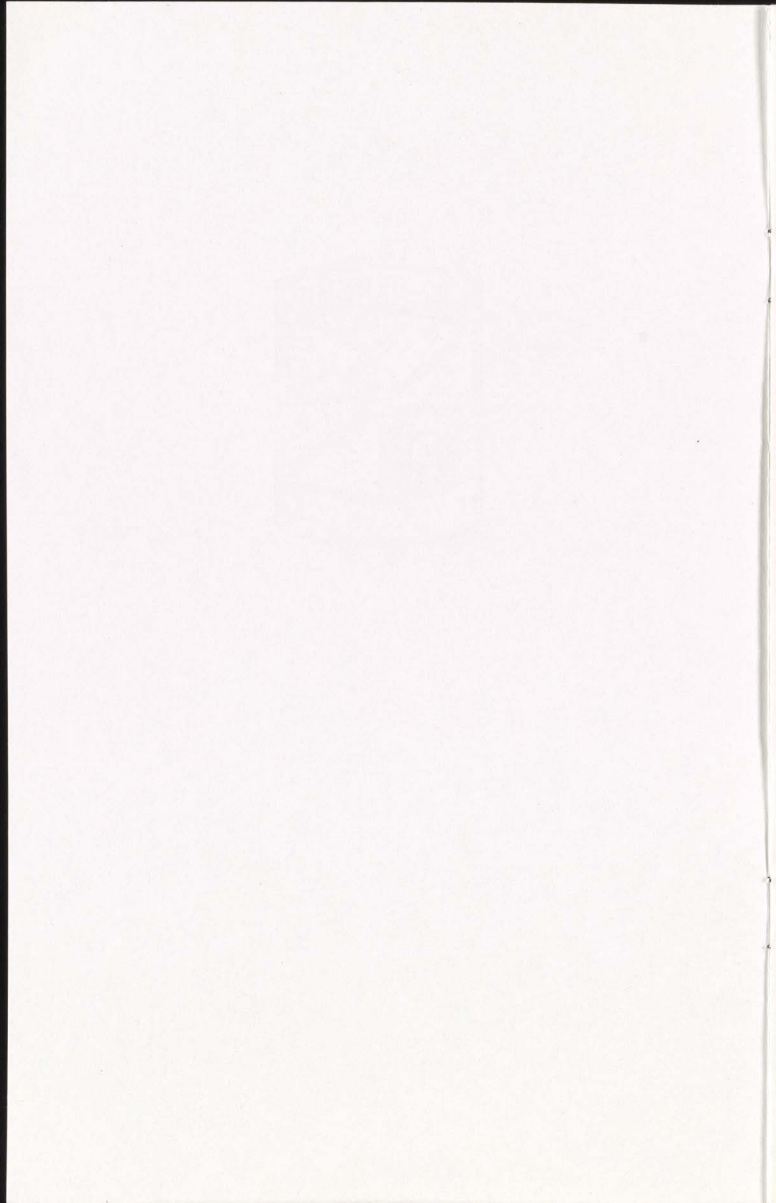
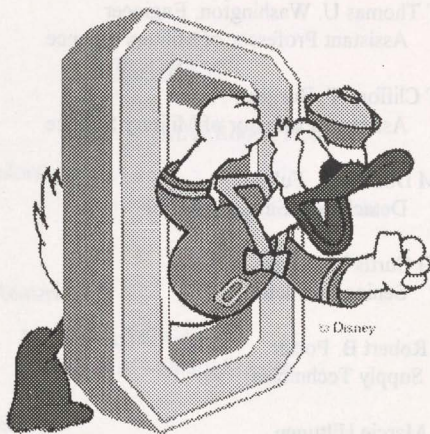






**WELCOME TO THE 1996
UNIVERSITY OF OREGON
WEBFOOT WARRIOR BATTALION**



**RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS
COMMISSIONING CEREMONY**

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**University of Oregon
Reserve Officers' Training Corps**

1996 Spring Commissioning Ceremony

Friday, 1000 Hours

14 June 1996

Knight Library

Browsing Room

PROGRAM

Introduction

MAJ Robert H. Rhen

Posting of Colors

Invocation

Chaplain John Dinsmore

Welcoming Remarks

LTC Javan B. Ridge

Professor of Military Science

Guest Speaker

BG Norman A. Hoffman

Assistant Adjutant General

Oregon Army National Guard

Oath of Office

Retirement of Colors

Refreshments

OATH OF OFFICE

I, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter; **So Help Me God.**

PINNING OF THE BARS

A special part of the Commissioning Ceremony in which the insignia of rank is pinned on the new lieutenant's uniform by special guests who have made extraordinary contributions to his or her success.

