

List of Early Helicopter Pilots

The Bureau of Aeronautics issued a Planning Directive on 24 July 1942 calling for procurement of four Sikorsky helicopters for study and development by Navy and Coast Guard aviation forces. However, this was not the Navy's first interest in helicopters. That interest may be traced back to 5 December 1917 when the policy regarding helicopter development was established by the Secretaries of the Navy and War Departments on the basis of recommendations made by the Joint Technical Board on Aircraft. At that time, it was stated there was a need for improvements in powerplants and propellers if a successful helicopter was to be obtained. Actual support of development efforts was to be limited to moral encouragement until a vendor had demonstrated a helicopter of military value.

The Navy's first rotary wing vehicle was the XOP-1 autogiro ordered on 25 February 1931 from Pitcairn Aircraft. This machine was not a true helicopter since it had fixed wings and could not rise vertically. On 12 March 1935, the Navy issued a contract to Pitcairn Autogiro Company to remove the fixed wings from the XOP-1, thereby converting it to the XOP-2 which thus became the Navy's first heavier-than-air aircraft without wings. Tests were conducted with the XOP-1, including landings on *Langley* in September 1931. However, conclusions from the tests, which compared the autogiros with fixed wing aircraft, indicated the advantages were not great enough to override the disadvantages of payload, range, and the difficulties of flying. Personnel involved in the testing of the XOP-1 included future greats in Naval Aviation such as Alfred Pride, Ralph A. Ofstie, Robert B. Pirie and Frederick M. Trapnell. Other attempts between 1932 to 1937 were made to improve rotary wing capabilities but they were not successful. The Marine Corps used the OP-1 autogiro in Nicaragua in 1932 with the comment that its chief value in expeditionary duty was in inspecting small fields recommended by ground troops as landing areas, evacuating medical "sitting" cases, and ferrying of important personnel. In 1937 the Navy also experimented with the XOZ-1, a modified N2Y-1 with a cyclic controlled rotor, but the tests were not successful.

In the early 1940s, a class desk was established in the Bureau of Aeronautics for the Navy's helicopter

program and staffed by a small group of individuals who saw the potential for rotary wing development. They included Captain Clayton C. Marcy, Commander James W. Klopp and Commander Raymond Doll. The impetus for more Navy involvement in helicopters was spearheaded by the Coast Guard who were very interested in its ASW and rescue capabilities. Their vision for the use of the helicopter, whose development responsibility had been assigned to the Army Air Corps, resulted in a 15 February 1943 directive from the Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet that assigned responsibility for sea-going development of helicopters and their operation in convoys to the Coast Guard. Tests were to be carried out to determine if helicopters operating from merchant ships would be of value in combating submarines. On 4 May 1943, to expedite the evaluation of the helicopter in antisubmarine operations, the Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet, directed that a "joint board" be formed with representatives from the Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet; the Bureau of Aeronautics, the Coast Guard, the British Admiralty and the Royal Air forces. The resulting Combined Board for the Evaluation of the Ship-Based Helicopter in Antisubmarine Warfare was later expanded to include representatives of the Army Air Forces (AAF), the War Shipping Administration and the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. A few days later, on 7 May 1943, Navy representatives witnessed landing trials of the XR-4 helicopter aboard the merchant tanker SS *Bunker Hill* in a demonstration sponsored by the Maritime Commission and conducted in Long Island Sound. The pilot, Colonel R. F. Gregory, AAF, made about 15 flights, some of which he landed on the water before returning to the platform on the deck of the ship. On 10 June 1943, Lieutenant Commander Frank A. Erickson, USCG, proposed that helicopters be developed for antisubmarine warfare, "not as a killer craft but as the eyes and ears of the convoy escorts." To this end he recommended that helicopters be equipped with radar and dunking sonar. With the foregoing proposals and developments, the Navy ordered and received its first helicopter on 16 October 1943. The helicopter was a Sikorsky YR-4B, Navy designation HNS-1. It was accepted at Bridgeport, Conn., following a 60 minute

acceptance test flight by Lieutenant Commander Erickson. Commander Charles T. Booth, USN, delivered this helicopter to NAS Patuxent River, Md., on 22 October 1943. As stated by a memo from Commander Booth, he had arrived at Bridgeport "to continue instructions and to deliver to NAS Patuxent the first Navy helicopter. . . . Six hours additional flight time was obtained by Commander Booth prior to his return to NAS Patuxent, Md., on 22 October."

