

1 "Witness Inglis:

Questions by Mr. Gesell

2 to say again that no sight contact was obtained.

3 Mr. Gesell: Could you when you get to it also let us
4 know whether the chart has charted the flight of the planes or
5 whether it has taken into account the additional reconnais-
6 sance possible by eyesight from the extremity of the re-
7 connaissance?

8 Admiral Inglis: I am informed that the chart was only
9 intended to show the actual flight of the planes and not the
10 extension because of any radius of visibility.

11 Mr. Gesell: Have you any opinion as to what the maximum
12 area of visibility might be?

13 Admiral Inglis: I am afraid I cannot answer that.

14 Mr. Gesell: That would depend on the height of the
15 planes and the atmospheric condition at the time, I take it.

16 Admiral Inglis: That is correct, sir.

17 Mr. Gesell: As well as the eyesight of the pilots?

18 Admiral Inglis: Correct.

19 Mr. Mitchell: Just one question, Admiral.

20 This reconnaissance we have just been talking about on
21 the vertical lines was the reconnaissance made after the
22 attack in an effort to locate the carriers?

23 Admiral Inglis: That is correct.

24 Mr. Mitchell: The horizontal lines west of Pearl Harbor
25 represent the only reconnaissance, I understand, that was

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2 made on the 7th prior to the attack?

3 Admiral Inglis: That is correct, sir.

4 Mr. Mitchell: And that reconnaissance, whether you can
5 see fifty miles beyond the limits of the plane's flight, was
6 obviously nowhere near the Jap fleets or the Jap carriers or
7 the incoming planes?

8 Admiral Inglis: That is correct, sir.

9 Mr. Mitchell: I think that is all.

10 Mr. Gearhart: Mr. Mitchell, I wonder if you would in-
11 quire from the witness what the initials "GMT" mean in
12 connection with time?

13 Mr. Mitchell: Greenwich meridian time; over in England
14 somewhere.

15 Mr. Gearhart: Of course.

16 Mr. Mitchell: That is the starting point of all time.

17 Mr. Gesell: Congressman, you will find all times trans-
18 posed from that base in one of the schedules in the Navy
19 folder.

20 Mr. Gearhart: I see the exhibit here. In one of the
21 items here they classify the time as "GMT December 8th."
22 What would that mean United States, what would that mean
23 Hawaii and what would that mean in Japan?

24 Mr. Mitchell: There is a table that gives all that.
25 We can look it up for you. It is in an exhibit in evidence.

1 Mr. Gesell: Item 4, Mr. Gearhart, of the Navy exhibit.
2 It is transposed into our time for the fifth, sixth and
3 seventh, so that we can tell from any time we have what time
4 it was at the key points, any different kind or type of time
5 we want.

6 Mr. Gearhart: Thank you very much.

7 Mr. Gesell: I think that will prove helpful as the
8 hearing goes along.

9 Mr. Gearhart: Thank you.

10 Mr. Gesell: All right.

11 Senator Ferguson: Mr. Chairman, I have another exhibit
12 of that Opana marked 15, in evidence. This may be clearer
13 than the one I put in. I wonder whether we should also put
14 this exhibit in? The other one was not so clear.

15 Mr. Mitchell: Is it a photostat of that other one?

16 Senator Ferguson: I cannot tell without comparing the
17 two.

18 Mr. Mitchell: Suppose we look at it over the week end
19 and see what it is.

20 Mr. Murphy: Mr. Chairman, for the record, in view of
21 the fact that the witness was asked about the other one I
22 would say that they both should go in.

23 Senator Ferguson: That is what I had in mind, that
24 they both go in.

25 The Chairman: I see no objection to them both going

1 in, but counsel say they want to see over the week end what
2 it is.

3 Senator Ferguson: May I inquire if the witness over
4 the week end will compare it, compare the three to show the
5 differences? I think this is much clearer and it will be
6 helpful and he will be able to see the differences between
7 them.

8 Mr. Mitchell: That is what I had in mind.

9 Admiral Inglis: This is not mine.

10 Mr. Mitchell: Oh, this is the Army's?

11 Admiral Inglis: Yes.

12 Mr. Mitchell: Now, Senator Brewster asked about these
13 sources of material exhibits on the last statement. Would
14 you like to have them over the week end?

