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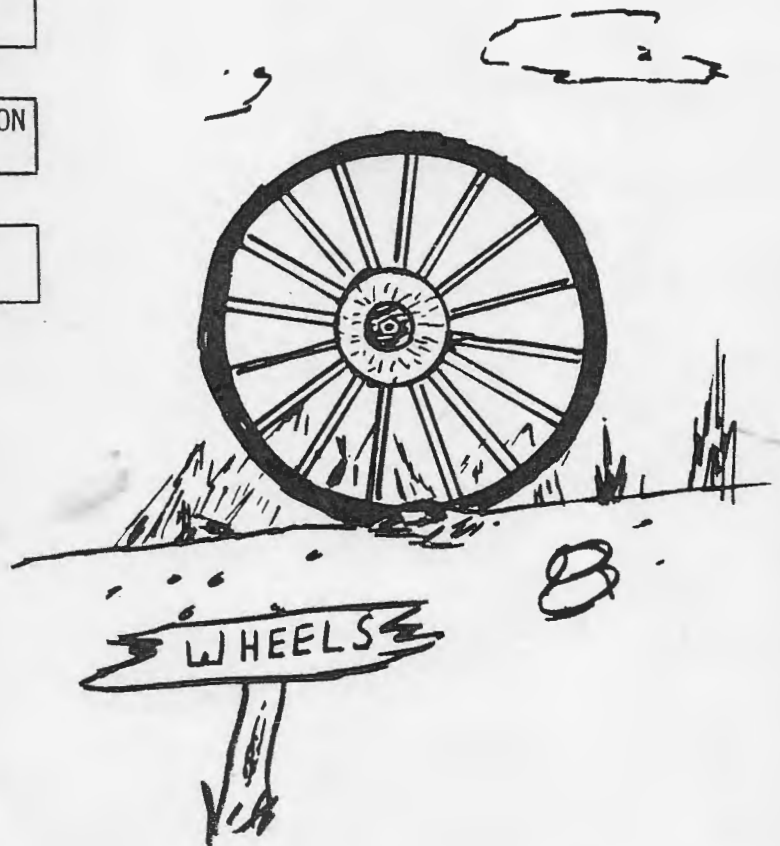
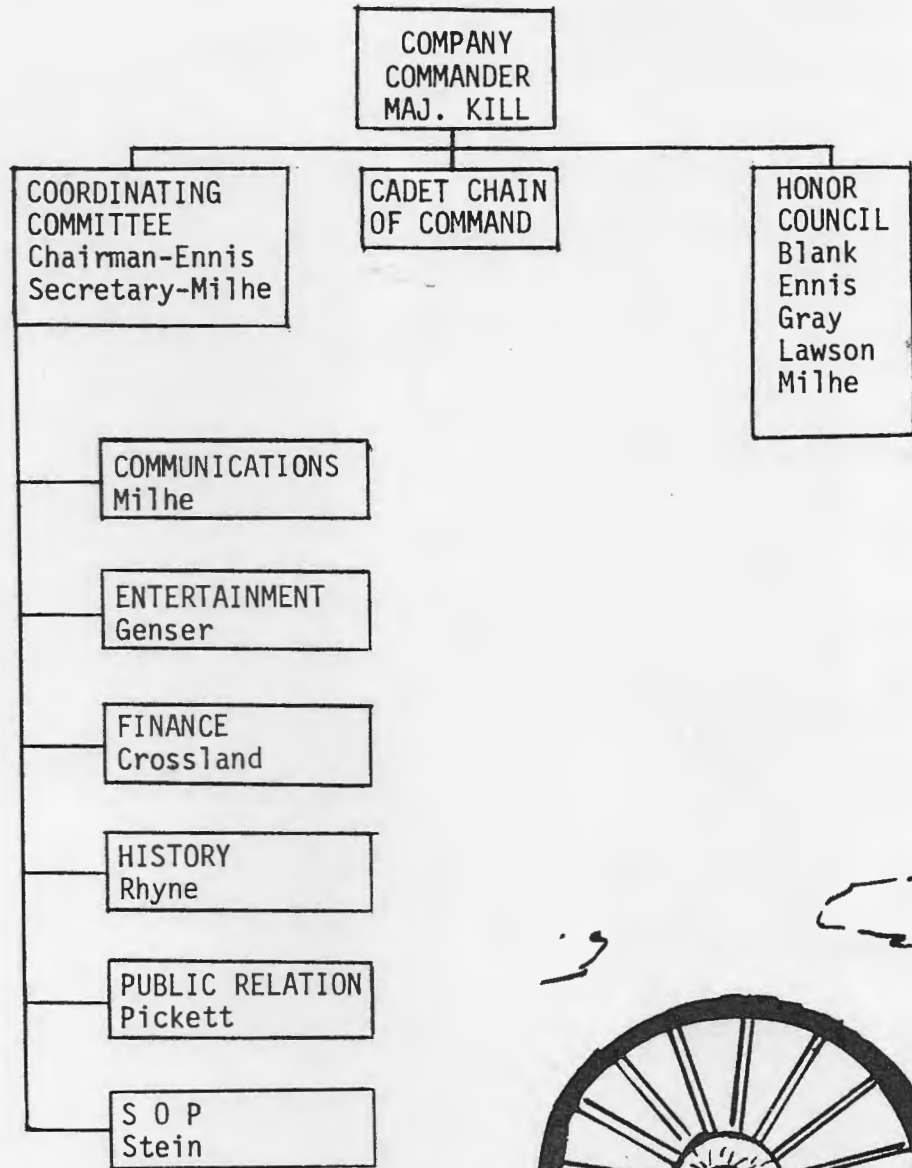
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