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Women Can Enroll In WKU ROTC

Western Kentucky University's Department of Military Science has announced that for the first time in history, women may be enrolled in the school's ROTC program beginning this fall.

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The announcement emphasizes that students incur no military obligation during their freshman or sophomore years, and further information may be obtained by contacting Western's Department of Military Science.

Western opens Army ROTC to freshmen women

Western's military science department will be offering Army ROTC to women on a commission basis this fall.

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Prior to this year co-eds were allowed to take courses offered by the military science department but were not eligible to receive a commission as an officer from the army.

ROTC ‘Ms.’ ‘em

3 more state schools open program to women

Three more Kentucky universities will open their military programs to girls this fall.

Officials at Western Kentucky, Morehead State and Murray State announced yesterday that they will follow the lead of Eastern Kentucky University and admit coeds in Army Reserve Officers Training Corps classes.

Eastern was one of 10 schools in the nation last year designated as test schools for ending the barriers against female participation in campus military programs.

The success of the program at Eastern is demonstrated, according to Col. Wolford White, by the fact that 23 freshman girls enrolled last fall and just seven dropped out.

"The girls had fewer dropouts on a percentage basis than the guys," Col. White, professor of military sciences, said "And they caused us fewer problems in other ways."

"We thought we would have problems with long hair, military dress and such but, to be frank, male trainees gave us the most trouble in every category."

He said two of the girls returning from last year's class have been accepted for ROTC scholarships as sophomores.

Although Eastern was the first state school to accept coeds for Army ROTC training, the University of Louisville's Air Force ROTC program accepted coeds starting in 1970. One, Shirley Underwood, will be a senior this fall. Louisville has no Army ROTC program.

Region commander of ROTC takes over


The region, one of four in the nation, covers an eight-state area.

He had previously served as the chief of the Armor Branch, personnel management office, with the Army in Washington.

Gen. Williams assumes regional ROTC command


Williams, a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and of George Washington University, was chief of the Armor Branch personnel management office for the Department of the Army in his last assignment.

The Second ROTC Region, one of four such regions in the U.S., works with ROTC programs in 69 colleges and universities and 178 high schools in an eight-state area.

Two ROTC cadets at Western Kentucky University have received parachute badges upon completion of the three-week Airborne course at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Ga.

The two are Stewart L. Wade, son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Wade of Central City, and Wade K. Talley, son of Mrs. Anna M. Talley and Wade O. Talley, of Bowling Green.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 1973
Army ROTC open to women

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Army ROTC has been offered at Morehead State since 1968 and has produced 102 second lieutenant commissions.

For several years, MSU's Department of Military Science has sponsored a coed drill team and a coed sponsor corps and women have participated as rifle team members.

Women students currently attending MSU may enroll in the program by taking the basic ROTC course on an accelerated basis.

"In our program, the name of the game is leadership," said Maj. Billy D. Williams, professor of military science. "It is a skill which will be of value to both male and female students in whatever vocation is chosen - military or civilian."

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Sweet as love." - L & N Magazine

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INSIDE THE TURRET. FORT KNOX, KENTUCKY—SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 1973

Cadet James R. Jones, attended the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps basic summer camp at Ft. Knox. Jones is a student at Western Kentucky University.

Four members of Western Kentucky University's military science department have returned from staff positions at two Reserve Officer Training Corps ROTC summer camps.

Col. William E. Schiller, professor of military science, was Assistant Commandant of Cadets at the Advanced Camp at Ft. Riley, Kansas. He was responsible for the conduct, discipline, administrative support, and evaluation of the 2000 students in attendance.

Also at Ft. Riley were Capt. Paul Bishop, assistant professor of military science, who served as supply officer, and SFC William Acherman, who was an instructor on the wire communications and armor-infantry committee.

Capt. Jones Skiles, assistant professor of military science, was a protocol officer for the Ft. Knox Basic Camp. He was responsible for the briefings of visitors to the camp and also served as instructor of military courtesy, customs and traditions.

Cadet Thomas N. Tabor, 22, received practical work in military leadership at the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps advanced summer camp at Ft. Riley, Kansas. He is a student at Western Kentucky University.

COMMISSIONED AT WKU—Cadet William Eubank gets help pinning his rank insignia from his mother Mrs. Ada Eubank of Glasgow.

Cadet Eubank Receives Commission

Three graduating seniors and participants in the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Western Kentucky University received their bars as officers in the U.S. Army and Army Reserve summer Commissioning Ceremonies Aug. 3.

Major Joel Hinson of the University's military science department addressed the commissionees and their families and stressed in his speech tradition of honor and integrity of the officer corps.

"Accept the responsibilities and challenges of the position you are about to assume and pledge to do the best job you possibly can. You owe no less to yourself and those who depend upon you," said Hinson.

Receiving officer commission in the U.S. Army Reserve were: Cadet William M. Eubank, Glasgow, Field Artillery officer; and Cadet Michael L. Ulm, Oak Ridge, Tex., Infantry officer.

Cadet Franklin J. Miller, Bradfordsville, will join the U.S. Regular Army as Signal Corps officer.
Number One

FIRST of the 465 ROTC cadets who processed in for Basic Summer Camp here last week was Richard A. Sabatini, 18, of New Mexico Military Institute. The in-processing at Otto Gymnasium was the first step in the six-week program, designed to give the cadets the equivalent of the first two years of basic ROTC training. About 500 more cadets are scheduled to join them this week. More information on the ROTC camp may be found on page 5.

Body that of Agee

A body recovered Monday from Barren River has been identified as that of James M. Agee, 21, of Greenville, who drowned April 13.

Identification was made by Warren County Coroner J.C. Kirby after the body was recovered Monday afternoon.

The Warren County sheriff's office was notified of the discovery of the body floating in the river by the driver of a "duck," a land-water vehicle operated on the river by Beech Bend Park.

Sheriff's Maj. Glen Wood and Kirby investigated the recovery. Wood said the body was found about one-fourth mile from where the drowning occurred near Beech Bend Park.

Agee and a companion, Joseph Cahill, 21, of Philadelphia, drowned when their homemade canoe capsized. Both were Western students.

Cahill's body was recovered earlier by the Bowling Green-Warren County Rescue Squad.
Welcome

MICHAEL INMAN, a Western junior from Harrodsburg, mans the telephone at information booth set up on campus Saturday to aid incoming new students. The new students began arriving at WKU Saturday morning as fall registration begins Monday and classes begin Thursday. The Pershing Rifles and Rebelettes annually set up information booths for incoming students.
Women liberate Western's ROTC program

By ELAINE AYERS

A woman's place is becoming any place she makes it. Incoming freshman coeds have the opportunity to establish a new women's place in a formerly all-male area. With the beginning of the fall semester, Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) has opened its program to women.

At Western, women have previously been registered for military science courses for which they received academic credit only. They were not considered cadets. Women may now enroll in the course of instruction leading to a commissioned officer status in the U.S. Army or Army Reserve by signing up for military science classes during registration. The first course is U.S. Defense Establishment (MS100).

Women entering the program will be allowed to compete for one, two and three-year ROTC scholarships that pay full tuition, books, fees and the $100 per month for the duration of the scholarship.

Women who are fearful of the physical demands of ROTC instruction needn't let that stop them, according to Maj. Joel Hinson, assistant professor of military science.

"The plan right now is for women to participate in ROTC like men," he said. "But, they will not be required to bear arms or participate in activity generally thought too rigorous for women.

The military science department, Hinson said, foresee no problems caused by the registration of women. In fact, he says, the department is actively recruiting women for the ROTC. Incoming freshman women were contacted about the opening of the program and plans were made for intensifying the registration drive during the freshman orientation period.

Enrollment will be open primarily to entering freshman women although those with a projected graduation in 1976 will also be considered on an individual basis.

Women who enter the program have nothing to lose, Hinson believes. "We encourage them to come register and try ROTC on for size."

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The doors are opened

'Unlimited' future seen for women in ROTC

By FRED LAWRENCE

"Unlimited" is how Capt. James K. Skiles describes the future of women in the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) and the Army.

ROTC has opened its doors to women on an official basis this fall on 290 college campuses and 14 Western coeds have enrolled in the program here. Capt. Skiles said women have taken ROTC courses before, but have not been officially enrolled in the program.

The 14 female enrollees are more than he expected, said Capt. Skiles. "We figured to get between 10 and 12, so actually we've a little better off than we expected."

Some programs, in which the change to allow women into the program was heavily publicized, have more women than men, Capt. Skiles said.

About the future of the program to bring in women, Skiles said, "I'm very optimistic of more women coming into the program."

He added, "The army overcame the race barrier in the 1950's and now, I think, in the 1970's we'll overcome the sex barrier. These young women are competing with the men on a very even foot."

Intersexual competition is not something that is encouraged, however. He explained that competition is not between men and women, but within each group, each class. This is to determine their order in their group, he said, and explained that those who ranked highest had the greatest number of opportunities; that they were most likely to be assigned the job of their choice, should they pursue a military career.

Problems involved in making the change from an all-male ROTC to a coed ROTC have been minor, according to Capt. Skiles. "Like in any change, there have been some minor ones. The biggest is uniforms. The main problem is getting uniforms and equipment for them. Our supply sergeant had the foresight to get them when and where he could, but we don't have enough yet."

As for resistance to change, there has been "absolutely none here," said Capt. Skiles. "We were one of the first to request that, if ROTC was opened to women, we be one of the first to offer it. He said there had been little resistance to the program, Army-wide.

Another related change Capt. Skiles noted is that the Women's Army Corps (WAC) is being abolished and the women integrated into the regular Army.

Capt. Skiles said he didn't know why the change to coed ROTC had taken place. He speculated that it was a matter of following "the general trend of the times. Women are being accepted into more and more areas."

One regulation which Capt. Skiles said would be strictly enforced is one stating that women will not be forced to bear arms if they have any qualms about it. He added, "I'm not in the business of developing riflemen. Our purpose here is to develop leaders who can teach others to lead." He explained that "management is what we're talking about here, not blue collar workers."

