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81st Corps Marches Into History

Commencement Brings School Year To End

... May 23-25

The 81st Corps of Cadets will march into history during various activities scheduled for Commencement weekend May 23-25. Activities will get underway with the first Awards Convocation set for 7 p.m. Thursday, May 22, on Perkins Field. In case of rain or cold weather, the awards will be presented in Armstrong Chapel.

St. John's "old boys" will be guests of the Cadet Corps at the annual Alumni Dinner at 6 p.m., Friday, May 23, in Nichols Dining Hall. Major awards will be presented immediately following at a 7 p.m. convocation on Perkins Field. Again in case of foul weather ceremonies will be in Armstrong Chapel.

Saturday, May 24, will be a busy day beginning with the issuing of the School yearbook, "The Sound-Off", at 10 a.m. Parents, alumni, faculty and staff, and friends of the School will attend the St. John's Military School Foundation lunch at the Hilton Inn at noon.

Military Field Day will begin at 2:30 p.m. on Perkins Field. The Drum and Bugle Corps will present an exhibition.

Judging the field day competition will be two staff non-commissioned officers from the NCO School at Ft. Riley. The best company, platoon and squads will be named.

The winner of the individual manual-of-arms will be selected from the ten best drillers in each company in the Upper School. An individual winner will be selected for the Lower School. Five drillers will be selected from the seventh grade and five from the eighth grade.

The Senior Dance in Memorial Hall will begin with the Senior Receiving Line at 7:30 p.m. Following the Senior Line, the Crack Squad and Crack Platoon will perform. George Dickson jr., commander of the Crack Squad, and Wally Curry, commander of the Crack Platoon, will turn over their commands to the newly-named commanders for the 1969-70 Squad and Platoon.

Dancing will begin at 9 p.m. with two bands playing during the evening—a waltz band, early, and a "rock" group later.

The dance will end at 11:30 with taps being blown at 1 a.m.

Commencement Day will begin with a Celebration of Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m. in Armstrong Chapel. Attendance is not required but all parents, friends and Cadets are welcome.

The Baccalaureate Service will be at 10:30 a.m. at the

Fine Arts Auditorium Marymount College. Harry O. Bright jr., Associate Director, New York area of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, will be the speaker.

A buffet luncheon will be served at 12 noon in Nichols Dining Hall. The 24th Infantry Division Band from Ft. Riley will play a concert on the Chapel lawn during the lunch hour and will play for the Commencement processional and Retreat Parade.

Commencement will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Perkins Field with all members of the 81st Corps forming a corridor through which the seniors will march.

Diplomas will be presented the graduating seniors and the the Hardy Sabre will be passed from Cadet Lt. Col. Daryl Hampton, commander of the 81st Corps, to the commander of the 82nd Cadets Corps.

The Retreat Parade, following these presentations, will be reviewed by Brig. Gen. Harold L. Oppenheimer, USMCR, from Kansas City, Mo.

The Cadets will form for the last Formation and the Battalion will be dismissed "forever". Following the military proceedings, the Senior Cadets will form a line to receive congratulations from parents, friends, faculty and staff.

Heywood Gets AF ROTC Scholarship

Richard "Steve" Heywood, Senior from Kirkwood, Mo., has been awarded a four-year Air Force ROTC scholarship. He plans to attend Kansas State University, Manhattan.

The scholarship pays tuition and lab fees; provides for a \$75-a-year book allowance and \$50-a-month subsistence grant.

Brig. Gen. Donald F. Blake, USAF Commandant, in notifying the School of the award wrote: "Only the most outstanding young men are selected for these grants and the fact that this young man has been selected reflects great credit on your school, faculty and administration."

COMMENCEMENT WEEK SCHEDULE

Awards Convocation	7 p.m., May 22
Perkins Field	
Alumni Dinner	6 p.m., May 23
Nichols Hall	
Awards Convocation	7 p.m., May 23
Perkins Field	
SJMS Foundation Luncheon	12 noon, May 24
Hilton Inn	
Military Field Day	2:30 p.m., May 24
Perkins Field	
Senior Dance	7:30 p.m., May 24
Memorial Hall	
Holy Communion	7:30 a.m., May 25
Armstrong Chapel	
Baccalaureate Service	10:30 a.m., May 25
Marymount Fine Arts Bldg.	
Buffet Luncheon	12 noon, May 25
Nichols Hall	
Commencement & Retreat Parade	1:30 p.m., May 25
Perkins Field	

Graduation Candidates Named by Studies Director

The names of the 31 candidates for graduation from St. John's Military School during Commencement exercises May 25 have been announced by Maj. Larry Dwyer, Director of Studies.