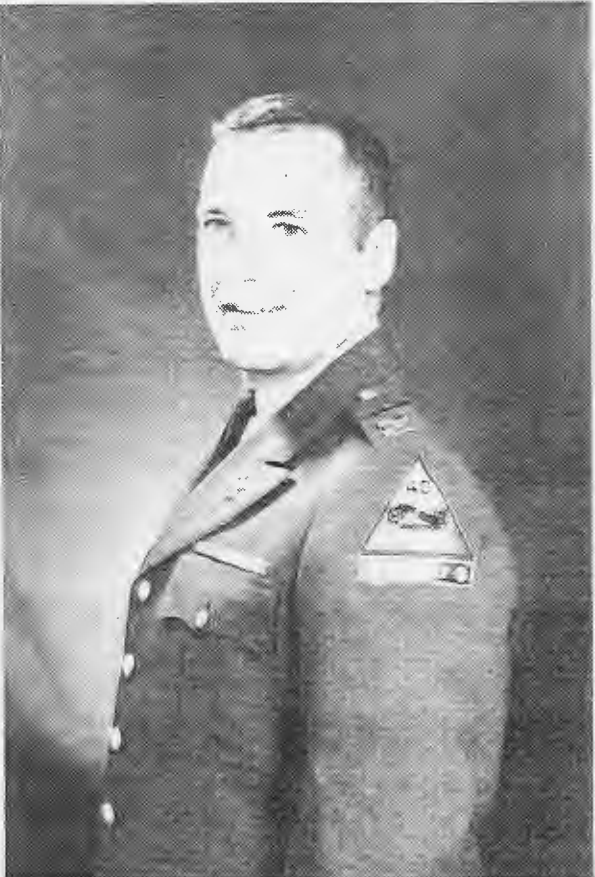
Chapter one of the History Of The 5th Cadet Company
CMA is dedicated to Lt. Col. Robert J. Madsen.



