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**University of Minnesota
Reserve Officers Training Corps**



**Army, Navy, Air Force
Tri-Service
Commissioning
Ceremony**

Mayo Auditorium

Friday, June 17, 1988

HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY

The Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) plays an important role in the national defense framework of our nation. The American tradition of military instruction on civilian college campuses began in 1819 when a former superintendent at West Point established the American Library, Scientific and Military Academy, which later became Norwich University. Military instruction soon spread to other institutions - Virginia Military Institute in 1839, the University of Tennessee in 1840, and the Citadel in 1842.

In 1862 the Congress of the United States, foreseeing the dual necessities of creating additional institutions of higher learning, as well as providing a means of schooling young men in the military arts, passed the Morrill Land Grant Act. This act provides money from the sale of government lands to establish colleges and universities and specified that courses in the military arts should be offered at these institutions.

The University of Minnesota opened its doors in 1869 through the benefits made available by the Morrill Act. One of the original nine faculty members was the University's first professor of military science, Major General Richard W. Johnson. For 70 years ROTC training at the University prepared young men for entrance into the Army. Then in 1939 a Naval ROTC unit was established, and in 1949 an Air Force ROTC program was begun.

For more than 150 years ROTC programs on civilian college campuses have provided intelligent, well-educated leaders for the national defense. This is in keeping with the typically American concepts of the citizen-soldier and civilian-oriented military officers from all geographic and social strata whose leadership has been characterized by initiative, ingenuity, and flexibility. Also, because ROTC officers may return to civilian status when they have fulfilled their military obligation, ROTC programs provide leadership resources not only for national defense but also for civilian enterprise.

TRI-SERVICE
COMMISSIONING CEREMONY
1930
FRIDAY, 17 JUNE 1988
ORDER OF EVENTS

PROCESSIONAL

PRESENTATION OF THE MACE

Dr. Robert Lindsay

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

(Please Stand)

NATIONAL ANTHEM

INVOCATION

Midshipman Jay P. Storms

(Please be seated)

UNIVERSITY SPEAKER

Dr. Stanley D. Sahlstrom

GUEST OF HONOR FOR COMMISSIONING
ADDRESS

General John W. Vessey Jr. (Ret)

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS

HAIL! MINNESOTA (Sung by entire audience, please stand)

Minnesota, hail to thee!
Hail to thee, our college dear!
Thy light shall ever be
A beacon bright and clear;
Thy sons and daughters true
Will proclaim thee near and far;
They will guard thy fame
And adore thy name;
Thou shalt be their Northern Star.

Like the stream that bends to sea,
Like the pine that seeks the blue,
Minnesota, still for thee
Thy sons are strong and true;
From thy woods and waters fair;
From the prairies waving far,
At the call they throng
With their shout and song,
Hailing thee their Northern Star.

RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS

RECESSIONAL

(Please remain standing until the newly commissioned officers have left the auditorium.)

RECEPTION

The audience is invited to proceed to the lobby of Mayo for refreshments

ON THE STAGE;

(Seated from left to right)

Mace Bearer:

Dr. Robert Lindsay

Board of Regents, University of Minnesota Relationships:

Dr. Stanley D. Sahlstrom

Keynote Speaker:

General John W. Vessey Jr. USA(Ret)
Former Chairman
Joint Chiefs of Staff
Washington, D.C.

Professor of Military Science:

Lieutenant Colonel Roger L. Syverud, U.S. Army

Professor of Naval Science:

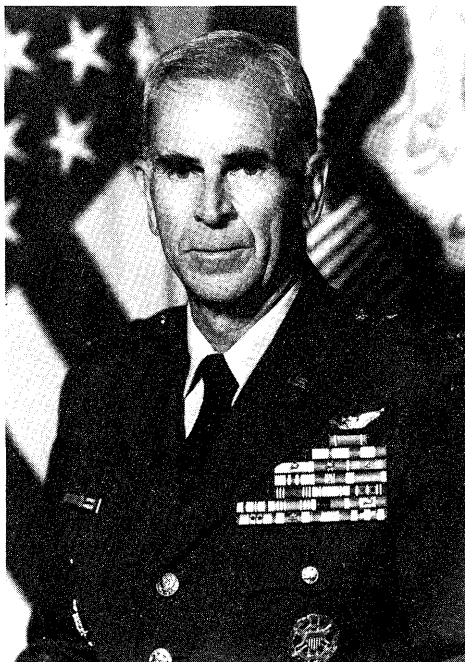
Captain Robert P. Wainscott, U.S. Navy

Professor of Aerospace Studies:

Colonel David J. Dean, U.S. Air Force

Chaplain:

Midshipman Jay P. Storms, Navy ROTC



GENERAL JOHN W. VESSEY, JR.

