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## Outdoor Pool To Be Dedicated Tonight

### Capt. Tom Hamilton Lauds Pre-Flight's 'Splendid Record'

Words of congratulations on the recent third anniversary of this Pre-Flight School, which has "established a splendid record of achievement," have been received by the Skipper from Capt. Tom J. Hamilton, USN, first head of physical and military training for Naval Aviation.

"Your school has just completed three years of distinguished service," Capt. Hamilton wrote. "I wish to write and congratulate you and the officers and men of your command on the splendid accomplishments of your school throughout its concentrated existence.

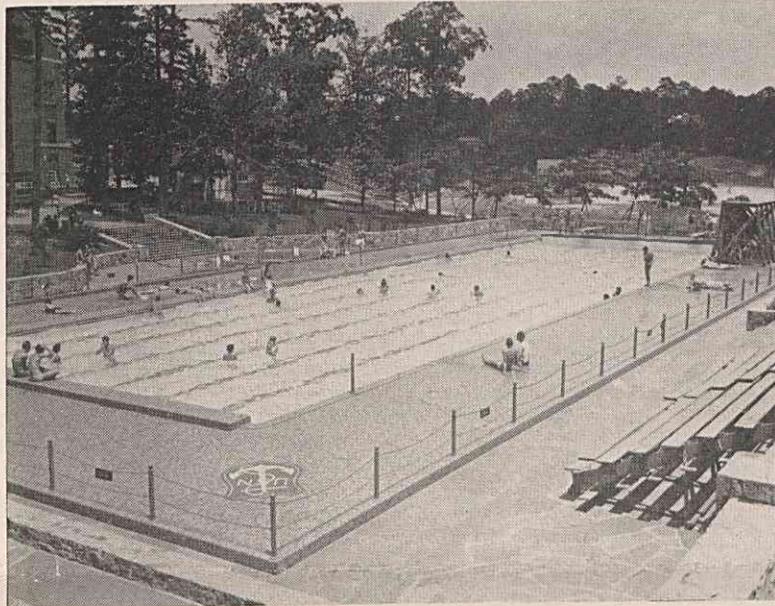
"Dedicated to a mission of providing fundamental training for the most effective military force of this war, Carolina Pre-Flight has fulfilled its objectives and established a splendid record of achievement which is written in the deeds of its many graduates who have been inflicting such great damage to our enemy, the Japanese. Another token of the school's success has been the fine performance of duty of officers and enlisted men stationed there who have accepted greater responsibilities in the fleet and have carried them off with flying colors. . . .

"It has been my good fortune to have lived closely with these pilots, to observe them in the heat of battle, and to watch the succeeding groups come and go. It is my opinion that they get better as time goes on and leave nothing to be desired in the way of courage, determination, supreme skill, and the possession of cool resourcefulness and daring initiative which has been the great characteristic of American youth."

### Crew To Have Party at Country Club Tomorrow

A party for the enlisted personnel of this station will be held at the Country Club on Saturday evening, June 23rd. The party will open at 1830, and chicken dinner will be served at 1930.

Music for dancing will be furnished by the Cloudbuster Swing Band.



THE OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL which will be dedicated tonight is shown above.

### War Bond Drive Surges Ahead As Extra Cash Sale Passes Third Week

As the third week of the War Bond Drive on this station closes, a compilation of the sales to date shows that the Pre-Flight School has purchased nearly \$25,000 in War Bonds.

Today the official Independence Day Drive will begin at naval activities throughout the country, and will last until July 7th. It is expected that the closing day of the drive will find the Pre-Flight School well ahead of its quota.

Application blanks have been distributed to all cadets so that they can be prepared for participation in the drive.

Most of the bonds purchased to date have been bought by the officers and by Navy civilian workers.

This will be the Navy's last "Cash" War Bond Sale, and it is anticipated that all hands will cooperate to the utmost in making this last drive a success. Naval personnel will continue to buy their bonds through the payroll allotment plan.

### Underwriting the Future

When we buy a War Bond we are buying future wants at 75 cents on the dollar, at the same time aiding in financing the war to crush the Japs.

### Former Instructor Here Is WAVE Air Navigator

Lieut. Zora Cernich, former navigation instructor here, is one of the 80 WAVE officers recently designated by the Navy Department as Naval Air Navigators—the first women officers in any U. S. military organization entitled to serve in military air crews.

The 80 members of the Women's Reserve who won their wings may now take assignments as trans-ocean navigators in those areas where WAVES are permitted to serve.

### Knew His Way Around

New York (CNS) — Floyd Goodrich, a merchant seaman from Detroit, told police he rented a room here, then went out to eat and couldn't find his way back. He gave police one valuable clue to the location of his room, however. He said it was in either Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx, or Staten Island.

—Buy More War Bonds—

### Named Kessing Pool In Honor Of First C. O.

The outdoor swimming pool here, named Kessing Pool by the University of North Carolina trustees in honor of Commodore O. O. Kessing, USN, first commanding officer of the Navy Pre-Flight School, will be dedicated formally tonight at approximately 2000.

The ceremonies will be the high spot of the Pre-Flight Sports Program championships slated for this evening, in which the top battalion teams in each of five sports will battle for the regimental title.

Dedication of the pool is scheduled at the conclusion of inter-battalion competition on Fetzer Field in boxing, wrestling, soccer, and track, and just prior to the swimming finals.

Chancellor Robert B. House, of the University, will preside, with Comdr. James P. Raugh, commanding officer, speaking for Pre-Flight School, and Dr. Frank P. Graham, president, speaking on behalf of the University.

### To Unveil Plaque

A commemorative plaque, made from cypress, will be unveiled by Jonas Kessing, son of Commodore Kessing, and placed in a niche in the rock wall that surrounds the pool.

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