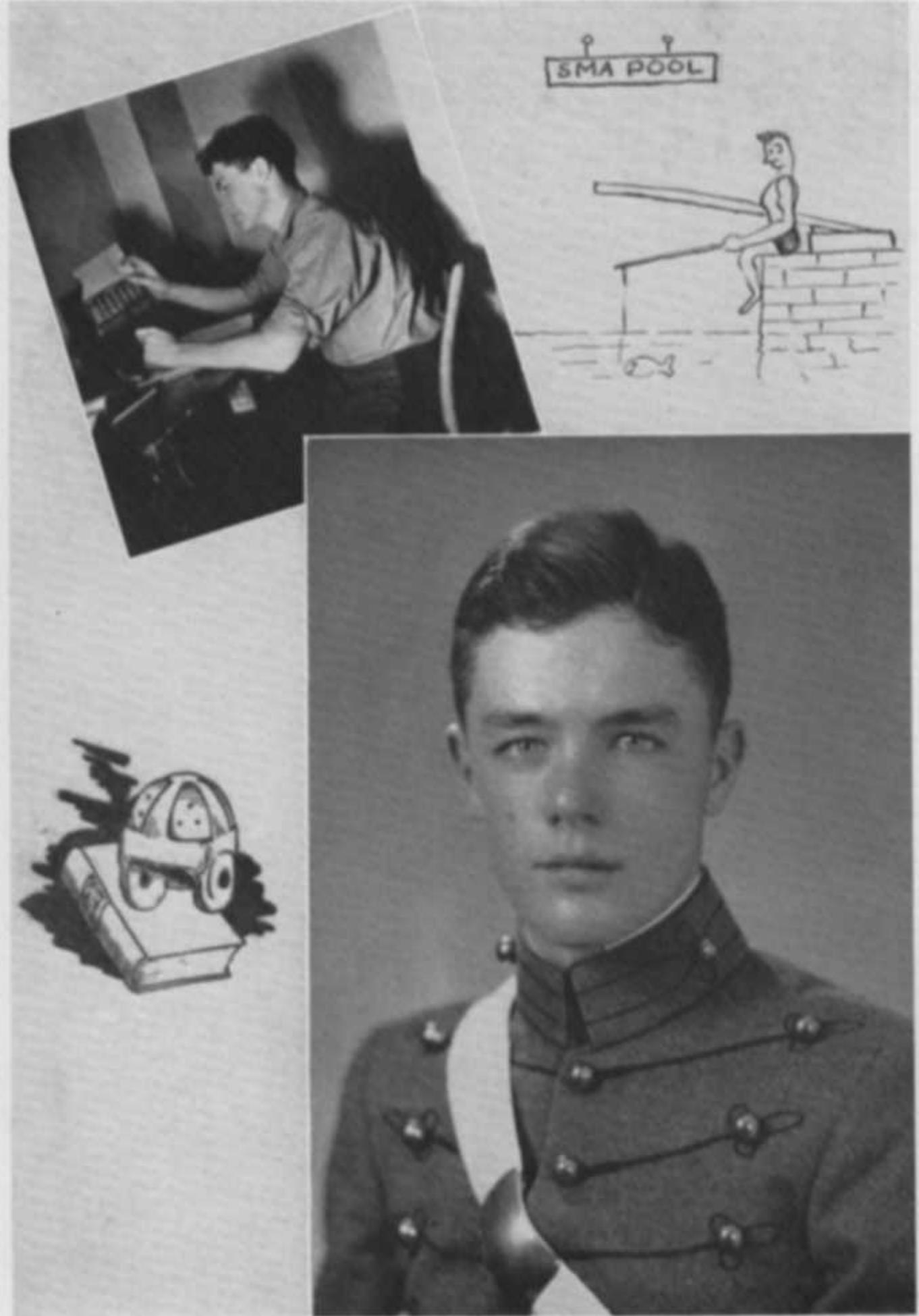
"Van"

Private, Company "B" (I) ; Private, Company "E" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II) ; Track (II).

United States Marines

May we present at this time another member of the gangster gallery, "Club 900," and the first platoon of "E" Company. We could end this write-up at this point and we at S.M.A. would know Van's accomplishments. He's a good old hell-raiser. His roommate is almost as crazy as he is, and they spent the majority of their time beating each other over the head with clubs or some similar pastime. Through all the noise, caused by their continual rumpus, may be heard Van's radio going full blast. As a matter of fact, this radio may be heard any time, day or night. We have yet to see Van open an academic book, but by the existence of this page we gather he graduated. Yes, when nobody was looking, he must have buckled down . . . he must have a good soul somewhere. Our last question, where did that guard go so quickly . . . pour it down a rat hole! In the words of some inmates . . . "see ya later . . . Van . . . and good luck, kid."





WILLIAM WARD

Scarsdale, New York

"Bud"

Private, Company "C" (I); Private, Company "F" (II).
Swimming Team (I-II).

Notre Dame University

As you look at the picture above, we doubt whether the thoughts that run through your mind are the same as ours. You see pictured above Ward, W. To us he is Billy Ward; also we see that he is part of the backbone of the S.M.A. swimming team as well as "F" Company. He should be classified also as one of the hell-raisers of Kable Stable, but at the present time we don't have the space to go into details (good thing for him). As far as women are concerned—well, Billy sort of lets the other guys take care of that. Maybe it's because he has already got his name on one, or else it's because he knows better.

As you leave the "golden gates" of Staunton, we hope you will always remember the good ole days spent at S.M.A. Keep 'em kicking!!

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MICHAEL P. WELLMAN

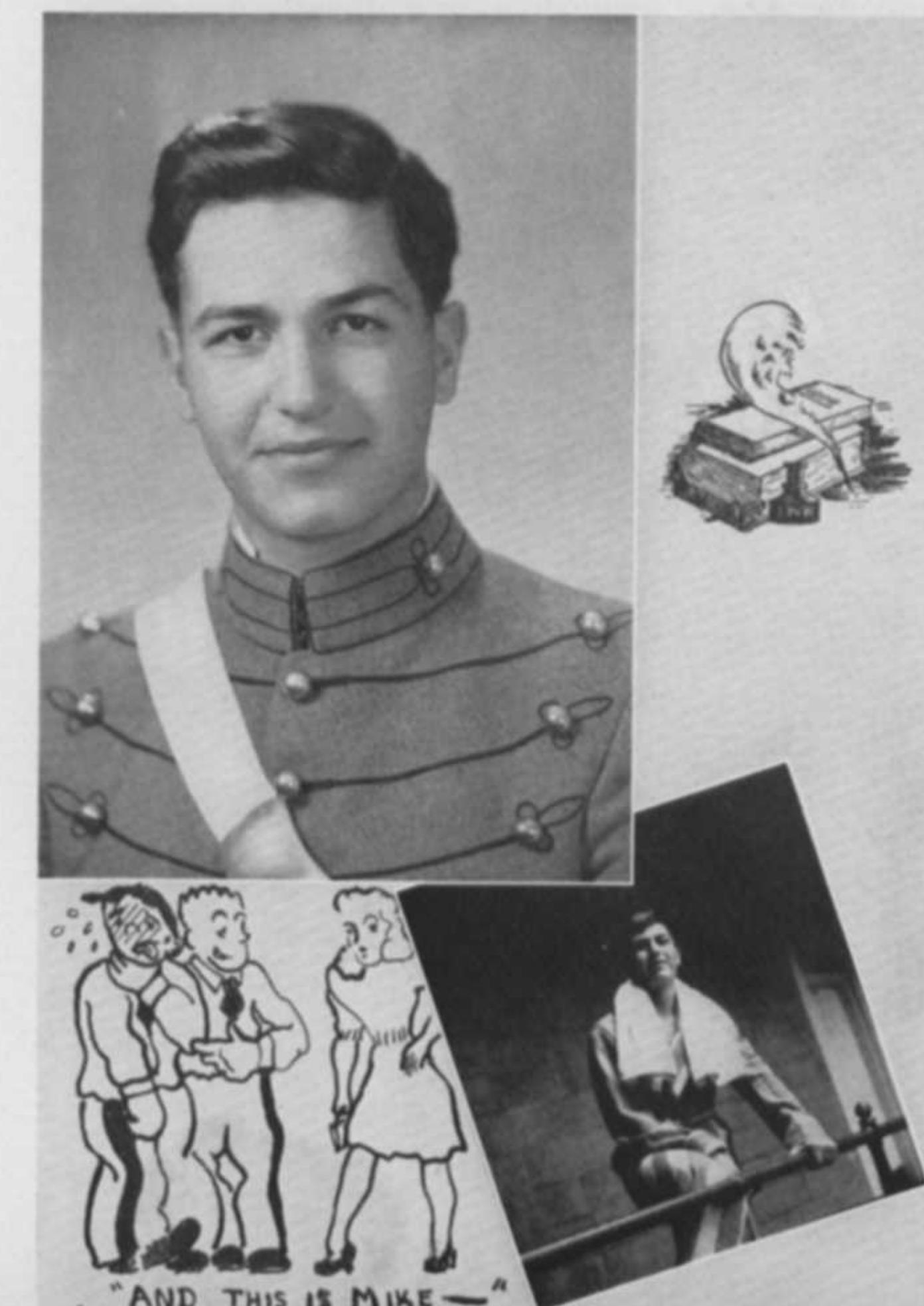
Girard, Ohio

"Mike"

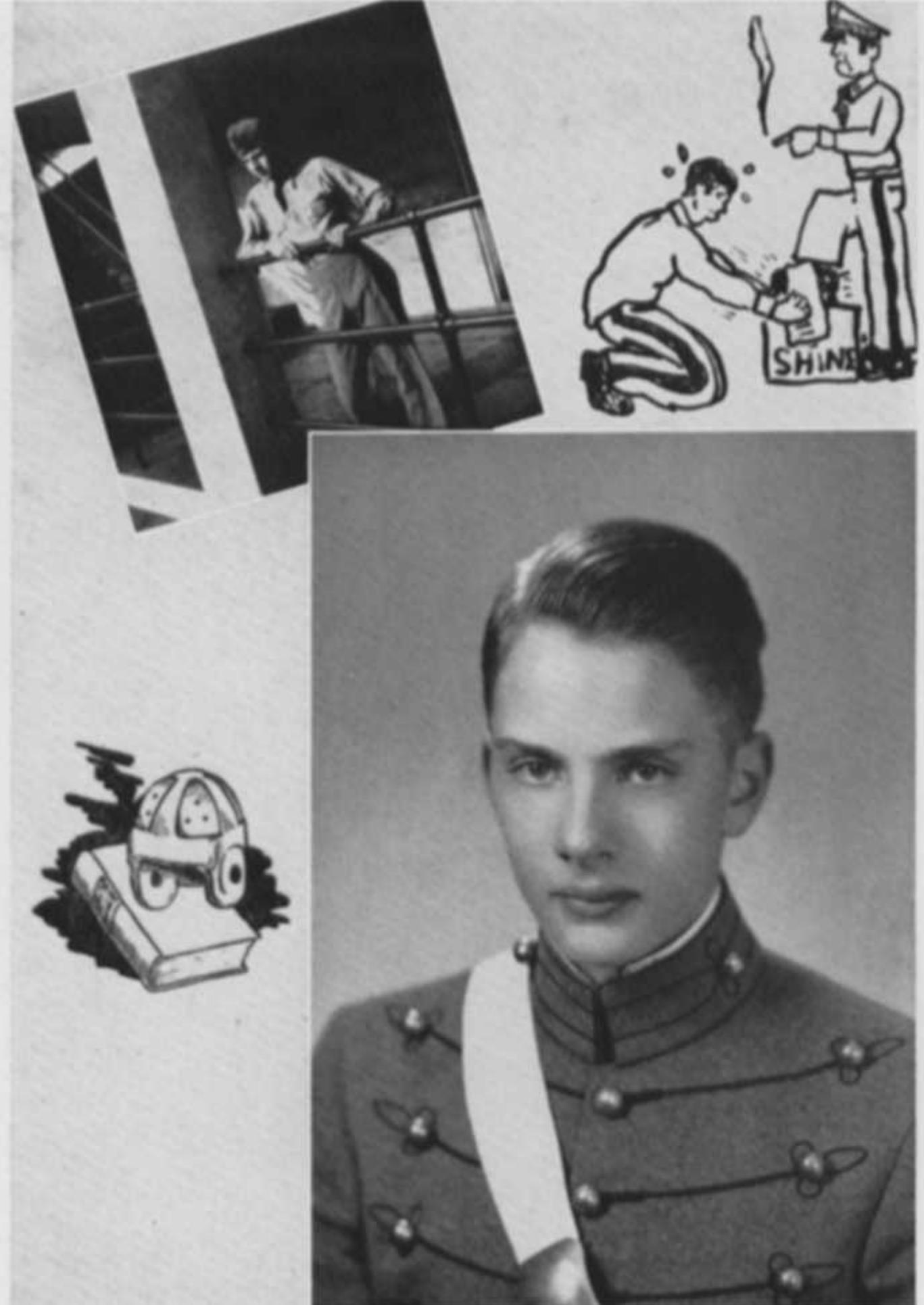
Private, Company "C" (I); Guide Sergeant, Company "C" (II).
Company Basketball (I-II); J. V. Football (II); Blue Knights (I-II).

United States Army

Everyone really sat up and took notice when "Mike" entered these portals. It has been circulated among inner societies that "Mike" is the only full-blooded Greek "boy-sprout" to escape from Wahwah Reservation in Athens. However, he's not really dangerous when you get to know him. He's a direct descendant of Aristophenes, The First (you pronounce it, we can't). "Mike" has chalked up quite a record for himself during these past two years. In the line of studies—well, we won't boast, but he has actually managed to pass several English themes—(around here that's good). Also, as a guide sergeant in "C" Company, "Mike" really steps out. We don't yet know what his ambition is, but then maybe we had better not ask.



"AND THIS IS MIKE!"



STUART WERNER

New York, New York

"Stu"

Private, Company "B" (1).
Kablegram Staff (1).

William and Mary College

"Stu" came to us last September straight from the uncharted wilderness of the big town. On his way down here though, he must have learned how to write, for anyone who might read a *Kablegram* would be sure to notice Stu's influence in it somewhere. "Stu," in fact, is a real student. As evidence we present the following conversation that transpired in an Algebra class. We quote: "But, but, sir—I don't care what the answer book says, I know that I'm right." (Strangely enough, he was right.) The rest of the conversation is left to the reader's imagination. "Stu" has done some important work for the school. Among other things, he keeps off the "nature walks," and these days that is an accomplishment. "Stu" does plan to attend college, and here's hoping that he makes it with ease.

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ROGER S. WILKES
Union, New Jersey
"Rog"
Private, Company "C."
United States Army

Being a rat has proved to be no disadvantage to Roger, for he really went to town in the academic field. Colonel Pitcher's Trig class was no obstacle to our quiz-kid, and even the dreaded advanced algebra wasn't too hard for him. The lack of the gold braid of an officer hasn't handicappel him either, for with the fairer sex "Rog" did O. K. Maybe it's that curly hair and those built-in shoulders that gets them, or maybe he can croon like Sinatra, but whatever his secret is, we can't condemn him through jealousy. Roger will no doubt follow in the steps of Einstein or Archimedes, for if his year at Staunton is a pre-view of his future accomplishments in the outside world, we can expect nothing less than an amazing discovery of some sort by the one you see pictured below. You name it; he'll feed it.



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Books and a bottle of ink.



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WILLIAM A. WILLS, JR.

Pueblo, Colorado

"Lil Willy"

Private, Company "C" (I).

United State Navy

Never let it be said that the West has never produced any outstanding characters. "Gabby Bill" Wills is a living example of something unusual. We haven't heard him say over ten words a day yet. However, we don't know what goes on in that room he shares with Mason, the fugitive from Florida.

Between the two of them, their respective mail boxes have been packed several times. (Who else would think of writing Joan Leslie?) The now-famous pictures of various femmes have gained our little friend undying fame, but this affair isn't mentioned too much.

Bill has been one of the steadiest of the rooters for "C" Company. There is hardly a company game played that doesn't have Bill either cheering or playing. We wish the school had more guys like him. Best of everything to you, "Cowboy."

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STUART F. WILSON

Ithaca, New York

"Stu"

Private, Band (I); Sergeant Company "E" (II).
Intramural Sports (I-II); Varsity Track (I-II); Varsity Football (II); J. V. Basketball
(II); Kablegram Staff (II); SHRAPNEL Staff (II).

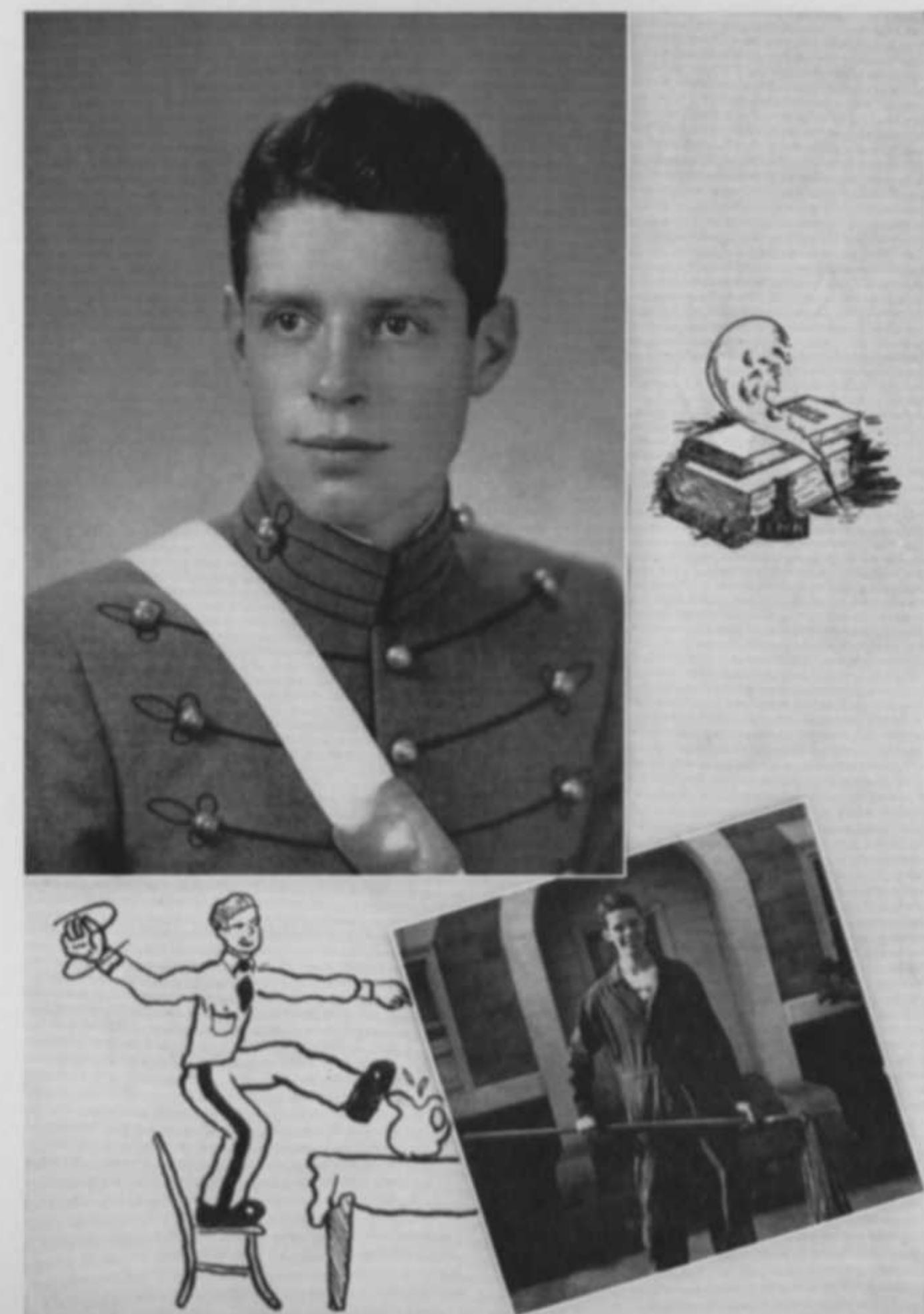
United States Naval Air Corps

It looks up one side of the street; it looks down the other side; it looks up the long flight of steps. . . Ah ha! No one's around. Up the old stone steps it climbs, higher and higher, until at last it reaches the big, brass knocker. There is heard down the long musty halls, three dull knocks. Time passes on, it begins to grow impatient . . . then without warning the doors begin to open slowly.

