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Dear Editor, Authors and Reviewers:

The ancient condition of This old grad (one of three survivors of the Class of 1934), and the nearly overwhelming problems of moving 50 miles into a very different house after nearly 40 years in the present one, have prevented me from sending in comments indi-

cating my very particular interest in two articles in the Feb. 2007 Quarterly.

These are "Land conservation: Protecting One of Groton's Greatest Assets" and "The Millionaires' Unit: The Aristocratic Fly boys who fought the Great War and Invented American Air Power."

As a son of Henry H. Richards (Class of 1894), a G.S. master for many years, I was born and raised in the brick house near the end of Joy's Lane that was designed by H.H.R.'s father and was a wedding present to my parents from William Amory Gardner, a cousin of my mother and close friend of my father.

The Danielsons were our nearest

neighbors, and we played together with
their two sons off and on. During the
y younger, turning out to be a classmate
of mine at G. S. Marion then was too young
and protected to play with me. Later, how-
ever, at a party in Boston, I found my-
self sitting next to Marion. She was
charming and chatty, and at the end of
the party I offered to drive her to the
Danielson's Boston home. She not only ac-
cepted but invited me to spend the night
there. Picturing myself having breakfast
with her parents while wearing a tuxedo
and not having had an invitation in the
first place, from them, I declined Marion's
invitation and drove home to Quotou. I

don't recall ever seeing her close to again,
but am surprised and disappointed that
she evidently didn't provide ~~proper~~ proper
protection for her Quotou property. I'm sen-
ding a token amount of \$100 to John MacEachern
to help a little to protect the land next to
my birthplace.

My interest in "The Millionaire's Unit" is that,
despite having been a naval aviator during World
War II (apparently the only aviator from the
Class of 1934), I'd never heard about "The Unit"
or how Trubee Davison got lame. Now I'm
curious to know what my father wrote about
him in his book about Quotonians in his
World War I. Not having a copy I wonder
if someone could make me copies of what
H. H. R. wrote about Trubee and also about
my uncles, Hamilton Coolidge and John
Richards. I'd also be interested to know
how to obtain a copy of "The Millionaire's
Unit."

Sincerely
Tudor Richards