LT. COL. MADSEN



We began the year
with Captain Kill
as our X-0



We ended the year
with Major Kill
as our C-0



Mister Westrup took
very good care of us



We had dropouts in the TAC staff also



Lt. Duncan



Lt. Sanchez



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Captain Westfall

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Through the years we will have memories, both fond and foul, of our time at CMA. This book will help us to recall, with nostalgia, those carefree days as a cadet.

We were apprehensive about our future at CMA as we drove through the gate of Camp San Luis Obispo that hot summer day in July 1967



Then our fears were forgotten as we experienced the gay life of ease promised us by those who had passed this way before us.....





There will be porters for your luggage.....



There will be a warm welcome.....

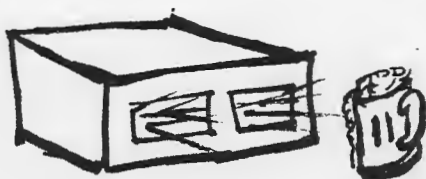




You will receive individual instruction...



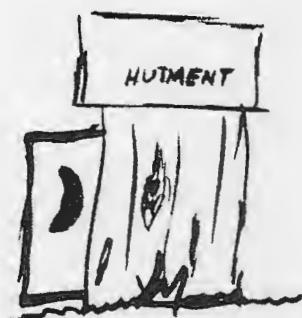
The classrooms will be airconditioned.....



You will have the best in living quarters.....



But Sir!
I was told
the BOQ has
MAID SERVICE



The commandant will welcome you personally.....



They will have parades for you.....



They take you everywhere in trucks.....





You already know all the
D & C you will need



There are not very
many formations

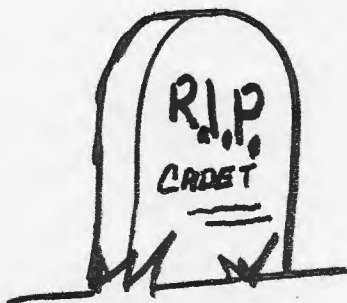
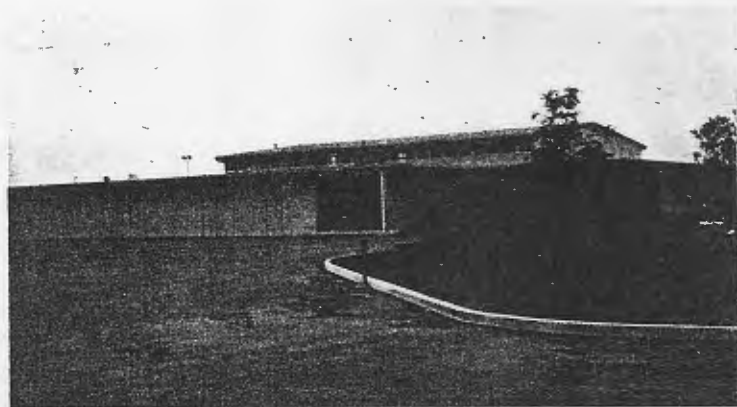


Two weeks later with a collective howl of relief we escaped the devils island in disguise and ran home to hide under the bed, lick our wounds, and contemplate the statement "War is Hell". The big question at that time was, would we return for more enlightenment under the sadistic eyes of our inquisitors.

.....After an extended furlough some of us did return to the front lines. We hesitantly crossed the threshold of "No Mans Land" and were instantly pounced on by the Ferocious, Man Eating, Lollipop Licking, and even Dangerous TAC staff.

Day after day they took our weary frames and molded these timid weak hulks into massive, powerful and perfect Cadets. The transformation was like a metamorphosis of day into night. There were many casualties during the next " One Two " months, but for the survivors came a wedding of man to arms.

Even today once each month can be seen the visage of these mighty warriors fighting the battle for Truth, Mom, Justice, Apple Pie and The American Way.



WE WERE TAUGHT.....

Large things.....