15 Senator Brewster: I would like over the week end and
16 for the convenience of counsel have them for two or three
17 hours. I will send them back to counsel.

18 Mr. Mitchell: We will turn them over to you and leave
19 them in your office and if any of the other members of the
20 committee want to see them they can do so.

21 The Chairman: Is the English translation on the exhibit?

22 Mr. Mitchell: We will give him one with the English
23 translation on.

24 The Chairman: I think the Senator from Maine wanted the
25 English translation. I thought if the Senator from Maine

1 wanted the English translation I would take the one in
2 Japanese home with me over the week end.

3 Senator Brewster: I might comment that I think probably
4 the examination could be as much as the Senator has made of
5 any of the other exhibits.

6 The Chairman: The Senator from Maine has no information
7 on that subject.

8 Senator Brewster: Well, the Chairman had no information
9 from me either.

10 The Chairman: As is the similar case on many subjects
11 which he discusses.

12 Senator Ferguson: May I inquire when Senator Brewster
13 will get them, so that we may be able to see them in Senator
14 Brewster's office?

15 Mr. Gesell: Why doesn't he put them under his arm and
16 take it right now?

17 Senator Ferguson: That is a good suggestion.

18 Mr. Murphy: Mr. Chairman, may I ask a question of the
19 Senator from Maine?

20 The Chairman: Yes.

21 Mr. Murphy: May I be permitted to see the Hewitt report?

22 Senator Brewster: Yes.

23 Mr. Keefe: There is one question that I am not quite
24 clear on and I would like to have the witness give the infor-
25 mation. He may have given it but I am not quite clear on it.

Witness Inglis:

Questions by Mr. Keefe

1 and that is the question as to the approximate mileage dis-
2 tance from Pearl Harbor of this task force, the Japanese task
3 force, at the time the message was received.

4 Admiral Inglis: I gave it as closely as I could estimate
5 it and you will remember, Congressman Keefe, that they were
6 eight hundred miles north of Oahu at the time they turned
7 due south. That was eight hundred miles north of Oahu.

8 Now, the point at which -- I just guessed and I must in-
9 sist that it is only a guess, - at which they probably re-
10 ceived that radio message is where that track crosses the
11 160th meridian, and again just guessing, I would say that
12 was two hundred miles further back towards Japan or, let us
13 say, a thousand miles roughly.

14 Mr. Keefe: About a thousand miles north of Oahu when
15 this message was received?

16 Admiral Inglis: Well, a thousand miles back along
17 their track. Of course, that was not due north because it
18 was a zig-zag course.

19 Mr. Keefe: All right.

20 The Chairman: Well, is there any further clarification
21 desired by anybody of the Admiral's testimony before we re-
22 cess?

23 Mr. Gearhart: Mr. Chairman, I would like to have one
24 more initial clarified. "GCT", what does that mean?

25 Admiral Inglis: Greenwich Civil Time.

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Questions by Mr. Gearhart

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2 Mr. Gearhart: What is the difference?

3 Admiral Inglis: I am a little rusty on my navigation
4 at the moment, but as I recall it Greenwich Meridian Time
5 starts at midnight and Greenwich Civil Time starts at noon,
6 or just the other way around.

7 Mr. Gearhart: I would like to ask you to help me in
8 deciding what kind of time we have got here.

9 The Chairman: We don't want any two-timers.

10 Mr. Gearhart: But the message was broadcast over the
11 radio in Japan at two o'clock, I think it was, GMT December
12 8, 1941. Do you know whether that refers to Japanese time
13 or to time within the United States?

14 Admiral Inglis: If it is expressed in that way that
15 would be London time.

16 Mr. Gearhart: London time?

17 Admiral Inglis: That would be London time, when it says
18 "GMT". That is what it says, isn't it, "GMT"?

19 Mr. Gearhart: Yes.

20 Admiral Inglis: GMT would be that time in London with
21 the base point noon rather than midnight.

22 Mr. Gearhart: Then if I should look at the chart in
23 the Navy folder and find London time, in a moment's calcula-
24 tion I can take the time for London and determine what it is
25 in the United States and what it was in Japan?

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Admiral Inglis: I think you can, sir.

The Chairman: If there is nothing further, the committee will recess until ten o'clock Monday morning.

(Whereupon, at 12:45 o'clock P.M., November 17, 1945, an adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock A.M., Monday, November 19, 1945.)

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