John William Vessey, Jr., was born and reared in Minnesota. He enlisted in the Minnesota National Guard in May 1939 and was called to active duty in February 1941. He rose to the rank of First Sergeant before receiving a battlefield commission as Second Lieutenant of Field Artillery at the Anzio Beachhead on 6 May 1944.

Throughout all of World War II he served with the 34th Infantry Division, going overseas with the Division in early 1942, fighting in the campaigns in North Africa and Italy and finally leaving the Division the day the war in Europe ended.

The early postwar years brought several tours of duty at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, with the 18th Field Artillery Battalion, with the staff and faculty of the Field Artillery School, and as a student at the school.

Much of his service has been with combat divisions. In addition to his long World War II service with the 34th Division, he was a field artillery battery commander and staff officer with the 4th Infantry Division in Germany 1951-1954, a field artillery battalion commander with the 3d Armored Division in Germany 1963-1965, the Division Artillery Executive Officer and a battalion commander with the 25th Division in Vietnam 1966-1967, and the Division Artillery Commander and Division Chief of Staff with the 3d Armored Division in Germany 1967-1970. He commanded the 4th Infantry Division (Mech) at Fort Carson, Colorado, 1974-1975.

His early higher headquarters assignments included service as an operations staff officer at the CINCPAC Coordination Center, the Philippines, in 1958 with Eighth Army Headquarters in Korea 1958-1959. He served a tour at Headquarters Department of the Army with the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel 1959-1962.

General Vessey's first assignment as a general officer was as Commander, U.S. Army Support Command, Thailand, 1970-1971, a command with a wide variety of responsibilities such as road construction, port operations, supply and maintenance support to friendly forces in Laos and munitions and POL support to U.S. airbases in Thailand.

In early 1972 the Deputy Chief, JUSMAGTHA (the title for the Chief of the MAAG for Laos), was given much expanded authority for the coordination of military operations in Laos. General Vessey was assigned to the post and served there until the cease-fire was signed in Laos in February 1973.

After his return from Laos, he served as Director of Operations in the Office of the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans until he took command of the 4th Infantry Division in the late summer of 1974. In September 1975, he returned to Washington to become the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans. In October 1976, he was sent to Korea as Commander-in-Chief, United Nations Command; Commander, U.S. Forces, Korea; and Commanding General, Eighth U.S. Army. In November 1978 he also became the first Commander-in-Chief of the newly formed Republic of Korea-United States Combined Forces Command.

General Vessey's military schooling includes the Special Basic (1945) Associate Advance (1949) and Advanced (1954) Courses of the Field Artillery School, the Command and General Staff College (1958), the Armed Forces Staff College (1963), the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (1965), and the Army Aviation School (1970).

Most of General Vessey's higher civilian education came through night and correspondence school work. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland (1963) and a Master of Science degree from George Washington University (1965). He also attended the University of Pittsburgh's Management Program for Executives (1970). He is a member of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi and has been awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters by Concordia College, St. Paul, and the Distinguished Alumnus award by the University College of the University of Maryland.

General Vessey's military decorations include the Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, four awards of the Air Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device, the Purple Heart, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm, the Presidential Unit Citation, and a unit award of the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm. He also wears the Army Aviator Badge.

He and his wife, the former Avis Funk of Minneapolis, Minnesota, were married in 1945 and have two sons, John III, a Foreign Service Officer, and David, a Warrant Officer pilot with the U.S. Army, and a daughter, Sarah, who lives in Minnesota.

General and Mrs. Vessey are members of the Lutheran Church, Missouri-Synod. Both have had a long and active interest in community affairs, and both enjoy art and music.

General Vessey has had a long, active interest in all sorts of sports. He is an avid handball player and golfer and enjoys hunting, fishing, and tennis.

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