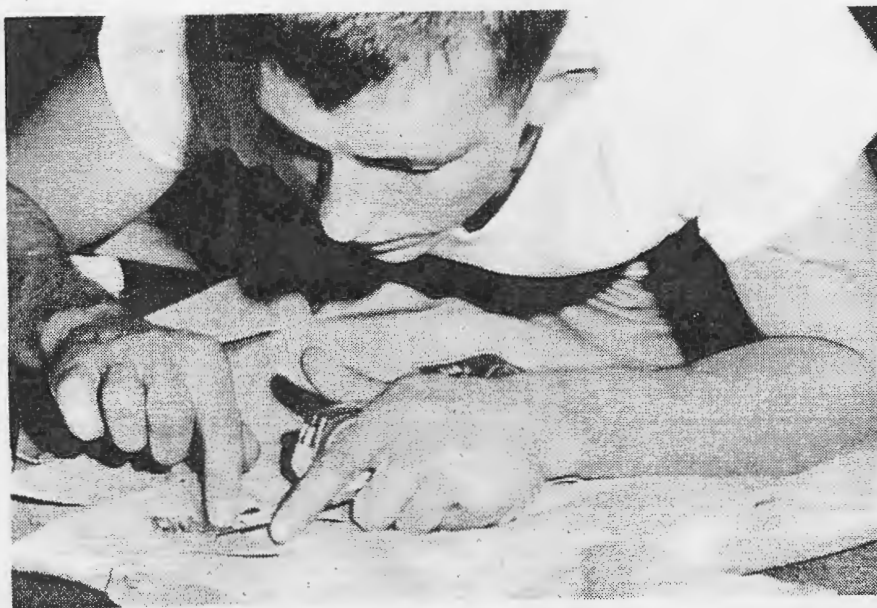
Co-operate
and graduate



Small things.....



Attention
to detail



We were throughly tested in every subject.....



With very little
REVIEW

The food was good.....



When they let
us eat it

There were moments of relaxation between classes.....



Hiding behind
the armory

Are you the Green Phantom?



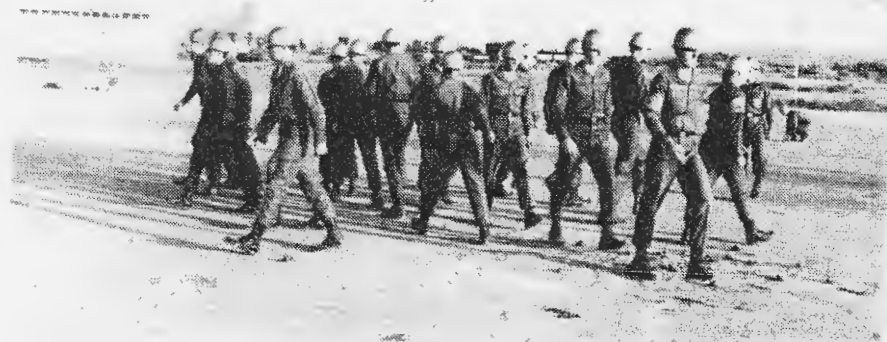
and inspections.....

Keep away sickie



Perhaps we needed them

What else is there to say?

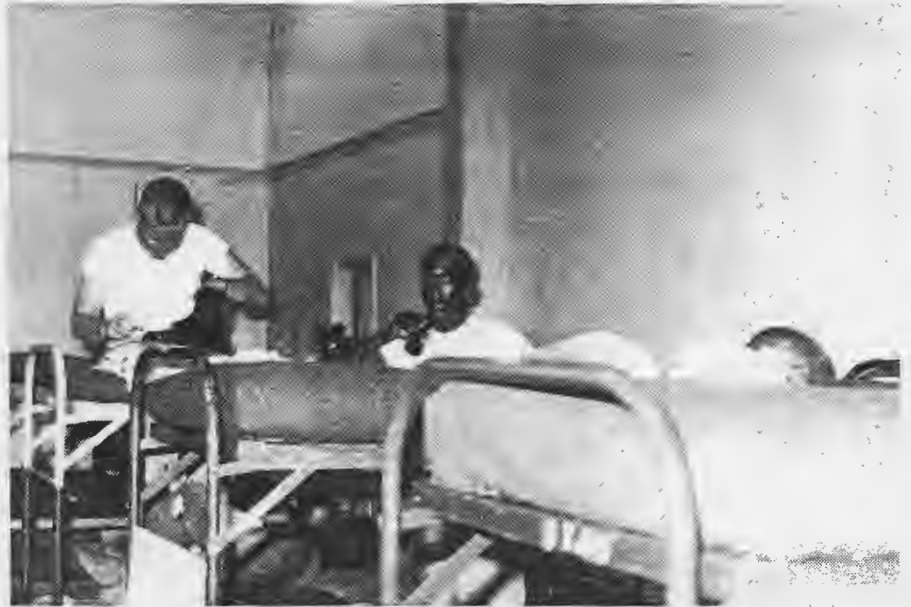


Our official photographer.....



Who me?