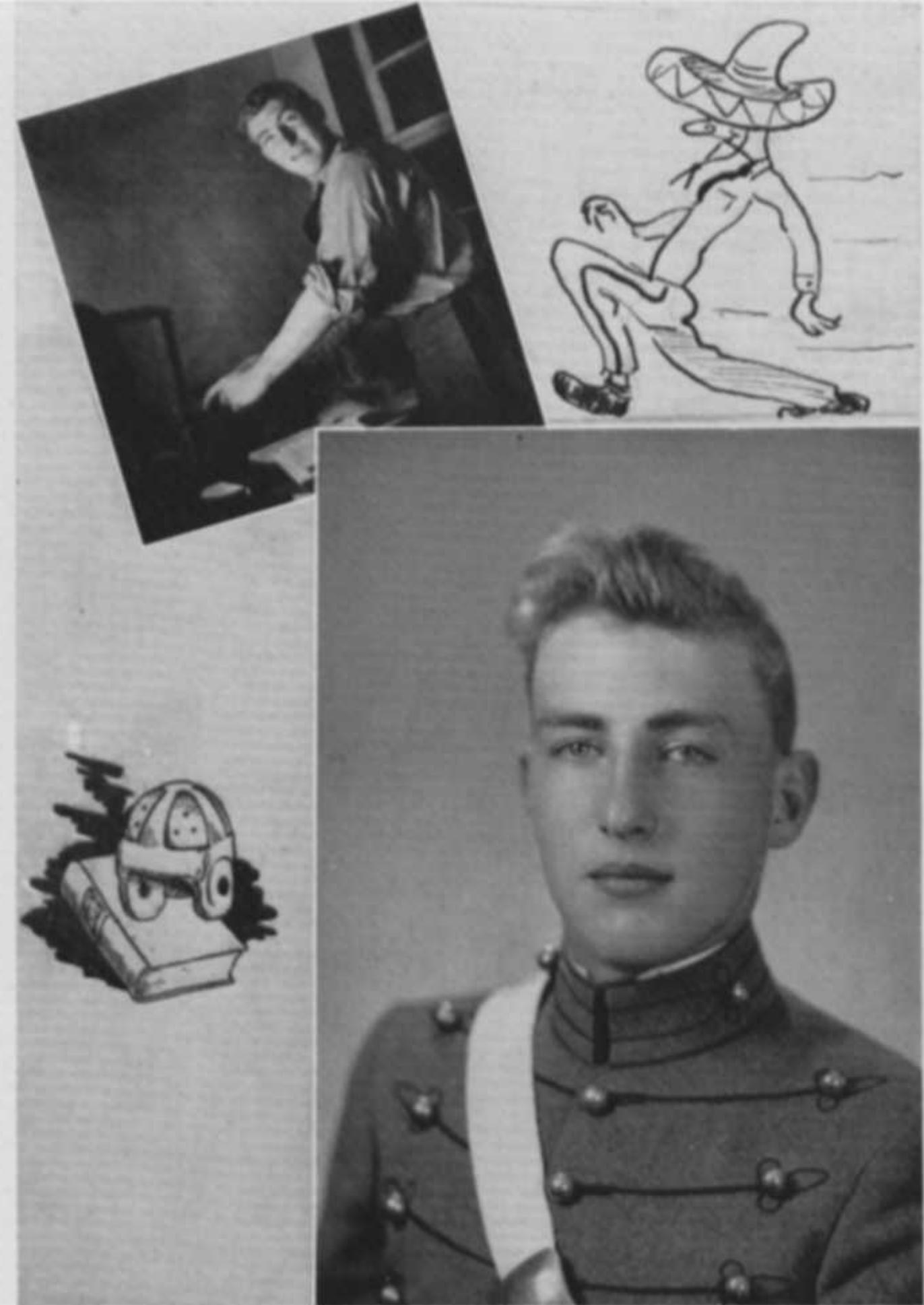
"Who'llit be, Son?"

This was a bi-monthly occurrence in the great life of our "Stu" Wilson, the only cadet in the world to have completed two missions to Stuart Hall. Some people say it's because they both have the same name; others say he was forced at the point of a gun, but whatever it was we all know he made out O. K.

"Stu" could almost be called the school typist. He's typed about everything in this book, not to mention the *Kablegram*. He has also played on our football and track teams, and that's not the easiest thing in the world to do, believe us. It looks as if this year is finally coming to a close, but we all know it's just the beginning for you, Stu. Keep it up, boy!!



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ERIC A. WILSHIRE

Buenos Aires, Argentina

"Wilt"

Private, Company "C" (1); Corporal, Company "C" (II); Private, Company "E" (III).
Varsity Track (1); Intramural Football (1); Intramural Basketball (II); Enchiridion
Society (II-III); S.M.A. Players (II-III); Glee Club (II).

United States Army

When you're looking for something different in a cigarette, try "Old Golds"; but when it's an unusual cadet you're seeking, try Eric. What other cadet ever entertained the Commandant's niece his "rat" year? What other cadet would see just how many grudge fights he could talk himself into before he became punchy? What other cadet, except Ed Ganz, would dare try that "Sous American" line on those innocent (?) Fairfax girls? These are only a sample of the things that make Eric differ in some respects from the rest of us. Being one of Coach Onesty's trackmen, he voluntarily accompanied the beat squad on its little tours for practice—or was it completely a voluntary action? A mid-year graduate, Eric will no doubt be in one of Uncle Sam's services before many more moons, but we feel sure we'll hear OF him if not from him, for he's different.

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PETER DeF. WOLFFE

Mansfield, Connecticut

"Pete"

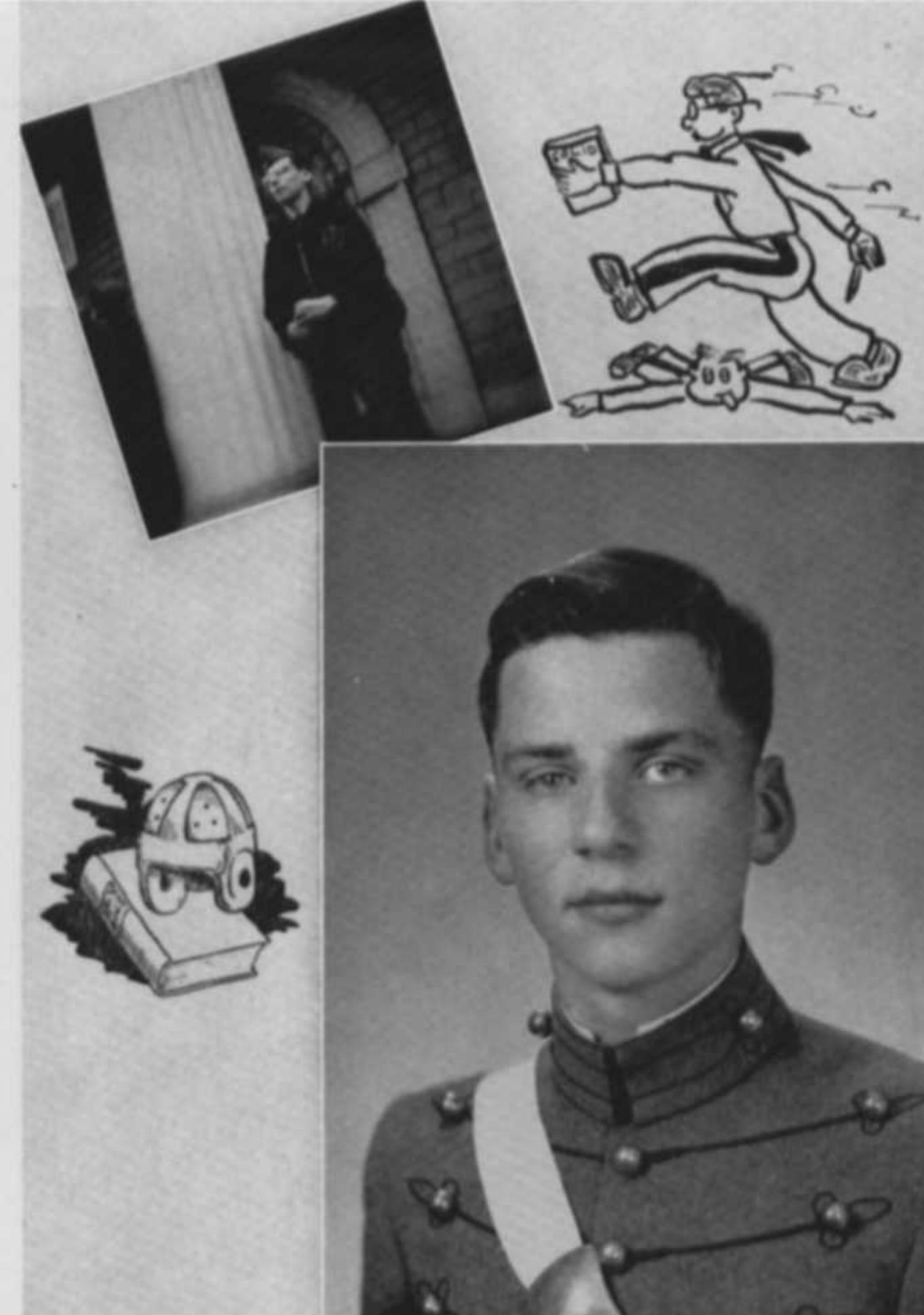
Private, Company "A" (I); Private, Company "E" (II).
Kablegram Staff (II); Intramural Basketball (I); Varsity Baseball (I).

United States Army

Last year a complacent lad came to us, via stage-coach, from the vast farmlands of Connecticut, and announced that he was to be S.M.A.'s baseball star. This announcement, however, was short lived because it got to where Pete couldn't hit the broad side of a barn. So far as we know Pete is a firm believer in the theory that women are a passing fancy. His love life consists of a few letters to some fair maidens in a certain seminary in Massachusetts. Pete is one of those cadets who prefer to be seen and not heard. After he receives his share of the sheep, he expects to further his education (?) by becoming one of the elite farmers of Connecticut. Well, here's good plowing to you, fellow!



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WALLACE WOOTEN

Staunton, Virginia

"Wally"

Private, Company "D" (I); Private, Company "F" (II)
Company Football (I-II).

Once again we find a "day dodger" among the graduates of the Senior Class, and Staunton's contribution to our Academy this year is a character of unlimited abilities. The one accomplishment which "Woot" has perfected to a system is his innocent line about being sick after missing a day of school. Being a day student, of course, is the reason why "Sport" doesn't have that activities column filled up, but we've seen him and his major interest at Bailey's after the public high school was dismissed each afternoon, and we admit she's better than any athletic event S.M.A. provides. Our "zoot suited" youngster has been the envy of many of us uninformed peasants, for who else could watch every drill, paprade, and formation without fears of Colonel Creel's wrath. Yes, Wally has really led a tough life here, and we're going to miss that look of innocence, that drawling voice, and above all, that age-old line.

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PAUL S. YOCUM, JR.

Gary, Indiana

"Paul"

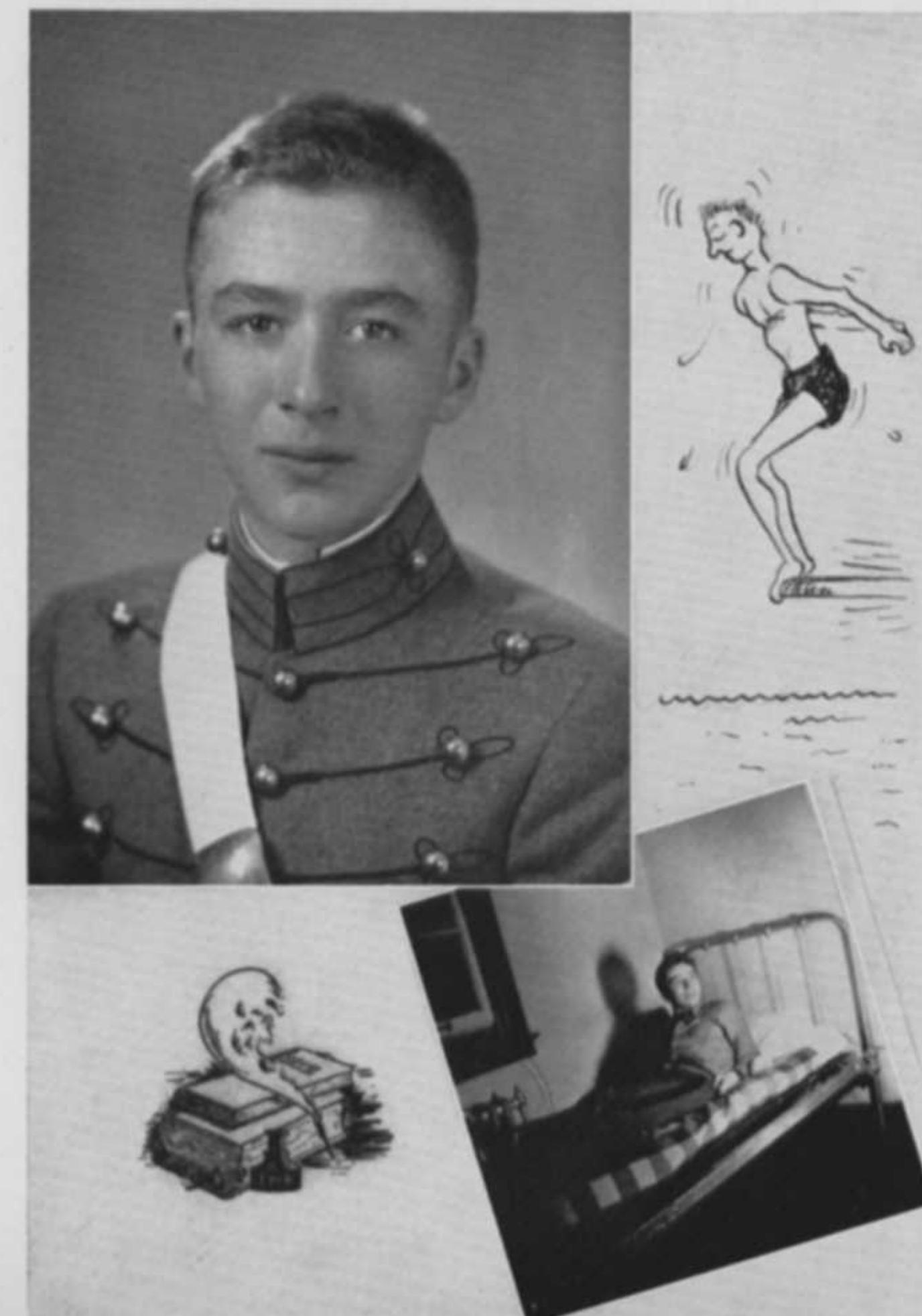
Private, Company "I" (I); Private, Company "D" (II); Lieutenant, Company "I" (III); Lieutenant, Company "F" (IV).

J. D. Basketball (I); J. D. Swimming (I); Varsity Swimming (II-III-IV); Enchiridion Society (II-III-IV); Intramural Sports (II-III-IV).

University of Indiana

From the streets of Gary, Indiana to the halls of S.M.A. comes that one and only, that unpredictable kaydet, none other than our own "Paul." On his way through Staunton, he stopped off at the Junior School. There he is famed as an archaeologist; long has he explored the dim recesses of the cellar. (We know that those noises at night weren't rats.) However, after three long years in the Senior School, Paul is ready to call it quits. He leaves us in June with that long coveted diploma. During his short but hectic career, Paul has on many occasions yielded his anatomy to the end of Major Duggan's paddle.

Paul has been swimming with the Varsity for the past three years, and has certainly done a good job. He climaxed his career by winning the Capron Trophy, the annual award to Staunton's outstanding swimmer. Paul's ambition in life is to be a doctor. Imagine what torment the public will have to endure in a few years. As a parting word, let us add that Paul is the undisputed champion of Kable Hall (in checkers).



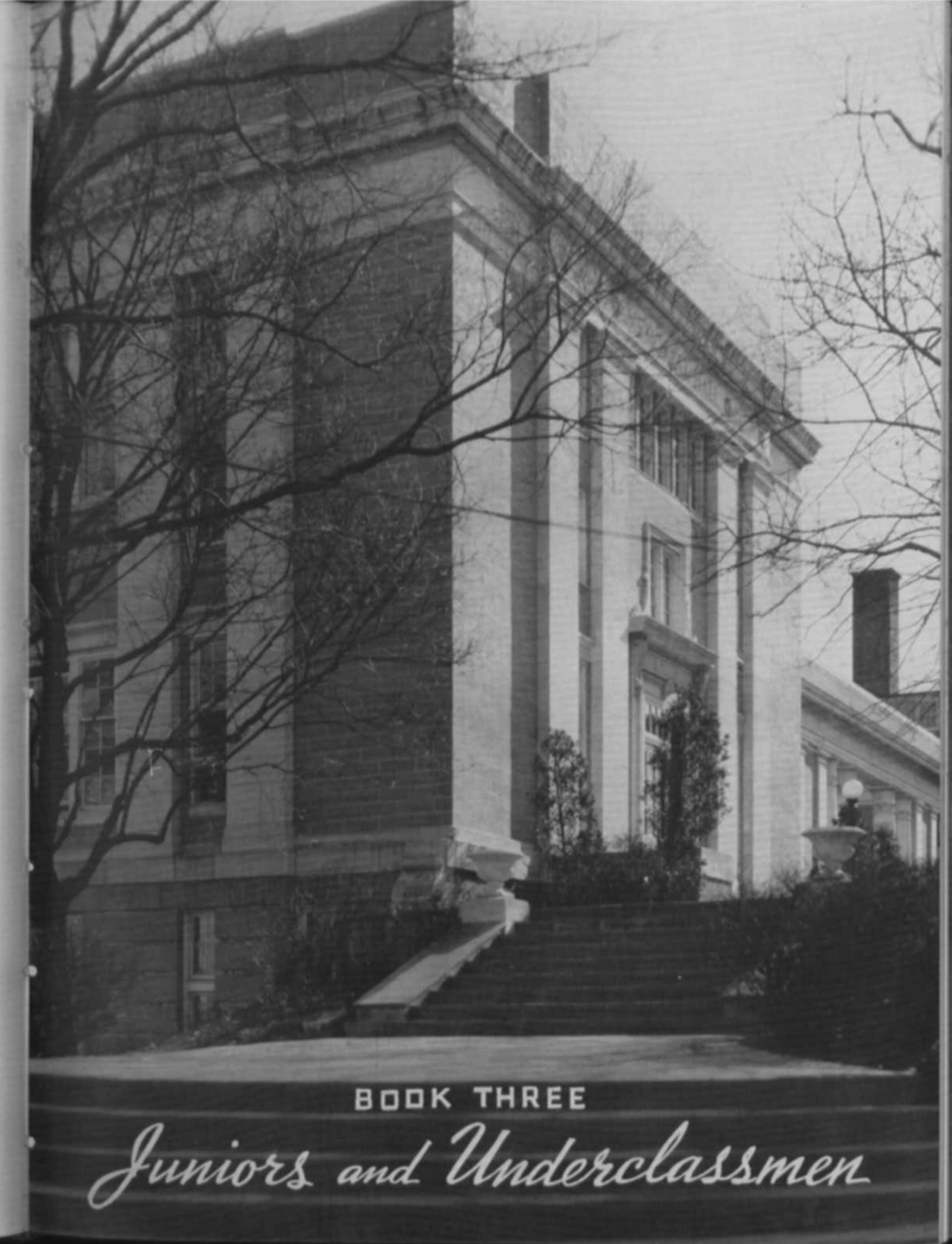
POST GRADUATES



JAMES W. THOMAS
Baltimore, Maryland



ROBERT E. PYLE
Short Hills, New Jersey



BOOK THREE

Juniors and Underclassmen

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JUNIORS



GEORGE M. ALLIEGRO
Malverne, New York



STANLEY C. ARCHIBALD
Charlotte, North Carolina



HARRY M. ASH, JR.
Glen Rock, New Jersey



RAYMOND A. AYRES
Englewood, New Jersey



GEORGE E. BAIRD
Auburn, New York

HARRY P. BAKER
Memphis, Tennessee

HENRY M. BAKER, JR.
New York, New York

JUNIORS



MARTIN M. BENIS
Brooklyn, New York



ROBERT M. BENNETT
Augusta, Georgia



WILLIAM H. BENSON
Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania



THOMAS BLAUVELT
Paterson, New Jersey



Lewis A. BOOKER
Arlington, Virginia



EDWARD G. BRITTINGHAM
Mexico City, Mexico, D. F.