On the basis of his belief that tests indicated the practicability of ship-based helicopter, the Chief of Naval Operations, on 18 December 1943, separated the pilot training from test and development functions in the helicopter program. He directed that, effective 1 January 1944, a helicopter pilot training program be conducted by the U.S. Coast Guard at Floyd Bennett Field, N.Y., under the direction of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air). This planning directive of 18 December 1943, also named Rockaway, N.Y., as an outlying field for training and stated that three Coast Guard and two Navy officers had qualified as helicopter pilots to date. The directive also indicated "It has been determined that after 25 hours of dual and solo flight time, a fixed wing pilot is qualified as a helicopter pilot." Thus, during World War II, the Coast Guard, at Floyd Bennett Field, N.Y., was responsible for pilot and enlisted mechanic training in helicopter aviation for the Navy. Helicopter pilots trained by the Coast Guard unit also included personnel from the Army Air Force, the CAA, and NACA.

Following the end of World War II, the Navy established VX-3 on 1 July 1946 at NAS New York (Floyd Bennett Field). This squadron took over the helicopter pilot training duties that had been done by the Coast Guard unit at Floyd Bennett Field, N.Y. VX-3 moved to NAS Lakehurst, N.J., on 10 September 1946 and continued training helicopter pilots until they were disbanded on 1 April 1948.

Helicopter Utility Squadron 2 (HU-2) was established on 1 April 1948 and took over the responsibility for training helicopter pilots. The squadron was located at NAS Lakehurst, N.J. Many of the personnel from VX-3 helped form HU-2 when it was established. On 11 June 1948, the Chief of Naval Operations issued standards for training aviators as helicopter pilots and

provided that helicopter pilots previously trained by the Coast Guard or VX-3 would retain their qualification. However, not all personnel received their qualification as a helicopter pilot from VX-3 or HU-2, even though they had been assigned the mission of training helicopter pilots. HU-2 would issue helicopter pilot qualifications to an individual that may have received training at NATC Patuxent River, Md., from HU-1, or from Connally Air Force Base in Texas.

HU-2 was not only responsible for training helicopter pilots but was also involved in providing helicopter detachments for utility services and search and rescue missions. Due to an increased demand for these services, as well as a need for more helicopter pilots, the Chief of Naval Operations decided to transfer the helicopter pilot training mission to the Naval Air Training Command at Ellyson Field, Pensacola, Fla. Helicopter Training Unit 1 (HTU-1) was established on 3 December 1950 at Pensacola, Fla. HU-2 shifted its responsibility for training helicopter pilots to HTU-1 in January 1951. HTU-1 was redesignated HTG-1 in March 1957. The HTG-1 designation was changed to HT-8 on 1 July 1960. HT-8 is still training helicopter pilots in the Pensacola area.

When a new program is established, especially one that entails listing personnel who are designated or qualified for a particular job code, the records for the evolution of that new program can be very sketchy. That is precisely what happened in the training program for helicopter pilots. The early helicopter pilots did not have a formal Navy training program to follow or the correct procedures in place to record and preserve their helicopter pilot qualifications. In fact, in 1943 the first group to qualify were sent to East Hartford, Conn., and trained by the Sikorsky Aircraft Company. They included Lieutenant Commander Frank Erickson, USCG; Lieutenant A. N. Fisher, USCG; Lieutenant Stewart R. Graham, USCG; and Commander Charles T. Booth, USN. None of these individuals were placed on the list of early helicopter pilots. In fact, the list, which appears to originate from VX-3 and HU-2 records, does not list any Coast Guard officers. The following list is the best that could be compiled from the available records on helicopter pilot qualification and training. It does not include the Coast Guard aviators.