They are James Allen Armstrong, Kansas City, Mo.; John Davidson Atkins, George Richard Dickson jr., Robert Carlin Donahue jr., James Doliphe Martinez and Craig Allan Steele, all of Denver; Anthony Vincent Bell, Topeka; Steven Powers Blakemore, Liberal; Thomas Edward Byers, Fremont, Neb.; Wallace Lee Curry, Michael Scahill and Frederick William Schulzke jr., all of Mission, Kans.

Armand Eugene deBeque, Debeque, Colo.; Robert Dorman, Germany; Charles Eric Funston Costa Mesa, Calif.; Daryl Dord Hampton and Chris Hollandsworth, Grand Junction, Colo.; Douglas Kent Harwager and Paul Harrison Smith, Lincoln, Neb.; Richard Stephen Heywood, Kirkwood, Mo.; George Petersen Jenkins, Mullen, Neb.; Dennis Leroy Kaarup, Sioux

Cadets Attend Dramatic Shows

Many Cadets have recently attended two dramatic productions in Salina. On May 3, the Cadets attended "Barefoot in the Park" at Salina High School and also attended "Send Me No Flowers", a Salina Community Theater production, on May 11.

Capt. Leo Ayers, Director of Admissions and English teacher, played one of the lead roles in the Community theater light comedy.

Falls, S. D.; Glenn Allan Miller, Smith Center, Kans.

Robert Garrett Platner, Carthage, Mo.; Joe Earl Price, Hiawatha, Kans.; Lennor Willard Ramsey, Albuquerque, N. M.; Ronald James Robacker, Craig, Colo.; David Merle Sebring, Kansas City, Kans.; Grover Steven Verity, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Joseph Duane Ward jr., Wichita; and Jeffrey Wayne Woodall, Salina.

Rotarians Commend Cadets

The Salina Rotary Club held its weekly meeting at the School Monday, April 21.

The following note appeared in the Club's weekly bulletin: "The young Cadets at St. John's Military School were exemplary in courtesy in escorting Rotarians to luncheon accommodations, and in conversation at the tables. The briefing of services and duties was clearly and pointedly presented. What a contrast is the balance of freedom and discipline on their campus as compared with too many of the colleges and universities of today. There is a definite feeling that they are being guided into an attitude of responsibility and respect that will carry on."

To Sell Directories

The National Honor Society is publishing a student directory of Cadets and their home addresses. The booklets will go on sale this week for 35 cents.

Baccalaureate Speaker To Be Harry O. Bright

The speaker at the Baccalaureate Service will be Harry O. Bright jr., Associate Director of the New York Region for the National Conference of Christians and Jews with headquarters in New York City. The Baccalaureate Service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, May 25, in the Fine Arts Auditorium, Marymount College.

Mr. Bright is working with the Conference in its objective to seek, through education, to motivate all people in bringing full equality of opportunity for all Americans.

Mr. Bright earned his B. S. degree from Seton Hall University, a M. A. degree in International Relations Education from New York University, and has done graduate work at Columbia University.

He has represented the United States as a middle distance runner in international competition in Europe, Asia and Africa.

From 1959-62, he served as National Track and Field Coach and was on the faculty of the National Institute of Physical Education and Sports in Cambodia. While there, he wrote the book, "Track and Field for Beginners", the first sports book to be translated into the Cambodian language. It also has a French translation.

He has served as consultant to the New York City Housing Authority. During the summer of 1967, M. Bright was the student advisor and sports program director for the Upward Bound Program held on the Sarah Lawrence College campus.

He has served as moderator and panelist with the Panel of Americans, the teacher recruitment panel of the Westchester Urban League, and advisor on African countries for Peace Corps trainees.

All Cadets Visit Eisenhower Center

The entire Corps of Cadets and members of the faculty made a field trip to the Eisenhower Center, Abilene, Tuesday, May 6.

