

MILITARY



Fifty years ago the local press recorded two items of news. The first was a happy one; a new school of mining had opened in the Southwest, and was located here in El Paso. The other, a very grave statement that war had broken out in Europe. To the isolationists of that era, perhaps these facts were unrelated, but to four students of those early days this was not so. They were called to service in World War I.

The contribution of this College during World War II would be almost impossible to assess. The decrease in the number of males enrolled during the War years bear witness to the fact that the contribution was not a small one.

In 1943, 250 engineering trainees, cadets of the National Army Specialized Training Program (A.S.T.P.) entered the College of Mines for training in engineering and other sciences, with orientation in the basic humanities. Under their own commandant they were under military discipline and were housed in barrack buildings moved on to the Campus for this purpose. This program closed the following year when they were integrated with the regular army.

R.O.T.C. first appeared on Campus in 1948, and were billeted in two wooden huts; though time and a little patience elevated them to the familiar grey home adjacent to Kidd Field. It was not until the opening of the Memorial Gymnasium in 1961, that they moved into the elegant quarters that they occupy today.

Members of R.O.T.C. were at first trained to become Anti-Aircraft Artillery Officers; this has changed with the passage of time. Today, the program is geared to produce officers trained in general military science who will, on graduation, proceed to a specific branch school for specialized training. In the last ten years, TWC has produced 353 regular and reserve officers.

The yearly complement, on the average, is around four hundred; the Berlin crisis of 1961 was an exception to this. Almost six hundred patriotic students stepped forward that year prepared to serve their country.

A black and white portrait of a young woman with short, styled hair, smiling. She is wearing a light-colored dress with a floral pattern. The text "Gail McNutt" is printed in a serif font at the bottom left of the image.

Gail McNutt

MILITARY QUEEN

MILITARY COURT



Jeanie Williams
LADY-IN-WAITING



Boni Sue Williams
FIRST BATTALION
PRINCESS



Jane Johnson
SECOND BATTALION
PRINCESS



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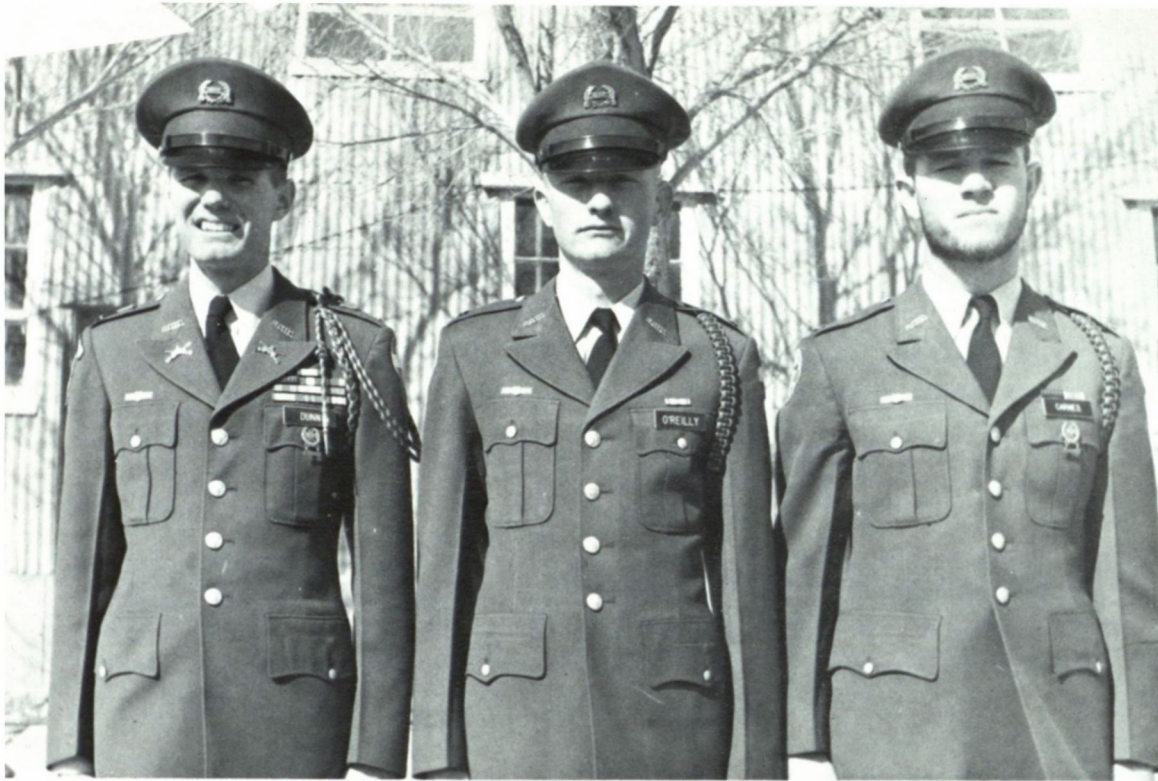
1st Battalion
 Frank Ball
 Rusty Donohue
 Brainerd Parrish
 Fred Gerth
 Bob Baker
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BATTALION STAFFS



