

Commanding Officer

16 Dec. 1964 to

Frank B. Stone graduated from Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pennsylvania, in 1937 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He became an Aviation Cadet at NAS Pensacola and Miami, Fla. After receiving his wings in 1941, he spent the next two years as a flight instructor at NAS Pensacola and NAS Jacksonville.

From May 1943 until October 1945 Captain Stone served as Landing Signal Officer on the aircraft carriers USS RANDOLPH (CV-15) and USS PRINCETON (CVL-23), and for Carrier Air Groups 81 and 87. Following a short tour in seaplanes, Capt. Stone was ordered to Jacksonville in 1946 to become that station's Enlisted Personnel Officer. In 1948, Capt. Stone underwent carrier attack training and became Executive Officer of Attack Squadron Ninety-Four (VA-94). In September 1948 he took command of Attack Squadron Eighty-Five (VA-85).

Capt. Stone attended a postgraduate course at Ohio State University and received a Master of Science degree in Public Administration in June 1951. Subsequently, he was assigned as Enlisted Assignment Officer, Bureau of Naval Personnel; Air Officer, USS RANDOLPH; Operations Officer, Commander Fleet Air, Jacksonville; Naval War College, Newport, R. I.; Detail Officer for Lieutenant Commanders, Bureau of Naval Personnel; Staff Operations Officer, Commander Carrier Division Two; General Plans Section, Joint Chiefs of Staff; CO, Fleet Oiler USS CHEMUNG (AO-30), the winner of COMSERVPAC Battle Efficiency "E" for fiscal year 1964 while under his command.

Capt. Stone is a double plank owner of the USS RANDOLPH. He was part of the first commissioning crew in 1944 and again during recommissioning in 1953. He holds the following campaign and service medals: Asiatic Pacific Theater (with 6 stars); American Theater Ribbon; National Defense ribbon; and Navy Occupation, Europe ribbon.

Capt. Stone is married to the former Miss Frances E. Morrow of Jacksonville, Fla., and has two children, David M. and Sam R. He is the son of Herbert L. Stone and the late Ruth G. (Bowns) Stone of Bloomfield, N. J.