The Cadets and faculty visited the Museum, Library, Home and the Place of Meditation where Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower was recently buried.

A "hot picnic lunch" was served by Chef Frank Moomau in the Eisenhower park.

After lunch the Cadets visited Old Abilene Town and an exhibition of historical sculpture.

A Word from The Cadet C. O.

To the 81st Cadet Corps:

As the year comes to a close, I would like to express my appreciation to the Cadets for their cooperation with the Cadet officers to make this the best year possible.

This year more changes have been made in the general organization of the School and Corps than in the four previous years I had attended St. John's. The 81st Corps accepted these changes well and set a base on which future Corps must stand.

It must be understood that St. John's is exactly what you, the individual Cadet, make it. When pride and "esprit de corps" can be developed, something has really been accomplished. Because of the results of the recent Federal Inspection, I believe pride is emerging within the Corps.

There are just a few days left before many of us will leave St. John's and possibly never return. I am not saying whether this is good or bad, but St. John's has developed something in each of us which will be of and to us in our future lives.

I hope next year's officers will try to increase the pride in their individual units and try to improve on past mistakes. Let us wish them well!

Cadet Lt. Col. Daryl D. Hampton
Battalion Commander of the 81st Corps

Seniors Enjoy Retreat

A pleasant weekend of rest and relaxation was enjoyed by 27 seniors at the annual Senior Retreat at PECUSA, the Episcopal Church Camp near Stockton, Kansas, May 9-11.

The group left by bus following Friday classes and returned on Sunday afternoon.

Accompanying the group were Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent; John Fonck and Ed Kliem.



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Pyle Leads Seventh Honors List

Evan Pyle headed the academic honor roll at the end of the seventh grading period according to Maj. Larry Dwyer, Director of Studies.

Others named to the roll with grade averages above 90 were John Atkins, Joe Price, Steven Blakemore, Daryl Hampton, Michael Brame, Raymond Garvey, Andrew Anderson, Jimmy Armstrong, Steven Siebert, Glenn Orendorff, Robert Dorman, Robert Griffith, Billy Harrington, Robert Thomas, James Patrick, John Vnuk, Joe Schwinn, Wally Curry, David Orchard and Stanley Weiner.

Receiving honorable mention were James Frink, Allan Gibb, Gary Wickizer, William Griffith, George Dickson Jr., James Dillard, Thomas Ebbe, Barton Holmes, Craig Steele, Daniel Grauer, Kenneth Miller, Jeffrey Woodall, Victor Monroe, David Sebring, Gregory Campbell, Thomas Harper, Douglas Mintener, Timothy Butterfield;

Anthony Davies, Peter Walker, Loran Green, Gene Strickland, Allen Armstrong, Gaylen Piercy, Lennon Ramsey, John Adams, Joel Avery, Brian Adams, Dennis Kaarup, Ronald Robacker, Gerald Tincani, Richard Jones, Robert Donahue, Terrance Dauber, Timothy Edie, Randall Pierce, Mark Everett, Robert Hill, Thomas Byers, Andrew Davis, Stanley Greenbank, Jay Heese, Stephen Heywood, Edwin Mulford, James Pflumm, John Stuart, Michael Blanck, Darrell Eck, Dennis Purinton and James Robertson.

Mark Thomas headed the honor roll in the Lower School. Others named to the roll were Robert Maier, Kenneth Harper, Robert Patrick, Stephen Marsh and Dale Grace.

Arthur Leach and Mark Harper received honorable mentions

Win Firing Awards

Jim Patrick won first place among 130 competitors in the Fifth Army Intercollegiate Postal Rifle matches recently. Ed Mulford placed ninth. Thirteen schools were entered.



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"Old Boys' Corner"

Class of 1920—B. Bellmont Rising has retired after 40 years with Standard Oil of California, and is living in San Francisco.

Class of 1944—Robert Porter is a lieutenant in the Denver, Colo., Fire Department.

Class of 1953—Donald Cofield is with the Midland Mortgage company, Denver.

Attended 1957-59—Dan Heuser is in the Air Force, stationed in Germany. He is a sergeant in Radar Control. His wife, Diane, and daughter, Andrea, are with him. He expects to be home in December and be discharged in January.

