

# Civil Air Patrol Given Citation

## Mounted Group Is Praised

Citing especially, the mounted squadron of the Nevada wing of the civil air patrol, Col. Harry Blee, national commander, commended the Nevada group at its fourth anniversary dinner meeting at the El Cortez hotel.

Col. Blee said that the Nevada wing had one of the nation's outstanding records in search and rescue missions, plus other patrol work, although it is one of the smallest groups in the country. The mounted squadron in this state was the only one of its kind in the nation and was of extreme benefit in accomplishing rescues from crashed planes in near inaccessible mountain country.

The visiting official said that future plans for the civil air patrols' operation are still pending in Washington, D. C. When they are more definitely formed, he added, wing commanders throughout the country would be called to the capital for reports and instructions. He is now on a national tour reviewing past work of the patrol and investigating new projects.

Attending the Reno meeting were Lt. Col. Eugene Howell, wing commander for Nevada; wing staff and squadron commanders Capts. William McCabe, Jack Layland, Kenneth Henderson, George Laugh-ton, Curtis Farr, Kirk B. Loney, Art Sowle; Lts. Les Connelley, Clark Todd, Robert Miller; Flight Officer Paul Ossorghin, Bert Acree, Harry Dunseath, Carl Standey; Warrant Officer Clarence Hamp.