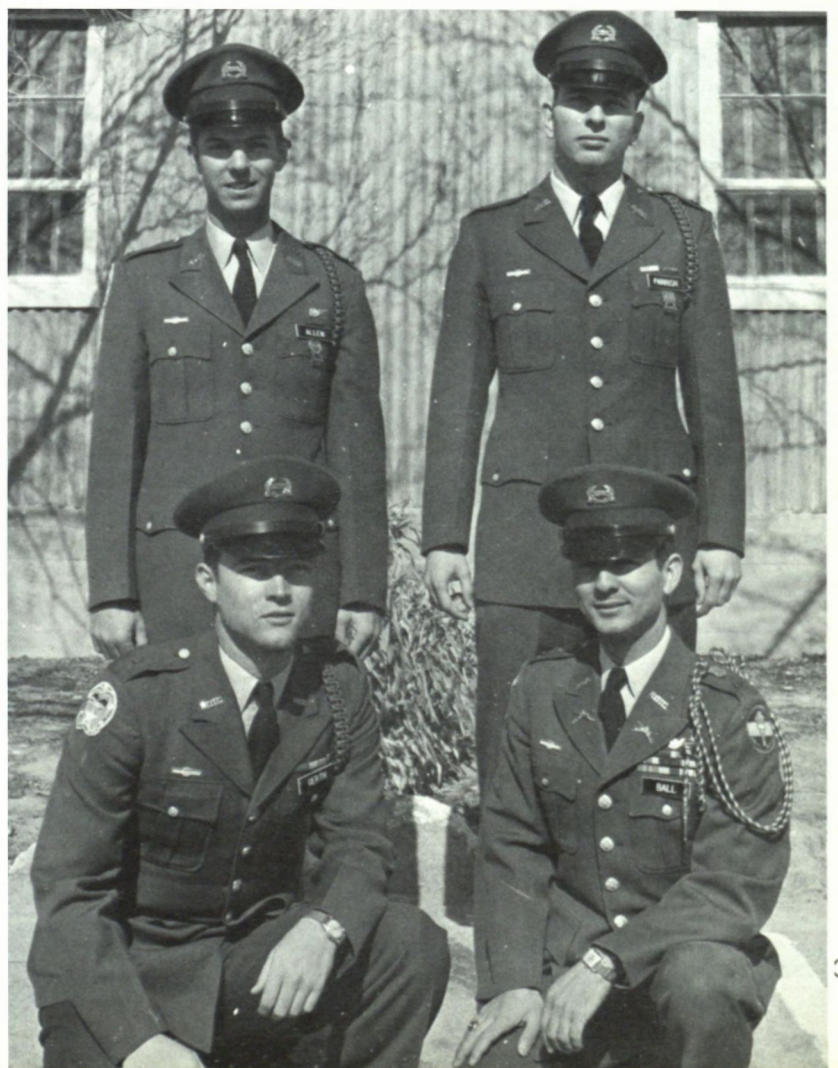
2nd Battalion
 Charles A. O'Reilly
 Bill A. Carnes
 Terrell W. Parks
 Emet C. Dunn
 Gene E. Matthews
 Eugene E. Rosen



From left: Charles Dunn, Charles O'Reilly, Bill Carnes

DISTINGUISHED MILITARY STUDENTS

These students have earned for themselves the distinction of being Distinguished Military Students. This is done by completing four years of outstanding work in the ROTC department. They will be entitled to a regular army commission.