None of the women have expressed hesitation at handling arms so far, said Capt. Skiles. At least two of the 14 women are on the rifle team.

The physical requirements for a woman to join the Army are that she be at least 4 feet 10 inches tall, weighing at least 90 pounds. There is one coed in the program here, though, who is barely 4 feet 10 inches and is underweight. "She is in the program now because there is no obligation in the first two years," said Capt. Skiles. He expressed confidence if she decided to stay in the program she would gain some weight to meet the requirements.

University policy requires a physical examination before admission to the program.

Women are paid the same as men in ROTC, said Capt. Skiles. Women are eligible to draw $100 a month while taking the advanced course in ROTC as the men do.

Capt. James Skiles

14 Western coeds in ROTC for different reasons

By FRED LAWRENCE

Diana Alwes would rather ride in a squad car than work in a factory, so she enrolled in the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program opened to women this fall.

"I thought the training would help me in the future," she said. "It teaches you leadership. I hope to transfer to Eastern next year and go through a police course. It would be exciting, I don't want to work in a factory or a 10-cent store all my life. I want to ride in a squad car."

Miss Alwes, a freshman from Louisville, is one of 14 Western coeds who joined the ROTC civil service job," she said.

Linda Loudenback, who has "given considerable thought" to a military career, says it's a possibility that she might go into some phase of the armed services. "It's something to do for a woman who is undecided about what to do," she said.

Several of those interviewed thought military science would aid them in other activities.

"I'm in the Redettes and it helps me in drilling, I get more involved in drilling," Miss Loudenback, a sophomore from Greenwood, Ind., said.

Rebecca Skaggs, a member of the rifle team, enrolled in an effort to improve herself on the range.

The rifle team who thought she'd take a semester "for the riflery training."

By FRED LAWRENCE

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Chris Carlsten leads the way as rifle team riddles Govs

Western's rifle team started the season on a successful note, outshooting Austin Peay 1021-856 Saturday at Clarksville, Tenn.

The Hilltoppers were led by freshman sharpshooter Chris Carlsten who compiled a 273 score. Second-leading scorer was David Lowry, who fired 261. The other two shooters who scored for Western were Mike Wells and Becky Skaggs. Wells shot 252 while Miss Skaggs tallied 235.

Since one of Austin Peay's shooters didn't show up only four of Western's shooters scores counted rather than the ordinary top five scores.

Western's next match will be Oct. 6 against nationally-ranked Murray State. Last year in the Kentucky Rifle League, Murray won the title while the Hilltoppers placed second. Western will be aiming for its first victory ever over Murray.

Few-tility accompanies light vote as 160 cast general election ballots

Student elections have become, at least on Associated Student Government official fears, "an exercise in futility."

"You can let the students know there's an election but you can't make them vote," a disappointed Carl Stoltzfus, co-chairman of the Rules and Elections Committee said yesterday after an extremely light voter turnout for the fall election.

He continued, "I don't know what to say. It's just a futile effort to get people to vote."

Less than two per cent of the student body voted in the freshman and Academic Council races. Total ballots cast was 160 with heaviest voting (102 ballots) in the freshman class officers races.

John Donofrio was elected class president by an almost 2:1 margin over his opponent John David Evans. Donofrio collected 66 votes to Evans' 36.

Christy Kay Vogt narrowly defeated Steve Harding for the class vice presidency, tallying 52 votes to Harding's 50. This was the closest of the seven races.

Forty-six students voted in the Ogden College representative race. Melody Edwards received 20 votes more than her opposition, Pamela Neel to take the 160 vote seat. Miss Edwards polled 33 votes.

Ellen Brown defeated Merlin Gagle by a 3 to 1 margin in the Graduate College race. Miss Brown won 13 votes to Gagle's 4.

A close race for the Potter College representative's seat was won by Al Cross who pulled 8 votes to defeat Deborah Johnson. Miss Johnson received 5 votes.

The College of Commerce representative is Debby Clark. Miss Clark won all but eight of the votes cast in the race. Her opponent was Jeff Console.

Hank Miles, unopposed in the election, collected six votes in his race for the College of Applied Arts and Health seat.
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20% of new cadets are co-eds

**Girls make Army ROTC more sprightly**

By RICHARD WILSON

Coronet-Journal Staff Writer

MURRAY, Ky. — Army ROTC cadets are stepping sprightlier this fall at Murray State University and for the first time there's a scent of perfume within the ranks.

It's all due to a new Army program that permits co-eds to enroll in ROTC (Reserve Officer's Training Corps) and compete with their male counterparts for commissions as Army officers.

At Murray, and five other Kentucky campuses, co-eds have responded enthusiastically to the chance to topple another barrier to sexual equality.

Slightly more than 20 percent, or 121, of the 596 freshmen cadets enrolled in Army ROTC on Kentucky's campuses this fall are co-eds. Twenty-three of Murray's 59 freshmen cadets are women.

Except for possibly improving the quality of drill instruction, the co-eds' presence has had little noticeable impact on the overall ROTC program, says Capt. Ivan Frye, Murray ROTC instructor.

"The guys are undoubtedly trying harder in drill," Capt. Frye said. "Before they showed up (this year) drill was a sort of lark for the guys. They just put in their hour each week and that was it. But now they're really trying because there's somebody out there they're really trying to impress."

Besides, he continued, "many men object to drill, but the girls don't object at all and for some reason they even learn marching easier than the guys do."

According to recent interviews with Murray co-eds, curiosity seems to be the leading reason ROTC has attracted the girls.

"I've always been sort of interested in the Army, so I just thought this might be a good way to see what it might be like," said Ruth Isbell, a Murray student from Graham.

Donna Grubbs, from Vine Grove, said she too had always had a curiosity about the Army.

"I just thought this would be a good experience and way to learn more about it," she said.

Neither co-ed is ready to say whether she will remain in ROTC for four years to try to earn a commission.

But Tena Burdge, a nursing student from Belleville, Ill., is thinking of a career as an Army nurse. "There's just something about the service that when you've been in contact with it, you can easily relate to it," she said. Her father is a retired Air Force master sergeant.

Miss Burdge hopes she will receive an ROTC scholarship that would pay her college expenses, plus grant her $100-a-month subsistence allowance.

Other than possibly earning an Army commission, all three co-eds acknowledge there may be a short-term gain from ROTC participation.

"We haven't overlooked the idea that it's a great way to meet guys," said Miss Isbell.

The co-eds can earn commissions as second lieutenants in any Army branch except infantry, armored or field artillery—the three combat branches.

The only difference in the training for the freshmen co-eds, explained Capt. Frye, is that they do not have to fire weapons.

"Freshmen don't get weapons training until the second semester, but from just talking informally with our girls, I think most of them will want to fire them (weapons)," he added.

One ROTC co-ed who is no stranger to firearms is Eastern Kentucky University's Bethenia Bentley of Raceland. Miss Bentley is the top shooter on the EKU ROTC rifle team and the second-best shot on the university's varsity rifle team.

EKU was the first school in Kentucky—and one of the first 10 in the nation—to enlist co-eds in its Army ROTC program. Last year the Army Department designated Eastern and nine other campuses throughout the nation as test centers for co-eds in Army ROTC. Twenty-three co-eds enlisted in Eastern's program last fall and nine of them opted to remain in ROTC this fall.

Initially, the experimental program was to continue for five years, but the Army now has given all campuses the option of recruiting co-eds this year.

Nationwide, nearly 300 schools offer Army ROTC, according to Murray's Capt. Frye. He said he was uncertain how many of them in their programs.
Rebelettes preparing to defend title

Western's coed precision drill team, the Rebelettes, have begun preparations for their new season with will begin early next semester.

The team has selected 12 girls to fill vacancies in last year's team, which won the title of "National Champion Coed Drill Team" in competition held in Myrtle Beach, S. C. They hold this title until the next national drill is held in two years.

For the past month, the girls have spent an hour each afternoon practicing the composition of a new drill sequence. The Rebelettes were formed in 1964 and sponsored by the Pershing Rifle drill team. The Rebelettes consist of one squad of nine girls and a platoon of 17 girls. Washington, D.C.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Champaign, Ill., are among the places where the girls have competed with other such groups.

This year the girls, along with the Pershing Rifle drill team, hope to compete in meets in Bowling Green, Ohio; Champaign, Ill.; and Murfreesboro Tenn. They also hope to participate in the Mardi Gras.

Girls selected to the 1973-74 Rebelettes drill team are Cathy Smiley, Yoalanda Cummings, Susan Maple, Frances Locker, Marian Klaus, Ellen Wilhoit, Jan Wellman, Linda Inman, Debra Stahl, Rose Naylor, Janet Leach and Marcella Willhite. These girls will serve on the team for the four years they are at Western.

Western Kentucky University is one of 280 colleges and universities across the country offering four-year Army ROTC scholarships next year.

College-bound high school seniors, both men and women, will have an opportunity to win one of 1,000 scholarships to Western or the school of their choice offering the four-year ROTC program, said Col. William E. Schiller, professor of military science at Western.

Scholarship applications may be obtained by writing: Army ROTC Scholarships, P.O. Box 12700, Philadelphia, Pa. 19154.

The scholarship provides for full tuition, funds for textbooks, laboratory fees and the monthly subsistence allowance of $100. Upon graduation, the cadet is commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army and serves a four-year tour.

Schiller said applicants must be 17 years-of-age by Oct. 1 and must be able to complete the four-year program before reaching age 25.

Selection is based on results of the American College Testing Program (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), academic records, physical examination, school extracurricular activities and an interview before a board of army officers.

McGehee to head Special Forces Unit

Maj. Mike McGehee has received command of Western's ROTC Special Forces Unit from Maj. Coy St. Clair. Maj. St. Clair presented the Guidon, the company's flag, to Maj. McGehee last Tuesday at the unit's weekly meeting.

Military science plans to offer bi-term course

The military science department plans to offer an eight-week bi-term course entitled "U.S. Defense Establishment" (Military Science 100) beginning Tuesday.

