

future of the world today reduces to just one thing, namely, the possibility of Anglo-American cooperation. The alternative is ever recurring world wars, and the end certainly of Western European and American civilization. I think the answer is in the hands of the citizens of the United States whom you young men will be in position to do much to educate and to lead.

## JUNE COMMENCEMENTS

**A**LTHOUGH the next regular Commencement will be held at the end of October, June brought two special Commencements for graduates of courses arranged primarily to meet war needs and schedules out of phase with the normal academic calendar. The first of these Commencements was held Saturday, June 3, at 10 A.M. in Tournament Park. That day's group of graduates had completed the three-term course in meteorology which was set up several years ago primarily to supply trained meteorologists for the Army. (For the last two or three rounds of the course Navy personnel has also been enrolled in it, and a few civilians). The June 3 graduates comprised officers of the U. S. Naval Reserve, aviation cadets of the U. S. Army Air Forces, and civilians, including several students from Latin American countries who had attended the Institute on U. S. Weather Bureau fellowships. The Certificate in Meteorology was awarded to 11 Navy officers, 131 cadets, and three civilians. The degree of Master of Science was conferred upon 35 Navy officers, nine cadets and one civilian (and, *in absentia*, on five Army officers).

Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, whose son, Cadet Henry D. Magnin, was one of the graduates, served as Commencement chaplain. The Commencement address was delivered by Dr. Max Mason, member of the Institute's Executive Council; Dr. Robert A. Millikan awarded certificates and degrees; and brief addresses were made to the graduates on behalf of the Navy and Army by Rear Admiral Ralston S. Holmes, U.S.N. (Ret.), Navy Department Liaison Officer, N.D.R.C., and Major Philip E. Daugherty, A.U.S., Judge Advocate, Headquarters, Los Angeles Civilian Schools Area, Army Air Forces Western Technical Training Command.

On the following Monday afternoon, June 5, commissioning exercises were held in Tournament Park for the Institute group of cadets and a group from the University of California who had just completed a similar course in meteorology. Major General John F. Curry, Commanding General, Western Technical Training Command, flew west from his headquarters in Denver to take part in the ceremonies. In a colorful ceremony the 260 cadets were reviewed by General Curry and a group of guests consisting of high-ranking Army and Navy officers and representatives of the Institute and U.C.L.A., who reviewed the meteorology training program, and Lieutenant Colonel Oscar Heinlein, who spoke on behalf of the Weather Wing, to which the cadets are assigned after commissioning. Lieutenant Colonel Franklin Rose, commanding officer of both the Institute and U.C.L.A. units, presented awards to outstanding students. After the commissioning oath was administered, General Curry presented the cadets with their commissions as second lieutenants in the Army of the United States. The program closed with the presentation of Awards of Merit to the Institute and U.C.L.A. for their part in the meteorology training program, and to Pomona College for its conduct of a pre-meteorology course.

These exercises marked the termination of the Army's meteorology training. The meteorology course will continue to be given at the Institute, but after July 1 it will

be scheduled on a semester basis and while it will be open to civilians, the students will be principally Navy men who are enlisted in the V-12 College Training Program.

The second June Commencement was held on the morning of the 30th in the Lounge of Dabney Hall. The principal group of graduates were the Army and Navy officers who entered the Institute November 1, 1943, to take the regular two-semester graduate course in aeronautics. Some received the degree of Master of Science in Aeronautics; others, who had completed at least a year of graduate work before being assigned to the Institute, received the professional degree of Aeronautical Engineer. Another group of graduates, composed of members of the Senior class who normally would graduate in October, were granted their degrees at this time because of imminent induction into the armed forces. Dr. Robert A. Millikan delivered the Commencement address on June 30.

## COMMISSION WON BY HANCHETT

**H**OLLIS K. Hanchett, '43, was graduated as a second lieutenant recently from the Army Air Forces Training Command School at Yale University. During the graduation ceremony his mother, a second lieutenant in the Wacs, had the distinction of pinning the bars on her son.

Lieutenant Hollis Hanchett is now stationed at Boeing Aircraft School for B-29 Engineers at Seattle, Washing-



ton, and his mother is stationed at Fort Douglas, Utah, where she is performing administrative duties in the Tank and Automotive Section of the Ordnance Division.

Wac Lieutenant Ilda L. Hanchett won the National Women's Archery championship in 1932, and Lieutenant Hollis Hanchett won the junior archery title three years later. About a year ago mother and son gave up one of the world's most ancient weapons in favor of more effective firing equipment aimed at Axis targets.