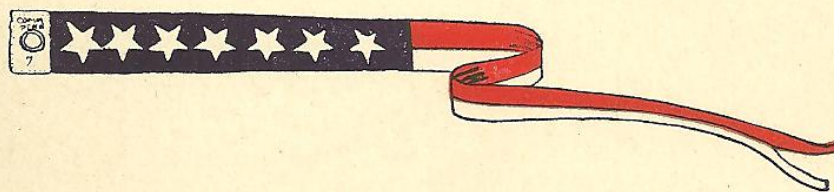


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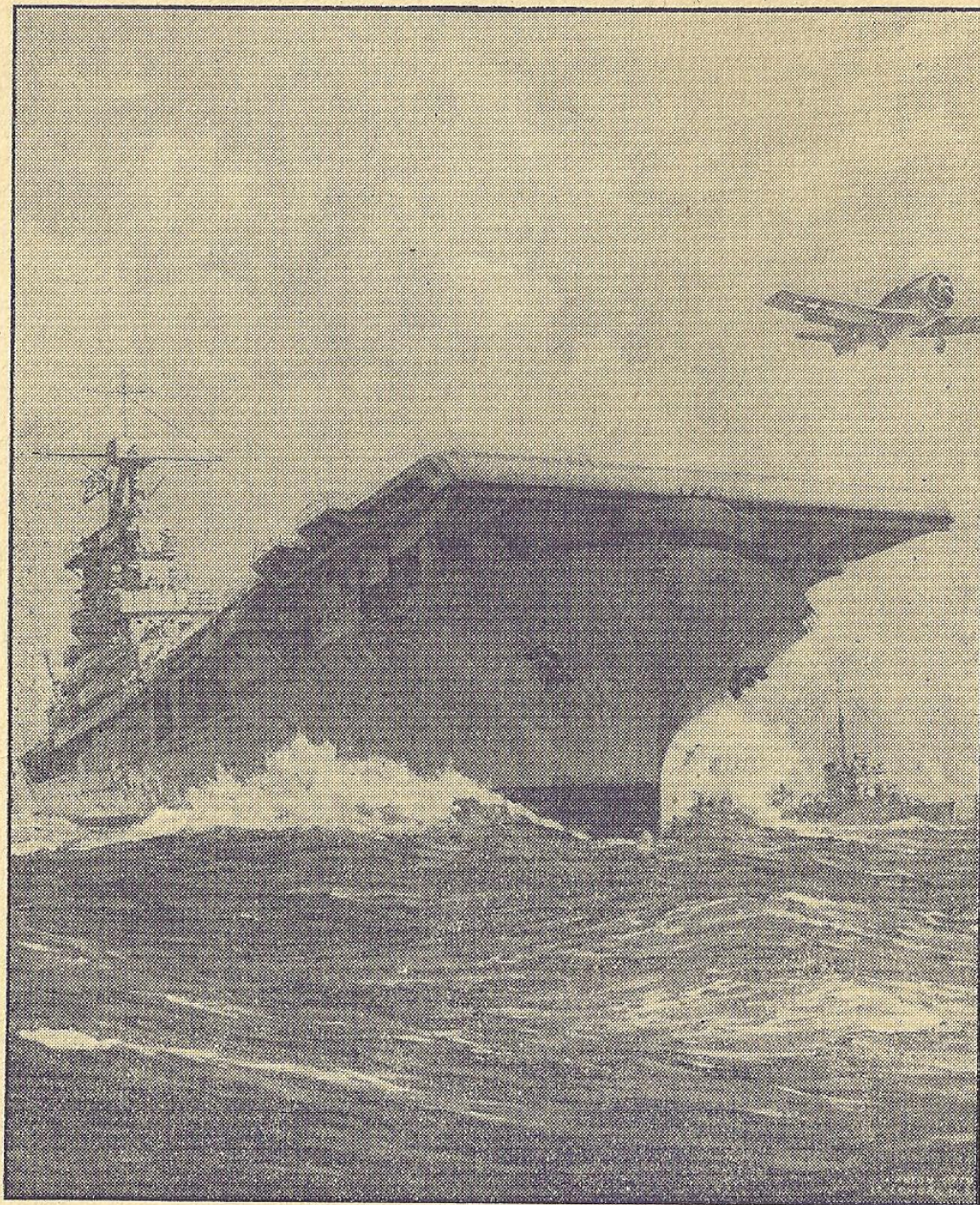


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January 24, 1944

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MRS. DEWITT CLINTON RAMSEY

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REAR ADMIRAL R. A. THEOBALD, U.S.N.

Commandant First Naval District



CAPTAIN F. C. DICKEY

Commanding Officer

THE COMMISSIONING

Invocation

Chaplain E. T. Bauer, U.S.N.R.

The Order of the Navy Department
to Commission the Ship

Captain R. C. Grady, U.S.N.,
Captain of the Yard, Boston Navy Yard

The Commissioning

The National Anthem
The Hoisting of the National Ensign, Jack
and Personal Flag.

Acceptance of Command

The Commanding Officer

Set the Watch

The Commanding Officer

Rear Admiral R. A. Theobald, U.S.N.
Commandant, First Naval District

Honourable Leverett Saltonstall
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Mrs. DeWitt C. Ramsey
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Vice Admiral John S. McCain, U.S.N.
Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Air

Captain F. C. Dickey, U.S.N.
Commanding Officer

Pipe Down

The Commanding Officer