ROGER S. BROWN, JR.
Mountain Lakes, New Jersey

DENISON K. BULLENS
Pottstown, Pennsylvania

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Bristol, Virginia

ALFRED BURKA
Washington, D. C.



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Parkersburg, West Virginia

ROBERT F. CAHN
New Orleans, Louisiana



ARTHUR A. CARTWRIGHT
Aliquippa, Pennsylvania

CHRISTIE CHANDLER
West Point, New York



RODERICK U. CHASE
Nantucket, Massachusetts

HERCULES CLADAKIS
Tarpon Springs, Florida



HERBERT C. COE
Winner, South Dakota

ROBERT H. COMPTON
Warren, Ohio

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ROBERT B. COOLING, JR.
Wilmington, Delaware

DANIEL DALY
Southport, Connecticut



ROBERT J. DALZELL
Packanack Lake, New Jersey

HOBART W. DAVIDSON
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania



JOE DAVILA
Orlando, Florida

REGINALD L. DEAN, JR.
Washington, D. C.



ROBERT B. DENIG
Hackensack, New Jersey

BENJAMIN DENNIS, III
Richmond, Virginia



WILLIAM J. DENNISON
Cleveland, Ohio

LEE F. DE VAULT
New York, New York



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JUNIORS



WILLIS DICK
Bloomingburg, Ohio

RICHARD DI GREGORIO
Southbridge, Massachusetts



JOHN DIXON
New York, New York

THOMAS F. DREISENSTOK
Washington, D. C.



RICHARD O. DUKE
Caldwell, New Jersey

JOHN R. DUNN
Great Neck, New York



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Edwardsville, Pennsylvania

EDWARD H. EISENBREY
Shaker Heights, Ohio



GEORGE H. FANGMANN
Jersey City, New Jersey

JOSE F. FERNANDEZ
Yabocos, Puerto Rico

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DAVID O. FISHER
Parkersburg, West Virginia

LOUIS R. FLAMARD
Brooklyn, New York



JOHN N. FLETCHER
New York, New York

WILLING B. FOULKE, JR.
West Chester, Pennsylvania



ERSKINE FRASER
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FRANK C. GORRELL
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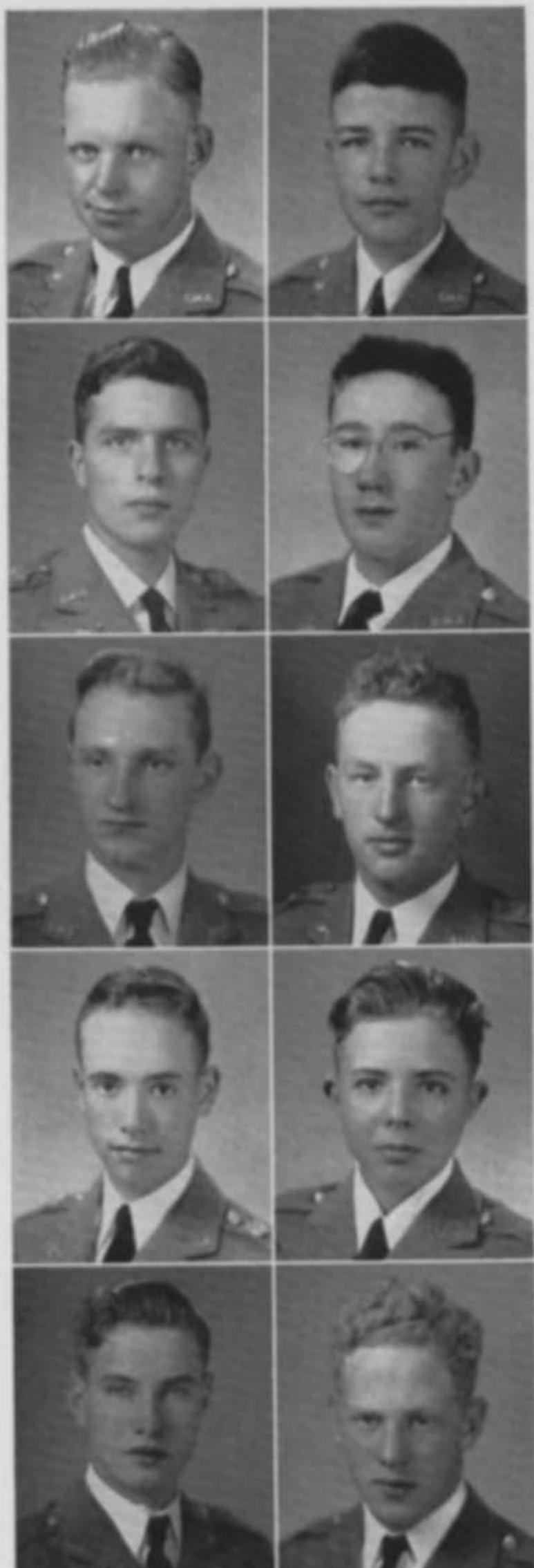
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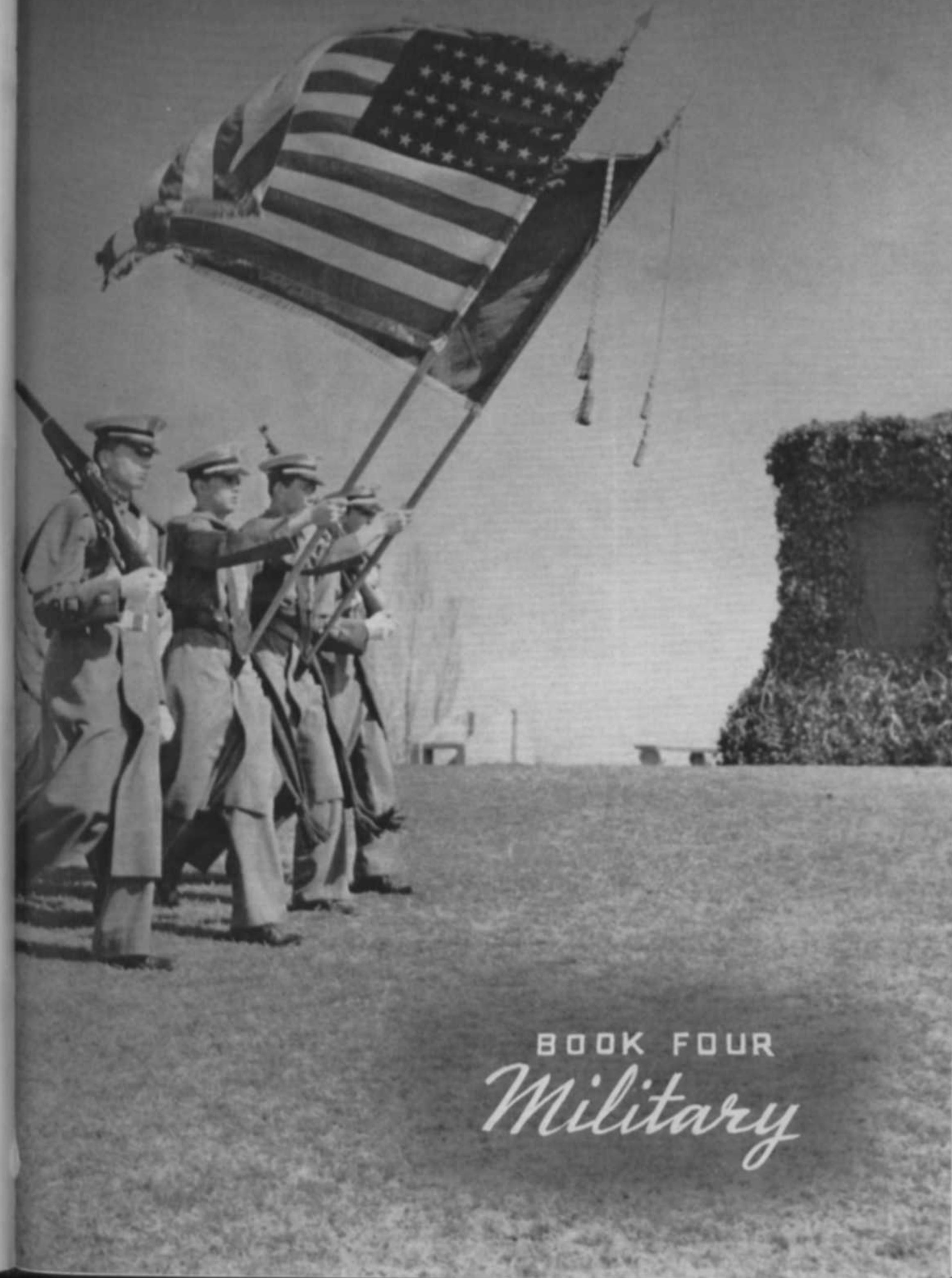
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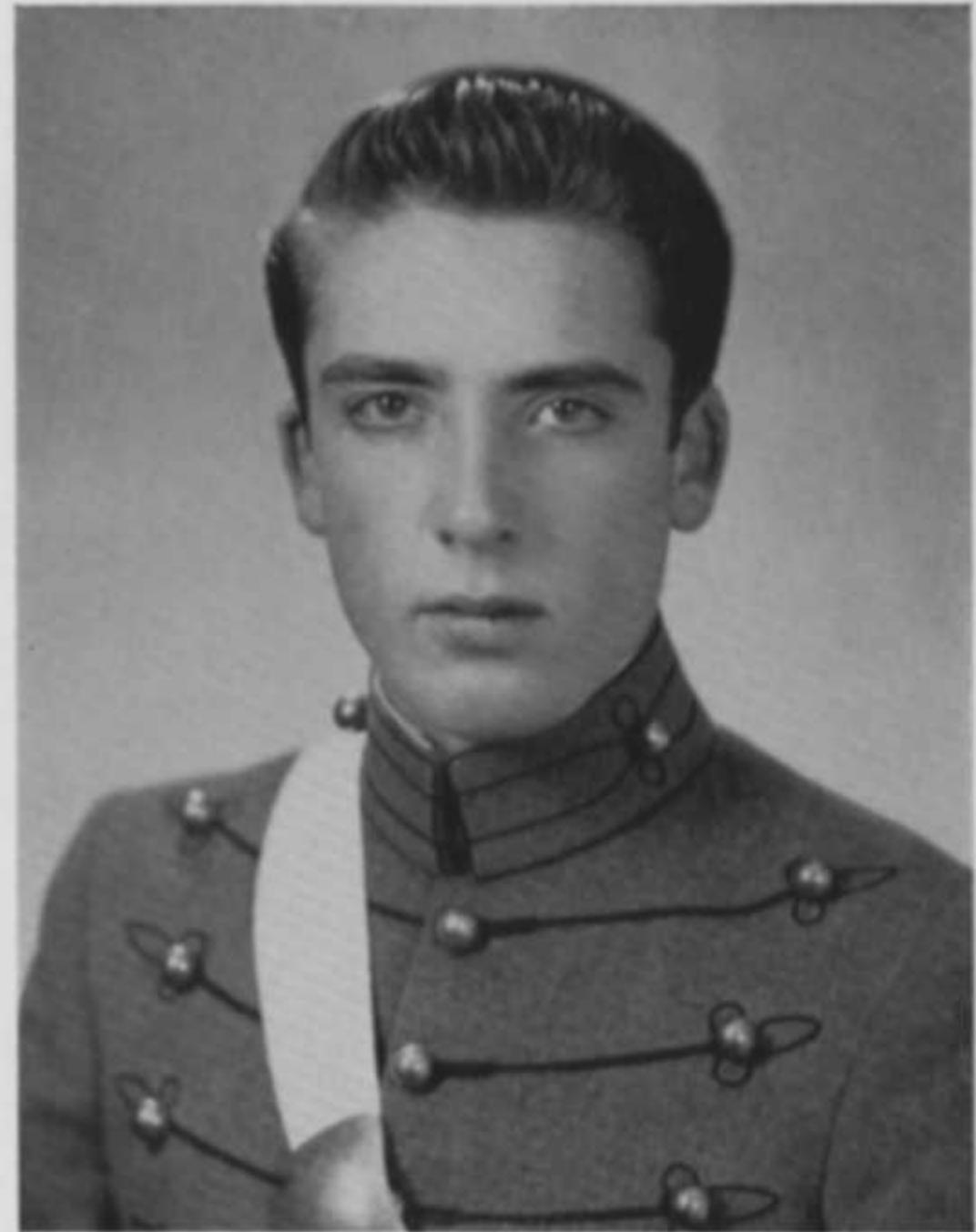
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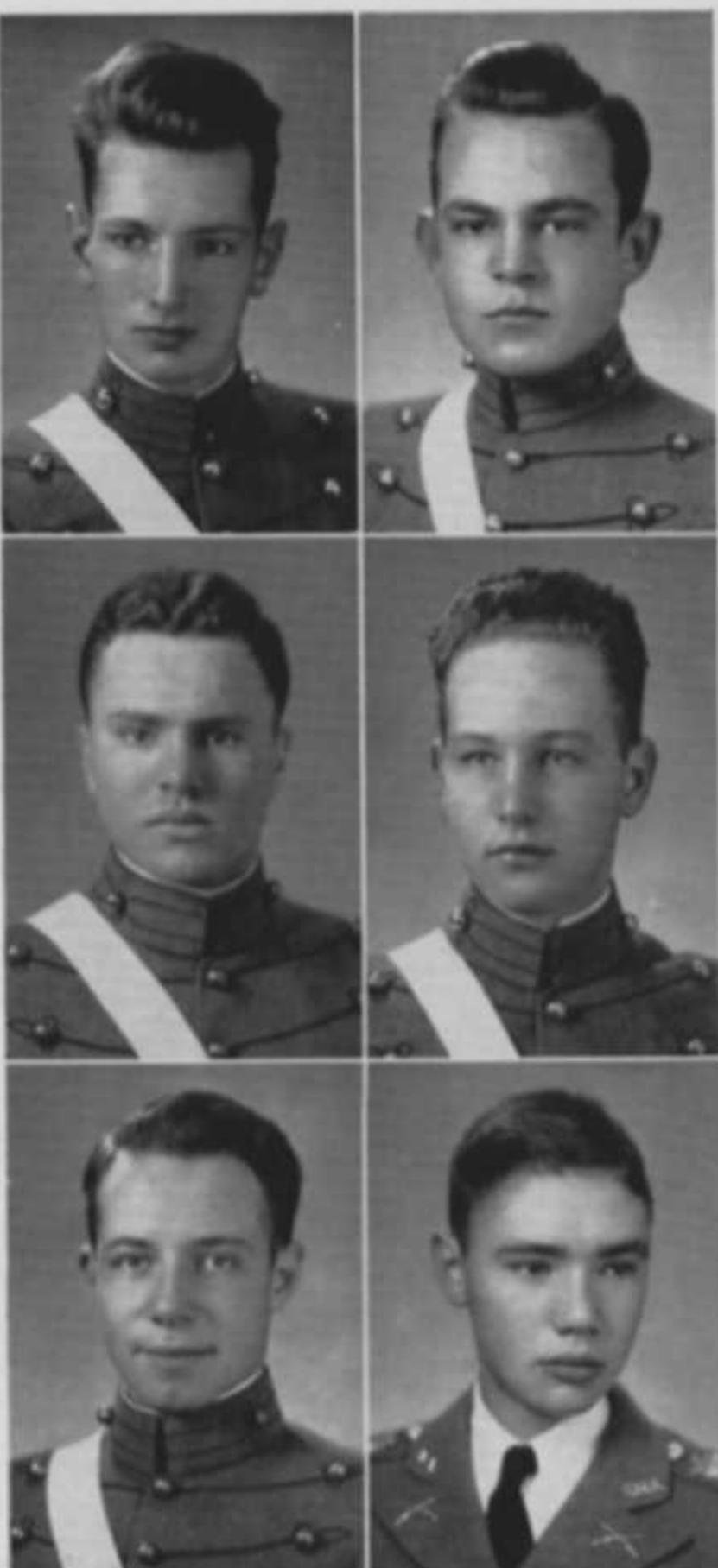




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*First Captain
Regimental Commander*

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Second Lieutenant



MARCUS MUNSILL
First Sergeant



COMPANY

Commanded by "Big" Helmy, a versatile leader, "A" Company was one of the outstanding companies on the Hill. "A" overshadowed intramural basketball competition by taking full advantage of its "talent-rich" personnel. This same advantage was not quite as effective in football. The "big boys" won their share of parades and drills to keep them in mind in the Corps.

A

COMPANY "A"

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Fleming

Fletcher
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Montgomery
Swift

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Fisher

Schiffler
McVay

CORPORALS

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Whearey
Williams
Wollins





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BRADFORD McCUSKEY
First Lieutenant

WILLIAM ARGUEDAS
Second Lieutenant

DAVID ROTHWELL
Second Lieutenant

RAYMOND AYRES
First Sergeant



COMPANY

B

"B," another company made up largely of new boys, led in one liaison for Sunday parades and was a strong contender in all inter-company competition due mainly to the work of their officers, Seymour Page, Bradford McCuskey, Dave Rothwell and Jim Arguedas. Captain Hersey's tactical problems provided many a Roman holiday for these lads.



COMPANY "B"

SERGEANTS

Bennis
Boswell
Cahn
Laney

Dewing
Lewis, R.
Pietrafesa

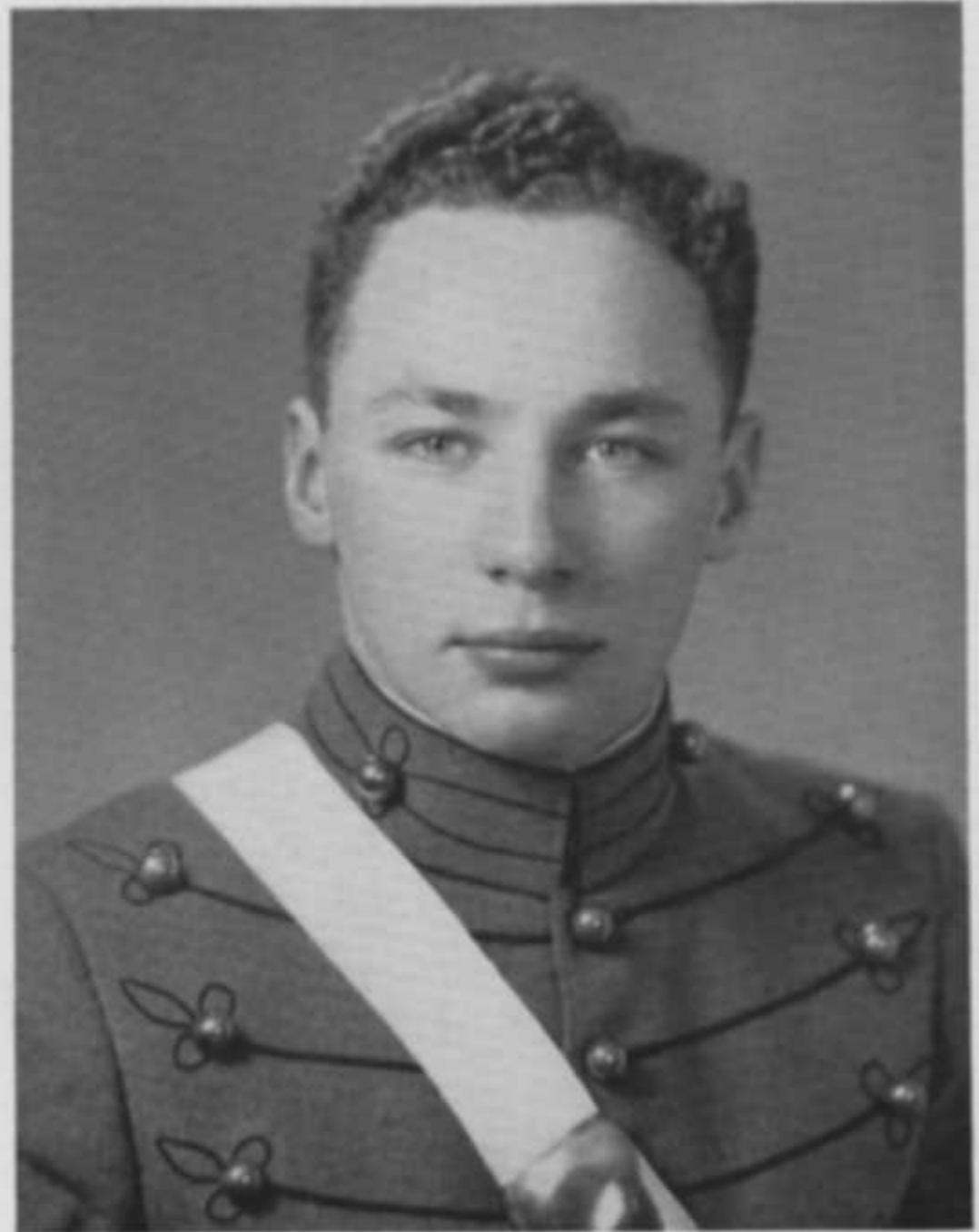
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Tullidge, T.