If enough students register for the class, the two-hour credit course will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 a.m. in Room 104 of Diddle Arena.

The course is open to women and men cadets, and interested students may register now at the Registrar's Office between 8 a.m.
Rain's no damper

A MASS of umbrellas shroud spectators during a brief downpour prior to kickoff Saturday of the Western-Morehead game at L.T. Smith Stadium. The rain did little, however, to dampen the smiles of Cherie Hoxworth (below) who was crowned 1973 homecoming queen during pregame ceremonies. Miss Hoxworth was sponsored by Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority.

Cherie Hoxworth

Homecoming queen crowned

By BILL WILLIAMS
Daily News Staff Writer

Western's homecoming week activities concluded Saturday with the crowning of a queen, a colorful parade downtown and a 34-7 win over the Morehead Eagles at L.T. Smith Stadium.

Cherie Hoxworth, a senior from Beaver Dam, was crowned 1973 homecoming queen during pregame ceremonies at L.T. Smith Stadium. She was chosen in a student election on the campus Tuesday from a slate of 17 candidates representing campus organizations.

Miss Hoxworth, sponsored by Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority, is a dietetics and institutional administration major. She was graduated from Ohio County High School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon K. Hoxworth of Beaver Dam.

Elected first runner-up was Lee Goodpaster, a senior from Flemingsburg. She is the daughter of Mrs. Olive Ruth Goodpaster.

Miss Goodpaster was sponsored by Alpha Xi Delta Sorority.

Named second runner-up was Kathy Brewer, a sophomore from Herrndon. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Brewer.

Miss Brewer was sponsored by the Pershing Rifles organization.

Chosen members of the 1973 homecoming queen's court were Mary Melinda Evin, a junior from Frankfort; Judy Marshall, a graduate student from Nicholasville; Sue Myers, a senior from Benton, Md.; and Nancy Ubas, a senior from Franklin.

A parade beginning downtown on State Street and ending at the E.A. Diddle Arena parking lot highlighted Saturday morning.
A BIG RED TOWEL is waved by an unidentified Western cheerleader during Western’s homecoming game Saturday at L.T. Smith Stadium. The waving of red towels to boost team spirit has become a tradition with Western fans and was begun by the late E. A. Diddle, a basketball coach for the university.

WKU homecoming queen

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homecoming activities.

The parade, led by Western’s ROTC color guard, carried out the homecoming theme “Movie Memories.” Included in the parade were the Western cheerleaders, the Big Red Marching Band, 21 floats and 12 area high school marching bands.

The Kappa Sigma float, which featured a cannon and was equipped with fireworks, caught fire near the intersection of College and Main Streets and had to be pulled from the procession. A unit of the Bowling Green Fire Department doused the blaze. No injuries were reported.

Winners in the float competition were: Alpha Omicron Pi and Chi Omega Sororities, Alumni Award; Alpha Xi Delta Sorority and Vets on Campus, Red Towel Award; Alpha Kappa Psi fraternity, President’s Award, and Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, Regents Award for best all-around.

Winners in the judging for decorations at campus dormitories were: West Hall, Red Towel Award; South Hall, President’s Award, and McLean Hall, Regents Award for best all-around. All are women’s dormitories.

During pregame ceremonies Col. Kenneth Fleenor and Lt. Col. Dewey Lee Smith, former POWs with Bowling Green and WKU ties, were recognized and the playing of the National Anthem by the Western Band was dedicated to the two men. Also recognized during pregame were the team members of the 1963 Tangerine Bowl and the cheerleading squad of that year.

After the game a reception for alumni, faculty and students was held in Diddle Arena. The finale to the week-long homecoming was a dance Saturday night in Garrett Conference Center ballroom.

Traveling in style

KATHY BREWER, a Western sophomore from Herndon, rides in an antique car Saturday in the university’s homecoming parade. Miss Brewer was second runner-up in the homecoming queen contest and was sponsored by the Pershing Rifles. Driver and owner of the car is Lawrence C. Smith, 909 E. 19th St.
Rifle team beats U of L

Western’s rifle team put together a big team effort Saturday to defeat the University of Louisville 1284-1246 at Louisville.

The Hilltopper squad upped its record to 2-2 for the season. Coach Wilson Farmer said, “It was the best overall team performance of the year. Everyone shot their average or better against Louisville.”

Freshman standout Chris Carlsen was the leading shooter in the match with a score of 276.

Turkey Shoot set for next Tuesday

The sixth annual Turkey Shoot is set for next week at the University Rifle Range.

Faculty and staff shooters will compete between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Tuesday, while students will compete during the same times on Wednesday and Thursday.

The top five shooters in each division will receive turkeys donated by local grocery stores. The rifle range is located in the Physical Plant Building with the entrance on the Diddle Arena side of the building.

The turkey shoot is jointly sponsored by the military science department and the varsity rifle team. Present or former members of the rifle team are not eligible for competition, which is free.

Riflers face tough field

By RICHARD ROGERS

Western’s rifle team travels to Lexington tomorrow to compete in the ninth annual Kentucky Intercollegiate Rifle Tournament, which is one of the top intercollegiate meets in the country.

Hilltopper coach Wilson Farmer said, “This tournament gives us the opportunity to see how we measure up with the top teams in the country.” Some of the top teams competing in the tournament are Tennessee Tech, the No. 1 team in the country, East Tennessee and the University of Houston.

Farmer is taking a four-member team to the match. They are Chris Carlsen, Mike McGeebie, David Lowry and Karen Simpson. Western placed 18th last year in the 34-team field in the open championship and was sixth in the 11-team collegiate category.

Miss Holly McKenzie was the best overall team in the match with a score of 276.2. The motif for the Ball was “Stars and Stripes”, which was handled by the Scabbard and Blade fraternity. Music was provided by a band from the 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell.

Annual Military Ball set tomorrow night

The 40th annual Military Ball, sponsored by the corps of cadets, will be tomorrow night 8 to midnight in the Garrett Center Ballroom. The event will be the crowning of the Military Ball Queen by Col. William E. Schiller, professor of military science.

Candidates and their sponsors are Becky Woodson, Headquarters; Corps of Cadets; Holly McKenzie, 1st Platoon and Pershing Rifles; Christine Carlsten, 2nd Platoon and Special Forces fraternity; Linda Loudenback, 3rd Platoon; Debbie Clark, 4th Platoon, and Sharon Moore, Scabbard and Blade fraternity.

Winners in the faculty and staff division were Joe Survant, English department; Romeo Cressal, football coach; Howard Lindsey, food services; William Davis, business department; and Ed Givens, information officer.

In the student division, the bird winners were Jimmy Woody, Gerald Adams, Lee Brock, Steve Draw and Bruce Edwards. Adams shot the high total of 84.

Other shooters were Mike Wells, 257; Mike McGeebie, 251; Becky Skaggs, 245; David Lowry, 247; Sam Murphy, 245; and Durs Russell with a total of 232.

Two new shooters have been added to the squad to give coach Farmer the depth he needs to compete. They are Stephanie Warren and Chris Russell, Miss Warren, a freshman from Owensboro, shot in her first career match against Louisville and placed fifth for Western with a 248.

Military Ball Queen named

Miss Holly McKenzie, a sophomore from Ft. Campbell, was coronated as the Military Ball Queen at Western’s 40th annual Military Ball held last week in the Garrett Center Ballroom.

Miss McKenzie was sponsored by the freshman class MS I Platoon and the Pershing Rifles. Brig. Gen. W. A. Gauspin, assistant Division Commander of the 100th Division (Training) of the Kentucky Reserves, and Maj. David P. Miller, representing the 2nd ROTC Region were among the military dignitaries attending the event.

At least 10 people at Western will have turkey for Thanksgiving. The 10 were winners in the sixth annual Turkey Shoot sponsored by the military science department and the varsity rifle team.

Winners in the faculty and staff division were Joe Survant, English department; Romeo Cressal, football coach; Howard Lindsey, food services; William Davis, business department; and Ed Givens, information officer. Survant posted the high score of the shoot with a 72 total of a possible 100.

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'V' for valor

But Western's Sgt. Major Trent believes he was 'reacting to the situation'

By RONNIE ELLIS

Western's ROTC detachment Sgt. Maj. Herman L. Trent holds the Distinguished Service Cross for what the U.S. Army calls "extraordinary heroism," but from his point of view he was only "reacting to the situation."

Trent, who is chief instructor with the 590th Infantry Battalion and has served as first sergeant of the 360th Infantry, Cu Chi, South Vietnam under heavy fire, named as "senior cadets to be actively involved in giving instruction to lower classmen. These senior cadets need to prepare leadership qualities which they must assume in the future, he said.

Trent credited his ranger training for his being able to remain behind and perform the action he took, saving additional lives and securing the success of his mission.

The ranger training, which included hand to hand combat, patrolling exercises, survival, mountain training and physical endurance, was so realistic that when placed in a combat situation a ranger will automatically know what to do, said Trent.

As an airborne ranger of 15 years, Trent is used to this type of action. The nature of an airborne unit is to parachute into an area, seize and secure it until relieved and then return for a new assignment, Trent said.

Trent said he had suffered multiple wounds on three occasions. He has received decoration for retrieving wounded men forward of a position and bringing them back, he said.

Such actions "build a necessary confidence in leadership" from an officer's men, the sergeant major said.

Trent's duties with the ROTC detachment here consists of assisting army instructors in preparing students to prepare leadership qualities which they must assume in the future, he said.

In the Special Forces Unit each member specializes in different fields and provides instruction to those fields to other members of the unit.

In the future, he said, he would like to see
Cadet Robert Brown, a Dayton native, was commissioned second lieutenant in the U.S. Army at ceremonies at Western Kentucky University recently. Brown is pictured having the insignia of his rank pinned by his wife, Mrs. Bobbye Bellwood Brown. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Brown of Idaho Avenue, Dayton. An accounting major at the university, Brown will graduate from Western this month, and will then join the field artillery branch of the U.S. Army.