<i>Helicopter Pilot Number</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Rank</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Date of Qualification Designation</i>
1	Knapp, William G.	LT	USNR	15 Apr 1944
2	Doll, Raymond E.	CDR	USN	26 Sep 1944
3	Wood, Charles R.	CDR	USNR	26 Sep 1944
4	Brown, Percy	LT	USNR	6 Feb 1945
5	Kembro, Marerie D.	CAPT	USN	9 Aug 1945
6	Long, Richard J.	LT	USN(T)	9 Aug 1945
7	Marcy, Clayton C.	CAPT	USN	10 Oct 1945
8	Runyon, Joseph W.	CDR	USN	31 Oct 1945
9	Houston, Charles E.	CDR	USN	18 Dec 1945
10	Hoover, George	LT	USN	27 Dec 1945
11	Lawrence, M.	LT	USNR	28 Dec 1945
12	Wilcox, Donald E.	CAPT	USN	3 Jun 1946
13	Kosciusko, Henry M.	LCDR	USN	17 Jul 1946
14	Kubicki, Edward	LT	USN	26 Jul 1946
15	Schaufler, William G.	LTJG	USN	26 Jul 1946
16	Delalio, Armand H.	MAJ	USMC	8 Aug 1946
17	Rullo, Guiseppe J.	LT	USN	28 Aug 1946
18	Reeves, George J.	LT	USN	28 Aug 1946
19	Lammi, James W.	LT	USN	27 Sep 1946
20	Junghans, Robert L.	LCDR	USN	1 Nov 1946
21	Sessums, Walter M.	LCDR	USN	5 Nov 1946
22	Tanner, Charles S.	LCDR	USN	9 Nov 1946
23	Fink, Christian	LCDR	USN	18 Dec 1946
24	Bott, Alan	LT	USN	18 Dec 1946
25	Tracy, Lloyd W.	LT	USN	23 Jun 1947
26	Glenzer, Hubert	LTJG	USN	14 Oct 1947
27	Anderson, Roy L.	1stLT	USMC	20 Nov 1947
28	Strieby, Robert A.	CAPT	USMC	20 Nov 1947
29	Garber, C. O.	CAPT	USMC	20 Nov 1947
30	Riley, Russell R.	MAJ	USMC	20 Nov 1947
31	Peters, Maurice A.	CDR	USN	21 Nov 1947
32	Shawcross, William H.	LT	USN	24 Nov 1947
33	Bagshaw, James R.	LTJG	USN	24 Nov 1947
34	Montgomery, Marvin D.	LTJG	USN	24 Nov 1947
35	Morrison, Gene W.	1stLT	USMC	1 Dec 1947
36	Carleton, R. D.	LTJG	USN	20 Dec 1947
37	Arnold, E. A.	LCDR	USN	21 Dec 1947
38	Moseley, R. H.	ENS	USN	22 Dec 1947
39	Higbee, J.	CAPT	USN	22 Dec 1947
40	Billett, Dudley S.	LCDR	USN	15 Jan 1948
41	Camp, R. W.	ADC(NAP)	USN	21 Feb 1948
42	McVicars, A. L.	1stLT	USMC	11 Mar 1948
43	Meshier, C. W.	LT	USN	12 Mar 1948
44	Blatt, W. D.	CAPT	USMC	17 Mar 1948
45	Polen, R. A.	1stLT	USMC	17 Mar 1948
46	Ward, C. E.	1stLT	USMC	19 Mar 1948
47	Pope, E. J.	1stLT	USMC	22 Mar 1948
48	Sebach, H. U.	LCDR	USN	31 Mar 1948
49	Fisher, A. G.	MSGT	USMC	1 Apr 1948
50	Schmucker, S.	ENS	USN	7 Apr 1948
51	Mathewson, F. F.	LT	USN	16 Apr 1948
52	Hanies, G. D.	LT	USN	16 Apr 1948