Class of 1959—Col. R. L. Clem, former Superintendent and Rector of St. John's, baptized Amy Diane, daughter of Bill Crews and his wife, Barbara, at St. Thomas Church, Denver, March 29. Bill met Barbara while he was teaching in Venezuela.

Class of 1962—Richard Matix was called to active duty with the Kansas National Guard. He is stationed at Colorado Springs and has been selected for a special ceremonial drill unit. Richard & his wife were recent visitors at the School.

Attended 1964-65—William Cobb has left on an eight-month tour of duty aboard the aircraft carrier U. S. S. Bon Homme Richard in Vietnamese waters.

Class of 1964—Charles Christy and his wife, Mary, will be graduated from West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va., May 18.

Class of 1965—Larry Crume is majoring in music and dance at the University of Wisconsin. He is also working in a hospital for retarded children. Larry is married and the father of two children . . . **John Ditton** is a first lieutenant in U. S. Army Aviation, flying helicopters in Vietnam.

Attended 1965-66—Dennis Dangler is working for the Chevrolet division of General Motors, Detroit, Mich. He is married and the father of a daughter born April 22.

Attended 1965-67—Randy Schuyler is stationed with the U. S. Marines in Quang Tri, Vietnam.

Attended 1966-68—Ken Carman has joined the U. S. Coast Guard and is now in training at Alameda, Calif.

VISITORS TO ST. JOHN'S

Robert Clark, Attended 1940-43

Arthur O'Donnell, Attended 1957-59

Doug Agnew, Attended 1960-62

Greg Albertson, Class of 1963
Bill Beaver, Class of 1963
John Shelman, Class of 1966
David Mutrux, Class of 1967
Roy Glinke, Class of 1968

Bennett Memorial Books Added to Clem Library

A large number of history books have been added to the shelves of the Clem Library as a memorial to Lt. Richard Wallrich Bennett, Class of 1946.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle K. Bennett, 251 N. Bluff, Wichita, Bennett enrolled at St. John's in 1943. He was a member of the National Honor Society, earned the Loyalty Cup, and received the Sage Memorial Medal as the senior showing the greatest development during the School year. He was a member of St. James Episcopal Church, Wichita.

Lt. Bennett was killed in the crash of a plane on a Navy training mission March 9, 1961. He was a navigator.

Gifts, given in lieu of flowers, were placed in a special Bennett Memorial Endowment Fund. Money from this fund will be used to purchase books for the library. Lt. Bennett's particular interest was history.

The memorial books carry a special bookplate.

Books added this year include the following according

to Mrs. H. E. Nuss, Librarian, "The Guns of August", Tuckman, "The Many Faces of World War I", Werstein; "The Army Without A Country", Hoyt; "Carrier War in the Pacific", an American Heritage book; the 18-volume series by Dupuy on "The Military History of World War II"; "Doolittle's Tokyo Raiders", Glines; "The Friendless Sky", McKee; "The Irish Uprising", Lieberman; "The American Indian", LaFarge; "Great Presidential Decisions", Morris; "A Short History of the United States", Nevins; "Stillness at Appomattox", Catton; "The Burden and The Glory", Kennedy; "The White House and Its Thirty-four Families", Jensen; "Remember The Alamo", Warren; "They Peopled The Pacific", Day; "The American Heritage Book of Great Historic Places" and "The American Heritage History of The Thirteen Colonies".

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Cadet Commander Lives a Busy Life

When the Hardy Sabre, symbol of command, is passed from one year's Cadet Commanding officer to the next, a teenage boy accepts a burden of responsibility for directing and guiding the Corps of Cadets at St. John's Military School.

The commanding officer of the 81st Corps of Cadets, who will pass the Sabre to the Battalion C. O. of the 82nd Corps, is Daryl Dord Hampton from Grand Junction, Colo. The Ceremony of the Sabre will be part of the military and retreat parade ceremonies on Commencement afternoon, May 25.

Hampton has been a student at this Episcopal boarding school for five years. During that time he has been named to the academic honor roll for all the eight grading periods in each year. In fact, for one two-year period he headed the honors list at the end of every grading term.

In an era when young people will often not accept responsibility, this teenage Cadet accepts the challenge with organization, efficiency and energy.

