

COMMANDER OSCAR H. DODSON, U.S.N.

Executive Officer



COMMANDER Dodson was born in Houston, Texas on January 3, 1905. After graduating from Waco, Texas High School he earned an appointment to Annapolis.

Prior to the present conflict, Commander Dodson served on board the U.S.S. New York, U.S.S. Pittsburg, U.S.S. Idaho and the U.S.S. Vincennes. The Commander also took courses at the Naval Torpedo School, Newport, R.I. and the Naval Post Graduate School.

During the present war, he served as Communication Officer of the U.S.S. Hornet, during the Doolittle raid on Tokyo, which he has stated was his most thrilling experience of the war. While on the Hornet he participated in the Battle of Midway and Battle of Santa Cruz, in which she was lost.

He served as staff Communication Officer on the staff of Admiral F. C. Sherman in the carrier Enterprise. While he was staff communication officer for Admiral A. E. Montgomery in the carriers Essex and Bunker Hill he participated in raids on Wake Island, the Gilberts, the Marshalls, Truk and Rabaul. During the occupation of the Gilberts, the Marshalls, Hollandia, New Guinea and the Marianas, Commander Dodson was an important figure on board his ship.