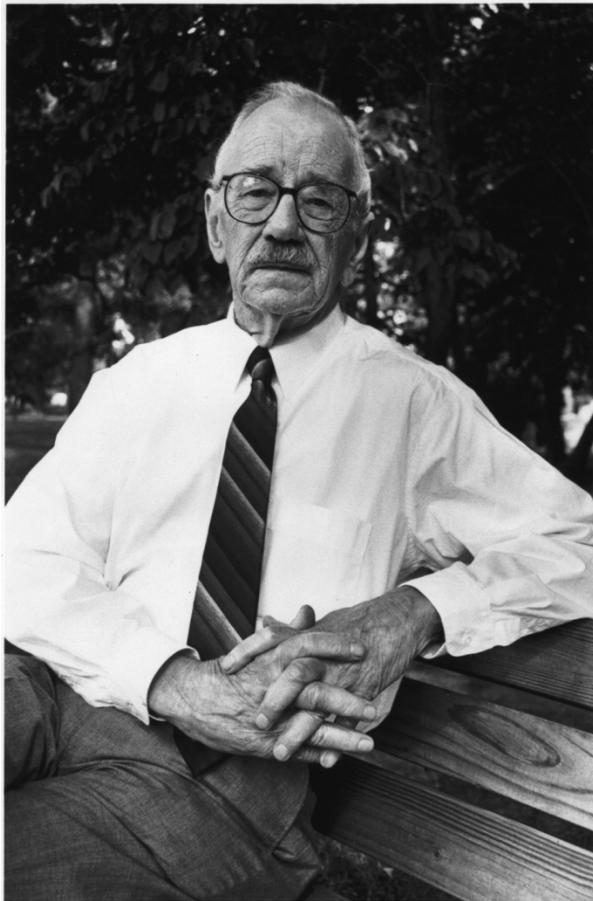


MR. WILLIAM L. PARKINSON
Department of the Army Civilian (Deceased)



Mr. Parkinson devoted his entire career to Human Intelligence (HUMINT) activities. He enlisted in the Army in 1943 and attended Medical Corps Officer Candidate School in 1944. His first Intelligence assignment came right after World War II ended, as a staff manager in the Army's Counter Intelligence Corps (CIC) Headquarters in Germany. In that role, Mr. Parkinson produced outstanding results concurrently as a CI Research Analyst/Estimates Officer and a Field Operations Manager. He left active duty to accept civilian employment with Headquarters, 970th CIC Detachment in 1948. Mr. Parkinson continued to serve in the CI field in the US Army Reserves until his retirement as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1973.

Until his departure from Germany in 1956, Mr. Parkinson was the recognized US Military Intelligence authority on the new West German Defense Ministry and the newly established West German intelligence and security agencies. Army CIC Liaison Officers working directly with West German CI and security offices relied heavily on Mr.

Parkinson's guidance and counsel in assisting the post-war development of these activities.

During his tenure in CI analysis at Headquarters, Department of the Army, Mr. Parkinson was uniquely talented in mentoring and helping to develop especially promising junior military and civilian personnel. He was also equally productive in mentoring and developing less experienced HUMINT and CI personnel during his extended field assignment in Southeast Asia in the 1970s.

Mr. Parkinson was a key figure in the successful development and implementation of what was then a new and unusual Army civilian personnel career management program for Army HUMINT and CI personnel: the Military Intelligence Civilian Excepted Service Career Program (MICEP). Mr. Parkinson retired from the Department of the Army (DA) Civil Service in 1983. He had received three DA Letters of Commendation for Outstanding Service and two Certificates for Meritorious Service. Mr. Parkinson's extensive knowledge and contributions over a career of 40 years left an indelible mark on the CI and HUMINT services of the Military Intelligence Corps.

Mr. Parkinson passed away on 11 August 1995 and was inducted posthumously into the Hall of Fame in 1999.