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53	Matthews, J. H.	CAPT	USN	20 Apr 1948
54	Mounts, L. J.	MSGT	USMC	26 Apr 1948
55	Fox, J. E.	LT	USN	29 Apr 1948
56	Leary, W.	LTJG	USN	29 Apr 1948
57	Grassi, J.	ENS	USN	29 Apr 1948
58	Longstaff, R.	1stLT	USMC	12 May 1948
59	Hamilton, D. E.	ADC(AP)	USN	12 May 1948
60	Mitchell, G. D.	ADC(NAP)	USN	18 May 1948
61	Finn, L. A.	ADC(NAP)	USN	19 May 1948
62	Collins, V. W.	LT	USN	21 May 1948
63	Nebergall, M.	1stLT	USMC	19 Jun 1948
64	Griffin, M. C.	LTJG	USN	7 Jul 1948
65	Brender, B. W.	LTJG	USN	8 Jul 1948
66	Hutto, C. H.	AC1(NAP)	USN	8 Jul 1948
67	Lynch, R. E.	ENS	USN	9 Jul 1948
68	Milner, F. D.	LT	USN	13 Jul 1948
69	Matthews, W. R.	ENS	USN	22 Jul 1948
70	Torry, J. A. H.	LCDR	USN	6 Aug 1948
71	Nickerson, R. L.	MAJ	USMC	6 Aug 1948
72	Dyer, E. C.	COL	USMC	6 Aug 1948
73	Ellis, W. Y.	LCDR	USNR	6 Aug 1948
74	Leonard, W. R.	LCDR	USN	16 Aug 1948
75	Cunha, G. D. M.	CDR	USN	19 Aug 1948
76	Cox, W. J.	ENS	USN	24 Aug 1948
77	Fridley, D. C.	ENS	USN	24 Aug 1948
78	Dixon, W. C.	LT	USN	24 Aug 1948
79	Granger, R. P.	ADC(NAP)	USN	26 Aug 1948
80	Crofoot, A. E.	LTJG	USN	27 Aug 1948
81	Johnson, F. E.	ENS	USN	2 Sep 1948
82	Carey, J. F.	LCOL	USMC	2 Sep 1948
83	Kilcore, W. H.	LCDR	USN	3 Sep 1948
84	Miller, R. A.	LTJG	USN	8 Sep 1948
85	Wrenn, E.	LTJG	USN	13 Sep 1948
86	Wheat, N. L.	ENS	USN	14 Sep 1948
87	Garrison, R. G.	ENS	USN	24 Sep 1948
88	Wiskirchen, R. L.	LT	USN	24 Sep 1948
89	Cabell, J. B.	LT	USN	24 Sep 1948
90	Zoecklein, W. O.	LCDR	USN	19 Oct 1948
91	Connolly, T. F.	CDR	USN	15 Sep 1948
92	Sherby, S. S.	CDR	USN	15 Sep 1948
93	Hyland, J. J.	CDR	USN	15 Sep 1948
94	Rand, N. C.	LCDR	USN	15 Sep 1948
95	Davis, W. V., Jr.	CAPT	USN	15 Sep 1948
96	Timmins, (init. unk.)	LCDR	USNR	8 Oct 1948
97	Reilly, J. L.	LTJG	USN	20 Oct 1948
98	Denk, H. J.	ENS	USN	20 Oct 1948
99	Little, J. C.	LT	USN	9 Nov 1948
100	Nash, D. E.	LTJG	USN	9 Nov 1948
101	Blades, J. L.	LTJG	USN	12 Nov 1948
102	Gauthier, A. C.	LT	USNR	12 Nov 1948
103	McMullen, B. E.	LTJG	USN	12 Nov 1948
104	Peterson, M. C.	ADC(NAP)	USN	12 Nov 1948

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105	Rust, D. T.	LTJG	USN	19 Nov 1948
106	Hamilton, R. C.	ENS	USNR	23 Nov 1948
107	McCarthy, J. R.		CAA	1 Dec 1948
108	Fisher, F. J.	ENS	USNR	24 Nov 1948
109	Johnson, C. R.	LT	USN	6 Dec 1948
110	Berree, N. R.	LT	USN	7 Dec 1948
111	Schmeltzer, L. B.	LTJG	USN	7 Dec 1948
112	Moore, B., Jr.	CDR	USN	10 Dec 1948
113	Lieske, J. M.	ALC(NAP)	USN	13 Dec 1948
114	Staples, C.		CAA	14 Jan 1949
115	Olmsted, P. S.	ENS	USNR	20 Jan 1949
116	Miller, H. M.	LTJG	USNR	21 Jan 1949
117	Hilton, J. J., Jr.	CDR	USN	1 Feb 1949
118	Montgomery, W. G.	LT	USN	9 Feb 1949
119	Brown, H. F.	LT	USN	10 Feb 1949
120	Armstrong, J. G.	LT	USN	23 Feb 1949
121	Starr, M. R.	ENS	USN	24 Feb 1949
122	Reed, M. (n)	LT	USN	24 Feb 1949
123	Case, R. C.	1stLT	USMC	9 Mar 1949
124	Blackwood, R. R.	ENS	USNR	11 Mar 1949
125	Cole, J. S.	LT	USN	14 Mar 1949
126	Mitchell, W. P.	MAJ	USMC	17 Mar 1949
127	Gill, R. J.	LTJG	USNR	15 Mar 1949
128	Pledger, W. G.	LTJG	USN	30 Mar 1949
129	Lueddeke, G. F.	LTJG	USN	5 Apr 1949
130	Marshall, A. R.	LT	USN	13 Apr 1949
131	Farwell, J. M.	LTJG	USN	13 Apr 1949
132	Tucci, F. A.	LT	USN	20 Apr 1949
133	Logan, I. C.	LTJG	USNR	21 Apr 1949
134	McClanan, F. H.	LCDR	USN	21 Apr 1949
135	Mayfield, A. (n)	LTJG	USN	21 Apr 1949
136	Raddatz, R. W.	LT	USN	29 Apr 1949
137	Braun, J. F.	LTJG	USN	29 Apr 1949
138	Wrigley, G. R.	LTJG	USN	29 Apr 1949
139	Kaylor, J. O.	1stLT	USMC	29 Apr 1949
140	Sullivan, R. J.	1stLT	USMC	4 May 1949
141	Bolt, G. W.	LCDR	USN	6 May 1949
142	Duffey, H. J.		CAA	9 May 1949
143	Kelley, F. E., Jr.	ENS	USN	9 May 1949
144	Rohrich, W. H.	LTJG	USN	9 May 1949
145	Griffin, (init. unk.)		CAA	15 Mar 1949
146	Titterud, S. V.	CAPT	USMC	11 May 1949
147	Lammi, W. S.	LT	USN	19 May 1949
148	Holmgren, A. F.	ENS	USN	15 Apr 1944
149	Crowe, G. T.	AD1(AP)	USN	19 May 1949
150	Taylor, C. B.	ADC(AP)	USN	20 May 1949
151	Mullen, J., Jr.	LTJG	USN	23 May 1949
152	Larkin, H. J.	LT	USN	26 May 1949
153	Close, R. A.	LTJG	USN	31 May 1949
154	Drinkwater, H. T.	LTJG	USN	31 May 1949
155	Williams, D. L.	ENS	USNR	31 May 1949
156	Mundy, E. M.	LCDR	USNR	10 Jun 1949