From left standing are Bill Allen and Buddy Parrish. Seated, Fred Gerth, and Frank Ball.



Shown from left are Ralph Schneider, Jack Keller, Larry Menchaca and Ted Bolick.

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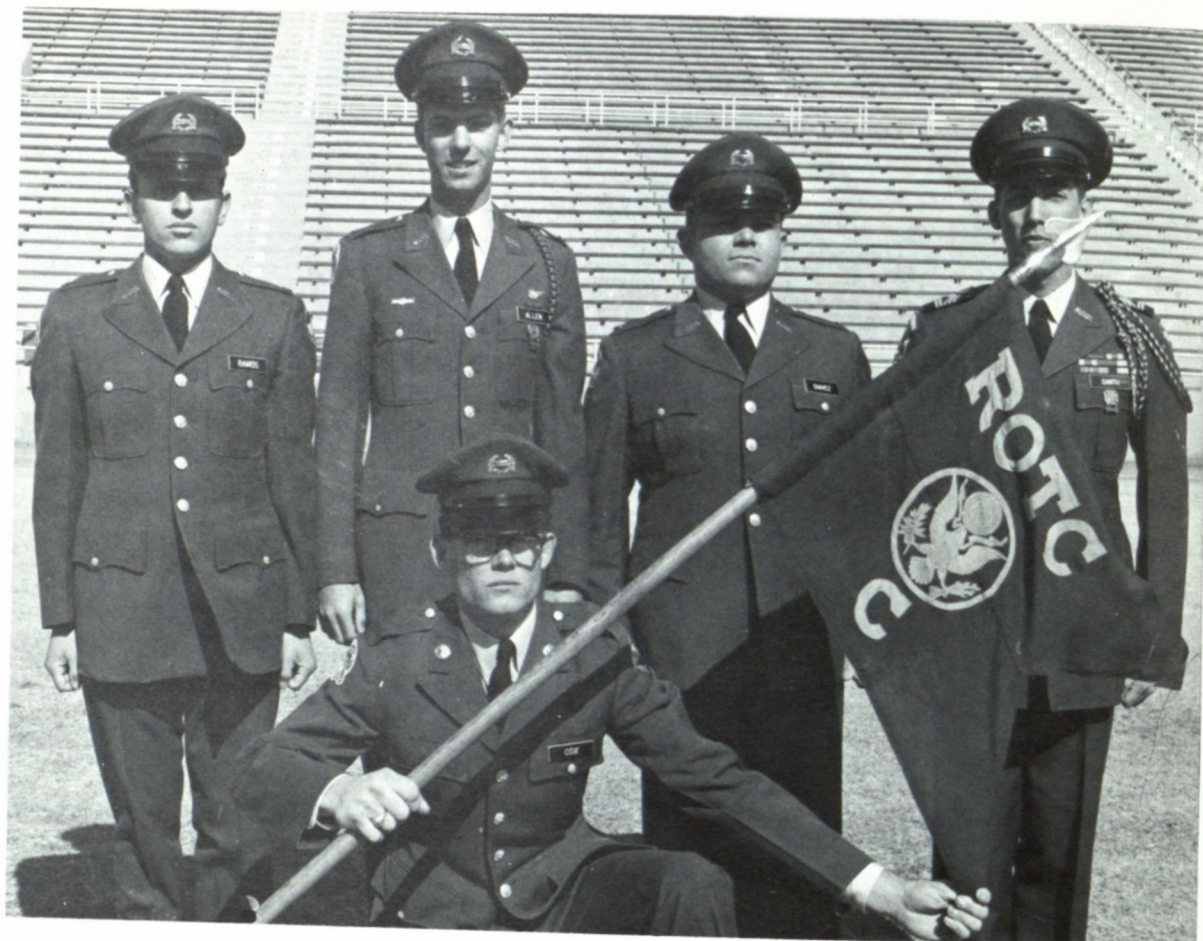




Shown from left are Bob Kinneburgh, Mike Bernstien and Stuart Kincaid.