Other editors say:
ROTC comeback

Nashville Banner

A few congressmen from the Northeast are upset because the Defense Department has quit sending personnel to colleges and universities that unilaterally terminated ROTC programs a few years ago.

The decision, prompted by pressure from House Armed Services Committee chairman F. Edward Hebert, could deprive these institutions of millions of federal dollars.

At Boston University, for example, about 100 military students regularly attended graduate programs, for which the government paid BU about $250,000 a year in tuition fees.

But with the advent of these boycott regulations, Boston University and 13 other institutions can no longer count on that nice source of income. Among the boycotted schools are Brown University, Dartmouth College, Yale University, Tufts University, Harvard University, Colgate University, Columbia University and Stanford University.

“T have been struggling against this vindictive policy for many months.” Rep. Robert Drinan of Massachusetts said recently on the floor of the House of Representatives.

Rep. Thomas P. O’Neill of Massachusetts deplored the practice in this manner: “Blacklisting, especially when it interferes with academic freedom, is not favorably looked upon by any freedom loving people.

It is the height of irony that Rep. O’Neill should criticize this military policy in the name of “academic freedom.” Where was “academic freedom” in the 1960’s when student protesters successfully pressured school officials into ejecting ROTC courses from the curriculum and ROTC officials from the campus?

Significantly, since the Defense Department policy was formulated last year, some of the boycotted colleges and universities have begun showing renewed interest in ROTC.

Boston University has reapplied for ROTC. Harvard President Derek Bok says he supports a serious study of bringing back ROTC and Dartmouth trustees have authorized reevaluation of their handling of ROTC.

As the ROTC cancellations have shown, the capitulation of school officials to student protesters was an irrational act. If the Defense Department’s tough stance helps reverse that irrationality, it will have served a useful purpose.
Shooters post best scores yet, but still lose

Somedays, it just doesn't pay to get out of bed. Western's riflery team fired its best match of the year last Saturday. But, the University of Tennessee at Martin just happened to fire its best match of the year, too.

After the smoke had lifted and the noise died out, it was UT-Martin 1361, Western 1319. UT-Martin was averaging 260 points a match and fired an average of 272 against the Hilltoppers, who were averaging 250 and scored an average of 263.

Chris Carlisle, a freshman, was the leading shooter of the match. She fired a total of 280 for the Hilltoppers, her best score of the year. Mike McGehee was second for Western with a score of 262. Scott Lowe and Mike Wells carded a total of 261 points.

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Rifle team outshoots Eagles

Riding the individual efforts of Chris Carlisle and Scott Bruton, the Western riflery squad upped its season mark to 3-4 with a 158-hour win Saturday over the Morehead Eagles.

Miss Carlisle fired a 279, including a perfect 100 score from the prone position, while Bruton shot a 262, about 15 points above his season average.

Coach Wilson Farmer said that the match was very close and that the Morehead didn't shoot very well. "They shot well below their season average, but our people didn't shoot as well as they are capable either, with the exception of Chris and Steve," commented Farmer.

Other Topper shooters were Mark Wohlheiser, 250; Mike McGehee, 246; and Darrin Russell, 246.

Farmer resigns

An era in Western's riflery history is about to come to an end.

Coach Wilson Farmer is retiring from the army on July 1 after 24 years of service. It also means the five-year coach must step down as coach of the riflery squad.

During his five years as coach, he has helped build a successful riflery program. He owns a lifetime record of 35 wins and only 18 losses.

Farmer, who came to Western in 1969, was a main factor in getting riflery recognized as a varsity sport in 1972.

His best season came in 1970-71, when the squad won 12 and lost only 1. He has had one shooter, Sue Lausten, named All-America twice in four years.

Western's riflery squad has two more tournaments and one dual meet left before Farmer's era come to an end. Tomorrow, a five-member team will travel to Melbourne, Fla., to compete in the annual National Open Championships at the Florida Institute of Technology.

A four-member team will compete in the championships. They are Chris Carlisle, Mike Wells, Steve Bruton and Mike McGehee. Karen Simpson will make the trip in case someone cannot shoot.

Farmer said, "For the past two months, each member of the squad has been working very hard to make the top five. Everyone made a big effort and I feel we will have the best team going to Florida.

"There are two main purposes in making the meet," explained Farmer. "One is to compete in the national tournament and second is to see some of the outstanding junior shooters in the country."
Number of financial aid recipients jumps 20 per cent in two years

By JERRY ELAM

Over half of Western's students are receiving some form of private or public assistance to ease the burden of educational expenses, a figure that compares to the 30 per cent receiving assistance two years ago.

The increase in the number of students receiving assistance, according to Mrs. Dottie Hall, staff assistant of student financial aid, is due to an increase of student assistance programs, additional federal money and a small rise in Western's enrollment.

The primary source of money allocated to financial aid is supplied by the federal government, which distributed over $1.5 million in student assistance money to Western this year.

Heading the sources of financial aid is the College Work-study Program (CWSIP), which received a federal government allocation of $539,309. Approximately 1,650 students are participating in this program with most of them being employed on campus.

Students in CWSIP work virtually every department on the Hill, with jobs ranging from receptionists to lab assistants to maintenance workers. The largest employer on campus is the Helm-Cravens Library, which provides jobs for 150 students in the circulation and cataloging departments.

Some students participate in an off-campus work-study program with various non-profit public agencies. Such agencies include the Boys' Club, Girls Club, the Bowling Green and Warren County Parks and Recreation Departments and the Federal Day-Care Center.

Students working on or off campus can work up to 40 hours per week and earn $1.60 an hour. However, students may work a maximum of 20 hours per week with special permission.

Western also participates in a summer work-study program, where students may work up to 40 hours per week on campus if not enrolled in classes. If attending classes, he may work a maximum of 20 hours. Eligibility to participate in the work-study program is based on family income.

The second major source of student financial aid is the National Defense Student Loans (NDSL), which totaled $492,708 this year. The NDSL provides loans to 1,271 Western students whose family income places a limitation on the resources for higher education.

The NDSL is a long-term loan, interest-free while in school, with 3 per cent interest charged during the repayment period. If the borrower enters the teaching profession and is employed in an economically deprived area, he may cancel 15 per cent of the loan during each of the first two years, and the entire sum may be cancelled in this manner within a five year period.

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) totaled $352,627 for the 695 Western students in the program this year. In 1968, the Higher Education Act initiated a program to help qualified high school graduates attain a college education.

High school students entering Western for the first time must have at least a "C" standing to be eligible and need a recommendation from their principal saying they should be considered for an SEOG. The grants range from $200 to $1000 per year, depending on the

More than half of Western students get financial aid

over $28,000 this year. Forty-eight Western coeds are involved in this program, which is similar to that of NDSL, which is 15 per cent cancellation each of the first three years and up to 35 per cent cancellation of the principal in personal permitted if the nurse is employed in an area in dire need of medical service.

In 1968, the Omnibus Crime control and Safe Streets Act authorized loans and grants to students in law enforcement. The Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP), as it is called, received a federal grant of $17,880 this year, with 61 students participating in the program.

Many organizations, companies and some University departments supplement federal funds with scholarships and grants. This year, 964 such awards were presented to Western students. Eligibility is based upon skill, achievement, leadership, dependability and personal need.

Athletic scholarships are available in both full and partial amounts. Eligibility is based on skill in athletics and grades.

ROTC awards of one, two, three and four years are available to selected ROTC students interested in an Army career. Scholarship students, which total 17 at Western, receive tuition, books and other fees, plus providing students $100 per month while enrolled at Western.

The G.I. Bill provides 1,072 students with partial or full assistance if they meet specified requirements. One requirement to receive full assistance requires proof of an honorable discharge.

Graduate students are not without financial aid. Graduate assistantships, which were awarded to 275 students this year, are available in various departments on campus.

Assistants are permitted to carry at least a minimum graduate load and must be approved by the head of the appropriate department.

Students participating in the graduate assistantship program between $1400 and $2100. Requirements include a 2.5 grade point standing, three letters of recommendation and admission to a University degree program.

Children of totally disabled war veterans and war orphans also receive tuition assistance, if between the ages of 17 and 23. This year, 219 Western students received $810 each on fulfillment of tuition expenses.

Students interested in assistance should fill out necessary application forms in the Office of Financial Aid, in the College Heights Foundation Center. The deadline for summer financial aid applications is

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Western Pershing Rifle member Brian Durbin took command of the squad as they prepared for competition at the Bowling Green Invitational Drill Meet held last Saturday. Western finished second overall.

**PRs take second place at Bowling Green meet**

Western took second place overall at the Bowling Green Invitation Drill Meet held Saturday at Bowling Green University in Ohio. Ohio State won the meet.

Competing against 14 other colleges and universities, the Western squads brought home three team trophies.

The Pershing Rifles won second place in Infantry Drill Regulation squad category, second in IDR platoon and third in exhibition drill. Ken Talley, a senior from Bowling Green, took first place in the individual IDR, defeating over 200 other competitors.

Sophomore Brad Freeman took second place in individual exhibition drill.

Western’s Rebellettes, the female unit, captured fourth place, missing third by four points.

**Female MP garners respect**

Laura Lynn Livingston is an officer in the U.S. military police. She is one of the first five female officers in the MP corps. She found her way into the military police after attending a class at the Presidio of San Francisco.

Livingston carried a .38-caliber revolver instead of the MP standard .45-automatic.

One of the first five female officers in the MP corps, she is not the only female officer at Fort Knox. There are 27 other female officers there.

“Initially, I did have problems,” she admits. “But I spent two weeks on bivouac with these men as a platoon leader.

“I picked creepy crawlers out of my hair and I went without a bath for a week. After you come out of something like that, you’ve earned the respect of your men.”

She is now battalion assistant logistics officer, a step above platoon leader in the military hierarchy.

“I’ve got as many brains as anyone else and, as far as having men work under me, I certainly do know,” she said.

Obvious discrimination against females in civilian law enforcement is the reason she gives for joining the MPs. She says an undergraduate degree in criminology magna cum laude from Fresno State University did not lift any barriers for her in the Fresno County Sheriff’s office.