PRIVATE

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Benson	Gruber	Shalit
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Burk	Irving	Shelton
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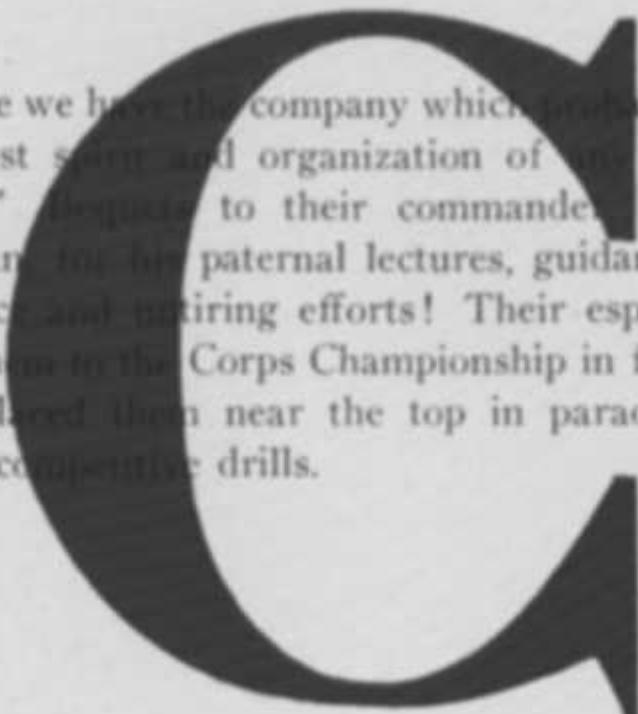
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Second Lieutenant

EUGENE SMITH
Second Lieutenant

RICHARD DUNN
First Sergeant

COMPANY



Here we have the company which probably had the best spirit and organization of all on the "Hill." Due to their commander, Charlie Berman, for his paternal lectures, guidance and patient and untiring efforts! Their esprit carried them in the Corps Championship in football, and placed them near the top in parades and other competitive drills.



COMPANY "C"

SERGEANTS

Archibald
MacDonald

Main
Sibert
Stahl

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CORPORAL

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Second Lieutenant

PAUL YOCUM
Second Lieutenant

ROBERT MAKINNEY
First Sergeant



COMPANY

D Although the midgets' have no regimental organization, the "men" of "D" Company again proved the old adage, "that oftentimes things come in little packages." Hats off to Frank Fernandez and his boys for demonstrating that "good little men" can force the big fellows to put forth their best and even then claim a share of the honors.



COMPANY "D"

SERGEANTS

Everest
Giles
Henney

Klutinoty
McGreevey
Padgett
Sadler

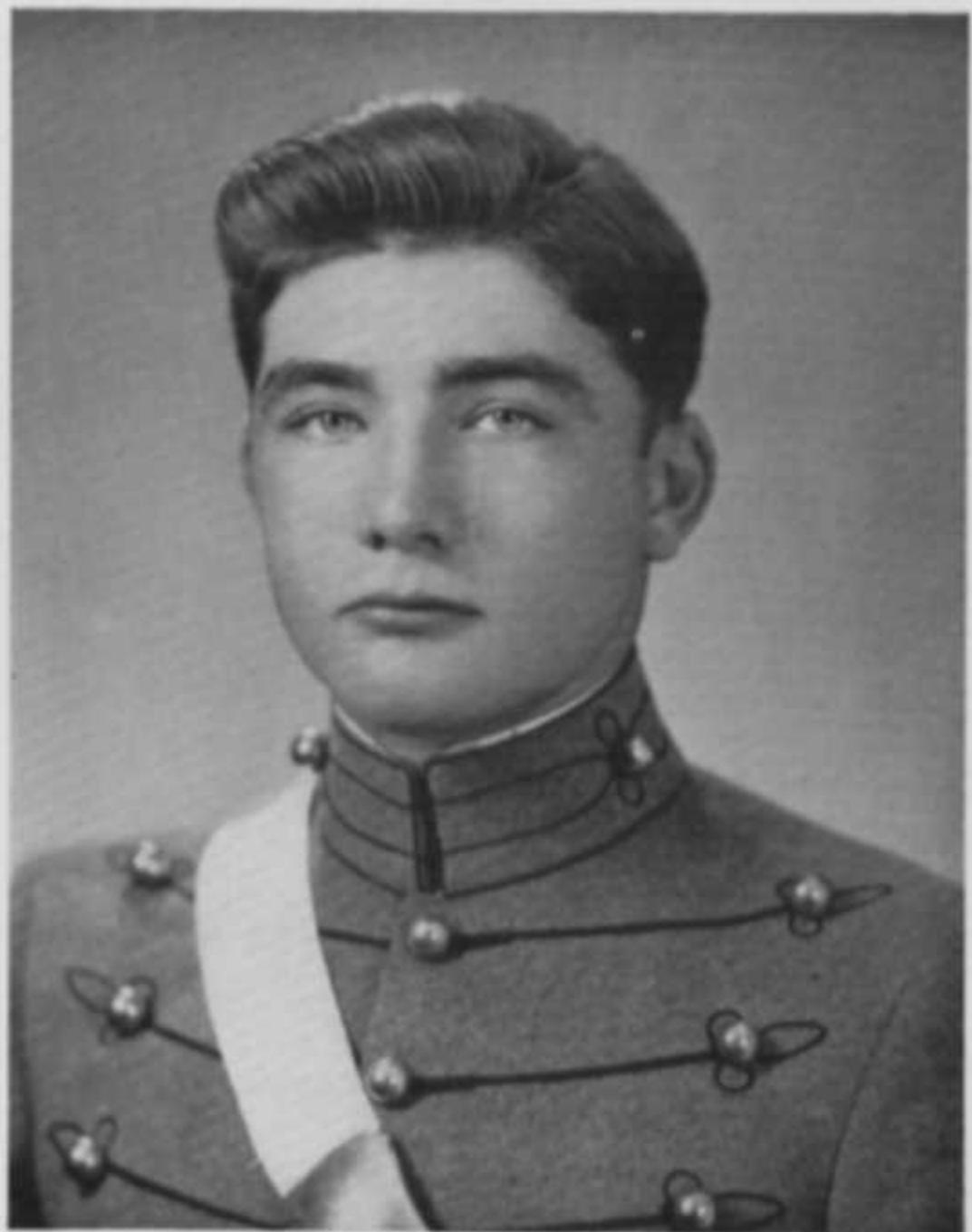
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Strawn
van Amerigen

PRIVATE

Besuden
Bishop
Boggs
Brand
Butscher
Carlson
Catalano
Cragie
Creel
Dalzell
DeLaney
Detweiler
Dick
Evans

Giannaris
Gose
Hutchinson
Hsley
Joseph, F.
Jurovich
Knappenberger, S.
Kreuer
La Marche
Levy
Lultz
Morris
Patterson
Pfeiffer

Plumly
Rauhe
Rhaesa
Roberts
Rone
Sebrell
Sherer, R.
Siskinger
Smith
Taylor, J.
Tawner
Travue
Tullidge, A.
Wolfe, R. M.



HARRY FUSSLEMAN
Company Commander

ANDREW McLANAHAN
First Lieutenant

RALPH HURD
Second Lieutenant

JOHN SYKES
Second Lieutenant

GENE NOBLE
First Lieutenant



COMPANY

E

Unique in that it is the refuge of the "busted" officers and non-veterans, and those overlooked in permanent promotions, "E" Company is known as the "Foreign Legion." "Handsome Harry" Fusselman deserves all praise for the way he handled this group of "veterans." Incidentally, these "veterans" always came through when the chips were down and the going was tough.



COMPANY "E"

SERGEANTS

Bennett
Capps
Christie

Gomez, G.
Johnson, E. L.
Lawler

Polachek
Tufts
Wilson, S.

CORPORALS

Chase

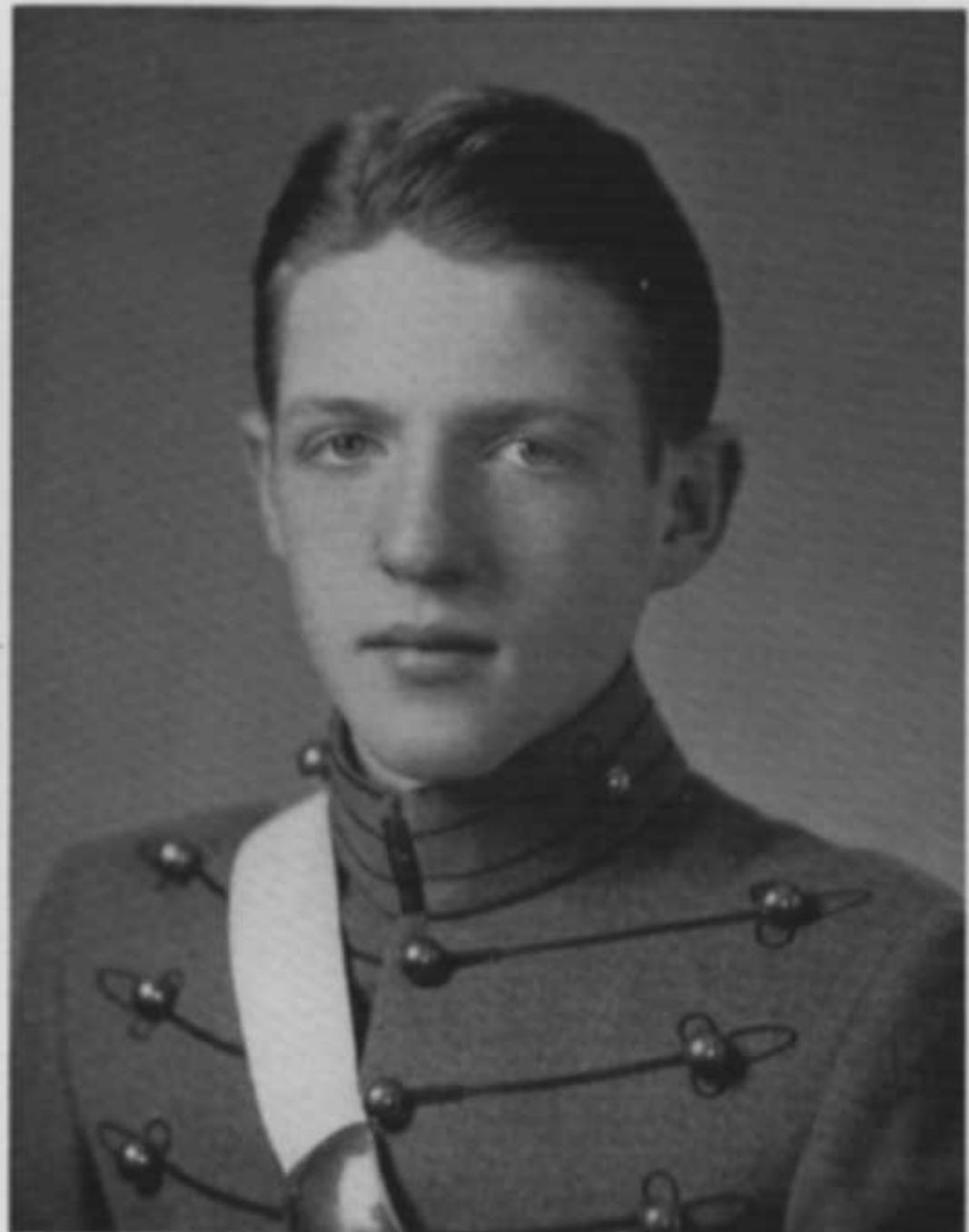
Rosenberg

PRIVATE

Baker, H. M.
Baker, M. S.
Baysinger
Brick
Collins, C. J.
Cosentino
Costanza
Daley
Davidson
Davis
Dearing
Doyle
Eisenbrey
Emmel
Fager

Fernandez
Ford
Gibb
Giest
Gotschall
Grant
Guild
Hainer
Hassen
Jacobson
Jordan
Kaufman
Kinsolving
Kunert
Miller, F.

Mitchel
Parlapiano
Peskin
Revelle
Rosenblatt
Sanderson
Schmidt
Schnecker
Sonia
Speaker
Thompson
Treat
Van Heemst
Werner
Wolfe



ROBERT DI GIACOMO
Company Commander

CHARLES LAZERWITZ
First Lieutenant

ANDRE KAHN
Second Lieutenant

GILBERT TIBOLT
Second Lieutenant

WELLINGTON JONES
First Sergeant



COMPANY

Exhibiting a fiery spirit in keeping with the flaming-red hair of their commander, Bob Di Giacomo, "F" Company turned in a good record for the year both militarily and athletically. Andre Kahn's platoon won the competitive drill to highlight the "Flamingos' accomplishments. Besides, they also set a grueling pace in speed marches and extended order.

F



COMPANY "F"

SERGEANTS

Moffatt
Nichols, B.

Rumsey
Story
Sullivan

Vidal
Zents

CORPORALS

Mahr

Parke

PRIVATE

Anderson
Barr
Battey
Boyd
Christie, W.
Corey
Cray
Creamer
Foran
Gillikin
Gomez, G.
Heller
Hilsinger
Imlay

Keats
Levy
Lombard
Loynard
Lubin
McCartney
McGahey
Messing
Mollod
Mora, A.
Mora, R.
Newbro
Noble, M.
Pagnotti

Perini
Peterson
Poisson
Renard
Robinson
Samblanet
Schwartz, A.
Schwartz, J.
Tanur
Tibolt, R.
Thurber
Turner
Uzzell
Wilkes



HOWARD VANDERSLUIS
Company Commander

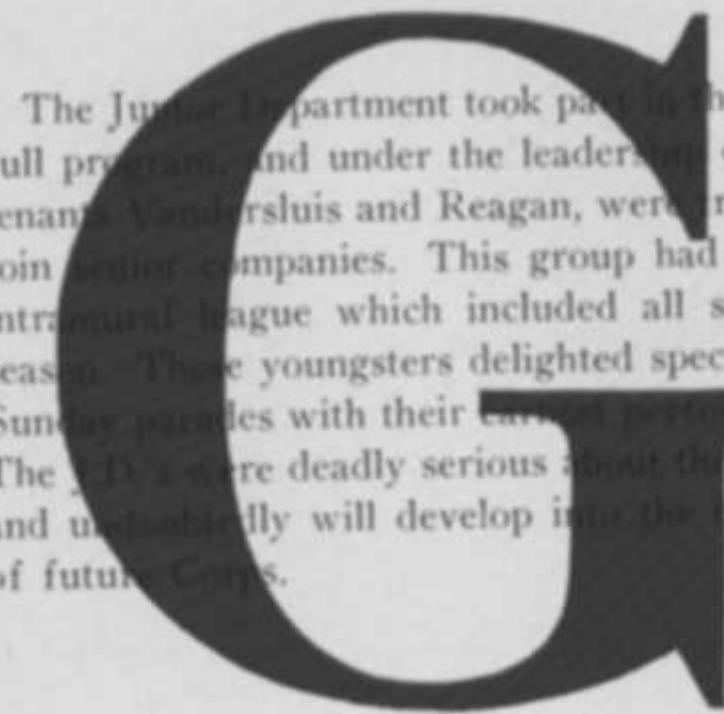
PATRICK REAGAN
First Sergeant

Second Lieutenant
JAN VANDERSLUIS



COMPANY

The Junior Department took part in the Corps' full program, and under the leadership of Lieutenants Vandersluis and Reagan, were trained to join Senior companies. This group had its own intramural league which included all sports in season. These youngsters delighted spectators at Sunday parades with their lawn games and races. The J.D.'s were deadly serious about their work, and undoubtedly will develop into the backbone of future Corps.



COMPANY "G"

SERGEANTS

Grant, J.
Montgomery, J.
Voss

Yocum, D.

CORPORALS

Creamer, T.
De Volpi

Stafford

PRIVATE

Anderson, W.
Austin
Bell, J.
Bennett, R.
Bland
Cawood
Chapman
Clark
Duemling, D.
Flynn
Haynes, K.
Hubbell
McNulty

Mergentime
Metlick
Russell, H.
Sunstrom
Tilley
Woodruff
Zimmerman



RICHARD LUNDELL
Company Commander

GAYLE SMITH
First Sergeant

EDMUND LEYPOLDT
Staff Sergeant

BEN MELVIN
Staff Sergeant



BAND



The Band, which supplied inspiring martial airs for military formations, including the pre-reveille miseries, showed remarkable progress under the able direction of Captain Studney. The musicians rated among the best military bands in the South, and placed second in the recent by displaying real athletic enthusiasm runner-up in the inter-company football campaign.



BAND

SERGEANTS

Klein

Peck, J.
Seybold

Taylor, J.

CORPORALS

Jones, T.

PRIVATE

Abbott
Abrams
Avnsoe
Bloodgood
Compton
Cook
Crispano
Davis, D.
Denton
Fowler
Gerson

Gracey
Hull, H.
Jurovich, G.
Kaehler
Kitchell
Knappenberger
Lewis, J.
Long
Lyon
McMillan
Masdea
Pearson

Poskin
Prasch
Robbins
Sandler
Smulian
Spitler
Taylor, W.
Waits
Ward, D.
Wharton, R.
Youngblud

Staunton Military Academy Staunton Virginia



Shrapnel Staff

This year's SHRAPNEL Staff was carefully selected because it was felt that a smaller hand-picked, hard-working group could accomplish more in shorter time than an oversized body. Although nearly every member held office, full cooperation, each with the other, made this book possible.

Through the editorship of Rocky Howard, refreshed faculty guidance, and many nights of pleasant but hard work, we, the Staff, have striven to preserve cherished S.M.A. traditions, introduce new and stimulating ideas, and to provide in this SHRAPNEL a keepsake that shall ever recall happy days on the "Hill."

You must judge our measure of success!

—THE SHRAPNEL STAFF.

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Kablegram

A large and capable *Kablegram* Staff revived interest in the Academy's bi-weekly publication. Diverging from usual patterns with considerable originality, the staff of editors attempted to give the corps a paper of varied subjects of cadet interest. Every effort endeavored to make it a cadet enterprise, through and through.

Editor Jake Kindregan and Faculty Adviser Lt. Harnley are to be commended on an excellent job. Their associates and assistants merit equal commendation.

The volumes by the 1944 *Kablegram* Staff remain an indelible memento.

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Lt. Harnley.....			<i>Faculty Adviser</i>



Enchiridion Society



Seated: Fernandez, Kindregan, Howard (President), Marshall and D. Giacomo
Standing: Page, Rothwell and Ganz

1944 witnessed another successful year for the Enchiridion Society. Members can look back over their year with justified satisfaction. Besides attending the annual Y.M.C.A. preparatory school conference at Natural Bridge as a group, the society enjoyed a number of eminent guest speakers, who addressed them on relevant subjects.

Under the direction of Lt. Schmidt, faculty adviser, the Society adopted and followed parliamentary rules of procedure for meetings. In addition, Lt. Schmidt organized and directed many interesting discussion groups. Consistently large attendances testified to the good work accomplished. All in all, 1944 witnessed new standards for the Enchiridion Society.

Standing: Sanderson, Flamard, Levy, Howard, S., Hamilton, Sullivan, Martinetti, Reed, J., Tinsley Donkle and Reiner
Seated: Lt. Schmidt, Lehman, Lazerwitz, de Vault, Kahn (President), Townsend, Christie and Hendershaw



Cotillion Club

Despite the handicaps of war-time conditions, restrictions on decorations, and sundry problems of travel and shortage, the Cotillion Club provided a series of dances that afforded delightful entertainment.