He climbs out of bed at 6 a.m. 30 minutes before the rest of the Cadets, and is in one of the dorms at first call each day "just to see that every one is up and wearing the proper uniform."

At three meals a day, Hampton calls the Corps to order in the dining hall, makes announcements, introduces guests and dismisses the Cadets.

Following breakfast each morning he meets with the four Cadet Company commanders to discuss company problems. Before the Federal Inspection of the junior ROTC program, such things as getting the rooms cleaned or whether storage boxes would be permitted on top the lockers were discussed. A Company Commander may feel some boy in his group should be promoted and will make a recommendation.

Working closely with the Company Tactical Officers, retired military personnel employed by the School, Hampton will make a tour to check the condition of the halls and rooms before attending his first class at 8 a.m.

Hampton is maintaining a 95.2 grade average in such courses as College Preparatory English, American Government, Analysis, and Chemistry.

Following lunch, Hampton meets with the Commandant of Cadets, Lt. Col. Paul H. Kellogg, USMC-Ret., to talk about upcoming events or changes in schedule or to discuss problems that are concerning the Company Commanders.

Classes are dismissed at 3 o'clock, and then he may preside as the president of the National Honor Society, or attend a Key Club meeting or an S-Club meeting.

Or he may be serving as the Chairman of the Cadet Court which handles certain disciplinary matters. The Court serves as a fact-finding board and after hearing all the evidence will make a recommendation as to the case to the Superintendent and Commandant. Hampton said, "It's a big responsibility to think that what you do may make or break a kid."

Or he may appear with other Cadets representing all classes and ranks to point out areas of concern or express opinions on Col. Keith G. Duckers' Superintendent's Advisory Committee.

Athletics begin at 4 and Hampton earned school monograms as a wrestler and a cross country runner. Unable to participate in sports this year because of a skiing injury, Hampton worked with the wrestling coach as a student trainer.

Points regarding military procedures will be discussed with the Senior Army Instructor on an occasional afternoon.

Meeting with Cadets, homework, and a shower will take the rest of his time before the "lowering of the Colors" at evening formation. Weather permitting, Hampton will check uniforms, brass and shoe shines before leading the Corps in its nightly march, behind the Drum and Bugle Corps, around the "teardrop" in front of Vail Hall the administration building.

Staff meetings occur after dinner—if there is no chapel service.

Chapel services are held three nights each week.

All Cadets attend a required hour and a half study hall each evening—even the Cadet C. O. Following study hall, Hampton may practice with the Crack Drill Squad. He's been a drillser for three years.

Taps are blown and then he checks on the floors to see if everyone is in bed and not "horsing" around in the halls.

He tries to work in another 30 minutes of study before calling it a day. Hampton says, "The experience of being the Battalion Cadet Commander has been well worth the effort." He continued, "I think this experience in living and working with other people will help 100 percent in college."

Hampton plans to study architecture at the University of Colorado, Boulder, next year.

Promotions

The following promotions have been made since the April issue of The Skirmisher:

TO FIRST LIEUTENANT—David Sebring.

TO FIRST SERGEANT—Mark Everett, Kent Mosher, Billy Harrington.

TO PLATOON SERGEANT—Andy Davis, Jim Croke, Larry Britegam, Eric Funston.

TO STAFF SERGEANT—Robert Lewis, Kent Tretheway, Dwight Bruening.

TO SERGEANT—Greg Sampson, Bob Donahue, Bob Griffith.

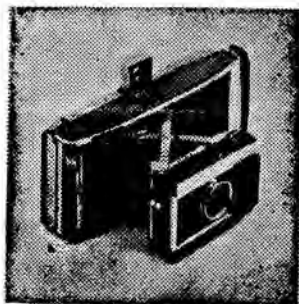
TO CORPORAL—John Cooper, Stan Greenbank, Gary Wickizer, Dan Grauer, Brian Adams, Cory Jones, Ronald Tucker, Terrance Dauber.

TO PRIVATE FIRST CLASS—Gary Ritnour.

Housekeeping Awards Made

Room-of-the-Week awards were resumed with the inspection period ending April 11. Honored in Mize Hall were Steve Marsh and Robert Maier. Receiving the award in the Upper School were Gary Wickizer, Dan Grauer and Robert Killebrew.

