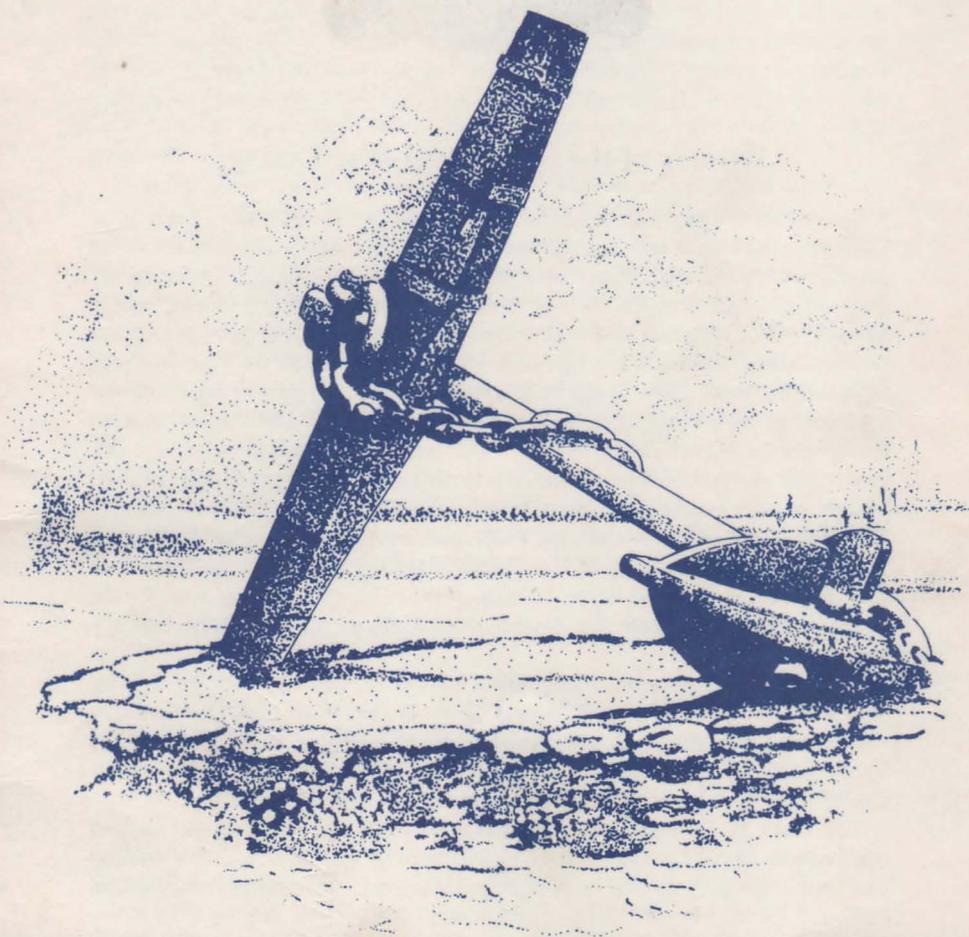




Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island



GRADUATION EXERCISE
21 June 1991



History of the U.S. Naval War College

Founded in Newport, Rhode Island on October 6, 1884, the Naval War College is the oldest war college in the nation, and the first military service institution in the world to be designated a war college. Commodore Stephen B. Luce was the first president and organized the War College as "a place of original research on all questions relating to war and the statesmanship connected with war, or the prevention of war." These foundations were built upon by Captain Alfred Thayer Mahan, second president of the college, who had originally been selected by Luce to initiate the course in Naval History. Of all the men who were to influence the institution in its early years, none was to have such a profound impact. Mahan's views profoundly affected such leaders as Henry Cabot Lodge and Theodore Roosevelt and through them and others helped shape the United States' destiny at the turn of the century. Mahan's writings, published as *The Influence of Seapower Upon History, 1660-1783*, gained him worldwide acclaim and established the Naval War College as an internationally respected institution.

Functioning continuously since 1884, except for brief periods during the Spanish-American War and World War I, the War College numbers among its graduates such distinguished naval officers as Admirals Sims, Spruance, King, Nimitz, and Halsey, in addition to many others who today are holding prominent military positions.

The work begun more than one hundred years ago by Luce and Mahan continues today. As graduates well know, the curriculum is both demanding and rewarding. For the military professional, the unique education provided by the Naval War College is unrivaled.