Saturday night social hour.....



get ready
for tomorrow



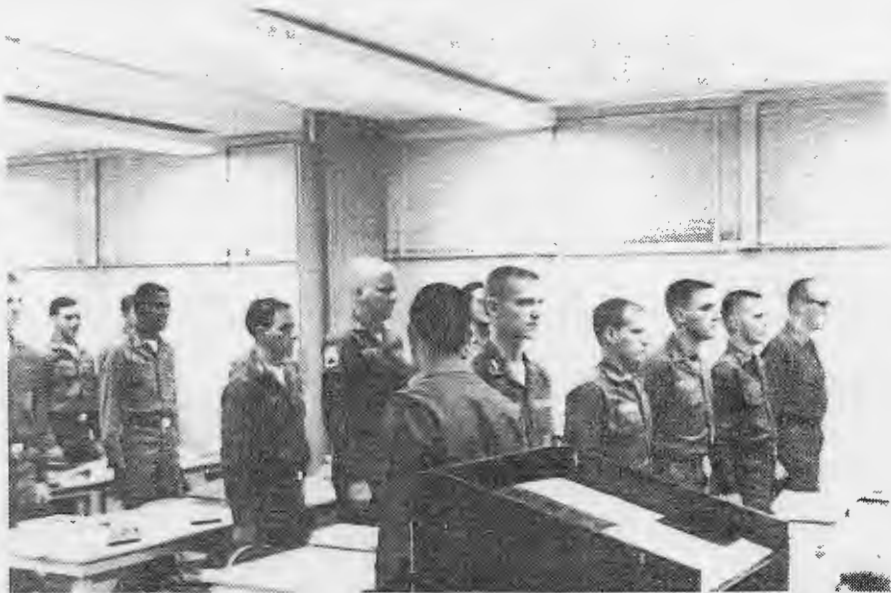
Our company had the sons of two generals.....



and something
in dark glasses



The classroom discipline was rigid.....



So were the chairs



Our primary instructors were.....

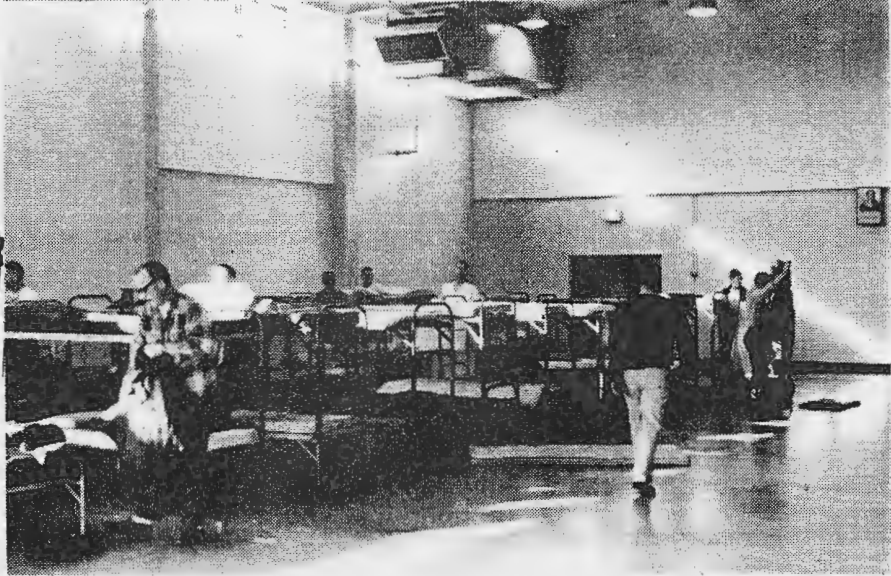
Maj. Fox



Maj. Nichols



We could really move when it was time to go home.....



