COMMANDING



CDR C. W. TAYLOR, USN

CDR Clinton W. Taylor, USN, a native of Memphis, Tennessee, attended the University of Tennessee and Memphis State University, where he was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree and commissioned as Ensign on 6 June 1952. CDR Taylor was first assigned to duty in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations. In November of 1953 he reported to the USS TWINING (DD 540) at San Diego, California for duty, serving as First Lieutenant and then Gunnery Officer. In January of 1957 CDR Taylor was ordered to the USS BRECKENRIDGE (T-AP 176); there he served as Navigator and Operations Officer until April of 1958. During the following two years he commanded the USS JEFFERSON COUNTY (LST 845). In June of 1960 he was assigned to the U. S. Fleet Gunnery School in San Diego as Executive Officer. From August of 1962 until October of 1964, CDR Taylor served as Executive Officer in USS BACHE (DD 470), he was assigned to shore duty in Washington, D.C., where he served in the office of the Chief of Naval Operations. On 1 July 1966 he was promoted to the rank of Commander. On 6 February 1967 CDR Taylor assumed command on USS HUGH PURVIS (DD 709) at St. Raphael, France.

"Upon being relieved as Commanding Officer USS HUGH PURVIS (DD 709), proceed . . . "

On 7 March 1969 at New Plymouth, New Zealand, before the crew which was assembled on the flight deck, CDR Clinton W. TAYLOR was relieved by CDR William K. MALLINSON as Commanding Officer.