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION AND REGALIA

For centuries, institutions of higher learning have dignified their ceremonies with an academic procession, a custom descending from the clerical procession. The procession is led by a marshal, followed by the student body and the academicians or faculty, each attired in the robes prescribed for his degree. Distinguished visitors and delegates follow the faculty, and last in the procession comes the president of the institution.

Each member of an academic procession ordinarily wears a cap, gown, and hood. In the procession today military faculty will not wear academic gowns. The earliest illustration of gowns worn at Oxford University somewhat resembles cassocks worn by English teachers who found good use for the hood, or cowl, as protection against the weather. A uniform American system of academic heraldry displays the level of degree, the field of study in which it was earned, and the institution by which it was granted.

It is the hood which provides academic regalia its color and offers the most information about its wearer. The silk lining of the hood bears the color, or colors, of the degree-granting college or university; its velvet facing reveals the color assigned to each area of study. Bachelor's gowns are relatively simple, falling in straight lines from an elaborate yoke and having pointed sleeves. Master's gowns are slightly more elaborate and fasten about the wrist. The Doctor's gown is marked by velvet panels down the front and around the neck, as well as by three bars of the same material on the well-shaped sleeves. It is cut more fully and may be ornamented. The hood worn is three feet in length for Bachelors, three and one-half feet for Masters, and four feet for Doctorates, with velvet trimming of two, three, and five inches in width respectively.

The edging, or facing, velvet of academic hoods indicates the area of study. The principal scholarly fields seen in the procession today include:

Philosophy	Dark Blue
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Business Administration	Light Brown
Economics	Copper
Engineering	Orange
Law	Purple
International Affairs/Public Administration	Peacock Blue

The American mortarboard, derived from the soft Oxford cap, is black. Its tassel, for holders of the bachelor's and master's degree, is usually black, while gold tassels are worn by holders of doctoral degrees and heads of institutions. The tassel is worn on the right side of the cap by undergraduates, on the left by holders of bachelor's and higher degrees.

PROGRAM

Music by Northeastern Navy Band

Procession of the Faculty

Arrival of Official Party*

Parading of Colors and the National Anthem*

Invocation*

Captain Willard L. James, CHC, U.S. Navy

Welcome

Rear Admiral Joseph C. Strasser, U.S. Navy
President, Naval War College

Address

Admiral James D. Watkins, U.S. Navy (Retired)
Secretary of Energy

Presentation of President's Prize

Rear Admiral Joseph C. Strasser, U.S. Navy

Presentation of Admiral Richard G. Colbert Memorial Prize

Mrs. Prudence Colbert Mackall

Presentation of J. William Middendorf II Award for Student Research

Ambassador J. William Middendorf II

Presentation of B. Franklin Reinauer II Defense Economics Prize

Mr. B. Franklin Reinauer II

Presentation of Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Award

Captain Edward C. Whelan, Jr., U.S. Navy (Retired)

Presentation of Council on Ocean Law Freedom of Navigation Prize Essay

Dr. Robert S. Wood
Dean of Naval Warfare Studies

Presentation of U.S. Marine Corps Association Award

Colonel Lou Piantadosi, U.S. Marine Corps (Retired)

Presentation of Naval Command College International Prize Essay
Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Bateman

Presentation of Naval War College Foundation Award for Outstanding Performance
in Nonresident Education
Mr. Charles P. Stetson
President, Naval War College Foundation

Presentation of the Intelligence Directors Essay Awards
Director of Naval Intelligence Essay Award
Captain E.D. Smith, Jr., U.S. Navy
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency Essay Award
Professor Richard Lesak

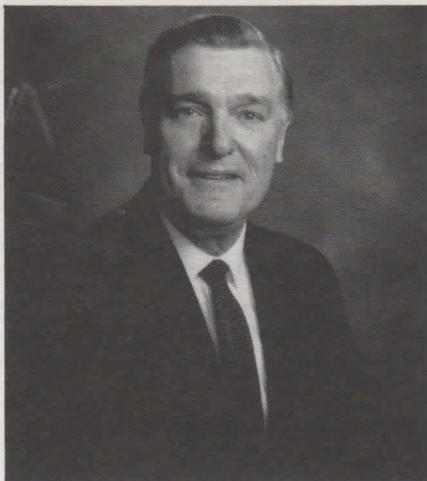
Presentation of Navy League Awards
The Navy League - Stephen Bleeker Luce Award
Mr. William C. Kelley, Jr.
National President, Navy League of the United States
The Navy League - William Sowden Sims Award
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Presentation of Graduates
Naval Command College
College of Naval Warfare
College of Naval Command and Staff
Naval Staff College
College of Continuing Education

Closing Remarks
Rear Admiral Joseph C. Strasser, U.S. Navy

Benediction*
Captain Willard L. James, CHC, U.S. Navy

*Guests will please stand



Admiral James D. Watkins, USN (Retired)

Admiral Watkins is serving as the Sixth Secretary of Energy. He was sworn into office on March 1, 1989.