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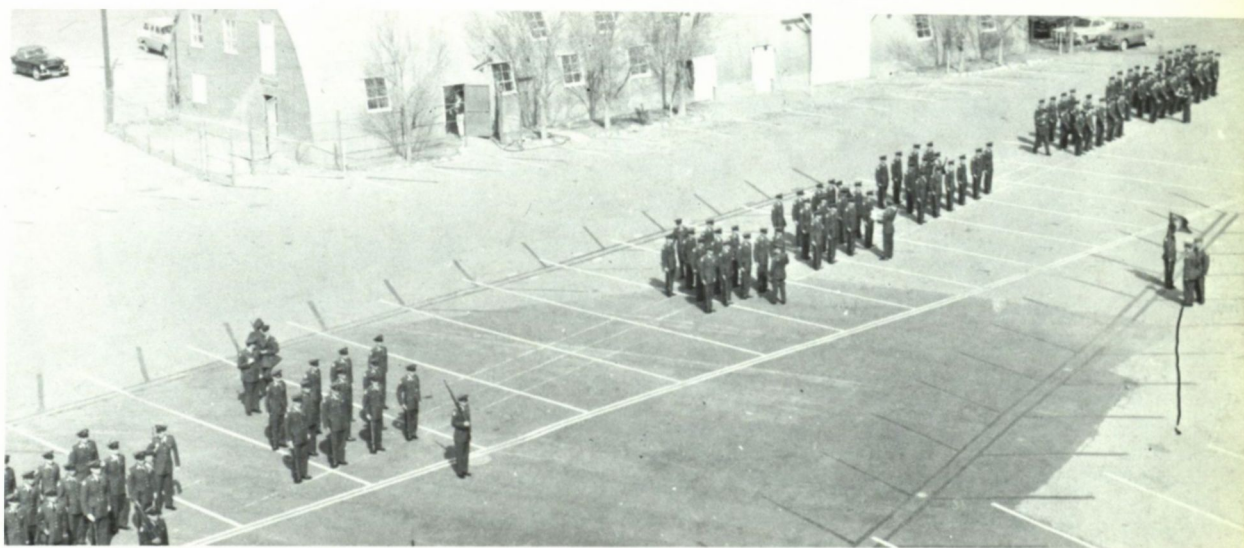
Shown from left are Robert Ramos, Bill Allen, Manuel Chavez, and Richard Contu. Shown holding the standard is Allen Cox.



C COMPANY



Shown from left are Phillip Smith, Jim Maxon, William Allen and Jim Cozart.
Shown holding the standard is Steve Young.



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Shown from left are Dennis Marrin, Joe Gelsthorpe, Jack Chapman and Reinhold Bridges. Shown holding the standard is James Baker.