Honorable mentions were awarded Charles Moore, Loran Green, Ronald Finnigsmier, Stanley Weiner, David King, Bob Toombs, Kent Mosher, Mark Everett, Jim Martinez, Dale Grace, Dan Fitzgerald, Dwight Bruening, Steve Arnaud, Chris Hollandsworth, Mike Scahill, Phillip Smith, Bill Brissette, John Cooper, Ronald Tucker, Mark Latham, Sigthor Petursson, Tom Bowman, Ed Veazey and Richard Whitford.



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"The Caine Mutiny" Presented by Cast of Cadets

A St. John's tradition was revived on May 19 with the presentation of the all-school play, "The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial," to the Cadet Corps and other guests.

The play was presented on a specially constructed stage in the gymnasium.

In short, the play dealt with the court-martial of a young naval officer who relieves his commander on a destroyer mine-sweeper in the Pacific Ocean during World War II. The young officer, Stephen Maryk, was played by Robert Donahue, a senior from Denver. David King, a junior from Dallas, played the part of Phillip Francis Queeg, the deposed commander.

The case for the defense was presented by John Atkins, a senior from Denver. Victor Monroe, Chicago sophomore, was the judge advocate, Jack Challee. The head of the court-martial board, Capt. Blakely, was played by Jim Robertson, Omaha junior.

C-Company's Squads Drill

Intra-squad competition was held in C-Company Friday evening, May 9, on Perkins Field. Winning was second squad of third platoon commanded by Cpl. Steve Quirk.

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Six witnesses were called by the prosecution to determine whether or not Commander Queeg was insane on the day of the mutiny. The first three called are shipmates of Lt. Maryk. They were Jeff Woodall as Lt. Thomas Keefer; Chris Hollandsworth, Signalman Third Class Junius Hanniford Urban; and Jimmy Lee Armstrong, Lt. J. G. Willis Keith.

Three expert witnesses were called, two psychiatrists and one naval expert. They were portrayed by Mike Scahill, John Vnuk, and David Swanda. The courtroom orderly was played by Bill Brissette and Tom Bowman was the court stenographer.

The chief for the stage crew was Jim Dillard. Properties were handled by Dan Grauer. Ed Scahill and Jim Robertson handled sound effects while Bob Carman, Dan Strance, and John Adams worked with the lights.

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Gary O. Tucker To Be New Athletic Director

The Director of Athletics and head Basketball coach for the 1969-70 school year will be Gary O. Tucker, Col. Keith G. Duckers, Superintendent, has announced.

Mr. Tucker is currently the athletic director at Hiawatha High School, Hiawatha, Kans., and Physical Education coordinator for Unified School District 415.

His teaching experience includes five years at Hiawatha and at Wellington High School.

He earned his B. A. degree from Baker University, Baldwin, and his Master's degree from the University of Kansas, Lawrence.

Mr. Tucker is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Lions International, a life member of National Education Association, and a member of the Kansas State Teachers Association.

In addition to his duties as athletic director at St. John's, he will teach Physical Fitness classes, coach golf and teach Driver Education.



Gary O. Tucker

He and his wife, Joanne, and two children, Jill and Dirk will live on-campus. Dirk will be a seventh grade Cadet in the 82nd Corps.

10 Earn Shields

Ten Cadets earned their "old boy" shields and were promoted to the rank of private first class by special order recently. They were Mark Smith, Tom Loughrey, George Buckland, Brad Davis, Brian Adams, Bob Sterling, Mike Hawkesworth, Peter Walker, Ronald Finnigsmier and John Vnuk.

More Old Boys

Four more Cadets joined the ranks of the "old boys" and were promoted to the rank of private first class. They are Brad Furry, Jay DeWitt, Ed Scashill and Tim McMillan.

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Track Letters Awarded to 17

School letters, both "A" and "B" team, have been awarded for the 1968-69 school year according to Lt. Fred Strathe, coach.

Earning A-letters were Jimmy Lee Armstrong, David Beedle, Robert "Andy" Davis, George Jenkins and Gaylen Piercy.

Earning B-letters were Bill Brassette, Tim Eddie, Mike Gerner, Glenn Orendorff, Randy Pierce, Lennon Ramsey, Jim Robertson, Steve Siebert, Donald Strahley and Gerald Tincani.