Admiral Watkins was born in California on March 7, 1927, and graduated from the Naval Academy in 1949.

Admiral Watkins received his master's degree in mechanical engineering in 1958, and is a graduate of the reactor engineering course at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. He was selected by Admiral Hyman G. Rickover to enter the Navy's nuclear-powered submarine program in 1959, and was qualified as an Engineering Officer of the Watch at one of the Navy's land-based reactor plants. He served for three years in the Atomic Energy Commission as Admiral Rickover's assistant for Naval Nuclear Propulsion and later, in a variety of assignments associated with the management of the nuclear navy. These assignments included Commanding Officer of a nuclear-powered submarine and Executive Officer of the world's first nuclear-powered cruiser. His tours as flag officer included Chief of Naval Personnel; Commander of the Sixth Fleet; Vice Chief of Naval Operations; and, Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet. Admiral Watkins was selected by President Reagan to become the 22nd Chief of Naval Operations on June 30, 1982. His military decorations include several Distinguished Service and Legion of Merit medals, the Bronze Star with combat "V" and other medals, campaign and service ribbons, and decorations from many foreign nations.

Following his retirement on June 30, 1986, Admiral Watkins devoted his time to issues regarding America's youth, and worked with a number of philanthropic organizations to establish a national program for personal excellence. (He also served as a member of advisory boards in both the education and energy fields and has received several honorary doctorates and public service awards.)

In October 1987, Admiral Watkins was appointed Chairman of the Presidential Commission on the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (AIDS) Epidemic, submitting the Commission's final report to the President on June 24, 1988.

Admiral Watkins married Sheila Jo McKinney of San Diego, California, in 1950. They have six children: Katherine Watkins Coopersmith, Laura Jo Watkins Kauffmann, Susan, Charles, James Jr., and Edward. Admiral and Mrs. Watkins have eight grandchildren.



Rear Admiral Joseph C. Strasser, USN

Rear Admiral Joseph Charles Strasser was born in Camden, New Jersey on September 3, 1940. He graduated from the Naval Academy and was commissioned an Ensign in June 1963. While at the Naval Academy, he took part in an exchange program between the United States and Chilean Naval Academies.

Admiral Strasser's initial assignment following graduation was as an exchange officer with the Argentine Navy, serving aboard the FRAGATA ARA LIBERTAD, the largest sailing ship in the world. In January 1964, he reported aboard USS BUCK (DD 761) where he served as Combat Information Center Officer and Operations Officer until August 1966. From September 1966 until May 1968, he was assigned as Aide and Flag Lieutenant to Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Flotilla 9 and Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group Seventh Fleet.

In July 1968, Admiral Strasser entered the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, where he remained until June 1971. He earned Master's Degrees in International Relations and in International Law and Diplomacy, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science. In 1971-1972, he attended the Command and Staff Course here at the Naval War College.

From September 1972 to April 1974, Admiral Strasser served as Executive Officer of USS MEYERKORD (FF 1058) in San Diego, California. Upon completion of that tour, he was assigned for three years to the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations as a member of the Strategic Action Group within the Strategy, Plans and Policy Division. He returned to San Diego to command USS O'CALLAHAN (FF 1051) from October 1977 to October 1979. The following month, he was again assigned to the Strategy, Plans and Policy Division.

From August 1981 to 1983, Admiral Strasser was stationed at the U.S. Naval Academy as Fifth Battalion Officer. In September 1983, he became Executive Assistant to Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command—a post he held until May 1985 when he detached to report as Commander, Destroyer Squadron 35.

In September 1986, Admiral Strasser assumed the position of Executive Assistant to the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. In January 1987, he was selected for promotion to Rear Admiral and departed to assume command of Cruiser-Destroyer Group 3 on 24 September 1988. On July 17, 1990 he became the 45th President of the Naval War College.

He is married to the former Barbara Anne Wagner of Camden, New Jersey. They have four children: Patricia, Joseph Jr., Andrew, and Mary Kathryn.

STUDENT BODY

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