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Historical Highlights

Establishment of NPS

By order of the Secretary of the Navy, NPS was re-designated from Annapolis, Maryland to Monterey, Ca., Dec. 5, 1951. The order to move NPS from Annapolis to Monterey simultaneously dis-established the U.S. Naval General Line School, which had operated in Monterey since February 1948. Then Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Admiral T.L. Sprague foretold the status that NPS would eventually achieve as the Navy's premiere source of graduate education. "Monterey is destined to become as symbolic of Naval leadership as we have come to recognize Annapolis ... In establishing the Postgraduate School at Monterey we have reaffirmed our conviction that sea power rests on science," said Sprague.

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