

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Aug 15 1944	Given 2nd class salary.	"
Mar 31 1945	Given 1st class salary.	"
Jun 15 1945	Appointed Reserve Naval Technical Ensign.	Cabinet
"	Awarded 1st class salary.	YOKOSUKA Naval Station
"	Assigned to active duty during general mobilization.	"
"	Attached to the YOKOSUKA Naval Station.	"
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Date	matters	jurisdiction
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Date	Matters	Jurisdiction (2)
Sept 30, 1941	Given 4th class salary	YOKOSUKA Naval Station
Sept 30, 1942	Given 3rd class salary	"
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There was no cross-examination.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF THE RECORD
August 21, 1947
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Naval Preparations
IWASAKI - Direct

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DIRECT EXAMINATION OF IWASAKI, Asashichi
BY MR. BRANNON

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The witness stated that he lived in Tokyo. He identified Exhibit No. 2997 as his affidavit and verified it. The affidavit stated that * from 1928 to 1945 the witness was as assistant engineer in the naval construction division of the Yokosuka Naval Station and he supervised and planned various blueprint maps for potential naval construction. Around August 1940 his office received a routine order from the General Staff to prepare a blueprint draft on some building construction on Wotje. He supervised the making of the blueprint which was completed in three days. This was routine because it was quite customary to receive various assignments for blueprint construction to give the Navy accurate information on which to base requests for the navy budget.

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They had yearly work assignment sheets which were put on the shelf after completion and never used. The blueprint prepared by his assistants and himself was the same * and was given in evidence Exhibit 1253-C. It was not the kind used in actual construction of buildings. The execution plan would be on a different kind of paper. If the blueprint had actually been the one used to construct the buildings, the identification box would show the name of the engineer in charge of execution. He had with him the type of form used in making actual blueprints from which construction would be made to point out the difference in form. He had such a form with him. He did not undertake the plans for construction that were actually to be utilized as direct building plans. That type of work was done by special personnel handling final * execution plans. In August or September 1941, he recalled that a staff officer asked for this particular map. It is quite possible that the planning map would be used as the basis for construction of an execution plan. It would take three to five months of concentrated effort to construct the buildings and projects set forth in the blueprint. The blueprint shows only the location of objectives to be achieved and not the dimensions necessary for construction.

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The ordinary practice would be to take this blueprint to Wotje, make a spot investigation and then begin drafting the actual execution plan. From viewing the map which he prepared and the aerial photographs of Wotje, he noted a discrepancy in the outlines of the airfield itself. It was impossible for him to tell from looking at the aerial photograph what the various constructions consist of. He could not identify, although he was not an expert, the items mentioned on the map as being those in the photograph.

There was no cross-examination.

20 Aug 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Cmdr. Cole; Mr. Sutton ✓
FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief,
Investigative Division, IPS
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT

Witness General

WITNESS

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

IWASAKI, Asashichi

Curriculum Vitae

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by initialling and returning attached carbon copy to this office, Room 300.

Incl
(Described above)

EPM
EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

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Prepared by: Capt. J. J. Robinson
Commander C. T. Cole

Date: 18 August 1947

IWASAKI, Asashichi

1. Requested as witness by: No request for a subpoena has been served. The first notice was service of deposition of the witness (Def. Doc. No. 1521).

2. Present Status: Unknown

3. Summary of Personal History:

From 1 September, 1928 until 15 October, 1945, he was employed as Assistant Engineer in Naval Construction Division of the Yokosuka Naval Station.

Curriculum Vitae will be attached hereto as soon as it can be obtained.

4. Summary of Interrogations: None available

5. References to witness in Court Exhibits - None found.

6. Analysis of Affidavit (Def. Doc. #1521):

The affidavit states as follows:

(a) About August, 1940, his office received a routine order from the Naval General Staff to prepare a blueprint draft of building construction on Wotje Island to be used as a basis for a budget request. Affiant prepared this blueprint in three days. It is the same blueprint in evidence as Prosecution Exhibit 1253C. (p. 1)

(b) This blueprint was not the kind to be used in actual construction of buildings as is shown by the kind of paper used. (p. 2)

(c) In August or September, 1941, a staff officer came to affiant's office and asked for this particular map. It is quite possible that this planning map would be used as a basis for the construction of an execution map. It would take approximately 3 to 5 months of concentrated effort to construct the various buildings set forth in the blueprint. (p. 2)

(d) The blueprint shows only the location and not the dimensions of the construction. (p. 3)

