Vice Admiral Stuart H. Ingersoll

PRESIDENT, 13 AUGUST 1957 – 30 JUNE 1960 Oil on Canvas Commander Edmond J. Fitzgerald, USNR, 1958 Naval War College Purchase Ac. 1976.39.01



Vice Admiral Stuart H. Ingersoll (d. 1983) became the thirty-first president of the College in August 1957. In 1944, he had commanded the carrier USS Monterey (CVL 26) in the Leyte campaign and through "Halsey's Typhoon." When he came to the Naval War College, he had served for twelve years as a flag officer and commanded both the Sixth and Seventh Fleets. He brought to the College a broad background in planning and leadership in postwar unified commands. It was during Ingersoll's administration that war gaming at the College made a significant change from a manual procedure to computerization. On 7 November 1958 the Naval Electronic Warfare Simulator (NEWS) was commissioned in the central wing of Sims Hall.