Under the direction of Major Webb this independent, self-supporting organization presented a number of highly successful and gracious social events. Especially memorable were four Formals: Thanksgiving, Military Ball, Easter and Finals—each a gala affair featuring name orchestras and gay crowds.

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Standing: Lt. Lunsford, Callahan, Smuliar, Graham, Jordan, Heywood, Hamilton, Shalit, Foran, Read, N., and Arley
Seated: Hainer, Mitchel (President), Seasword, and Schwartz, A.

S. M. A. Players

The S.M.A. Players concentrated their year's activity in a highly successful winter season presentation of "What a Night."

A three-act murder mystery, minus a starring role, this drama gave prominent parts to several characters. Actors sharing the leads were Nelson Read, Ivan Shalit, Merwin Mitchel, Edward Graham and Richard Cray. The supporting cast included Cadets Hainer, Foran, Arley, Heyward, Detweiller, Callahan and Dixon.

Lt. L. E. Lunsford directed the Players for the second successive season, and is congratulated on the excellent performance of his troupers.

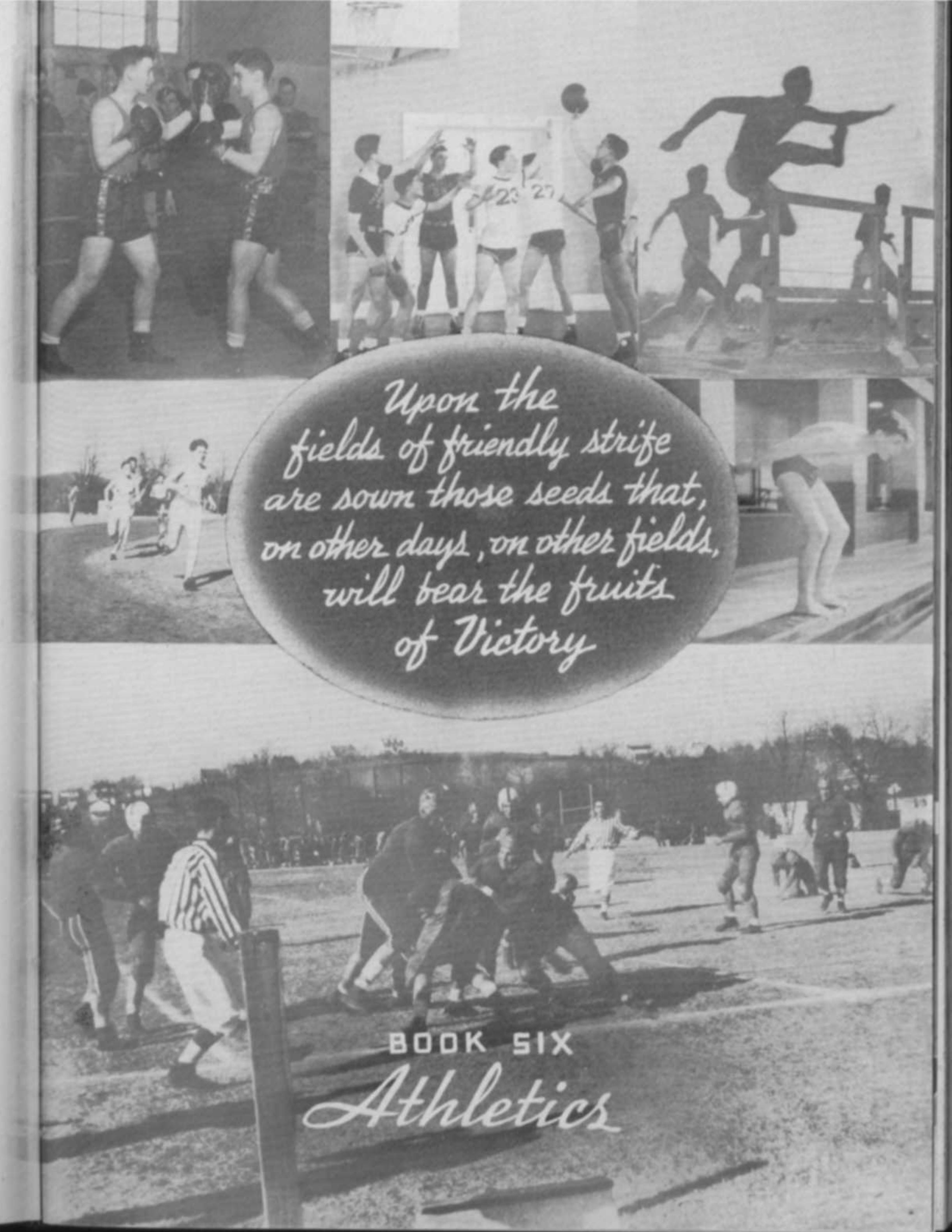
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Blue Knights

From informal, noisy "jam-sessions" to their own orchestrations is the Cinderella story of the revival of the Blue Knights. The "sessions" grew to such proportions that Lt. Carpenter, an experienced maestro, assumed their direction; new talent was recruited; regular practices conducted; and orchestrations perfected. Lt. Ridgeway joined the rhythm section and assisted in general management. Ernie Hamann, pianist and prime organizer, answered the army's call and was replaced by Bill Scheldrup. The "syncopaters" scored successes at dances at S.M.A., Lee High, Fairfax Hall, and Mary Baldwin, besides entertaining the Army General Hospital.

Standing: Wellman, Spitler, Avnsoe, Peck, Poskin, Pearson, Compton, Jurovich, G., Melvin, Hendershaw, Knappenberger, T., Emmel, and Scheldrup
Kneeling: Lt. Ridgeway, Smulian, Lt. Carpenter
(Not in Picture: Moffat)







Reeves Baysinger
Captain



Coach Simmons

Coach Onesty

S.M.A. 43—DEVITT PREP 0

The competitive season opened with an early October one-sided 43-0 victory over Devitt Prep of Washington. Staunton dominated every phase of play as Reaves Baysinger and Ben Dennis raced up and down the field.



FOOTBALL

Sporting a record of four wins, one tie, and two losses, and rolling up a total of 119 points to opponents 71, the Staunton Military Academy football team completed a very successful season. Minus the experienced material of previous years, and with but one letterman, Coaches Simmons and Onesty took the boys at hand and developed a light, but fast and aggressive eleven.

S.M.A. 6—WOODBURY FOREST 0

One of the hottest games of the season was played at Woodberry Forest where the cadets margined the "Civies" 6-0. Baysinger passed to Chuck Helmly, high-scorer for the year, in the end zone late in the fourth quarter. Minutes later Woodberry penetrated to the S.M.A. two-yard line, where the indomitable line play of Rocky Howard halted them.

S.M.A. 14—BULLIS 34

Bullis (Naval) Prep, also from Washington, handed the Blue and Gold its first setback—34-14. Presenting a pre-war powerhouse the visitors quickly took a 14-0 lead only to see determined drives by the Cadets even the count in the third quarter—14-14. Thereafter the "middies to be" made and took advantage of breaks to win going away.

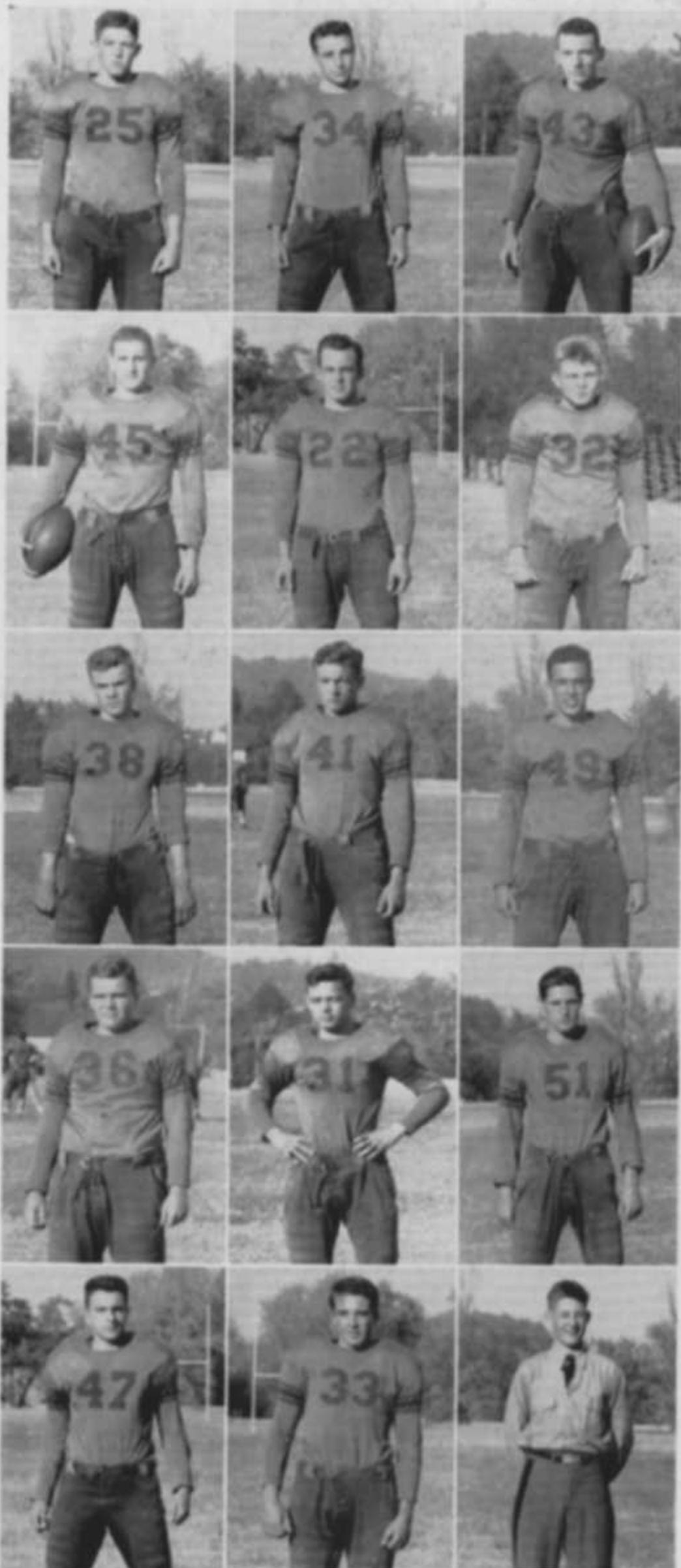
S.M.A. 0—GREENBRIER 0

The Simmons-Onesty array hit its peak the following week when it battled the vaunted Greenbrier Military Academy to a scoreless tie. Though far behind in statistics Staunton's dogged defense held off the favored West Virginians in a tense game full of spectator interest.

S.M.A. 39—MASSANUTTEN 0

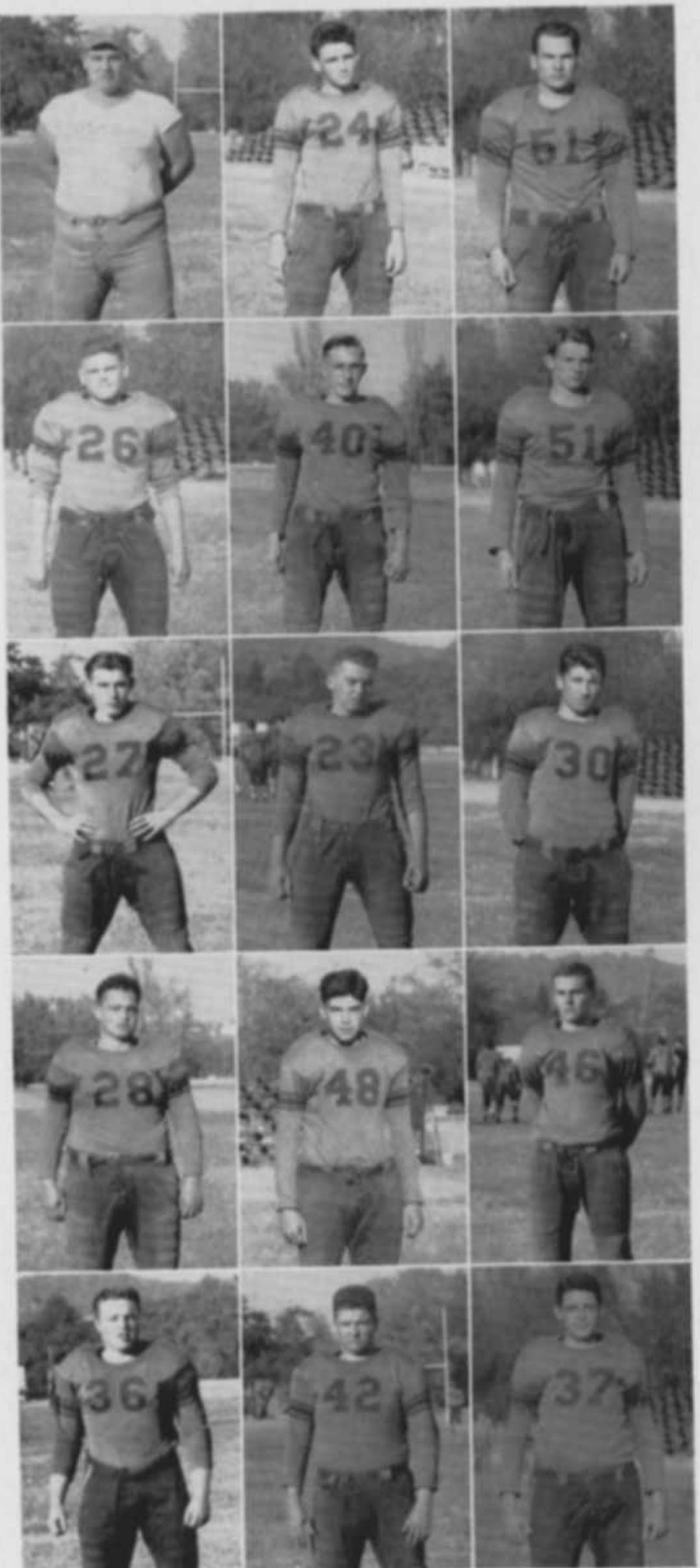
Massanuttten Military Academy, much below usual strength, proved no match for the Blue and Gold. The Baysinger-

Baysinger	Gorrell	Helmly
Hobbs	Howard	Kinsolving
Lawrence	Munsill	Page
Rowe	Stephenson	Treat
Pietrafesa	Ganz	Tullidge, Mgr.



HONORABLE MENTION

Helmy—End
Howard—Guard



to-Helmy pass combination contributed four touchdowns to lead to a 39-0 count.

S.M.A. 10—MERCERSBURG 6

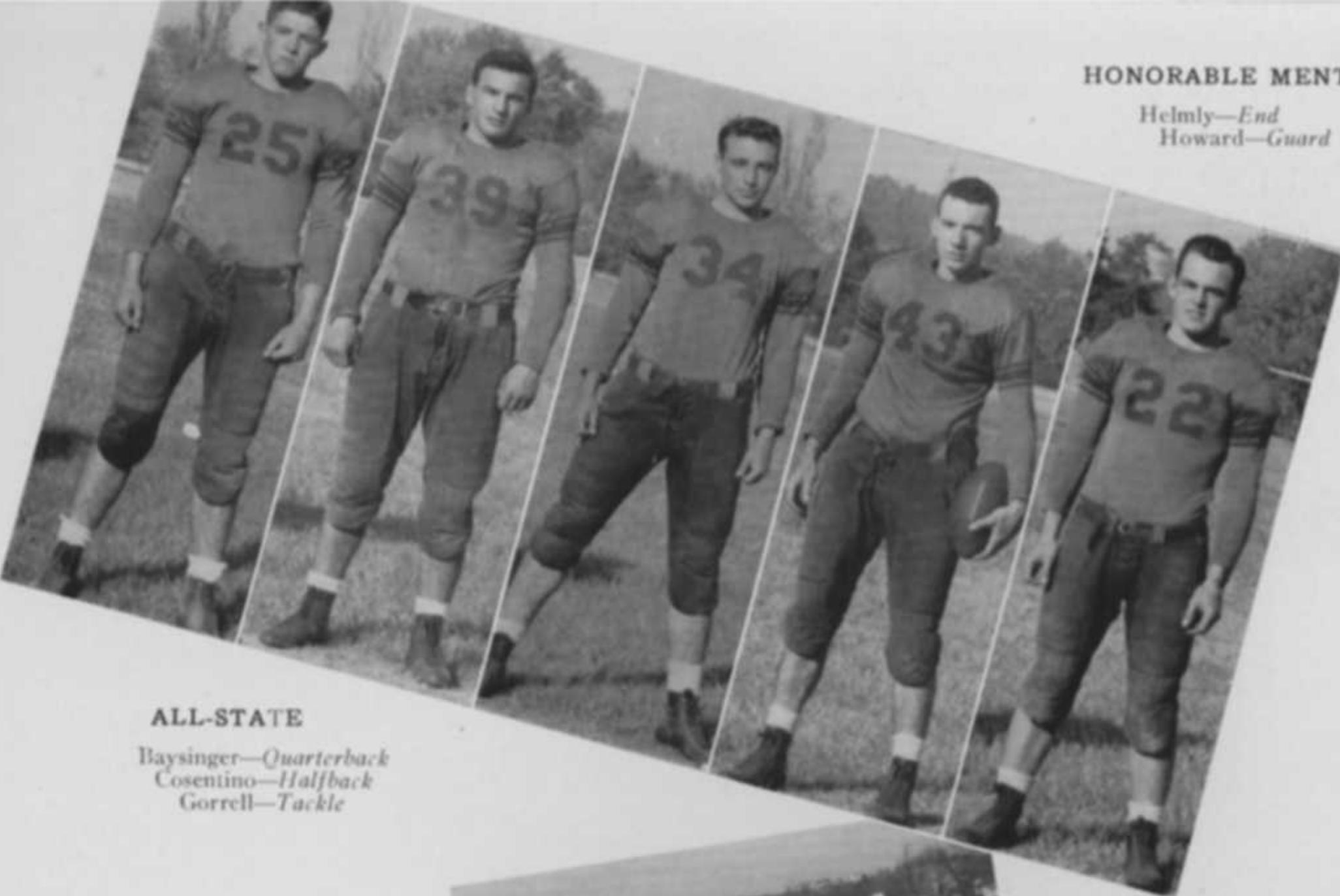
At Mercersburg Academy the Varsity grabbed an early lead when Rudy Cosentino plowed through the line after a sustained march. Baysinger converted and this point became all important when Mercersburg connected on long passes to score, but failed to add the extra point. Later Baysinger booted a beautiful field-goal from the thirty-six-yard line. Final score—S.M.A. 10—Mercersburg 6.

S.M.A. 7—FORK UNION 31

The Thanksgiving Day final saw Fork Union wrest the State Title from the "Hill" after a two-year reign. Over-matched but never outfought, S.M.A. fell before the visitors 31-7. The Baysinger-Helmy combine accounted for the hosts' score.

Reeves Baysinger captained this year's squad. Frank Gorrell was elected to lead the 1945 eleven. Baysinger, quarterback, Cosentino, fullback, and Gorrell, tackle, were honored with places on the All-State team. Howard and Helmy, guard and end respectively, received honorable mention. Other worthy regulars were: Frenchy Page, end, Mark Munsill, tackle, Bob Treat, guard, Campbell Lawrence, center, and Rabbit Kinsolving and Lovick Stephenson, backs.

