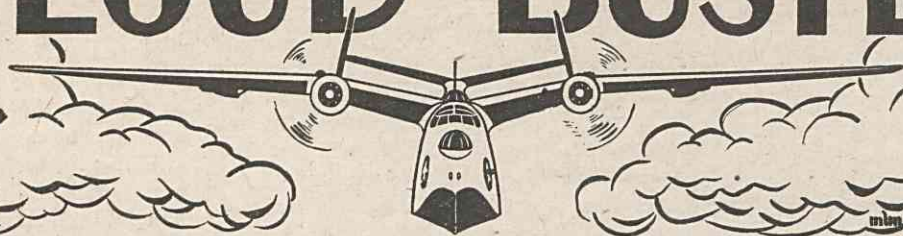


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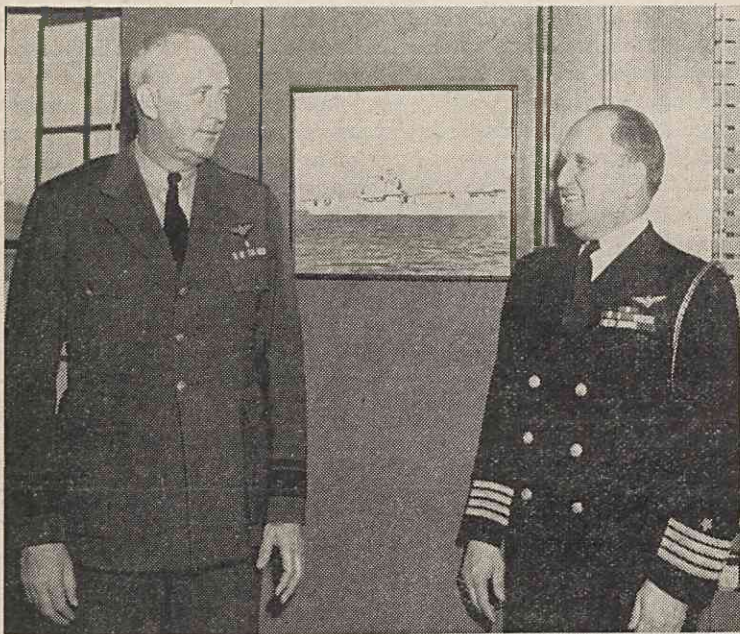


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Admiral Buckmaster And Captain Kiefer



THE PREVIOUS TIME Rear Admiral Elliott Buckmaster, USN, (left, above) and Capt. Dixie Kiefer, USN, parted company, it was as the aircraft carrier "Yorktown" was lost after knocking out several Jap carriers at Midway. At that time Admiral Buckmaster was Commanding Officer of the "Yorktown" and Capt. Kiefer (then a Commander) was Executive Officer.

Capt. Kiefer Named Acting Chief of NAPTC

Captain Dixie Kiefer, USN, was born in Blackfoot, Idaho, April 4, 1896. He attended high school in Lincoln, Neb. and entered the U. S. Naval Academy from that State in June 1915. He graduated from Annapolis in June 1918 (Class of 1919) and served overseas during World War I. Captain Kiefer transferred to Naval Aviation in
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Wednesday Entertainment

A tumbling exhibition will feature next Wednesday evening's entertainment program for cadets in Memorial Hall. Popular music will be furnished by the swing section of the Pre-Flight band and a selection of movie cartoons will be shown. The program will start at 1920.

Station Memorandum

Pearl Harbor Day War Bond Drive Goes Over The Top

The \$50,000 War Bond quota at this Activity was topped by more than \$37,000, and is a splendid commentary on the zeal with which the Station accepted its obligation to help buy the munitions of war that will spell the defeat of our enemies.

The Commanding Officer is proud of the response and congratulates the officers, crew, cadets, and civil service personnel alike. 88.4% of the personnel of the Station participated in the Pearl Harbor Day War Bond Drive, and the amount subscribed was equal to more than 47% of the monthly payroll of the entire Station and represents \$40.51 bond maturity value per person attached to this Command.

JOHN P. GRAFF
Commanding Officer

Lieut. A. J. "Tony" Feher, USN, Visits Son Who Is Cadet Here

Last Saturday Lieut. A. J. "Tony" Feher, USN, visited this station and called upon his son, Aviation Cadet Melvin A. Feher, and Commander John P. Graff.

Lieut. Feher enlisted as a "Landsman" in the United States Navy in 1904 and is one of the oldest living naval aviators—not only in age, but in length of service. During his first cruise he was rated First Class Turret Captain, a remarkable achievement in those days. He became a Chief Turret Captain in 1910, and in 1915 was one of the first group of six Chief Petty Officers who were authorized by Congress to take Naval aviation training and become Navy pilots. He received his wings at Pensacola in 1916 and, since that time, the history of naval aviation and the duties of Lieut. Feher have been almost synonymous. He made the first cross country seaplane flight, flying a 100 horsepower Curtis-Wright "Pusher" from Pensacola to New Orleans. On the trip he made two landings, one at Mobile Bay and the other on Lake Pontchartrain.

Lieut. Feher, still a Chief Petty Officer Aviation Pilot, served on the Navy's first Aircraft Carrier, the collier *USS Jupiter* which was converted and became the *USS Langley*. He figured prominently
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Personnel Changes

Ten members of the crew were promoted on Dec. 1 as follows: John M. Ellis, USNR, from CSM(AA) to CSM(PA); Philip Hirsch, USNR, from SK3c to SK2c; Joseph W. Kunkel, USN, from SM2c to SM1c; John C. Lennan, USN, from SM3c to SM2c; Clifton F. Looney, USNR, from SM3c to SM2c; Lee R. Mears, USN, from RM3c to RM2c; Edward F. Morelli, USNR, from Bug2c to Bug1c; Lynn Overstreet, USNR, from SK3c to SK2c; Earle C. Parrish, Jr., USNR, from Y2c to Y1c, and Randolph C. Roper, USN, from SM3c to SM2c.

Two WAVES have been attached to the Hospital during the past week as PhM3c: Dorothy S. VanSciver and Dora J. Archer, both from Naval Hospital, San Diego, Cal.