Ken Millerand Fred Rogge earned managers' letters.

Golfers Earn Monograms

Golf letters have been awarded for the 1968-69 season according to Lt. Dean Kindlesparger, coach.

Earning A-team awards were John Atkins, Steve Arnaud, Stan Greenbank, Bob Platner, Jim Frink, Bob Thomas and Gene Strickland.

B-team letters went to Jim Martinez, Bob Killebrew, Steve Heywood, George Dickson and Curtis Jones.

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Rain, Truck Problems Hamper Exercise

By Allan Gibb

A few showers of rain and breakdown of all three military vehicles did little to dampen the efforts of the 81st Corps of Cadets on its second and last military field problem of the school year, May 3-4.

The entire Corps departed from St. John's by military vehicles early Saturday morning for the Smoky Hill Bomb Range, 15 miles south of Salina. They left the vehicles about eight miles short of their destination. There they joined their respective company platoons and marched the remaining distance. The battalion arrived at the range at noon and shortly thereafter was served lunch.

The afternoon was spent in tactical military classes conducted in the surrounding fields. Such things as battle formations, reconnaissance fundamentals and hypothetical application, and compass reading were taught by senior Cadet officers.

After class, a period of relaxation and preparation for the forth-coming night patrols was improvised. Supper was served, again in the field, and final preparations began.

The actual objective of the various patrols was reconnaissance. It consisted of a four-mile march, passing through two checkpoints, possible conflicts with aggressor forces, and a return to the range.

The patrols began their reparture at 8 p. m. in intervals until all six were gone. A soaking shower, which began at 7 p. m. and continued intermittently until 9 p. m., made the underfooting slippery in spots.

Ponchos were worn by most platoons.

The first two patrols back into headquarters, led by Jimmy Armstrong and Dan Phillips, however did not complete their mission. The latter did so disrupt the aggressors that finally Sgt. Robert Herndon, field adviser for the aggressors, sent them back to camp.

The other patrols were led by Bill Harrington, Randy Pierce, Gaylen Piercy and Riley Doing. Although each Cadet had been issued only five rounds of blank cartridges, most were equipped with many more rounds. In one instance, one Cadet had 250 rounds.

The aggressor force was hampered by other matters aside from the spur-of-the-moment attack by the patrols. A large number of National Guard troops were also in the immediate vicinity on maneuvers. It was a problem of who-is-who?

Around 10:30, the first patrol came ambling back to the range. Others followed until 1:30 a. m.

Evacuation procedures back to campus were greatly reduced in efficiency with break-down of the transports. The first truck lost a fan belt Saturday morning. A second truck had the air brakes lock and a third had a generator go out.

After a hasty patching of trucks, the last patrol saw St. John's as the sun came up.

2 Academic Tracts Offered Next Year

Two distinct academic programs will be offered next year according to Maj. Larry Dwyer, Director of Studies. Offered will be the Standard tract for the average student and the College-Prep tract for the superior student.

Students in the Standard program will need 16 academic units to graduate including three units of English language arts; one unit of math, one unit of lab science, one unit each of American History and American Government. The remaining nine units are electives to be selected by the Cadet to best meet his future needs.

Students in the College-Prep tract will be required to have 19 academic units for graduation. Major Dwyer said this requirement exceeds those of the Kansas Department of Education and the North Central Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. Required in this program are four units of English

Arts, three units of math, three units of science, two years of a foreign language and three units in the social sciences. It is recommended that the four elective units contain speech, typing and advanced math and trigonometry.

Major Dwyer pointed out that the non-academic requirement for graduation include Physical Fitness three days each week every year; participation in Military Science, and completion of the Humanities course—Survey of the Old Testament.

He said that parents or students having any questions regarding the new programs may make appointments to see him during Commencement weekend.

Green Joins "Old Boy" Ranks

Loran Green has passed the "old boy" test and has been authorized to wear the shields. He was also promoted to the rank of private first class.

6 Named Old Boys

Six more Cadets have joined the rank of the "old boys" at St. John's Military School and were promoted to the rank of private first class. They are Roger Baker, Dennis Purinton, Martin Stitt, Thomas Suhm, Frank Swank and James Olguin.

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