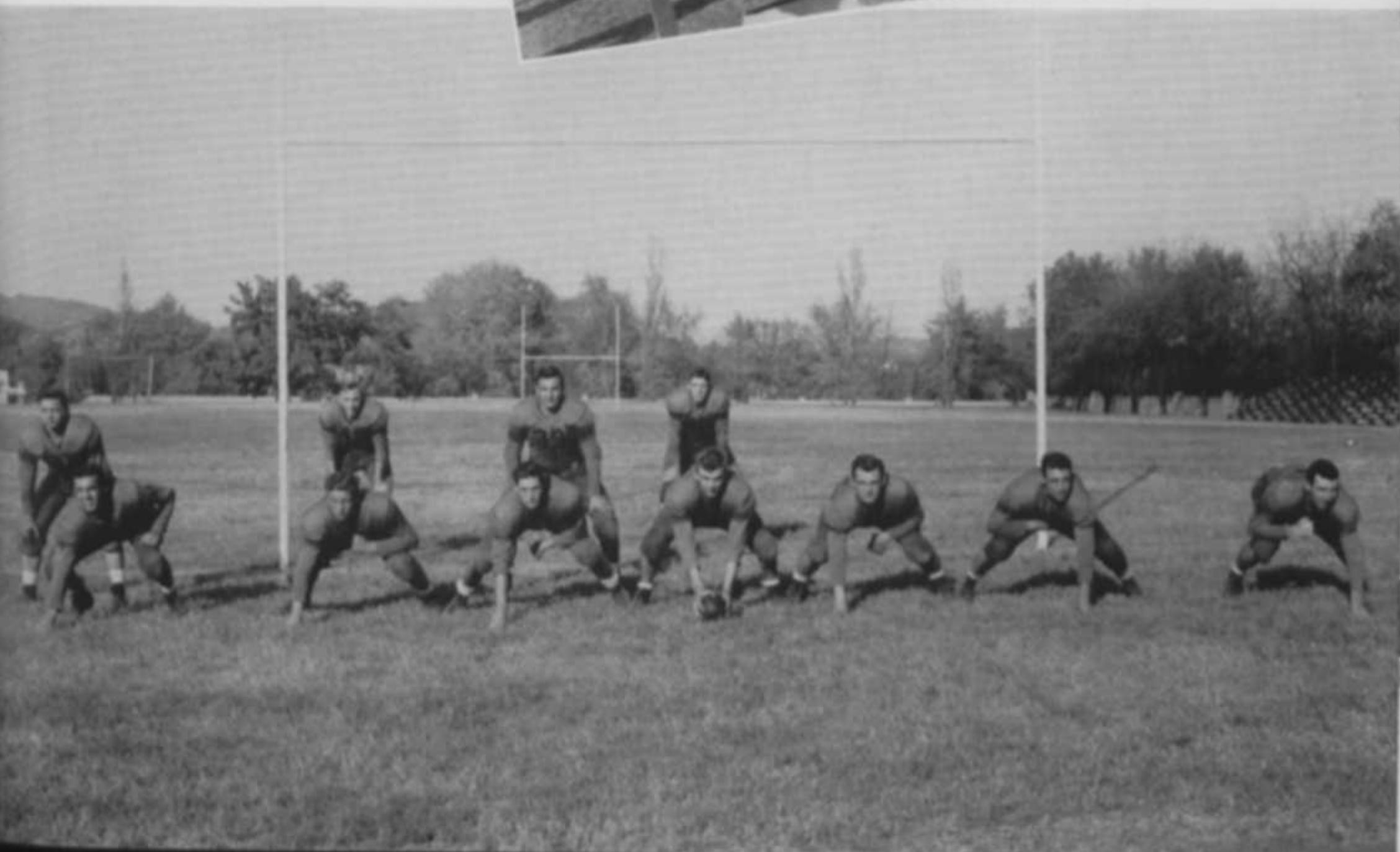
Coach Simmons	Brown	Capps
Cooling	Dennis	Donkle
Gerosa	Magann	Nurkiewicz
Noble, M.	Nichols	Poisson
Rosenblatt	Sykes	Wilson

**ALL-STATE**

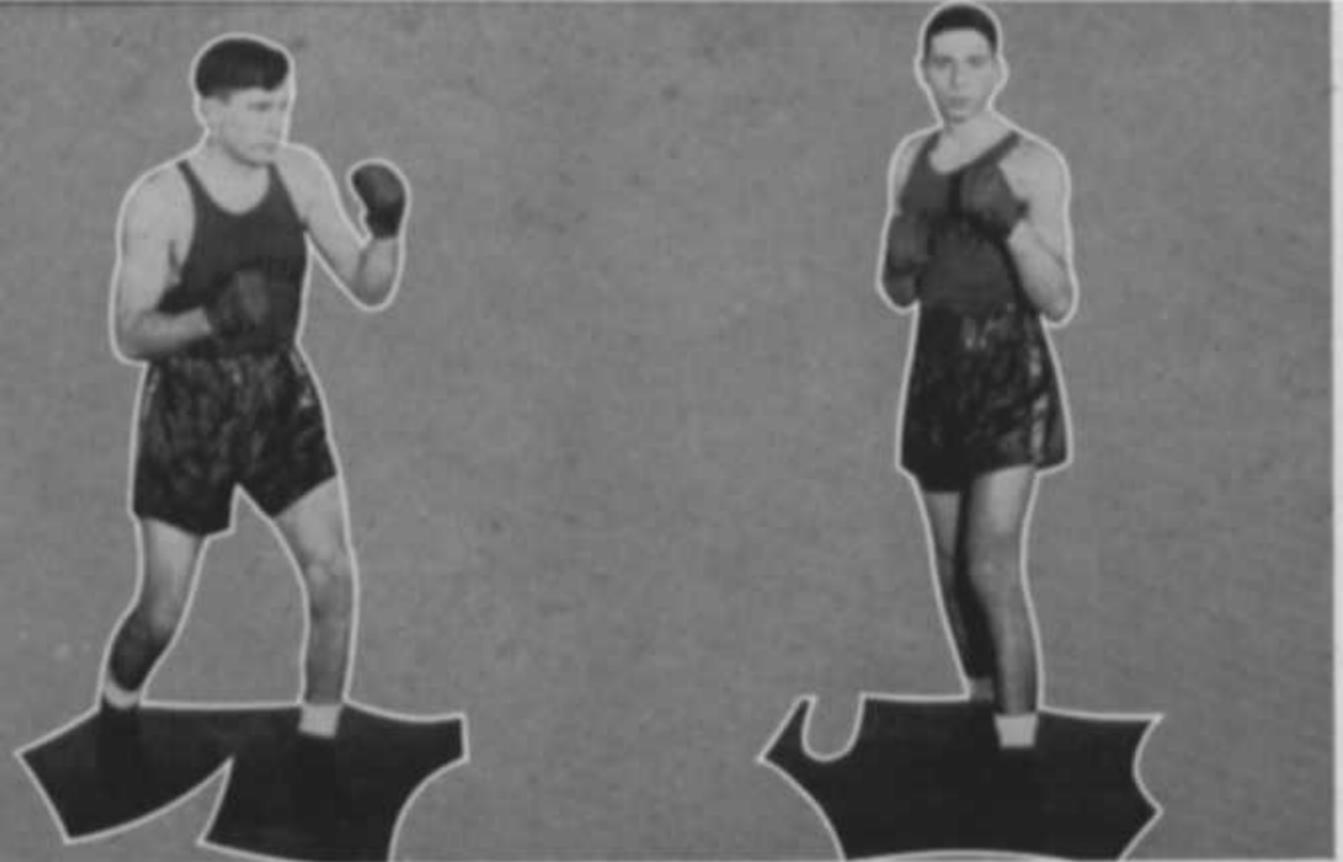
Baysinger—Quarterback
Cosentino—Halfback
Gorrell—Tackle



Varsity in Action



Starting Eleven



McLanahan
Co-Captain

Noble
Co-Captain

BOXING STATE CHAMPIONS



Captain Taylor
Coach

Since 1923 the nationally known boxing teams of the Staunton Military Academy have been champion or co-champion for prep and military schools of Virginia, and often the South Atlantic area. Despite a lack of competition, this year was no exception.

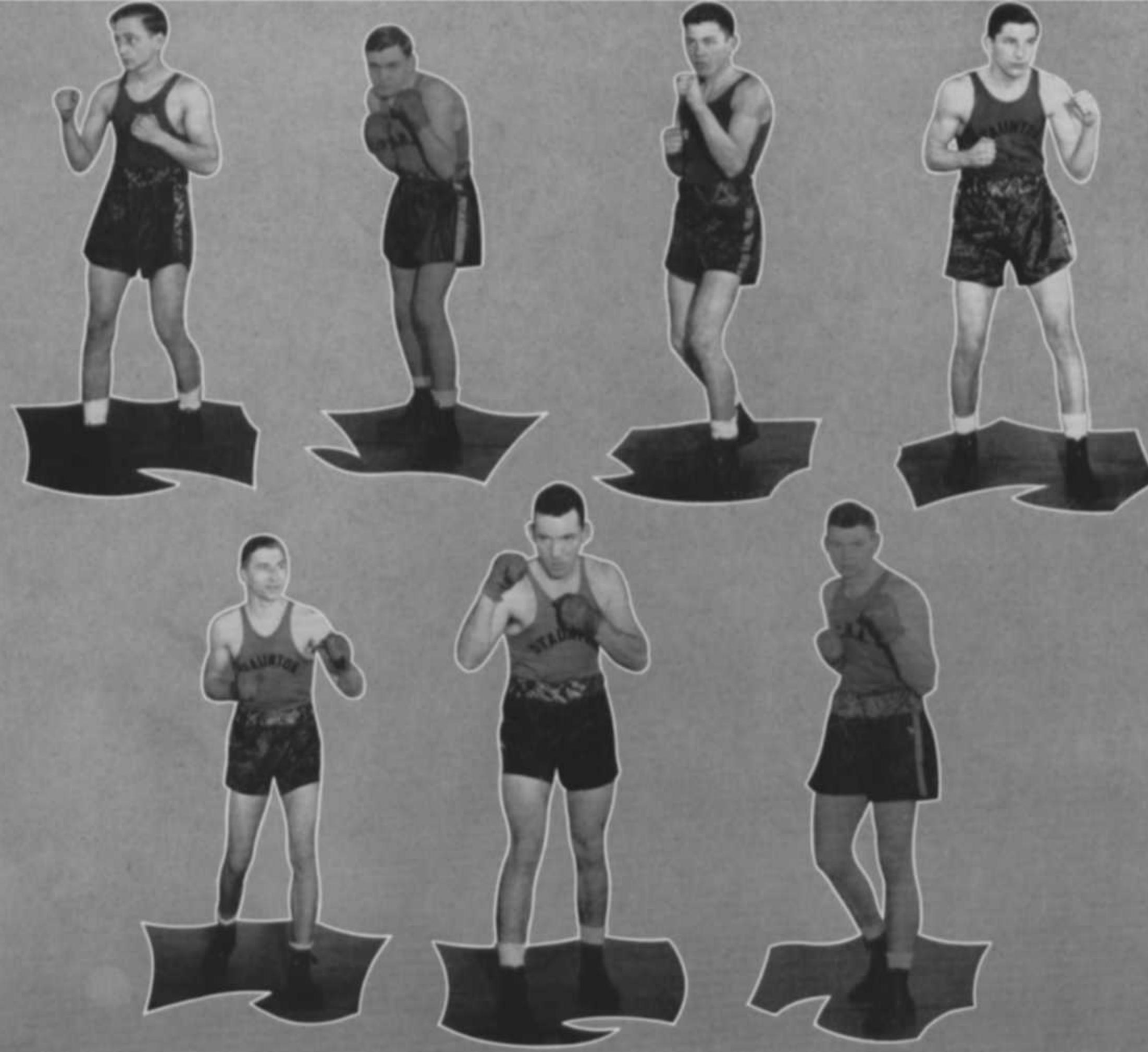
S.M.A. 8—MASSANUTTEN 0

Captain Joe's boys swept their bouts with Massanutten, a newcomer to the manly sport, by an 8-0 count. TKO's by Bob Bennett, 135, Co-Captain McLanahan, 145, Chuch Helmly, 175, and Tom Anderson, unlimited, featured. Decision winners were Bobby Tibolt, Co-Captain Gene Noble, Ray Ayres and Larry Burki.

S.M.A. 3½—WEST POINT 4½

The only other match of the season found Staunton's sturdy sluggers journeying to West Point, where they lost a close 4½-3½ decision. Winners for S.M.A. were Bobby Tibolt, 120, Ted Peterson, 135, and Larry Burki, 165, the latter by TKO. Gene Noble garnered the other half point with a draw. McLanahan, Ayres, Helmly and Anderson lost hair-line hard-fought fights.

Ray Ayres and Dick Di Gregorio were named Co-Captains for next year's pugilists.



Tibolt, R.

Taylor, J.

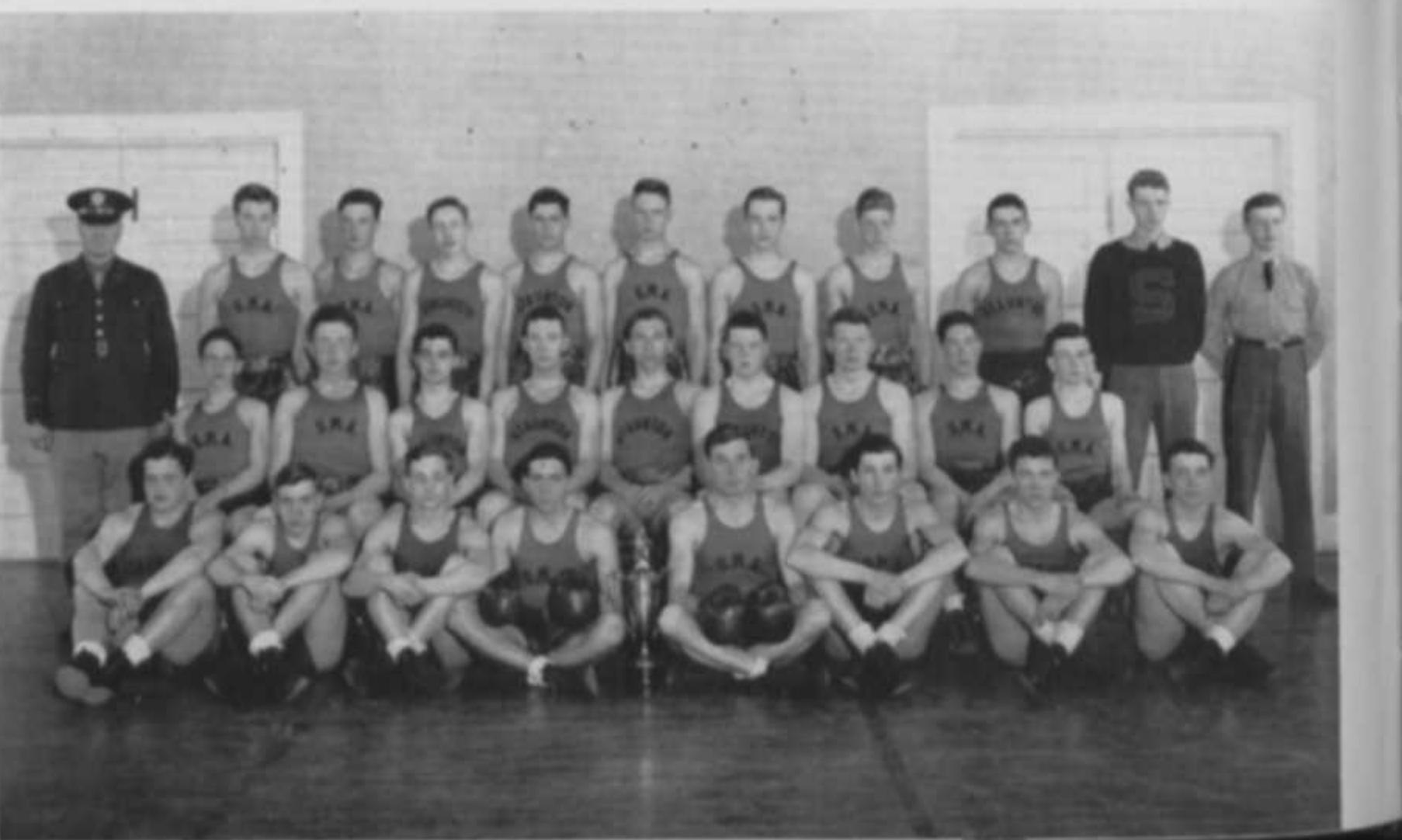
Peterson

Bennett

Burki

Helmly

Anderson



Co-Captains Elect
Raymond Ayres
Richard Di Gregorio

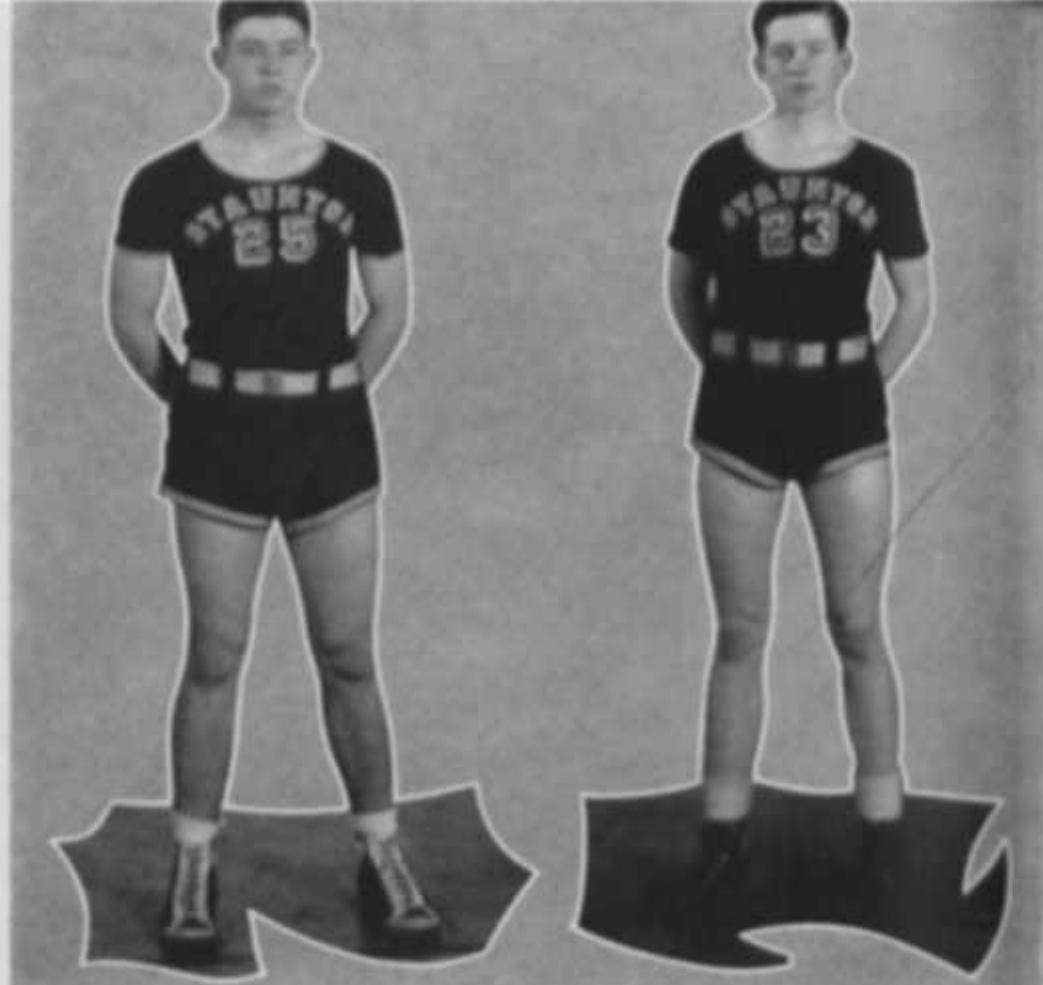


BASKETBALL

STATE CHAMPIONS



Coach Dey



Reeves Baysinger
Captain

Owen Sweeney
Captain Elect

The varsity basketball team completed a gratifying season by retaining the state championship. The Dey-coached-quintet repeated by winning nine of ten military school league games.

The scoring of Rudy Cosentino, high man for the year, and the all-around play of Hal Lyon and Captain Reeves Baysinger, led the Staunton attack. "Frenchie" Page, Captain-elect Sweeney and Carlton Newlen formed a strong supporting cast.

Steady improvement marked the team's play. A late season surge saw the Blue and Gold avenge an earlier Fork Union reverse, partially redeem itself against a giant Greenbrier five, and show its best form in the final contest when Navy Plebes eked out a heart-breaking 29-27 win in the waning minutes of play.

Baysinger and Cosentino added to a similar football distinction by gaining All-State honors. Hal Lyon joined this pair on the All-Star team through his brilliant all-around performance.



