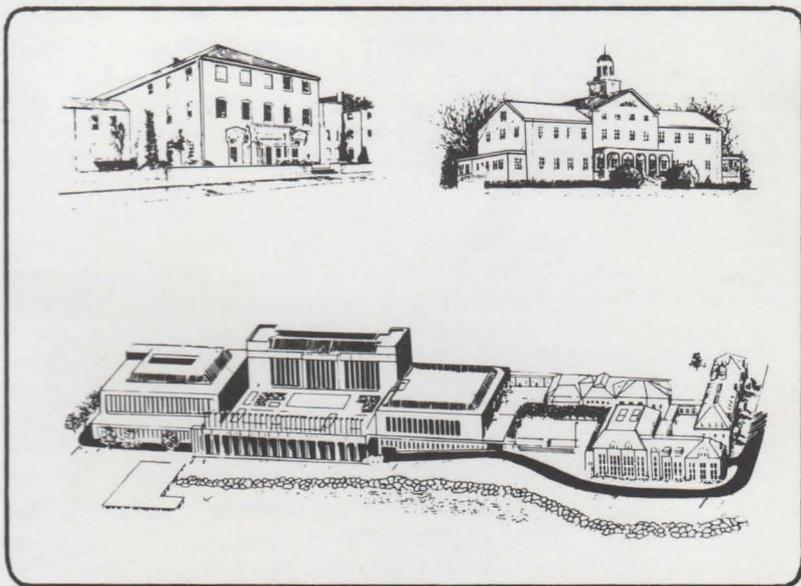




GRADUATION EXERCISE

Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island



22 June 1990



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*

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

Welcome

Rear Admiral Ronald J. Kurth, U.S. Navy
President, Naval War College

Address

The Honorable Dick Cheney
Secretary of Defense

Presentation of President's Prize

Rear Admiral Ronald J. Kurth, 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

The Honorable 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

Mrs. Laura Barnes
President, Rhode Island Chapter Armed Forces Communications
and Electronics Association

Presentation of Council on Ocean Law Freedom of Navigation Prize Essay
Mr. Burdick H. Brittin
Chairman, Executive Committee, Council on Ocean Law

Presentation of U.S. Marine Corps Association Award
Col Joseph F. Nardo, USMC
Marine Corps Advisor to President, Naval War College

Presentation of Naval Command College International Prize Essay
Rear Admiral Ronald J. Kurth, U.S. Navy

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

Presentation of Hugh G. Nott Essay Prizes
Mr. Charles P. Stetson

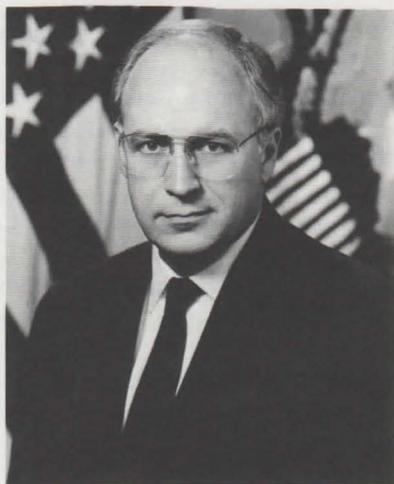
Presentation of Navy League Awards
Mr. Earnest G. Campbell
Member, Executive Committee, Navy League of the United States

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 Ronald J. Kurth, U.S. Navy

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

*Guests will please stand



Dick Cheney
Secretary of Defense

Dick Cheney was nominated by President Bush to be Secretary of Defense on March 13, 1989 and took the oath of office on March 21, 1989.

Mr. Cheney began his public service in 1965 after earning B.A. and M.A. degrees in Political Science from the University of Wyoming. In May 1969, Mr. Cheney began several years of federal service under Presidents Nixon and Ford, briefly leaving government service in March 1973 to become Vice President of Bradley, Woods and Company, Inc., an investment advisory firm. In August 1974, when Gerald R. Ford assumed the Presidency, Mr. Cheney served as a Deputy Assistant to the President and in November 1975, was named Assistant to the President and White House Chief of Staff, a position he held through the remainder of the Ford administration until January 1977.

Mr. Cheney was elected to Congress in November 1978 and was re-elected in 1980, 1982, 1984, 1986, and 1988. For the 1981-82 Congress, he was chosen by his Republican colleagues to serve as Chairman of the House Republican Policy Committee, becoming one of the few members ever elected to a leadership position after only one term in office. In June 1987, he was unanimously elected Chairman of the House Republican Conference, which functions as the party's caucus and provides the information to its members on pending legislation. The Conference Chairman is the third-ranking House GOP leader. In December 1988, he was unanimously elected House Republican Whip for the 101st Congress, the second-ranking Republican leadership position. The whip is responsible for polling Republican members on pending legislation, keeping them informed of the agenda on the House floor, and acting as Republican leader whenever the House Republican leader is absent. Mr. Cheney was a member of the House Committee on the Interior and Insular Affairs, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and was ranking Republican on the 15 member House Select Committee to Investigate Covert Arms Deals with Iran.



Rear Admiral Ronald J. Kurth, USN
President, Naval War College

Rear Admiral Ronald J. Kurth, U.S. Navy, was born in Madison, Wisconsin, which he left for the U.S. Naval Academy, joining the class of 1954. After graduation, he entered flight training and was designated a naval aviator in March, 1956. His squadron experience has been in Airborne Early Warning, including the Hurricane Hunters, and Anti-Submarine Warfare Patrol.

In 1961, after his first squadron tour and a subsequent assignment as an instructor of Russian language at the U.S. Naval Academy, he entered Harvard University as a Navy-sponsored postgraduate student. Two periods at Harvard, one at the beginning and another at the end of the sixties, were separated by five years of aviation assignments. During those five years he served in VP-5 and then in USS AMERICA (CVA-66) where he was the Nuclear Weapons Officer and a Carrier Task Force OOD. While in AMERICA, he completed deployments to the Mediterranean and to Vietnam.

At Harvard, where he earned a Ph.D. in Government, he also received a corporate appointment to the faculty as a Teaching Fellow in American National Government. Leaving Harvard in 1970, he served in the Politico-Military Policy Section (OP-61), Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. It was during this tour, in October 1971, that Admiral Kurth first went to Moscow to negotiate the Incidents at Sea Agreement. Thereafter, he served as the Desk Officer for the Soviet Union, East Europe and Yugoslavia. In 1975, after duty on the Staff, Commander SIXTH Fleet, he went to Moscow as the Naval Attache.

Returning from Moscow, Admiral Kurth took command of Naval Air Station, Memphis. After a subsequent year as a Military Fellow at the Council of Foreign Relations in New York, he went to Washington in 1980 as the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Plans, Policy and Operations (OP-06). Selected for Rear Admiral in 1981, he became Director of Politico-Military Policy (OP-61) and subsequently Director, Long Range Planning (OP-09X), before returning to Moscow as the Defense Attache. Admiral Kurth assumed command of the Naval War College on 11 August 1987.

Admiral Kurth is married to the former Charlene Schaefer, also of Madison, Wisconsin. The couple has three sons and one daughter. Admiral Kurth has personally commissioned all three sons in the U.S. Navy.

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