For 18 months, she was a booking officer at the jail, “wrestling drunks” and searching prisoners. “It was a great start, but I wouldn’t have gone anywhere,” she said.

In August, 1973, she joined the Army and spent two months in military police training at Ft. Gordon, Ga., with 57 men and four other women.

At the 504th’s first woman officer, she says she has found no sexist discrimination.

“I’m treated as a lieutenant,” said the 504th’s first woman officer. “My commander does not discriminate against me.”

Livingston is an enthusiastic soldier, proclaiming the good points of the MP program. And she has a good word for the recruitment billboards that feature the MPs — a man and a woman.
Basketball Proposal

Advances

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — A House committee approved Tuesday a Senate bill designed to force more Kentucky high schools to field girls basketball teams.

Ten members of the House Education Committee voted to report SB73 out favorably.

Sen. Nicholas Baker, D-Louisville, the sponsor, said a school district that could not afford a girls team or could not find a coach would not be required to have a team. The State Education Department would determine whether a district was able to have a team, following a hearing, he said.

Rep. Larry Hopkins, R-Lexington, said SB73 was needed because Lafayette High School in Lexington, one of the state's largest, requires girl teams to furnish their own uniforms and make their own arrangements.

Other measures reported out of committee included:

— HB 229, creating a task force to select public and private elementary and high schools to receive grants honoring them for their educational improvements. A $1 million appropriation for such awards was deleted.

— HB 235, requiring elementary and high schools to teach the effects of alcohol and drug abuse.

— HB 233, making completion of an onecourse in consumer education mandatory for graduation from high school.

— HB 263, requiring first grade pupils to be tested for tuberculosis.

— HB 717, providing for tuition scholarships, beginning with the 1976-78 state budget, for college students enrolled in the Reserve Officer's Training Corps. One scholarship would be provided for each 500 full time students at an institution.

— HB 615, removing any restriction on the number of sick days a teacher can accumulate.

In 1970, demonstrators often protested when ROTC cadets paraded. They're seldom heard from now.

College ROTC programs show signs of recovery

By PHILIP RAGER

L.A. Times-Washington Post Service

BERKELEY, Calif. — In the spring of 1970, at the height of the Cambodia protests, Berkeley students were throwing rocks at Reserve Officers' Training Corps classrooms and calling ROTC cadets Fascists, warmongers or worse.

In that year alone, $1.3 million in property was damaged in 297 attacks on ROTC facilities in the United States. Here and elsewhere, ROTC enrollment plummeted and the academic standing of the program was assailed by some faculty members and students.

But ROTC survived and, indeed, today appears to be making a quiet comeback on the nation's college campuses. The hostile atmosphere has declined markedly.

The decrease in anti-ROTC sentiment is especially noticeable on a campus like this.

Little antagonism shown

Uniformed ROTC recruiters, once targets of abuse, this year sat at tables on Sproul Plaza handing out slick slides promoting ROTC and answering questions from passing students. Cadets themselves report they encounter little antagonism from the campus.

One ROTC student, for example, said his roommate is a conscientious objector.

"We've strengthened our position and at the same time animosity has gone way down here," and Col. Carl F. Bernard, chairman of the department of military science at Berkeley. "I've walked around this campus in uniform for a year and a half now without a single adverse comment."

Similarly, at the University of Oregon, where in past years ROTC facilities had been the target of bombings and burnings, administrators say there has been no violence for nearly two years.

"In the spring of '72 they dug symbolic bomb craters in our front yard," recalled Col. William E. Burr II, head of the Army ROTC unit. "... It's been quiet since then."

While the hostility may have subsided, ROTC enrollments have declined sharply in recent years. In 1970, enrollment reached 155,040 and by last October the figure had dropped to a little over 60,000.

During that period all but 20 of 181 schools with compulsory ROTC programs dropped them. And the end of the draft eliminated another powerful ROTC attraction.

But now there are some signs of recovery. ROTC is currently being offered on 362 campuses in the United States — compared to 333 in 1970 — and at Stanford, Dartmouth and some other institutions that dropped the program efforts are being made to reinstate it.

Along with the decline in campus antiwar protests, ROTC officials cite a number of factors that lead them to be cautiously optimistic about the future of ROTC.

Among them are scholarships and increased benefits, revised and modernized curriculums and, perhaps, a "different kind" of student entering college these days.

Charles Rohrbacher, a 19-year-old junior here, decided to join the Army ROTC program last fall.

"I suppose the old 'want to serve my country' was the main reason I signed up," Rohrbacher said. "The thing that made me decide was the recognition last spring when I was traveling in Europe. I was looking at some photographs of the American soldiers entering Dachau in World War II. As I was standing there people actually came up and thanked me as an American, for liberating them. I was really moved."

Administrators concede that the end of the draft — an institution that turned many young men towards ROTC as an alternative — has hurt enrollments. "The choice used to be between being a second lieutenant or a private," Bernard said. "Now it's between being a second lieutenant or a civilian."

And a number of officials are hoping that what the program loses in quantity can be made up in quality — and that ROTC can produce more of the kind of leaders needed for today's smaller, volunteer armed services.

Draft end was incentive

To one ROTC cadet, Brian Witt, a 19-year-old sophomore at Berkeley, the end of the draft was all the more reason to stay in the program.

"I had always had a kind of vague distrust of the military anyway," Witt said. "With no draft, I think it's even more important for 'nonmilitary' people like myself to be in the service so there can be some small contact, at least, between the military and the outside world."

Economic incentives to join ROTC also attract a number of students. Under legislation passed in 1972, the stipend received by cadets for the last two years of their four-year undergraduate program was raised from $30 to $60 a month. A large number of scholarships — providing $100 a month for four years, as well as the cost of books, fees and tuition — are also available. This year the military services are offering 10,000 ROTC scholarships, compared to 5,900 in 1972.

"Beyond the scholarships, when a kid gets out and into active duty he has a real chance to get his feet on the ground," said Col. Richard A. Littlestone, chairman of the department of military science at UCLA. "Even as a lieutenant, he now gets $750 a month. That's terrific compared to what it used to be."
Weekend war

MAJ. NORMAN D. EHRESMAN, right, of Rl. 14, Plum Springs Road, identifies unit movement routes during a weekend command post exercise (CPX) at Ft. Knox recently. Looking on are Spec. I David E. Payne, left, of 2610 Russellville Road, and Maj. Carter K. Hooks, son of the Rev. and Mrs. H.B. Hooks, 249 Park Street. Ehresman is a member of the 106th Division Maneuver Training Command which sponsored the exercise.

Miss Elizabeh Gail Durbin will marry James Douglas Kirby

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Durbin Jr., Bowling Green, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Gail Durbin, to James Douglas Kirby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kirby, Bowling Green, and the late Mrs. Teresa Chappell Kirby. Miss Durbin is a 1971 graduate of North Hardin High School and is a junior at Western majoring in special education.

Mr. Kirby is a 1975 graduate of Bowling Green High School. He is a senior at Western and majoring in philosophy and religion.

The wedding is planned for June at Holy Spirit Church, Bowling Green.

Awarded fellowship

WKU ROTC Cadet Wade Kenneth Talley (left) talks with Col. William E. Schiller, professor of military science at Western, in Schiller's office. Talley is the only ROTC cadet from a Kentucky college to win an Army ROTC Fellowship. The grant will enable Talley to attend graduate school at the college of his choice with all expenses paid.

B.G. student awarded ROTC fellowship

Wade Kenneth Talley of Bowling Green has become the first cadet ever at Western Kentucky University to be awarded an Army ROTC Fellowship. Only 60 fellowships were awarded this year, with Talley being the only recipient from a Kentucky college.

The grant, awarded on the basis of Graduate Record Exam scores, academic achievement and leadership potential, will enable Talley to pursue a graduate degree at the college of his choosing while receiving full pay and benefits commensurate with his rank as an officer in the regular Army.

Talley, who will graduate in May with a major in English and who will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the regular Army, plans to serve one three-year tour of duty before attending graduate school.

Although he has not decided upon a college, Talley said he plans to study journalism.

Col. William E. Schiller, professor of military science at Western, said Talley "is an outstanding cadet with an outstanding future in the Army should he decide to pursue the military as a career."

Talley is the son of W.G. and Anna Mae Talley and is married to the former Pat Carter, all of Bowling Green.
Drill teams take first at Illinois meet

The Pershing Rifles and the Rebelettes drill teams won first place last weekend in the annual University of Illinois Invitational Drill Meet in Champaign, Ill.

The Rebelettes and the exhibition drill team won first place in the competition and the regulation drill squad won first place.

Individual winners were Brian Durbin, a sophomore from Bowling Green, who finished second; Rob Barrow, a junior from Owensboro, who finished sixth; Ken Talley, a Bowling Green senior, who finished eighth; and Greg Liske, a senior from Radcliff, who finished 13th.

On April 22 the Western drill teams will seek to capture the Ohio Valley Conference championship, the last meet of the year.

Another View:

UK’s ROTC Program

Editor, The Leader:

In reference to your editorial on Army ROTC at UK, you are to be complimented for bringing a significant problem to light.

It is true that the UK Army ROTC cadet corps numbers only 81, but they are as outstanding a group of young men and women as I have seen in my 21-year association with ROTC at UK (19 years in the Air Force Program and 11 years as Chief Administrator for the Army Program). They may be small in numbers but they more than make up for it in enthusiasm, intelligence and maturity.

But my point is that the editorial may have given the impression that the officers and cadets of the detachment have been allowing the values of discipline and patriotism to simply fade away like the proverbial “old soldier.”

Such is simply not the case. The program no longer contains the absurdities of marching cadets into the wall and the like as mentioned in the editorial but is an up-to-date, challenging course of many facets taught by highly competent Army officers, most of whom have Masters Degrees as a minimum qualification.