Cosentino, Lyon, Page, Newlen, Stein, Peskin, Hobbs, Chandler

SCHEDULE RESUME

	S.M.A.	Opponent
Dec. 16—U. of Virginia (J.V.)	24	22
Jan. 19—Waynesboro High.	39	31
Jan. 20—Hargrave Military Academy	36	17
Jan. 25—Fishburne Military School	39	14
Jan. 29—George Washington High School	28	33
Feb. 2—Massanutton Military Academy	30	22
Feb. 3—Greenbrier Military School	18	42
Feb. 5—Hargrave Military Academy	46	29
Feb. 7—E. C. Glass High School	37	40
Feb. 9—Randolph-Macon Military Academy	42	22
Feb. 12—Fork Union Military Academy	26	39
Feb. 15—Randolph-Macon Military Academy	33	30
Feb. 16—Fishburne Military School	44	23
Feb. 18—Fork Union Military Academy	44	23
Feb. 19—Greenbrier Military School	35	55
Feb. 22—Massanutton Military Academy	23	11
Feb. 25—The Mercersburg Academy	43	24
Feb. 26—U. S. Naval Academy Plebes	27	29



SWIMMING STATE CHAMPIONS



Co-Captains Berman and Fusselman

Coach Onesty

The Hilltop natators completed one of the most successful seasons any swimming team has had in the history of the school. In both dual and championship competition in the state they remained supreme. Both relays and four, out of a possible six entrants, gained the title of Individual State Champion at the Virginia State Swimming Meet which S.M.A. won by a margin of 35 points.

Staff Sergeant Onesty turned in another of his noteworthy coaching jobs. The team was led by Co-Captain Charlie Berman and Harry Fusselman, both of whom were four year members of the team. Little Paul Yocom, by proving himself to be a top-notch, free styler as well as the ace breakstroker in the state, was awarded the H. Wallace Capron Trophy, which is presented annually to "The Outstanding Swimmer in the Staunton Military Academy." Brilliant times in the free style events were turned in by "Mac" McColl and Bill Arguedas. "Bob" Jenkins and "Mac" McCuskey were elected to co-captain the 1945 team. Both men hold individual state championship honors.

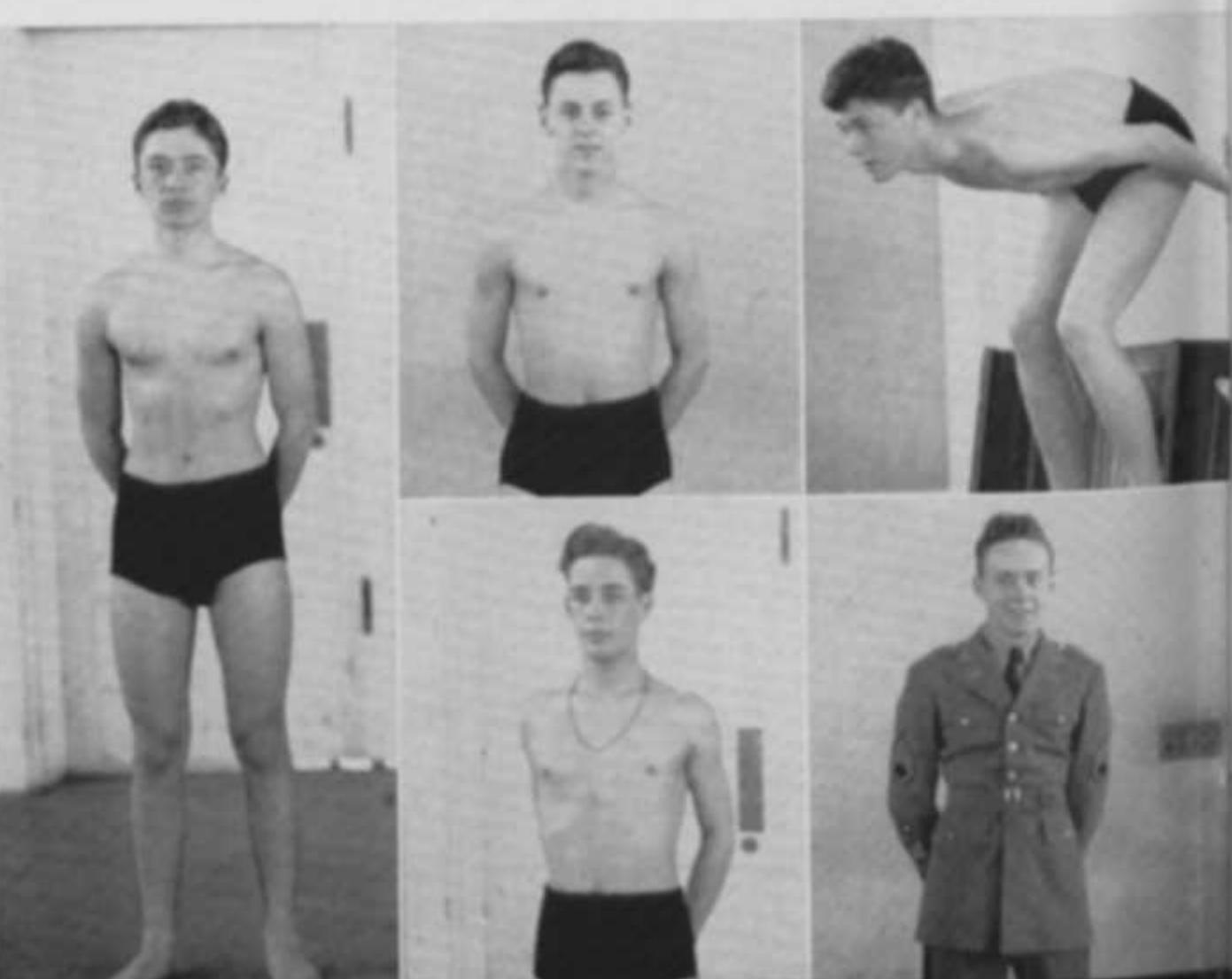
Jones

Wat

Yocur

Makinney

Lawler, Mgr.



Arguedas

McColl

McCuskey

Jenkins

Co-Captains Elect



SCHEDULE RESUME

S. M. A.	49	Massanutton	16
S. M. A.	58	Randolph-Macon	8
S. M. A.	52	Fishburne	14
S. M. A.	57	Massanutton	8
S. M. A.	49	Randolph-Macon	17
S. M. A.	45	Baltimore Polytechnic.....	21
S. M. A.	30	U. S. Naval Academy Plebes.....	36



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BASEBALL



Coach Dey



Captain Gil Tibolt

Early workouts and a series of practice tilts with Woodrow Wilson General Hospital indicate that 1944 will produce the same high-class baseball that S.M.A. has become accustomed to.

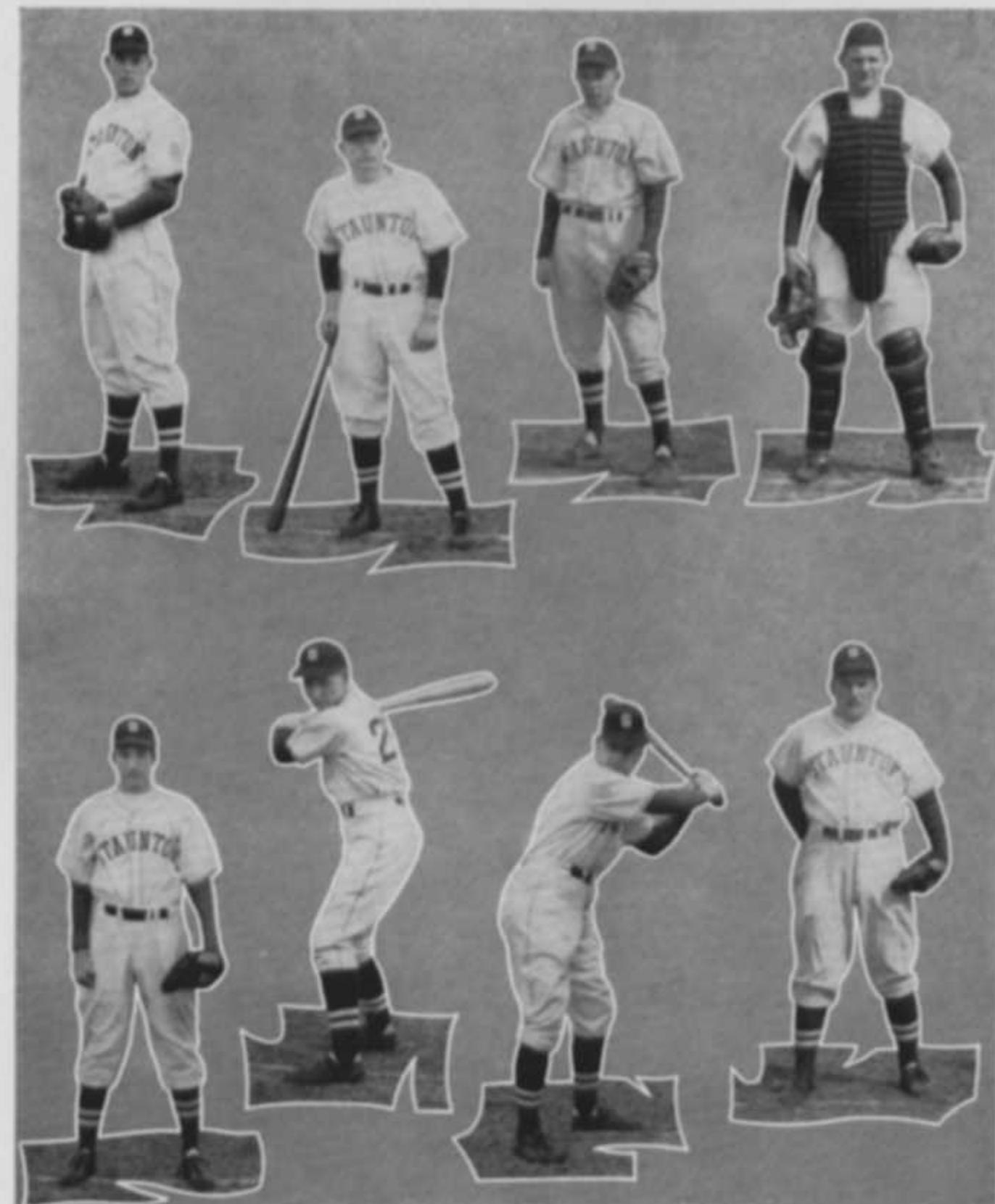
Captain Gil Talbot, second baseman, and "Rookie" Stahl, are the only holdovers. Others slated for starting positions are Newlen, first base, Peterson, shortstop, Bennett and Cosentino, third base, Stephenson catcher, and Jenkins, Shelley, and Murray, outfielders.

Reaves, Baysinger, three-sport star, heads the pitchers, and should be a big winner. Other moundsmen are Fangmann, Lawrence and Ely. Cosentino, another three-sport star, may also receive pitching assignments.

Major Dey will again coach the Blue and Gold national pastimers.



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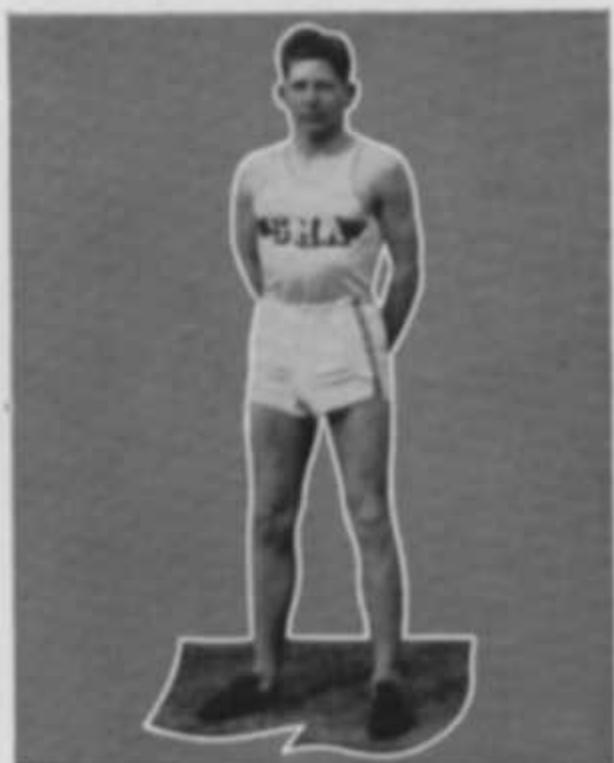
*Top Row: Baysinger, Jenkins, Peterson, and Stahl
Bottom Row: Bennett, Newlen, Shelley, and Cosentino*

Schedule

April 12.....	Massanutten Military Academy
April 15.....	Hargrave Military Academy
April 19.....	Fork Union Military Academy
April 22.....	Randolph-Macon Academy
April 26.....	Greenbrier Military School
April 29.....	Massanutten Military Academy
May 12.....	Hargrave Military Academy
May 16.....	Fork Union Military Academy

A return game with Greenbrier and games with Mercersburg Academy, Episcopal High School and Baltimore Polytechnic are being negotiated.

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Captain Boswell

Track

The S.M.A. harriers seem to be in for a good season this spring with a host of stellar performers in the running events. Cadet Fager promises to be one of the best quarter milers in the history of track on the "Hill" if early season clocking means anything. Gus Wachter, Kinsolving and Patterson are outstanding dash men, and Captain Boswell will be shooting at the state

mark in the mile held by McCaw, former Staunton ace. Schiffeler and Dreisonstok will take over the spot left vacant by brilliant "Chunk" Simmons in the hurdles. Brown will do the vaulting, and Stu Wilson and Collins, W., will share honors in the jumps. Kitchell and Daley are weightmen and Capps will throw the javelin.

After a successful indoor and cross country season, the Blue and Gold thin-clads are looking forward to meets with: Bridgewater College, Fishburne Military School, Randolph-Macon Academy, Virginia Episcopal School, the State Meet at Charlottesville, and the Block "C" Meet in Washington, D. C. The team is coached by Sergeant Onesty and his assistant, Captain Collins.



Third Row: Detweiler, Vandersluis, H., Molod, Odell, Daley, Kitchell, Wollins, Sanderson, Gruber, and Shalit, Mgr.

Second Row: Coach Onesty, Copps, Tinsley, Wachter, Burka, Mejlaender, Dreisonstok, Cameron, Brown, Schiffeler, and Capt. Collins

First Row: Dennis, Archibald, Taylor, Jas., Knappenberger, T., Patterson, Gotschall, Boswell, Pietrafesa, Collins, W. Logsdon, Donkle, Wilson, S., and Fager

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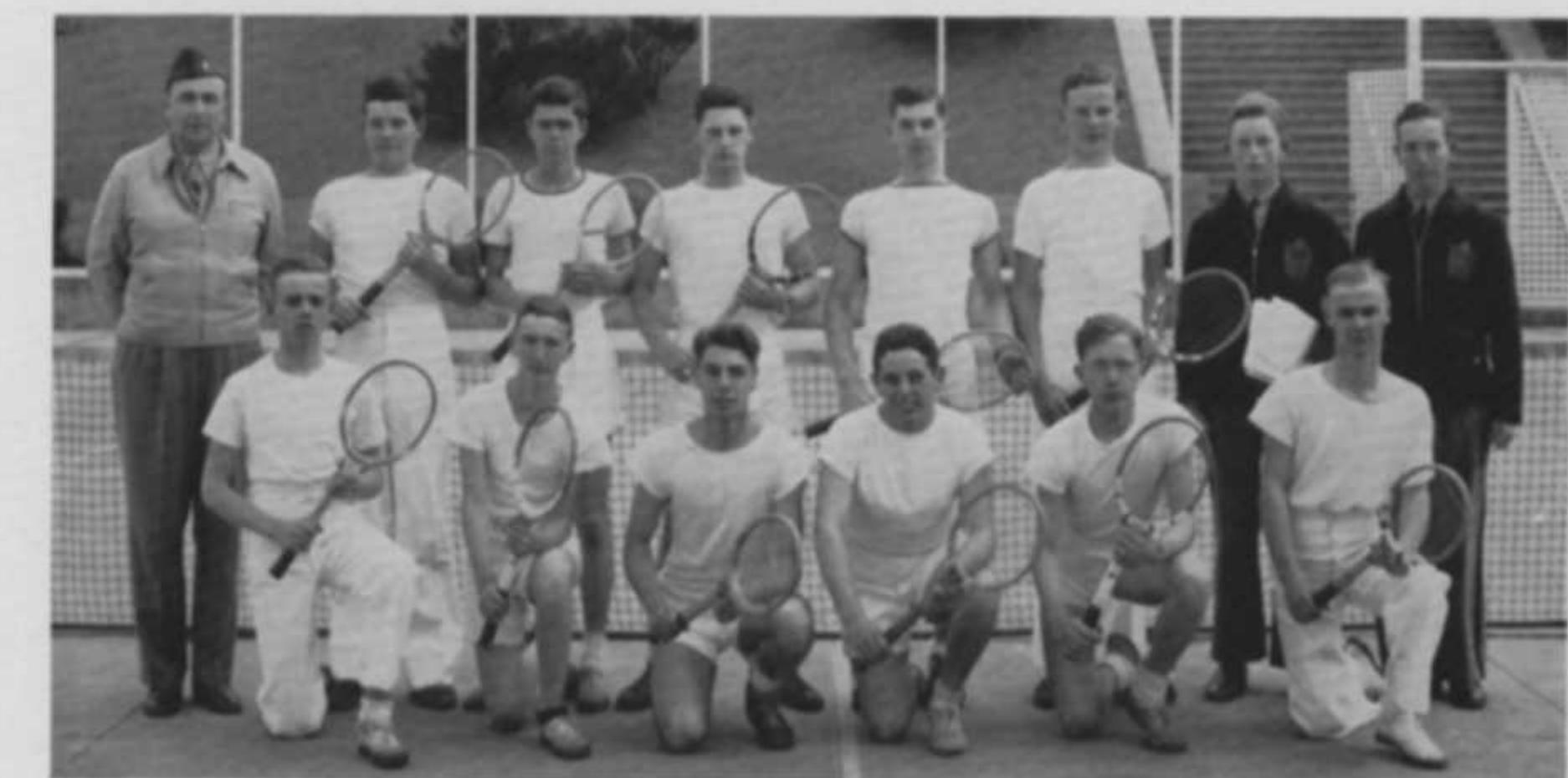


Co-Captains
Rothwell and Eig

TENNIS

The varsity tennis team, under the leadership of Major Wilfred Webb, showed much promise in its early season practices, and appeared capable of retaining the Virginia State Crown. Four veterans, Co-Captains Rothwell and Eig, and lettermen Hurd and Gibb, plus such promising new-comers as Dick Cray and Ambrose Hardwick, together will form a team that should prove a strong representative.

Wartime conditions necessarily make schedule plans problematical, but tentative plans call for matches with Massanutten, Fishburne, Friends School of Washington, Mercersburg, St. Christopher's, and Bridgewater College.



Back Row: Major Webb, McVay, McDonald, Treat, Speaker, Schwartz, S., Baker, H. M., and Reiner

Front Row: Hardwick, Graham Rothwell, Eig, Cray and Gibb

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RIFLE TEAM THIRD SERVICE COMMAND HEARST AND STATE CHAMPIONS

The 1944 Rifle Team captured the Virginia State Championship, the Third Service Command title and the sectional Hearst Trophy to make a clean sweep of the year's objectives. The National Intercollegiate and the National Hearst matches have been fired, but the results were not released before the printing of the *SHRAPNEL*.

Coached by Captain Ross Hersey, Assistant P. M. S. & T., five marksmen from last year's team and an exceptional first year group formed the team that defeated five state military schools, St. John's College in Washington, and the Navy plebes at Annapolis. Maryland University Varsity gave the team its only defeat, 1354-1346.

By virtue of winning the Third Service Command match the S.M.A. team represented the military district of Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania in National intercollegiate competition, and fired its highest total score of the year.

Boyd Sibert, a consistent high scorer, was individual State Champion. Frederick Miller, team captain, and Louis Kork, a freshman, tied for the high individual score in the Hearst Trophy at 191 out of a possible 200. Kork was given the prize due to a higher standing score.

The ten men who represented Staunton in the National Intercollegiate were: Miller, Sibert, Mustian, Kork, Di Giacomo, Gibson, Klemm, Reed, J., Smith, G., and Westerndorff. Team manager was Cadet Strawn.



