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## Cmdr. Knutson Former Lehigh Educator, Cited

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Former assistant professor of electrical engineering at Lehigh University, Commander Henry C. I. Knutson, USNR, has been given a commendation by the Secretary of the Navy for outstanding performance of duty during the war in the Special Devices Division, Washington, D. C.

The presentation was made by Rear Admiral H. G. Bowen, Chief Office of Research and Inventions, Navy Department.

The commendation, awarded to Commander Knutson for "outstanding performance of duty as Head of the Radar Section of the Special



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Devices Division, Bureau of Aeronautics, from August 1942 to May 1945", read: "Responsible for organizing and developing the facilities of this activity to meet the needs of the Navy's rapidly expanding airborne electronics program. Lieut. Commander Knutson originated numerous radar training devices which have been incorporated in the syllabi in all activities using radar equipment and throughout all stages of the program for training pilots and aircrew men in maintenance and operation of radar, including night fighting of pilots. By his initiative, leadership and expert technical and professional skill in a new field, Lt. Commander Knutson contributed materially to the successful prosecution of the war and upheld the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

Lt. Cmdr. Knutson, now coordinator of engineering, Special Devices Division, is a graduate of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and Columbia University, New York. He left Lehigh University for Naval duty in August, 1942.

While on duty in Washington, Commander and Mrs. Knutson and their two sons reside at Landover Hills, Md.

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