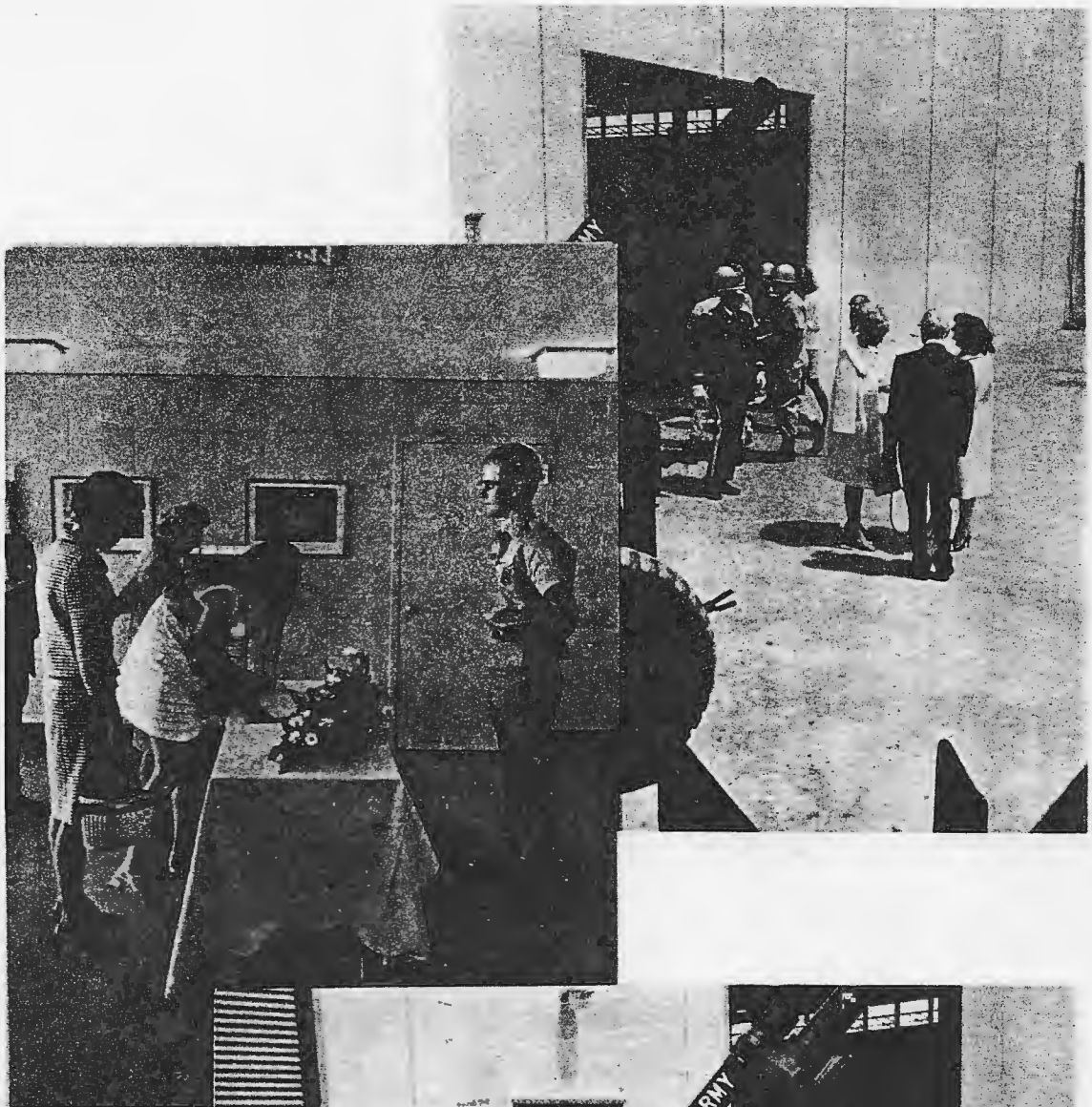
After the drills
there was R&R



Need we
say more?



Our "Open House" was enjoyed by all.....



Maj Gen. Ott Cadet Ott Cadet Lawson Brig. Gen. Lawson

The operation known as "Party Time" was a complete success.....



Thanks to the Santa Barbara Detachment, our Operation Order was executed to the letter.....



PHASE III

As this book is being printed we are getting ready for Phase III of our year at CMA. We will learn many things such as.....

....Combined tactics

or....How to chew
dust churned up by
M48's



....Infantry tactics

The last man reaching
this point does five
zero



...Demolitions



Then attach this wire to your
footlocker



Our training will
be closely observed

There may even be a
few minutes rest



Even our TAC officers
were once cadets

Guess Who?

We have now arrived at the end of our year as cadets. Those of us who have made it will look back and eventually think of this period as almost pleasant. Time will dull the memory of the harassment and when we get together in the future we will talk over the good times we had.

It is fitting that we now change our attitudes from those of cadets into those of officers and to close chapter one of the "THE HISTORY OF THE 5th."