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JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

The Junior Varsity football team was made up of an inexperienced but ambitious squad of youngsters who played for the love of the sport. Under the watchful eye of Major Bodie they enjoyed a successful season. Continual scrimmage with the varsity provided the experience so lacking at the outset of the campaign.

Halsey White, stellar guard of the strong J. V. line, was awarded a varsity "S" for showing greater improvement than any other member of either the Varsity or J. V. teams.

Captain Louie Maas did a superb job as team leader and line plunger. "Kelley" Lazerwitz, Mike Wellman and "Neon" Thomas, in addition to White, were the nucleus of the forward wall. Others who showed promise were Peterson, passer, Peskin, kicker, Youngblud, end, and Laney, defensive back. However, team success is attributed to squad cooperation rather than individual effort.







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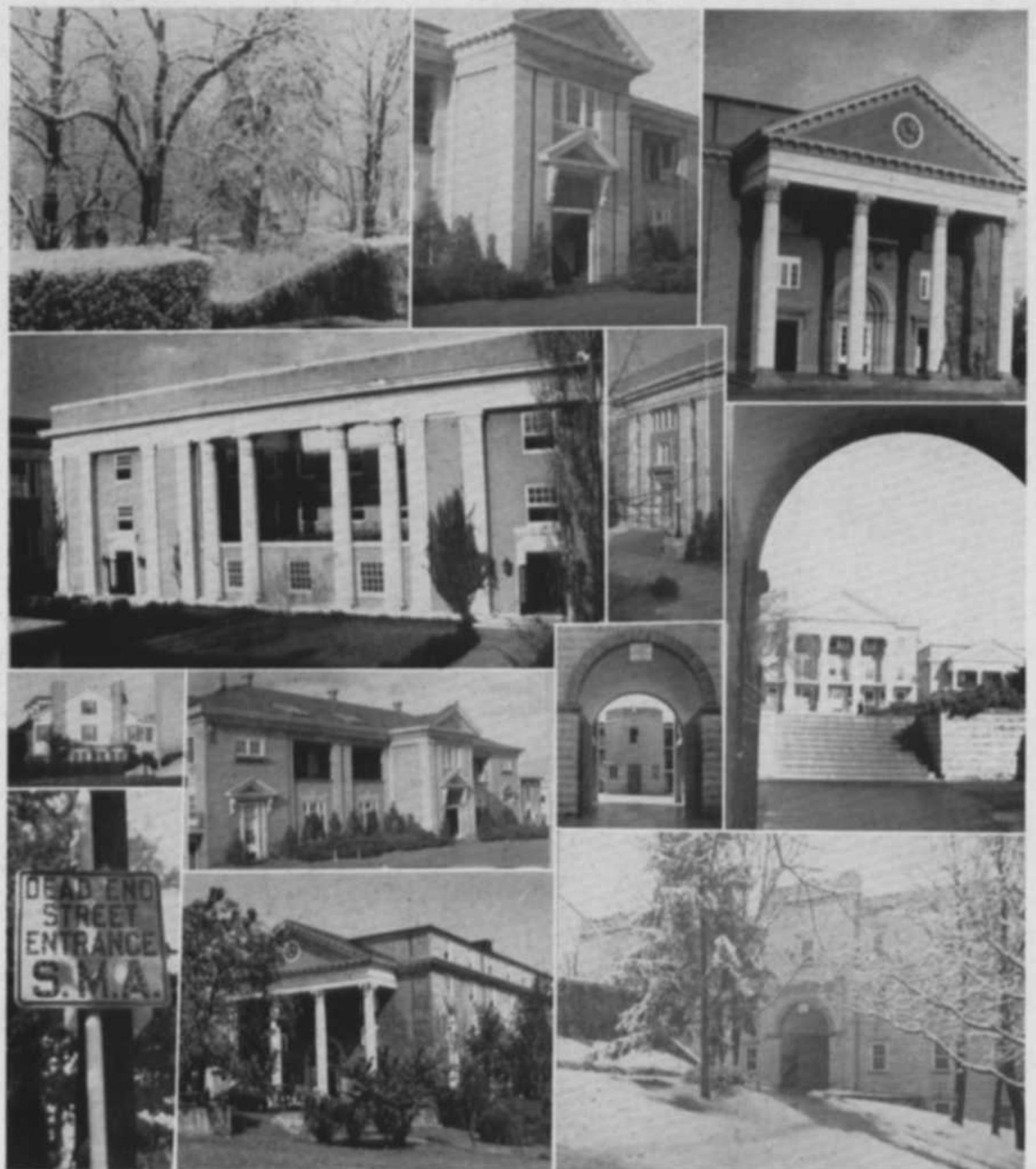
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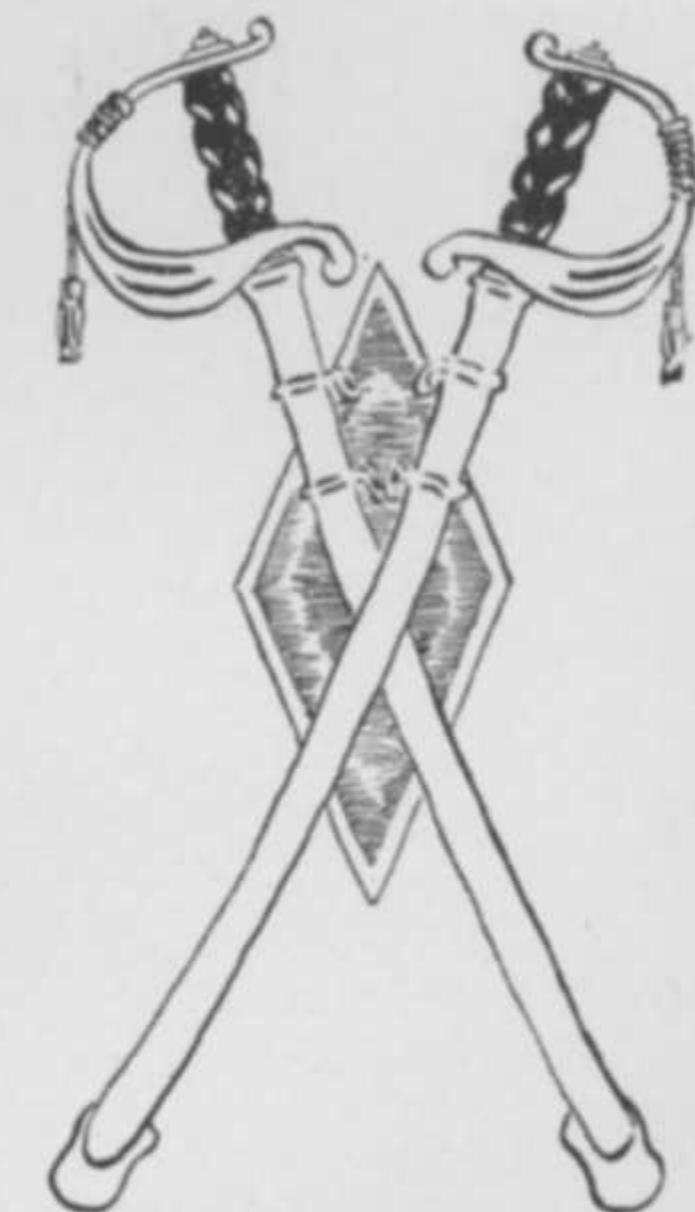
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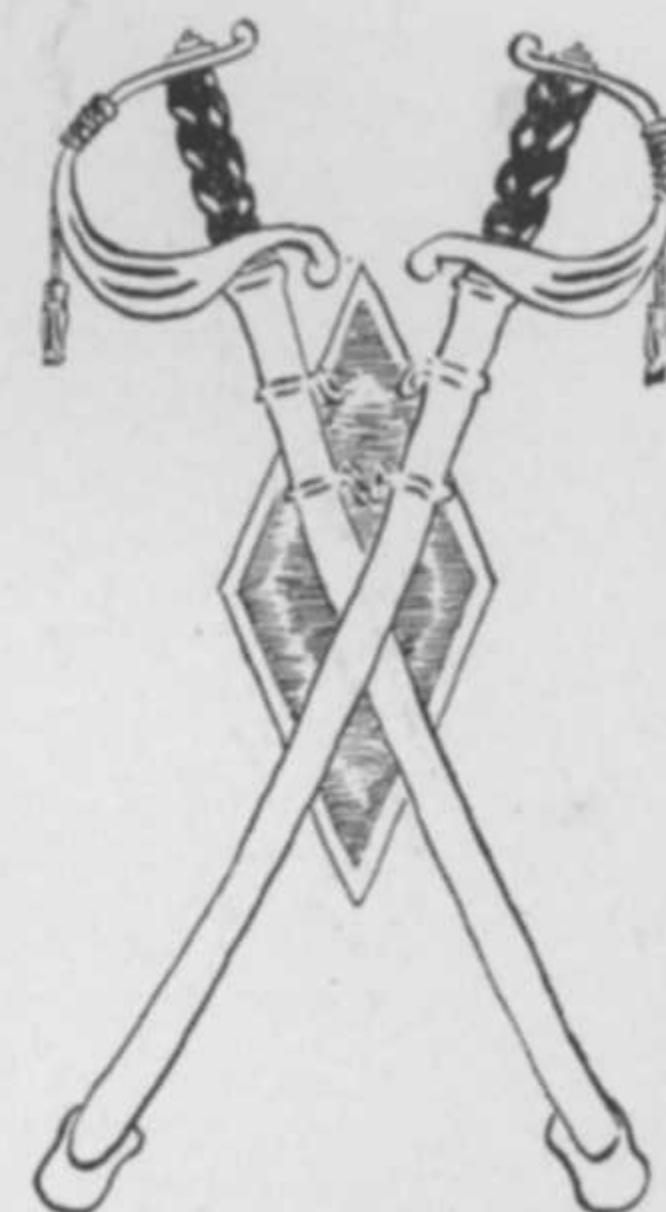
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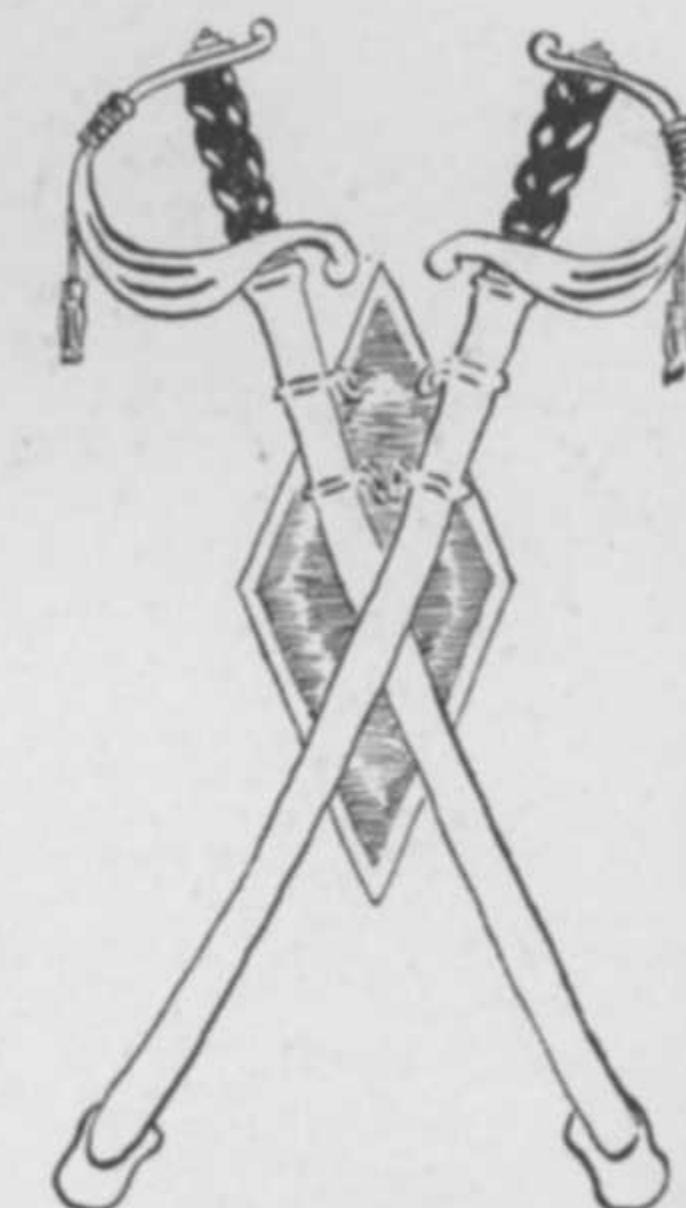
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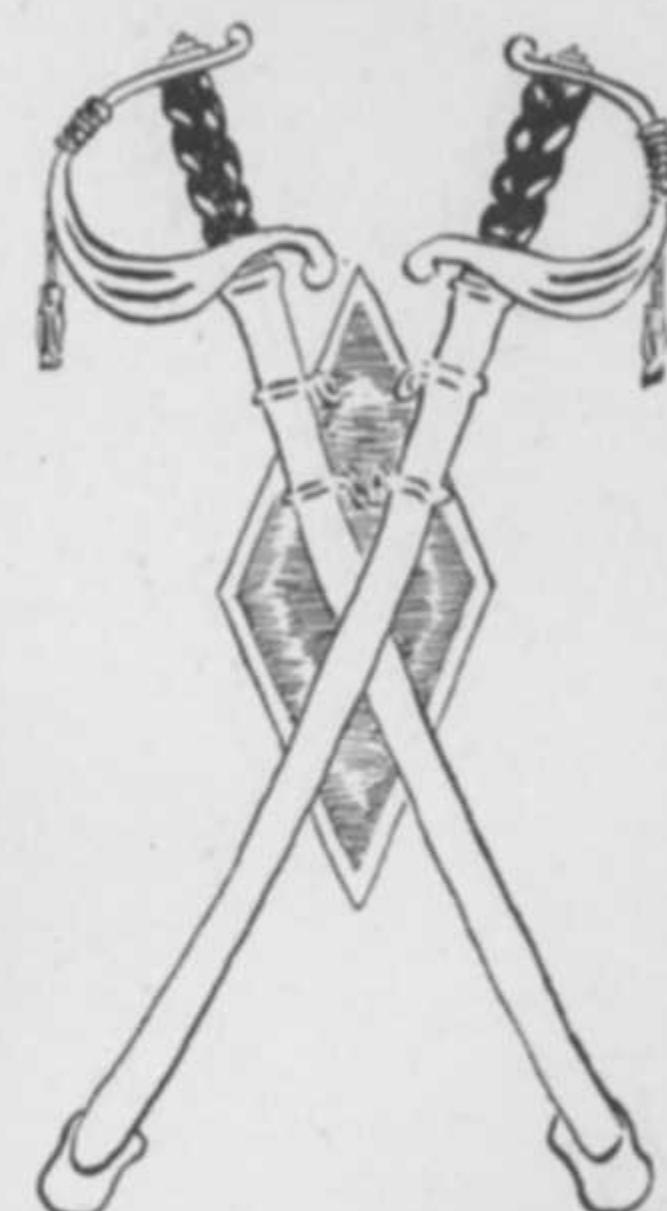
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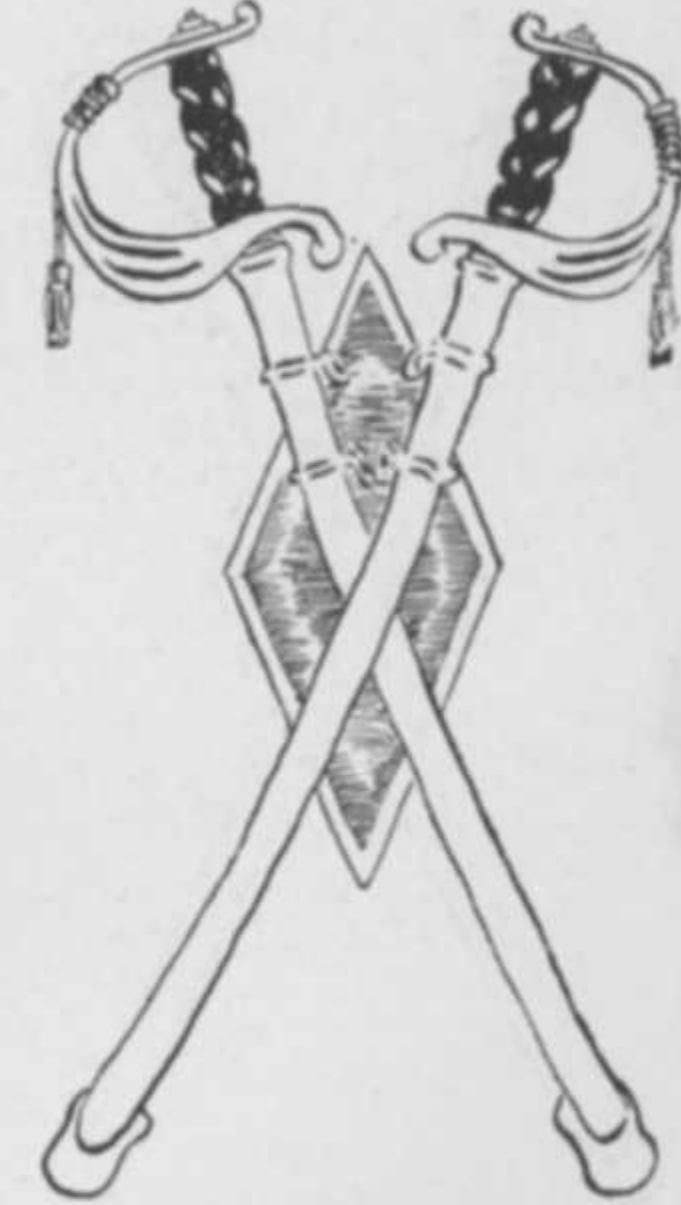
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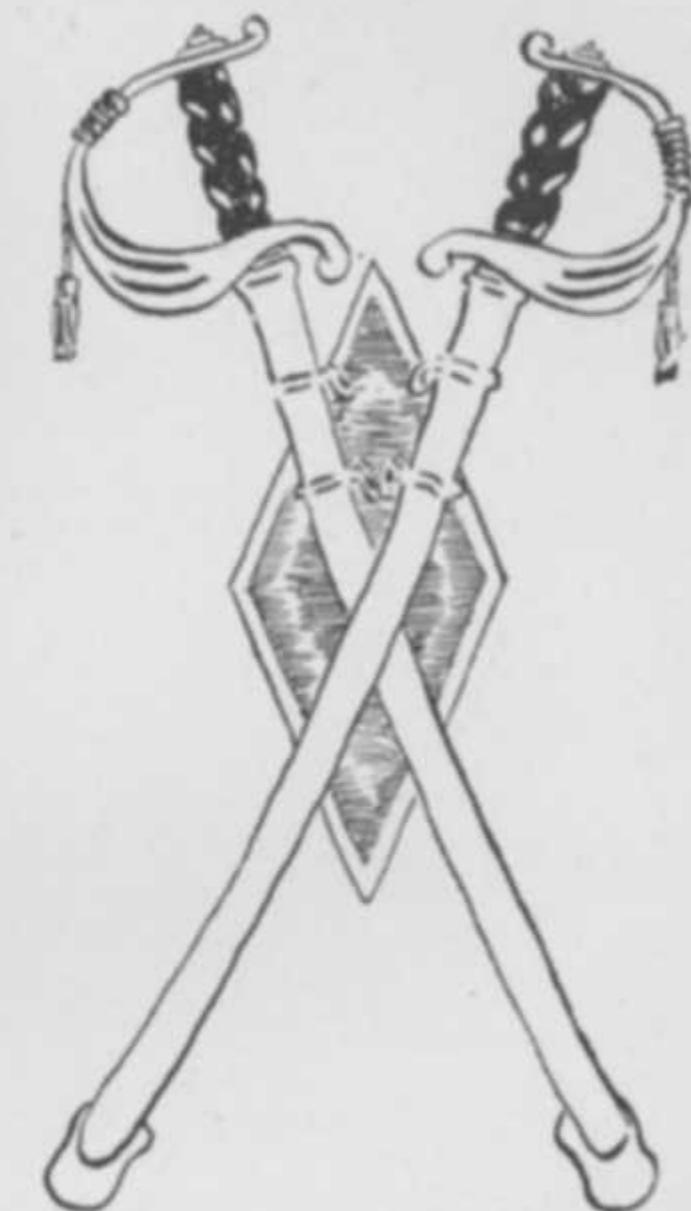
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