Further, other than teaching, the following partial listing of the activities of the cadets and staff clearly indicates the magnitude of their effort to maintain a viable program:

1. All local high schools with ROTC units are sponsored for trips, demonstrations, sports activities, and the like.
2. Officers appear on television, write letters and articles, speak before local groups, and visit dormitories and fraternities to tell the ROTC story.
3. A sky-diving program for all UK students has been started to generate interest in ROTC.
4. Officers drive weekly to Elizabethtown Community College and teach classes so that students there can take ROTC.
5. Detachment personnel belong to the Lions Club, coach “little league” baseball, sponsor a “Little Brother” and otherwise participate in community activities.
6. Seminars with nationally known figures are brought to the UK campus under ROTC sponsorship.
7. More than 100 high schools throughout the state have been visited to discuss ROTC at UK.
8. High school counselors, college deans and professors are routinely invited to lunch with the cadets.

Ken Talley, a Bowling Green senior, who finished eighth; and Greg Liske, a senior from Radcliff, who finished 13th.
Views on ROTC females vary

In this story, the second in a series on Western's Reserve Officers Training Corps, men in the program.air their views on women's recent integration of ROTC.

By RONNIE ELLIS

A sampling of the opinions of male members of Western's ROTC detachment reveals differing viewpoints on the question of the new women's ROTC program instituted here last semester.

Although two cadets expressed dissatisfaction over the new program, the majority of the men contacted said they had little or no reservation concerning the women's integration of ROTC.

Richard Shaw, a sophomore from Fort Worth, expressed the view most often given in response to queries about the women in ROTC. "I haven't any objections so long as they (the women) do not demand any special privileges," Shaw said. He added that none of the women currently enrolled have asked for such treatment.

Sophomore Stephen Fogle of Streator, Ill., enthusiastically supports the move to allow women to participate in ROTC.

"I think it is a really good idea," said Fogle. "In view of all the women's lib movements, it seems about time the program got with it and realized that women are just as good potential officers as men," he continued.

Fogle said the majority, if not the complete cadet corps, are "completely gungho about the women. There has been no problems with integration."

Thomas Damico, a junior from Dayton, Ohio, also thought the program a good idea. "There are jobs in the Army that women can fill just as well as men. With the all-voluntary Army, the acceptance of women widens the range of selection," he said. However, Damico said, "Most of the women are in just for the novelty of it, although some are serious about the Army."

Freshman Allan VanMeter of Henderson did not endorse the new program. VanMeter said the women were having problems being issued fatigue uniforms, a situation that was not their fault.

Nevertheless, according to VanMeter, poor uniform appearance reflected poorly on the whole platoon during inspection. He said the problem was largely the fault of the Army for not having better prepared for the program.

VanMeter also said some of his instructors had told the male cadets to make certain considerations of the women during class discussions. "I think the program should be segregated," he said. The Army separates them into the women's and men's corps," he explained. "It is their business, and I'm not dead set against it. I just think the program should have been better prepared," VanMeter continued.

"It is a little unusual," Richard Fraker, a senior from Archbold, Ohio, said, "but it doesn't bother me. They're just another cadet as far as I am concerned."

A member of the sophomore platoon who asked not to be quoted by name said, "I think it is a good idea, but to me it creates some problems. Women are not capable of going through some of the things men go through, such as rigorous physical training, the cadet said. He said the program "ought to be segregated. Some of the women just can't do what we're doing in the sophomore platoon."

An Owensboro sophomore, David Alexander, thought there might be some problems involved in the program, but not those of the women themselves.

"The program will cause difficulty. There will be some people totally against it, but it is fine with me," Alexander said. "So far, there have been no serious troubles," he added.

Markle-St. Clair engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Markle, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair Markle announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marilyn Markle, and Mr. Robert T. St. Clair, Jr., Miss Markle, a senior at Western College, Bowling Green, and Mr. St. Clair, Jr., a senior at Western College.

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Female to the corps

Women take to Western’s ROTC program

In the first story in a series concerning ROTC at Western, the attitudes of the women involved in the program are voiced. Women first entered the program here last fall.

By RONNIE ELLIS

If something appears different about the ROTC cadets lately, rest easy. Something is different and the difference is women.

Western’s is one of many ROTC programs across the country which is admitting women for the first time this year.

Several pilot programs for women's ROTC were run last year as experiments (one such program was at Eastern) and the response was so favorable that the schedule for the program's national development was stepped up, according to Capt. James K. Skiles, ROTC instructor and adviser at Western.

Women were admitted into ROTC here for the first time last semester, and 11 women are currently members of the ROTC contingent. They attend ROTC classes and drills alongside the male cadets on an equal status.

Women are not admitted to the combat arms divisions of the U.S. Army and so are not required to bear arms in ROTC. However, at Western "most prefer to do so," Capt. Skiles said.

The problems facing the new program would seem myriad, but Capt. Skiles said the program has gone "much smoother than we would have hoped."

The problem of the women's acceptance on the part of the men has not existed, according to Sandy Hayworth, a Miami, Fla., freshman, who said, "The men saw we were serious and accepted us and treated us as equals."

Lynn Berry, a freshman from Louisville, said acceptance by the men was "not really a problem."

"It was unusual to them at first, but they have gotten used to us. We are really good friends," she continued.

Richard Shaw, a sophomore cadet from Frankfort, said he had "no objections (to women cadets), as long as they don't demand special privileges."

Shaw said none of the current female members have asked or expected such privileges.

Miss Berry, who is five feet tall, said her biggest problem was one of size. "My size causes me problems with weapons."

Both Miss Berry and Miss Hayworth were members of an overnight Field Training Exercise (FTX) last semester, in which they worked alongside male cadets in simulated combat situations.

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Asked if she had encountered any problems within the ROTC in regard to her sex, she answered, "None whatsoever. The men are very congenial and willing to answer our questions."

Reasons given by the women for their interest in a military life ranged from travel and financial benefits to jobs and the social side of the military.

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A PROPPED KNEE provides support for pen and pad as ROTC squad leader Linda Loudenback, a sophomore from Greenwood, Ind., takes attendance in pre-dawn hours.

Stephanie Warren, an Owensboro freshman, said she knew "nothing at all of the ROTC program" before coming to Western. "I just went to the orientation program and became interested," she said.

Capt. Skiles said the requirements and benefits for women in the ROTC were the same as those for men. These include a three-year scholarship that pays for books, fees and tuition and pays each cadet $100 a month as a member of the senior ROTC program.

That is not the only area of equality between the men and women of Western's ROTC program, according to Capt. Skiles. He said each cadet was graded according to the "order of merit."

"Percentage-wise the women stretch from top to bottom just as the men do," said Capt. Skiles.
Prestige and physical endurance typify ROTC unit

This is the third in a series on ROTC at Western.

By RONNIE ELLIS

Some students like to sleep in on Saturday and Sunday mornings, while others like the Special Forces Unit (SF's) of the Western ROTC detachment. As crossing rivers in 30 - 40 degree weather or jumping down the face of an 85-foot cliff by 8 a.m., at 5:30 in the morning, not much is asstir. But from the top of the Western parking structure, thudding feet and straining voices, barking orders and responses, sometimes uttering profanities, can be heard.

“DROP!”

To the SF candidate to whom that command is given it can mean only one thing—push-ups. A minimum of 10 push-ups is standard procedure for a wrong answer, a weapon placed on the ground incorrectly or a calisthenic exercise not done properly.

Each of the ROTC cadets hoping to become active SF members can expect to be run through such a routine, which includes a “healthy” dose of eight-count push-ups, three or four times each morning. All of this is in addition to the required calisthenics practiced with the group each morning for a month. As most of the other calisthenics, which last from 30 to 46 minutes, any facet of the exercise that fails to satisfy any of the active SF’s, results in a command of 10 push-ups of the more familiar variety.

When the calisthenics are over, the candidates and actives alike run distances of up to a mile or more familiar variety. The goal is to build enough endurance to enable each cadet to run two miles in under 16 minutes.

The purpose of the harassment is not just for the SF members, according to Richards Shaw, who has been in the unit for four years.

“It makes a team of them and builds a sense of kinship,” Shaw said. This is necessary in a unit such as the SF’s, because of the very nature of its makeup and objectives, he added.

He said the SF’s were a “tactical small unit force, trained in counter guerrilla and counter insurgency tactics.”

Why are these cadets willing to undergo this kind of physical punishment and harassment?

James Humble and Ray Sutherland, both of whom are veterans, mention the word “elite” when asked why cadets are willing to undergo the physical and mental strains.

“I want to be in an elite a group as possible,” said Humble. “I enjoyed the PT (physical training) because I was out of shape,” he added.

Of the harassment, Humble said, “It was kind of fun.”

Sutherland, who works on a farm, milking one cow and feeding 65 every morning before PT, said he wanted to be an SF because of its elitist standing in the military.

“I had to get up every morning at 2:30 to feed the cows, and then get over here for PT by 5:30,” Sutherland, a sophomore from Woodburn, said.

Bruce Dopp, who spent a summer at Marine camp while considering a career in the Marines, said he wanted to be an SF because “I like the stuff they do—rapelling and stuff.”

Asked if he were considering a career in the Army, Dopp answered, “I would like to try it (the Army) on for a while and see if it fits, before making that decision.”

Another active member of the unit, Charles Stevenson, a veteran, said he misses the military. The SF’s and ROTC give him an opportunity to have last kicks for the commission of officer and provide funds for a college degree.

Stevenson said the physical training of the Special Forces was “actually harder than regular basic training. If you do it wrong here, you re-do it, but in basic training everything is done by schedule.”

Robert “Bo” Green, a member of last semester’s candidate class and this semester’s first sergeant for the new candidates, said the Army had been a way of life for him since it was natural for him to seek a career in the military.

“My father is a career soldier, so I’ve been around the Army and really like it. I got used to it,” Green said.

NCO (Non-Commissioned Officer) advisor SGT. Maj. Herman L. Trent offered some reasons why these men would want to be Special Forces members.

“A Ranger for 19 years, Trent said, “Rangers, special Forces, Airborne—these are elite forces. Those officers are pretty much destined to make SF. It is a desire to be a little better than the rest,” he added.