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157	Pennington, B. D.	LTJG	USN	15 Jun 1949
158	Highsmith, F. L.	ENS	USNR	15 Jun 1949
159	Crowell, L. T.	ENS	USNR	15 Jun 1949
160	Buerckholtz, H. M.	ENS	USNR	15 Jun 1949
161	Banks, W. F.	LTJG	USN(T)	15 Jun 1949
162	Price, W. J.	LTJG	USNR	23 Jun 1949
163	Marchand, J. L.	LCDR	USNR	23 Jun 1949
164	Heibr, W. D.	CAPT	USMC	1 Jul 1949
165	Bancroft, A. R.	1stLT	USMC	8 Jul 1949
166	Moran, F. P.	1stLT	USMC	8 Jul 1949
167	Ford, A., (n)	LT	USN	28 Jun 1949
168	Deitrich, V. S.	CDR	USN	14 Jul 1949
169	Neuman, A. E.	LT	USNR	15 Jul 1949
170	Bromka, A. C.	LTJG	USNR	19 Jul 1949
171	Leedom, H. E.	LCDR	USN	20 Jul 1949
172	Seay, G. W.	LTJG	USN	20 Jul 1949
173	Chagnon, W. G.	PRC(AP)	USN	26 Jul 1949
174	Butler, W. C.	LT	USN	26 Jul 1949
175	Dally, F. E.	CDR	USN	4 Aug 1949
176	Clabaugh, C. L.	LCDR	USNR	4 Aug 1949
177	Farish, G. B.	1stLT	USMC	8 Aug 1949
178	Armstrong, V. A.	CAPT	USMC	9 Aug 1949
179	Noble, E. V.	CDR	USN	25 Aug 1949
180	Horn, F. H.	1stLT	USMC	7 Sep 1949
181	Vest, J. P. W.	CAPT	USN	16 Sep 1949
182	Tuffanelle, G. T.	LTJG	USN	17 Sep 1949
183	Marr, R.	AO1(AP)	USN	23 Sep 1949
184	Woolley, S. R.	MSGT	USMC	26 Sep 1949
185	Barnes, R. O.	LTJG	USN	27 Sep 1949
186	Anderson, W. A.	AD1(AP)	USN	27 Sep 1949
187	Dennison, G. E.	LTJG	USN	30 Sep 1949
188	Fisher, C. E.	LTJG	USN	5 Oct 1949
189	Treon, H. J.	LT	USN	6 Oct 1949
190	Foley, F. D.	CDR	USN	7 Oct 1949
191	Asbury, D. A.	LT	USN	14 Oct 1949
192	Percy, G. (n)	MAJ	USMC	17 Oct 1949
193	Rozier, W. R.	CAPT	USMC	17 Oct 1949
194	Cozine, M. E.	ADC(AP)	USN	20 Oct 1949
195	Holman, E. D.	ADC(AP)	USN	25 Oct 1949
196	Connant, E. S.	LCDR	USN	30 Sep 1949
197	Hudson, W. N.	CDR	USNR	2 Oct 1949
198	Moody, J. T.	AO1(AP)	USN	2 Nov 1949
199	Voss, C. M.	LTJG	USNRV	4 Nov 1949
200	Scott, E. A.	LTJG	USN(T)	4 Nov 1949
201	Stokes, W. E.	ENS	USN	8 Nov 1949
202	Russell, J. B.	LT	USN	9 Nov 1949
203	Milburn, K. F.	AD1(AP)	USN	19 Nov 1949
204	Romer, R. D.	LTJG	USN	14 Nov 1949
205	Collup, W. D.	CAPT	USMC	30 Nov 1949
206	Koelsch, J. H.	LTJG	USN	9 Dec 1949
207	Proper, W. F.	LTJG	USN	14 Oct 1949
208	Harrigan, D. W.	CAPT	USN	10 Dec 1949

