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OCS Class # 112 Date Graduated/Commissioned: 17 June 1944

Present Occupation: Part-time Consultant, International Agricultural Policy.

BRIEF RESUME OF DUTY ASSIGNMENTS:

Enlisted Service: 18 March 1943 to 16 June 1944--basic training Ft. Bragg, N.C; ASTP, Purdue University; and OCS FT. Sill, Oklahoma.

Commissioned Service (Active Duty): 17 June 1944 to 10 October 1947 and 11 September 1950 to 19 August 1953.

1. June 1944-December 1944: Unit Officer, 718th F.A. Battalion, 63rd Infantry Division, Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi.

2. April 1945-January 1946: Unit Motor Officer and Battalion S-4, 117

Quartermaster Truck Battalion, Leghorn, Rome, and Naples, Italy.

3. February 1946-January 1947: Assistant S-4 and S-4 of 6686th Railhead Group, Naples, Italy.

4. February 1947-July 1947: G-4 Section, HQ, Peninsular Base Section and

61st Quartermaster Base Depot, Leghorn, Italy.

5. September 1950-August 1953: Battalion Motor Officer, 393rd F.A. Battalion stationed at Camp Rucker, Alabama; Camp Polk, Louisiana; and Heilbronn, Germany.

Commissioned Service (USAR)—September 1953 to retirement in October 1974: May 1955-June 1959, S-3 and Executive Officer, 327 F.A. Battalion, 85th Infantry Division, Champaign, Illinois. The remainder of my USAR service was devoted to the completion of the Advanced Artillery Course and the C&GS Course via Extension Courses and USAR Schools and then teaching both courses at USAR Schools and summer camps.

AWARDS: Awarded the Meritorious Service Metal in November 1974.

REMARKS: Received a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from University of Illinois in 1956 (via GI Bill). Research analyst and then research manager with Economic Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture from October 1955 to retirement in March 1988. Received a Superior Service Award (1970) and a Superior Service Team Award (1982) from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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