SILVER DOLLAR SALUTE

It is an honored tradition where a brand new lieutenant proudly hands a silver dollar to the first enlisted soldier who salutes him. The silver dollar salute signifies a deep sense of gratitude for the knowledge the NCOs have passed on. It is acknowledgment from one professional soldier to another that says "Welcome to our service and to the profession of arms."

COMMISSIONEES

Anderson, Brandon C. , Second Lieutenant, AD

Branch: Field Artillery

Academic Major: General Science

Son of Robert and Beverly Anderson

Oath of Office Administered by: LTC Ridge

Pinning of the Bars by Robert and Beverly Anderson

Bennett, Robert G. , Second Lieutenant, RA

Branch: Infantry

Academic Major: Business Management

Son of Robert W. and Teresa Bennett

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Halley Michael N. , Second Lieutenant, USAR

Branch: Armor

Academic Major: Political Science

Son of William and Greggoria Halley

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Kavanaugh, Robert W. , Second Lieutenant, AD

Branch: Infantry

Academic Major: Business Management

Son of Bud and Tam Kavanaugh

Oath of Office Administered by: LTC Ridge

Pinning of the Bars by Bud and Tam Kavanaugh

Keller, Brett A. , Second Lieutenant, USAR

Branch: Field Artillery

Academic Major: Psychology

Son of Ginger Campbell

Oath of Office Administered by: LTC Ridge

Pinning of the Bars by Ginger Campbell and

Stephenie Neiswanger

Ross, Noah D. , Second Lieutenant, USAR

Branch: Armor

Academic Major: Political Science

Son of the late Dr. David Ross and Sheryl Ross

Oath of Office Administered by: LTC Ridge

Pinning of the Bars by Sheryl Ross and Meredith Ross

Wichman, Todd A. , Second Lieutenant, ED

Branch: Medical Service Corps

Academic Major: Anthropology

Son of Rod Wichman and Sara Seloheim

Oath of Office Administered by: LTC Ridge

Pinning of the Bars by Rod Wichman and LTC Ridge

GUEST SPEAKER

**Brigadier General Norman A. Hoffman
Assistant Adjutant General
Oregon Army National Guard**

Brigadier General Norman A. Hoffman was born in San Rafael, California, and began his military career enlisting in the Oregon Army National Guard on 30 April 1966. He was commissioned a second lieutenant by the Oregon Military Academy's Officer Candidate School in June 1968.

Brigadier General Hoffman has served in the Second Battalion, 162nd Infantry as a rifle platoon leader, anti-tank platoon leader, support platoon leader, combat support company executive officer and company commander. Since then he has served widely in the Oregon Army National Guard, culminating with his assignment as the Assistant Adjutant General, (Army) for the State of Oregon in October 1993.

Brigadier General Hoffman is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College. He also holds a Master of Interdisciplinary Studies degree from the University of Oregon.

CADET CREED

I AM AN ARMY CADET. SOON I WILL
TAKE AN OATH AND BECOME AN ARMY
OFFICER COMMITTED TO *DEFENDING*
THE VALUES WHICH MAKE THIS
NATION GREAT. *HONOR* IS MY
TOUCHSTONE. I UNDERSTAND *MISSION*
FIRST AND *PEOPLE* ALWAYS.

I AM THE *PAST* -- THE SPIRIT OF THOSE
WARRIORS WHO MADE THE FINAL
SACRIFICE.

I AM THE *PRESENT* -- THE SCHOLAR AND
APPRENTICE SOLDIER ENHANCING MY
SKILLS IN THE SCIENCE OF WARFARE
AND THE ART OF *LEADERSHIP*.

BUT ABOVE ALL, I AM THE *FUTURE* --
THE FUTURE *WARRIOR LEADER* OF THE
UNITED STATES ARMY. MAY GOD GIVE
ME THE COMPASSION AND JUDGMENT
TO LEAD AND THE GALLANTRY IN
BATTLE TO WIN.

I WILL DO MY DUTY