Cadet earns ROTC grant; first Westerner to receive award

Wade Kenneth Talley, a senior English major from Bowling Green, is the first Western ROTC cadet ever to earn an Army ROTC grant. The grant is awarded on the basis of Graduate Record Exam scores, academic achievement and leadership potential. Winning the grant means that Talley can now pursue a graduate degree at the college of his choice while receiving full pay and all the other Army benefits. With his lieutenant’s pay, plus the costs of college, which are all paid by the Army, his fellowship becomes worth well over $12,000.

Talley will graduate in May and will be commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the regular Army. He plans to serve one three-year tour of duty before attending graduate school. He plans to study journalism, but has not decided on a college.

Col. William E. Schiller, professor of military science, said Talley “is an outstanding cadet with an outstanding future in the Army, who should decide to pursue the fellowship.”

Col. Schiller says the fellow- ship is an honor that a cadet wins through his own abilities and achievements.
Western will graduate 1,771 students in exercises beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday in E.A. Diddle Arena.

A total of 1,323 bachelor's degrees, 227 master's degrees and 191 associate degrees will be awarded by Western President Dero G. Downing. Those attending the 109th commencement exercises will hear Dr. Harry B. Gray, a Woodburn native and professor of chemistry at the California Institute of Technology, make the principal address.

Ceremonies also will include the announcement of the university's 1974 Ogden Scholarship Award recipient. The winner of the award is the graduating senior with the highest academic average.

Two other awards will be presented by Dr. Raymond L. Cravens, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculties. The honors are for excellence in productive teaching and the faculty award for contributions in research and scholarly investigation.

Following commencement exercises, a reception will be in the Dero Downing University Center for families and friends of graduating seniors.

Also on the agenda Saturday are ROTC commissioning exercises. Eleven graduating seniors will be commissioned second lieutenants in the U.S. Army in the auditorium of the College of Education Building at 8:15 a.m.

First Lt. Steven C. Foster, of the Department of Earth, Space and Graphic Sciences, will be the featured speaker.

He is a 1970 graduate of Western.
More than 100 students honored during Awards

Western Kentucky University President, Doro G. Downey told more than 100 students and their families attending the annual Awards Day Banquet recently that "in order to achieve privileges, we must fulfill our obligations; and to do this we must continue with our determination to excel to the best of our ability in whatever aspect of life we may find ourselves."

Students who have received awards for various academic, athletic or service achievements during the school year were honored at the banquet where representatives of the university faculty presented the awards to the students in their various areas.

Dr. Raymond L. Cravens, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculties, was the keynote speaker who told his audience: "There is represented here refined and academic achievement, superior competitive accomplishment... and also excellent creative attainment."

Concluding the program Downing said: "To each one of you who has distinguished yourself through the effective application of your time, abilities, and talents, we extend sincere congratulations."

Honorees from Bowling Green are:

- Wade Kenneth Talley, a senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Talley, 1362 College St., received an award for Excellence in Scholarship.
- Miss Noonah Lynn Childress, a junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy A. Childress, 615 Magnolia Ave., received the AAWU Oratorical Award.
- Eugene Brandt, a senior, son of Mr. Rudolph Brandt, 353 Ashmore Drive, received the award for Outstanding Student of Electrical Engineering Technology.
- Paul Dayton Anderson, a senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Anderson, 2001 Rock Creek Drive, Apt. 9-G, was the winner of the Judson Roy Griffin Award for Outstanding Geology Senior.
- Miss Margaret Stewart Clagett, a senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ballard Clagett, 721 Covington Ave., received the award for Excellence in Scholarship in French.
- Miss Lisa Ann Cornwell, a junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald F. Cornwell, 721 Temple Ave., received the award for Excellence in Scholarship in Russian.
- Miss Elizabeth B. Cummins, a junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Cummins, 3568 College St., received the award for Excellence in Economics.
- Miss Lisa A. Davis, a junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Davis, 2702 Industrial Drive, received the award for Outstanding Student of Industry.

Outstanding Senior Award

CONGRATULATIONS were extended to more than 100 students at Western Kentucky University's annual Awards Day Banquet by President Doro G. Downing. Mrs. A.F. Godby, right, president of the Faculty Wives Club, presented a silver bowl to the recipient of the Faculty Wives Club Outstanding Senior Award, John Dean Minion Jr., left, a senior from Bowling Green.

Richard Feldman, a graduate, son of Mrs. N.R. Carley of Bowling Green, received the award for the Outstanding Student of Civil Engineering Technology. John Mark Jackson, a senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Jackson, Cedar Ridge Road, received an award for Excellence in Physics.

Mrs. Connie Jo Tooley, a senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard H. Turner, 909 Ridgecrest Drive, was the recipient of the National Collegiate Association for Secretaries Scholarship Award. Jackie L. Lawrence, a sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy O'Neill Lawrence, Rt. 6, received the award for Excellence in Mathematics.

Gregory McKinney, a junior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor McKinney of Bowling Green, was the winner of the Kentucky State Oratorial Contest Award. John Dean Minion Jr., a senior, son of Dr. and Mrs. John D. Minion Sr., 645 Ridgecrest Drive, received the award for Outstanding Senior, awarded by the Faculty Wives Club. He also was selected for membership in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Simeon T. Pickard, a freshman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Claude E. Pickard of Bowling Green, received the award for Outstanding Senior in Biology.

George W.B. Shannon, a senior, son of Dr. and Mrs. David W. Shannon of 2902 Industrial Drive, received the award for the Outstanding Senior, awarded by the Faculty Wives Club.

Mrs. Marsha E. Spink, a senior, daughter of Mr. Lloyd J. Spink, Rt. 4, received the award for the Highest Grade Point Average Among Senior Students in Mathematics.

Charles Charles L. Winpope, a senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Winpope, Rt. 3, received the H.M. Yarbrough Mathematics Award.

Miss Gayle Farr Brandt, a senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Farr, 1225 College St., received the Robert C. Cochran Memorial Book Award.

Miss Margareet Herron, a junior from Bowling Green, received the WKU Forensic Union Outstanding Contribution Award.

Second Lt. Peter M. Olyniec, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Olyniec, 1114 Highland Drive, Bowling Green, has completed a nine-week engineer officer basic course at the U.S. Army Engineer School, Ft. Belvoir, Va. Olyniec was on the command's list which represents the upper 20 per cent in academic standing.

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Eleven Western graduates earn commissions in the U.S. Army

By JIM HIGHLAND
dail y News Special Writer

Amid the background of The Star Spangled Banner and 200 parents, wives, relatives, and friends sitting quietly facing three flags, 11 young men Saturday received their commissions as second lieutenants in the United States Army.

Military Science Prof. Col. William E. Schiller asked the ROTC cadets to serve their country and support the Constitution as he administered the oath of office to them in what amounted to a public ceremony that had all the characteristics of an army feeding. A gathering of close associates.

All 11 were neatly dressed in their military uniforms, shoes shined and hair cut in a style that by today's college standards would be considered conservative.

Schiller stood at the podium in front of the three flags—American, Kentucky and university—and told the new officers that they possessed special character for their perticipation in the military science, beginning their military careers in preparation for duty immediately following the Vietnam war.

While some universities and private colleges have eliminated ROTC from their course offerings, Western has always had a military science, the current program has between 110 and 125 people.

The ceremony Saturday preceded Western's commencement program in Diddle Arena, and it will be Schiller's last spring commencement at Western, at least for a while. The 36-year Army veteran will leave the campus in January for another military training in preparation for duty April 1, 1973, in Bangkok, Thailand. He will work in logistics with the Thai Army.

In terms of reserve officers, Schiller said ROTC needs the best men it can get for its programs because in essence, these officers are "responsible for other men's lives."

While most people think of officers from the standpoint of duty as soldiers, Schiller added that they serve as leaders for the National Guard in their civilian assistance programs such as during the truckers' strike and disaster aid during the recent tornado in Warren County.

The ceremony came off without an observable hitch, and after "appropriate" remarks by guests & speaker, Lt. Steven Harvey Foster, a graduate of Western currently teaching at the United States Military Academy, commissions were awarded and gold bars were pinned on the young men by parents, wives or fiancés.

One of those who received his commission was Wade K. Talley, a graduate of Bowling Green High School, who has been a two-year Army fellowship for journalism study at the University of Missouri.

Other commissions included Steven W. Brown of Battletown; Michael W. McGehee, Philip D. Purdy, Thomas N. Talor, and Omer C. Tooley Jr., all of Owensboro; Stewart L. Wade of Central City; Henry L. Davis of Earlington; Kim D. Beek of Evansville, Ind.; Danny B. Johnson of Russellville, and Coy R. S. Clair Jr. of Fortsville.

McGehee, Purdy, Talor, Tooley, Wade and St. Clair all were designated distinguished military graduates.

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From AP and Special Dispatches

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Dr. Harry Gray, a Woodburn, Ky., native and a 1957 Western graduate, said there must be a strong search for new basic knowledge "with an eye to the needs of the country and the world."

Clyde Eugene White Jr., an accounting major from Russell Springs, received the 1974 Ogden Scholarship Award, presented to the graduating senior with the highest cumulative grade-point average. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Whittle Sr.

Receiving the award for excellence in productive teaching for 1973-74 was Dr. John Scarborough, professor of secondary education and director of the summer school at Western.

Dr. Thomas Madron, government professor and director of research and computer services, received the award for distinguished contributions in research and creativity for 1973-74.

The commencement exercises were held in E.A. Diddle Arena before 12,000 people.

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Evaluators have important role

By PFC John Holland

Officers and senior enlisted men from 44 different college ROTC programs are acting as ROTC basic camp cadet performance evaluators at Ft. Knox. They play an important role in determining if the cadet is suitable for admittance to the advanced ROTC program.

The evaluator's final report on a basic camp cadet's performance will be used by the professor of military science (PMS) at the college the man attends, as part of the basis for his decision whether or not to admit him to the advanced ROTC program. The PMS will also consider such information as peer ratings, basic physical fitness test scores on modified Army training tests (ATT) which measures technical proficiency in military subjects, and his own personal knowledge of the cadet.