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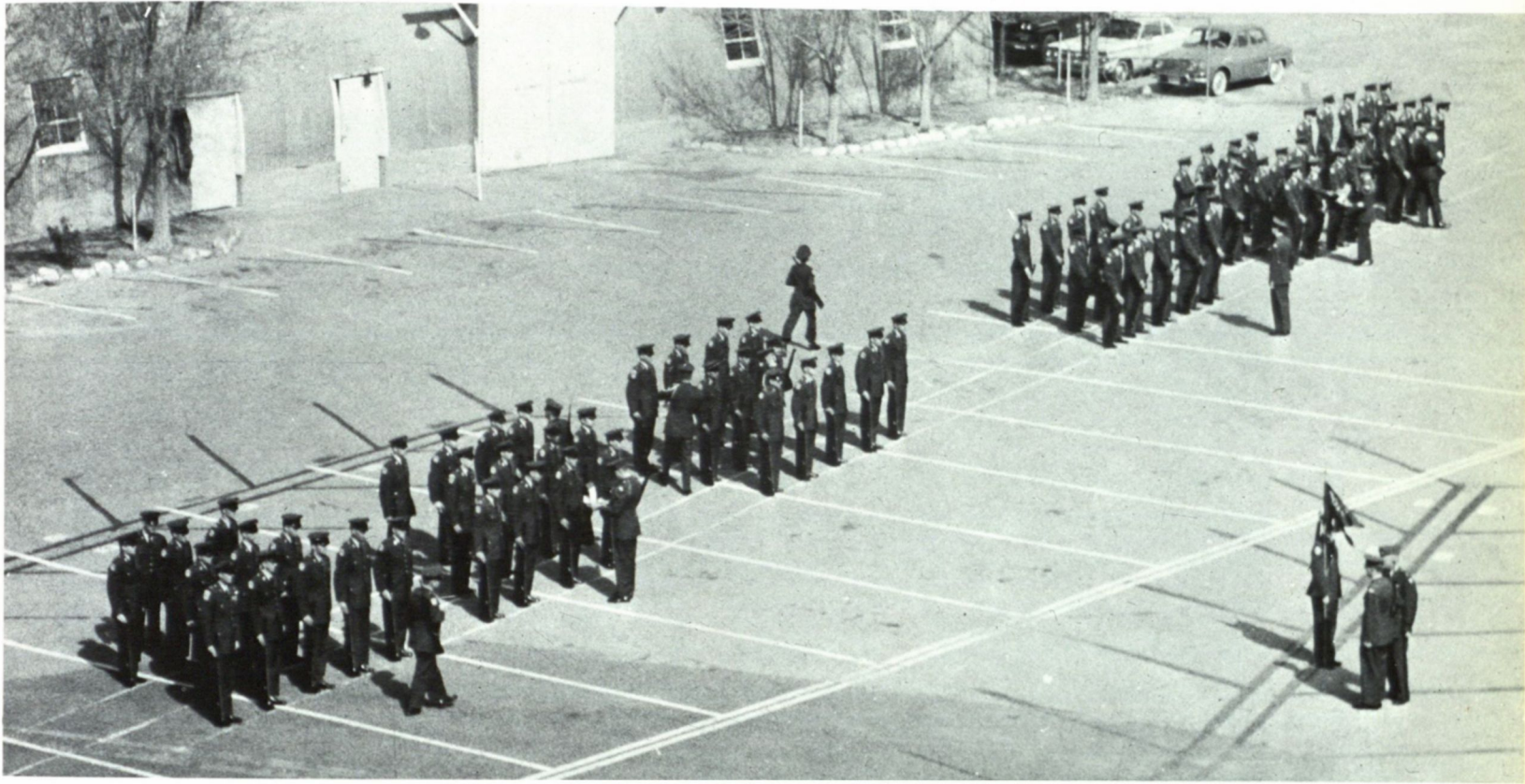


Shown from left are Jack Schueler, Joseph Baranowski, Ray Will, and George Lull.
Shown holding the standard is Charles Wakeem.

G COMPANY







*A salute,
an arched saber,
hours of fatiguing drill,
help create leadership
abilities in the ROTC
officer.*



FLIGHT TRAINING CORP

The ROTC Flight Training Corp is open only to Military Science 4 students, or to those students who have completed their senior year but have not yet graduated. They attend flight training school at Champs Aviation and the cost is borne by the U.S. Army. Upon successful completion of the course, the students are eligible to apply to the Federal Aviation Agency for an aviation license.



From left, standing are Rusty Donohue and Bill Allen. Kneeling are Frank Ball and Bob Baker.



From left are
Frank Ball,
Fred Gerth,
Dusty Donohue,
Mike Bernstein
and Capt. Bond.

SCABBARD and BLADE

MEMBERS

Steve Cone
Emet Dunn
Fred Gerth
Bob Baker
Frank Ball
Mike Bernstein
Joe Gelsthorpe
Stewart Kincaid
Miguel Chavez
Gabriel Armijo
Rheinhold Bridges
Gary Feldman
Jack Chapman
Duane Johns
Cellum
Richard Contu
Joe Nelson
Duane Baker
Buddy Parrish
Larry Menchaca
Rusty Donohue





Jeannie Williams
PERSHING RIFLES SWEETHEART