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209	Jenks, R. F.	AMC(AP)	USN	14 Oct 1949
210	Hamilton, C. B.	LTJG	USN	20 Jan 1950
211	Brown, S. H.	LCDR	USN	23 Nov 1949
212	Bayers, E. H.	LCDR	USN	23 Nov 1949
213	Bach, H. A.	LCDR	USN	23 Nov 1949
214	Kurtz, L. A.	LT	USN	23 Nov 1949
215	Brownfield, R. H.	ADC(AP)	USN	16 Jan 1950
216	Thorin, D. W.	AMC(AP)	USN	16 Jan 1950
217	Scroggs, F. W., Jr.	TSGT	USMC	8 Feb 1950
218	Mullkoff, E. (n)	LT	USNR	8 Feb 1950
219	Herring, G. W.	LCOL	USMC	10 Feb 1950
220	Davis, R. O.	LTJG	USN	17 Feb 1950
221	Swinburne, H. W.	LT	USN	20 Mar 1950
222	Sundberg, H. J.	LT	USN	20 Mar 1950
223	Young, R. E.	LTJG	USN	20 Mar 1950
224	Cardoza, H (n)	AD1(AP)	USN	9 Mar 1950
225	Marsh, E. D.	AD1(AP)	USN	9 Mar 1950
226	Harbour, C. C.	LT	USN	31 Mar 1950
227	Omara, P.(n)	LTJG	USN	31 Mar 1950
228	Huggins, J. C.	LT	USN	20 Apr 1950
229	Jones, C. C.	LTJG	USN	21 Apr 1950
230	Boegel, W. T.	AOC(AP)	USN	21 Apr 1950
231	Larson, C. S.	LTJG	USNR	24 Apr 1950
232	Kakol, J. F.	ADC(AP)	USN	25 Apr 1950
233	Smolen, F. E.	LT	USN	24 Apr 1950
234	Maghan, R. I.	LT	USN	28 Apr 1950
235	Richards, F. D.	LT	USN	4 May 1950
236	Felten, R. E.	LT	USN	4 May 1950
237	Jansen, T. E.	LT	USNR	4 May 1950
238	Bowen, J. B.	CAPT	USN	27 Apr 1950
239	Brock, M. A.	LT	USN	16 May 1950
240	Falabella, J. J.	LT	USNR	17 May 1950
241	Widmar, J. R.	LT	USNR	22 May 1950
242	Jensen, E. O.	LT	USNR	25 May 1950
243	Stearns, W. G.	LT	USN	2 Jun 1950
244	Hudson, F. W.	ACCA(AP)	USN	9 Jun 1950
245	McFarlane, H.	CAPT	USAF	9 Jun 1950
246	Erwin, W. L.	LTJG	USN	13 Jun 1950
247	Englehardt, L. J.	1stLT	USMC	13 Jun 1950
248	Scott, J. L.	1stLT	USMC	13 Jun 1950
249	Waring, E. S.	CDR	USN	27 Jun 1950
250	Albert, W. H.	LTJG	USNR	1 Jul 1950

Notes:

NAP and AP: Naval Aviation Pilot, an enlisted pilot.

CAA: Civil Aeroanautics Authority

init. unk.: Initials unknown



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