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Buster Bits . . .

Cadet Jerome Douglas Wolf, 40-G-2, was a Lt. (jg) in the Navy before resigning his commission to become a Pre-Flight cadet. From May 1942 to June 1943 he was a gunnery officer with the Amphibious Forces of the Atlantic Fleet. Says the "flying bug" got him, and he wanted a crack at the Japs from the air.

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Another cadet—Charles Nash Stinson, 40-G-2—has been in the regular Navy since 1939. He served aboard the Battleship "Idaho" from 1939 to 1941, and was on duty at the Naval Academy before becoming a V-5 cadet. His former rating was Gunner's Mate 2nd Class.

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As a research chemist, Cadet William Allen Rocap, 39-E-1, worked on bonded plywood for aircraft. Now he's anxious to fly. A graduate of Penn State, class of 1940, Cadet Rocap won letters in fencing and swimming.

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Six years previous to becoming a V-5er, Cadet Clinton H. Ives, 39-E-1, was a draftsman for the Bendix Aviation Corporation.

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Another set of twins reported aboard in 41st Battalion. Earl and Fred Lytle are the names, and they hail from Pittsburgh, Pa. The only thing different on their questionnaires was that Earl is in I-3, and Fred is in I-2.

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Cadet Leo Semplici, 40-H-3, participated in the invasion of North Africa at Oran, Algeria on November 9, 1942. A Sk 1c when he enlisted in the V-5 program, Cadet Semplici has been in the Navy since December 19, 1941.

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Cadet Fred Jaicks, 40-G-3, was a Lt. (jg) before becoming a V-5 cadet. His last duty was with a U. S. Naval Construction Battalion in Iceland.

Cadet Regimental Leaders



MEMBERS OF THE CADET regimental staff, chosen from the 37th Battalion, are pictured above, left to right: W. A. Webster, regimental commander; P. C. Cabell, regimental sub-commander; D. A. McLaughlin, regimental adjutant, and R. C. Sasse, regimental commissary officer.

Cadets to Dance in Gym Tonight

The first dance of the new year for the Regiment of Cadets will be held in Woollen gymnasium tonight starting at 2030. Dancing will end at 2315, with taps coming at 2400.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by the swing section of the Pre-Flight band.

Miss Joan Kosberg, Carolina songstress who proved popular with the cadets at the regimental dance last month, and Cadet T. D.

Camp, of the 38th Battalion, will be featured vocalists for the evening.

Free refreshments will be served throughout the evening on the promenade adjacent to the dance floor.

Members of the 38th Battalion will be permitted to wear service dress blue, able, to the dance, while the remainder of the regiment will wear greens.

Movie Schedule

Sat., Jan. 8—Free movie at Village Theatre, "Third Finger Left Hand" with Melvyn Douglas and Myrna Loy. Feature starts at 1555, 1930 and 2120. Complete show one hour, 40 minutes.

Sun., Jan. 9—Free movie at Village Theatre, "Oklahoma Kid" with James Cagney and Humphrey Bogart. Feature starts at 1320 and 1452. Complete show one hour, 30 minutes.

Sk2c Becomes Ensign

Oscar Meschke, formerly Sk2c, received his commission as ensign, USNR, on Jan. 4. He is now on temporary duty at this station.

Personnel Changes

Two officers were detached during the past week, Lieut. E. Shelton Fisher, USNR, housing officer, going to the Submarine Base, New London, Conn., where he will be public relations officer, and Lieut. George E. Hatfield, USNR, ENS instructor, going to the Naval Flight Preparatory School, University of Pennsylvania, Pa.

Four enlisted men attached recently include J. B. Joyce, Sk2c, and C. J. Peters, Sk2c, reporting from NAPTC-RO, Boston, Mass., H. F. Player, Ha2c, from NAS, Pensacola, Fla., and W. A. McMahon, S2c, from NAS, Memphis, Tenn.

15 Officers Here Are Promoted By AlNav 1

AlNav 1, issued by the Navy Department during the past week, brought good news in the form of promotions to 15 Pre-Flight officers effective Jan. 1.

Promoted by the measure were all lieutenants (jg) who have been on active duty in that rank prior to Jan. 1, 1943, and ensigns who have been on active duty as ensigns prior to Dec. 1, 1942.

The twelve officers promoted to the rank of senior lieutenant here include Dallas L. Alford, instructor, N & R; Walter R. Brownback, assistant coach of soccer; Robert L. Dartt, instructor, recognition; Charles E. Galbreath, instructor, N & R; George J. Grewenow, chaplain; John A. Hassett, battalion officer; P. H. Hooser, first lieutenant and security officer; K. A. Kovalcheck, battalion officer; John W. Morris, instructor, aerology; James L. Reidy, instructor, N & R; John M. Sink, See OFFICERS, page 4

Chapel Hill Cadet Heads Regiment at Norman NAS

Richard W. Wilson, who served as Regimental Commander of the 29th Battalion here, now heads the cadet officer staff at the Naval Air Station, Norman, Okla., where he is undergoing primary flight training.

Describing Cadet Captain Wilson, *The Norman Log* states he "is said to be regarded by his fellow cadets with the greatest respect ever accorded a cadet officer on this station. He gave up an ensign's commission to be an aviation cadet—so he knows what he wants to do. There is no day that passes that Wilson isn't at some job to improve the regiment, or carrying out some plan on behalf of the regiment or individual members of it."