U. S. S. NOA (DD841)



## COMMISSIONING PROGRAM

NAVY YARD, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
2 NOVEMBER, 1945

## ORDER OF EVENTS



The Commandant of the First Naval District and the Boston Navy Yard, Rear Admiral Felix Gygax, U. S. Navy goes aboard for commissioning.

The Commandant directs that the ship be placed in commission.

All hands face in the direction that the colors are to be hoisted.

The band plays the National Anthem. Colors and commission pennant are hoisted.

The Admiral's flag is broken and the commission pennant is lowered (Honors by the band).

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The Commandant introduces the Chaplain.

Invocation by Chaplain.

Address by the Commandant.

The Commandant turns the ship over to the Prospective Commanding Officer, Commander R. L. NOLAN, Jr., U. S. Navy.

The Prospective Commanding Officer reads his orders and assumes command.

The first watch is set.

The Commanding Officer reads a letter from the Secretary of the Navy.

The Commanding Officer addresses the Ship's Company.

The Commanding Officer introduces the Sponsor, Mrs. J. Carey Jones, Jr.

The Commanding Officer introduces Mrs. Samuel Davis, Sister of Midshipman Noa.

Presentation of Ship's bible by Chaplain.

The Commandant makes a brief inspection and departs.

The Commission Pennant replaces the Admiral's Flag.

The ceremony is completed.

Ship is open for inspection by guests.

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The U. S. S. NOA (DD 841) is named in memory of Midshipman Loveman Noa, U. S. Navy.

Midshipman Noa was born in Chattanooga, Tenn., October 5, 1878. He was appointed Cadet September 5, 1896; graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy in June 1900 and sent to the Asiatic Station on board the U. S. S. MARIVELES.

On October 26, 1901, Midshipman Noa, with an armed crew of six men, put off in a small boat from the MARIVELES to watch for boats engaged in smuggling contraband of war from the island of Leyte to Samar Island. The wind turning against them, they were obliged to land in a small cove on the island of Samar, and while scouting the near-by woods Midshipman Noa was stabbed by Filipino insurgents and died before aid could reach him.

Midshipman Non was killed while acting in the performance of his duty.

The U. S. S. NOA (DD 841) was launched on 30 July 1945 at the Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine. The sponsor was Mrs. J. Carey Jones, Jr., wife of Rear Admiral J. Carey Jones, Jr.

This is the second vessel to bear the name of Midshipman Noa. The first which was launched in 1919, was sunk off of Pelcliu in 1944.

## COMMANDER R. L. NOLAN, USN Commanding

LIEUTENANT H. B. QUEKEMEYER, USN Executive Officer

LIEUTENANT R. E. STRELOW, USN Gunnery Officer

LIEUTENANT J. T. HASSELL, USNR Communication Officer

LIEUTENANT D. D. McNEILL, USNR First Lieutenant and Damage Control Officer

LIEUTENANT (jg) H. K. WHITE, USN Engineer Officer

LIEUTENANT (jg) B. ROSNER, USNR Medical Officer

ENSIGN R. O. MOORHOUSE, USNR Supply and Disbursing Officer

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