(IWASAKI, Asashichi - prepared by Capt. Robinson and Comdr. Cole, contd)

- (e) Witness states he cannot identify the items mentioned on the blueprint map as being those in the aerial photograph. (Prosecution Exhibit 1253A and B) (p. 3)

7. Suggested Cross-Examination of Witness:

- Q: Why was this blueprint completed in such a hurry (3 days) in August, 1940 although the budget was not until 1 April, 1941?
- Q: Have you a copy of the routine order from the Naval General Staff which you mention on page 1 of your affidavit? What happened to it?
- Q: What data did you use in preparing this blueprint?
- Q: How much of the buildings and fields, etc. shown on your blueprint was already constructed or in process of construction in 1940?
(NOTE - Affidavit of YOSHIDA, Hidemi, Def. Doc. #1518, p. 5, states that one runway on Wotje was started in 1940 and completed in 1941.)
- Q: When was the execution plan prepared based on your planning map?
- Q: Who were the special personnel referred to on page 2 of your affidavit who handled such final execution plans?
- Q: Where are they now?
- Q: Who was the staff officer referred to on page 2 of your affidavit to whom you delivered the planning map?
- Q: What is his name? Where is he now?

NOTE - In view of the fact that cross-examination of this witness will probably only strengthen his testimony, it is suggested that it might be best to merely get him to confirm the fact that he did in fact prepare the blueprint in evidence as Prosecution Exhibit 1253-C, and then terminate further cross-examination.

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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al) A F F I D A V I T

- AGAINST -

OF

ARAKI, Sadao, et al

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IWASAKI, Asashichi

1. My name is IWASAKI, Asashichi. I reside in Tokyo. From September 1st, 1928 until October 15th, 1945 I was employed as an assistant engineer in the Naval Construction Division of the YOKOSUKA Naval Station. My duties encompassed the supervision and planning of various blueprint maps for potential naval construction.

2. Some time around August 1940, My office received a routine order from the Naval General Staff to prepare a blueprint draft of some building constructions on Wotje Island. I supervised the making of this blueprint which was done by my assistants. It was completed in approximately three days. My reference to the making of this blueprint as a routine order was because it was quite customary for my office to receive various assignments for blueprint construction in order to give the Navy definite and accurate information on which to base their requests for the Naval Budget around April 1st of each year. We had yearly work assignment sheets which were put on the shelf after completion and never used.

3. The particular blueprint prepared by my assistants and myself pertaining to Wotje Island is the same one which is in evidence before this Court as Prosecution



objectives to be achieved and not the dimensions that are actually necessary for construction. The ordinary practice involved would be to take this blueprint map to the Island of Wotje, make a spot investigation, and then return and commence the drafting of the actual execution plan.

5. From viewing the blueprint map which I prepared and the aerial photographs of Wotje Island, Prosecution Exhibit 1253A and 1253B, I note a discrepancy in the outlines of the air field itself. It is also impossible for me to tell from looking at the aerial photograph what the various constructions consist of. While I am not an expert in the matter of reading aerial photographs, I must say that I can not identify the items mentioned on the blueprint map as being those in the photograph.

On this 26 day of May, 1947

At TOKYO

DEPONENT IWASAKI Asashichi (seal)

I, ONO, Seichiro hereby certify that the above statement was sworn by the Deponent, who affixed his signature and seal thereto in the presence of this Witness.

On the same date

At TOKYO

Witness: (signed) ONO, Seichiro (seal)

Exhibit 1253C. This blueprint is not the kind to be used in actual construction of buildings. The Execution Plan or the plan from which actual constructions would be made consists of a different kind of paper. If this blueprint had actually been the one that had been used in constructing the buildings on Wotje Island, the identification box in the lower right hand corner would show the name of the engineer actually in charge of executing the plan. I have with me the type of form that is used in making actual blueprints from which construction would be made and point out that in the lower right hand corner the form is entirely different, as I stated before. I did not undertake the plans for construction that were actually to be utilized as direct building plans. That type of work was done by special personnel handling final execution plans.

In either August or September of 1941, I recall that a staff officer came to my office and asked for this particular map which I gave to him personally. It is quite possible that this planning map would be used as the basis for the construction of an execution plan. It would take approximately three to five months of concentrated effort to construct the various buildings and projects set forth in this blueprint. It will be noted that the blueprint shows only the location of the

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DEF. DOC. #1521

OATH

In accordance with my conscience I swear to tell
the whole truth withholding nothing and adding nothing.

IWASAKI Asashichi(seal)

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