"Leadership factors which an evaluator seeks in a cadet encompass the qualities of self-confidence, intelligence, courage of convictions, motivation, ability to take required actions when necessary, cooperation and the ability to receive cooperation from others, and perceptiveness in decision making. In addition, the evaluator during the six weeks of basic camp training looks for development of expertise in military subjects and maturation on the part of the individual," stressed Colonel William Schuler, chief evaluator for the basic camp.

How well a cadet performs in a position of leadership in an ROTC basic camp cadet company is the primary basis for the evaluation report. Cadet positions of leadership change every day according to an alphabetical roster to give each cadet an opportunity to learn Army unit structure and the duties that go with each position. Cadets assigned the responsibilities of company commander and executive officer are evaluated in their performance by a commissioned officer. A senior noncommissioned officer evaluates the cadet first sergeant, platoon leader, platoon sergeant and squad leaders.

"A cadet shouldn't be discouraged if he falls flat on his face time and time again," commented Captain Clayton Pangle, an ROTC instructor at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. "I look for the man that has the determination to get back up and try once more. My job is to be a constructive critic of a cadet's weak points as well as to emphasize his good leadership traits."

Sergeant First Class Bernice J. Byram for Notre Dame ROTC evaluates cadets in senior enlisted positions, looking for "just how well a cadet takes instructions. I give especially high marks to the man with keen powers of observation who notices what is happening around him and doesn't have to be told what to do. I watch the way he keeps control and account of his men, how he organizes them for details such as clean-up and maintains discipline in the mess lines. I strive at all times to remain objective and base my reports strictly on professional opinion."

"I believe the attitude of the cadet toward training is the prime factor in basic camp. It helps if a person has a team spirit and wants to excel!" said Staff Sergeant James E. Shell, an ROTC instructor at Middle Tennessee State in Murfreesboro, platoon evaluator for B-154. Shell a Green Beret, formerly a Marine for more than 11 years enjoys working with a basic camp cadets achieving a air force background. Speaking with pride of his team of evaluators, Major Billy W. Cox, chief of the 15th Battalion, ROTC Region staff, said, "Any man can be successful in the military. To have graduate degrees except one who is presently studying to be an Army officer, and have graduate degrees or backgrounds in various fields is definitely highly desirable. Every one of our evaluators were hand picked from several highly qualified professionals. Every one of them is a commissioned officer in the Second ROTC Region."
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The Army ROTC Basic Camp. It's tough because you'll be making up for the entire first two years of the Army ROTC Four-Year Program. Two years in only six weeks.

During this time, while we're toughening up your body a little, we'll be even tougher on your mind. By asking you to complete a concentrated course of study covering all the topics you missed. But when you return to college in the fall, you can look forward to two pretty great years.

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If you're transferring from junior college, or for some other reason you couldn't take the first two years at ROCC, look into the Army ROTC Two-Year Program. Army ROTC. The more you look at it, the better it looks.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE, ROOM 116, E.A. DIDDLE ARENA, OR PHONE 745-4293
Southern Kentuckians in service

Army ROTC Cadet John B. Durbin, son of Chief Warrant Officer and Mrs. Joseph L. Durbin Jr., 509 Landesdale Ave., has received a parachutist badge at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Ga.

Durbin, a Western student, completed a three-week airborne course to qualify for the badge.

Cadet Larry W. Ground, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Ground, 2109 Southland Drive, this summer attended the advanced ROTC course at Ft. Riley, Kan. He is a Western Kentucky University student.

Cadet Charles R. Stevenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Stevenson, Leitchfield, has completed an advanced ROTC course at Ft. Riley, Kan. The Western Kentucky University student and his wife, Ilona, live in Bowling Green.

JOEL C. HARRIS, whose wife, Patricia, lives at 2505 Smallhouse Rd., has been promoted to Army first lieutenant while a student at the Army Aviation School, Ft. Rucker, Ala. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. William J. Harris, Glens Falls, N.Y.
NEW COMMANDER General John C. Meyer, center, retiring Strategic Air Command commander in chief and his successor, General Russell E. Dougherty, right, former SHAPE chief of staff, were joined on the reviewing stand by General George S. Brown, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, for the change of command and retirement ceremony.

General Dougherty Completes First Day As New SAC Chief

General Russell E. Dougherty, the Strategic Air Command's eighth commander in chief since 1946, has completed his first day at the job.

In an interview prior to the change of command ceremonies, General Dougherty spoke of assuming responsibility for command of the "world's mightiest military force."

The general, a veteran of over 31 years military service, voiced his intent to use his every moment, opportunity and talent "in an effort to make this great command even greater..." SAC, the largest major command in the Air Force, has a nuclear deterrent force of strategic bombers, tankers and intercontinental ballistic missiles located at some 55 bases worldwide. Its personnel strength includes more than 23,000 officer, 112,000 enlisted and 21,000 civilian men and women.

General Dougherty's reliance on and expectations of the command's personnel supports his goal of making SAC "an even better command for good people of good will to live productive lives..." "...You don't 'buy people' who live up to the standards of SAC" he said. "They have to believe in their jobs and in their country...and their country has to believe in them..."

He assumes command of SAC in the midst of new personnel policies and procedures in the post-Vietnam era, the pressures of reductions in personnel strength authorizations, and budget limitations.

General Dougherty was born in Glasgow, Ky., Nov. 15, 1920, and is a graduate of Western Kentucky University and the Law School of the University of Louisville.

At the outbreak of World War II he entered active military service as an aviation cadet and in 1943 received his pilot's wings and was commissioned a second lieutenant. During World War II he was an instructor pilot and member of a combat crew on B-29's.

Following his appointment in the Regular Air Force in February 1947, he began a series of tours in the Far East and United States as a staff judge advocate and assistant U.S. trial attorney.

In December 1952 General Dougherty elected to leave the Judge Advocate General's Department for assignment to the Strategic Air Command.

His detailed knowledge of SAC was gained through experience as an operations officer, wing deputy chief of staff of operations and twice as a squadron commander. Later, he served at Fifteenth Air Force headquarters as an operations staff officer and then as deputy director of operations. From April
Highest since 1971
Graduation set at 1490 cadets

by Jan Carmack

With graduation of 792 second cycle cadets Thursday, a total of 1,490 cadets graduated from the 1974 basic camp. This is the highest number to complete basic camp since 1971 when 1,615 college students finished the training.

On June 21, 1,648 cadets had officially reported to camp. Since that time, 163 voluntarily withdrew and 31 were medically released. Here are the graduating figures by ROTC Region: First Region, 562; Second, 269; Third, 403; and Fourth Region, 240. Hawaii had 15 graduates and Alaska, 1.

Carrying this intriguing number game farther, the first cycle graduated 698 and had 14 medical and 67 voluntary withdrawals. Second cycle withdrawals were 17 medical, and 96 voluntary.

For Army personnel planners, these statistics are reassuring. Since 1969 when 2,835 cadets completed the camp, attendance dwindled until only 898 college students graduated from last year’s camp.

When asked if the downward trend in ROTC enrollment had been reversed, Brig. Gen. Wilfrid Smith, Army ROTC Chief, said: “Every indicator we have at this time is positive.”

Of significance also was minority representation at camp. Of 206 blacks reporting for training, 195 completed training.

There were 106 Puerto Rican students at camp. Of that number, 98 graduated.

A record number of educators came to observe training and to get an overview of ROTC. They visited with cadets who will be attending their colleges next fall.

For many of them, old images of the Army disappeared.

Kathleen Goues from the University of Toledo said, "The visit has shattered my stereotype of the Army." Most visitors remarked on the high quality of the young men at camp. "I was impressed by those with whom I talked," said Wilbur C. Windsor Jr., Kemper Military College trustee chairman. "They know why they’re here and what they are working for.”

For those who sounded ROTC’s death knell, the 1974 basic camp proved them to have pronounced a premature obituary.

There have been many major contributors to the rise of the 1974 ROTC Basic Camp enrollment and graduation numbers.

Gen. Smith thinks economic advantages played significant role in the attractions of ROTC. He also added, "We like to believe that adventure and the opportunities for leadership are also prime motivators.

The overall success of the camp, according to Brig. Gen. Williams, camp commander, has been the dedication exhibited by members of the 4th Bde. the Committee Group and the total empathy of the cadre. Equally important was the willingness to learn on the part of the cadet.

"With continuing factors such as those I’ve witnessed at this year’s basic camp," stated Brig. Gen. Williams, "the future of ROTC is assured."
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1971 until his promotion to four-star rank in May 1972, General Dougherty commanded SAC's Second Air Force.

In addition to his SAC assignments, General Dougherty is a graduate of the National War College and has had four assignments in joint and international duties, making him one of the Defense Department's leading experts on European affairs.

He has also had several assignments at the Pentagon, involving worldwide planning and operations of the Air Force. Prior to assuming command of SAC, he served as chief of staff, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE).

In addition to becoming SAC's commander in chief, General Dougherty now also directs the Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff in its charge of coordinating U.S. nuclear war plans and development of the Single Integrated Operations Plan. The latter is used in planning attacks against selected targets by committed and coordinated forces in a general nuclear war.

With the command entering a new era of technology, General Dougherty faces the task of carrying through the development of a strategic force capable of meeting the demands of the 1980's and beyond. Among these are the development of an improved ICBM system and the B-1 supersonic strategic bomber.

"The future weapon systems and posture of SAC evolve from a continuing and complex series of national decisions," says General Dougherty. He sees SAC as a significant and influential factor and advisor in these decisions, and contends that maximum efficiency and effectiveness in the use of present resources strengthens that position.

A member of the Kentucky State Bar Association and the Bar Association of the U.S. Supreme Court, General Dougherty is a command pilot.

He is married to the former Geralene Shaaber of Louisville, Ky. They have a daughter, Diane (Mrs. James Streicker) living in Evanston, Ill., and twin sons, Mark and Bryant, who are both lieutenants in the Air Force.