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Mr. Richardson: Mr. Chairman, in view of the fact that the members of the committee cannot attend for several days, if you could give us another half hour we could clear the record so as to help the printer out on the record. We need but one faithful committee member to remain with us while we put this material in.

The Vice Chairman: Go ahead.

Senator Ferguson: May I ask what it will be?

Mr. Richardson: This is a summation of requests heretofore made, and counsel is now prepared to present the matter.

Mr. Morgan will present it.

Mr. Morgan: Mr. Chairman, at page 879 of the record Congressman Gearhart requested the log of the U.S.S. HELENA. Commander Baecher has provided the log, and we would like to offer as Exhibit 163.

The Vice Chairman: It will be received.

(The log referred to was marked Exhibit 163)

Mr. Morgan: At pages 8342 and 8346 Congressman Murphy requested reports supplied by General Short with respect to the attack on Oahu. These reports were shown to Mr. Murphy and we have them compiled and will offer them as Exhibit 164.

The Vice Chairman: They will be so received.

(The reports referred to were marked as Exhibit 164.)

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Office dated April 10, 1946 reading as follows:

"MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON:

"In response to Congressman Murphy's inquiry at page
4532 of the committee transcript, there is enclosed a copy
of a partial translation of a document relating to a 23
February 1941 conference between German Foreign Minister
Ribbentrop and Japanese Ambassador Oshima. The partial
translation was obtained from the Office of the United States
Chief of Coumsel for the Prosecution of Axis Criminality."

This document was distributed among the members of the committee. We would like to offer it as Exhibit 165.

The Vice Chairman: It will be so received.

(The document referred to was marked as Exhibit 165.)

Mr. Morgan: Some time ago there was distributed to the members of the committee a copy of the dispatch from Ambassador Winant to the State Department dated November 2, 1941. Instead of offering this as an exhibit we would like to have it spread on the record.

The Vice Chairman: The document referred to will be spread on the record.

(The matter referred to is as follows:)

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This telegram must be closely paraphrased before being communicated to anyone. (SC) London

Dated November 2, 1941

Rec'd 7:36 a.m.

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TRIPLE PRIORITY

5213, November 2, noon.

PERSONAL AND SECRET TO THE PRESIDENT FROM THE FORMER NAVAL PERSON

formed, we are sending that big ship you inspected into the Indian Ocean as part of the squadron we are forming there. This ought to serve as a deterrent on Japan. There is nothing like having something that can catch and kill anything. I am very glad we can spare her at this juncture as it is more than we thought we could do some time ago. The firmer your attitude and ours, the less chance of their taking the plunge.

I am grieved at the loss of life you have suffered with REUBEN JAMES. I salute the land of unending challenge!"

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Mr. Morgan: Pursuant to the request of Senator Lucas at page 154-5 of the record, we have the following communication, dated November 30, 1945, from Commander Baecher, the Navy liaison officer:

"Subject: Time of receipt of the message from the U.S.S. WARD, by Admiral Bloch and Admiral Kimmel."

We would like to have this communication plus the enclosure spread on the record at this point.

The Vice Chairman: The communication and the enclosure 10 will be spread on the record at this point.

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The Vice Chairman: The communication and the enclosure will be spread on the record at this point.

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Office of the Secretary

Washington

30 November 1945

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. William D. Mitchell.

Subject: Time of receipt of the message from the U. S. S. WARD, by Admiral Bloch and Admiral Kimmel.

1. Pursuant to your request there is enclosed a report indicating the time the message, from the U.S.S. WARD, was received by Admiral Bloch and Admiral Kimmel.

/s/ John Ford Baecher

Lt. Comdr. USNR

Acknowledge receipt of the above enclosure.

TIME OF RECEIPT OF WARD'S MESSAGE BY ADMIRAL BLOCH AND ADMIRAL KIMMEL

RECEIPT BY ADMIRAL BLOCK

Page 1727 by Lt. Cmdr. Kaminski, the watch officer for the 14th Naval District, at 0712.

Robert's Report Captain John B. Earle, Chief of Staff of Page 1747 the 14th Naval District, states that he received this message from Lt. Cdr. Kaminski

et 0710 or 0712, and that he immediately

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called Admiral Bloch, Commandant, 14th Naval District.

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Vol. 2, page 401 Admiral Bloch states that he was informed of the WARD S message at about 0715 by Captain Earle, They discussed the possibility of this report being another false contact, and before the matter had been clarified, the air attack had begun.

RECEIPT BY ADMIRAL KIMMEL

Robert's Report Lt. Cdr. Kaminski, the watch officer for the 14th Naval District, states that he phoned the message to CincPac's duty officer a minute or two after received it at 0712. Admiral Kimmel (CincPac) states that on Vol. 2, pages receiving the message from his duty officer between 0730 and 0740, he presumed that this report was another false contact, and while waiting for amplification of it, the bombing attack started.

Robert's Report At 0800, CincPac sent a message to all Page 1544 ships and stations, stating: "Air Raid on Pearl Harbor. This is not a drill."

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Mr. Morgan: At page 185 of the record, Senator Ferguson inquired as to why the B-17's which were sent to Hawaii shortly before the attack were unarmed. We have a communication from the Army liaison officer, dated 2 April, 1946, in this regard, which we would like to have spread on the record at this point.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record.

(The communication referred to is as follows:)

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WAR DEPARTMENT

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Room 4D757

The Pentagon

2 April 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON:

At page 185 of the Committee transcript, Senator

Ferguson asked why the B-17s which arrived at Oahu from

the West Coast on the morning of 7 December 1941 were

without ammunition. Testimony on this subject by

General Marshall will be found in the Committee transcript

at p. 2960 and in the Army Pearl Harbor Board top secret

transcript at pages 20-21, and by General Arnold in the

Army Board's secret transcript at page 168.

/s/ Carl R. Nelson Capt., AUS ATC5

Mr. Morgan: Pursuant to a request made by Senator Ferguson at pages 200-201 of the transcript for all drafts and notes in connection with Admiral Inglis' statement of the attack, we now have a communication from the Navy Department dated January 25, 1946 which we would like to have spread on the record pursuant to that request.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record. (The communication referred to is as follows:)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Office of the Secretary

Washington

25 January 1946

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Seth W. Richardson.

1. Reference is made to the request of Senator Ferguson (transcript pages 200-201) that all drafts and notes in connection with Admiral Inglis; statement of attack be furnished the Committee. All of the material involved was destroyed as, in the course of work, it was superseded by more finished drafts, and when the final draft was completed on 24 November, all previous material was destroyed.

/s/ John Ford Baecher Lt. Comdr., USNR. WLC3

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Mr. Morgan: Pursuant to a request made by Mr. Gearhart at page 276 of the record with respect to a search of the Navy Department files concerning any instructions relative to maintenance of radio silence in effect in the Atlantic and Pacific fleets at the time of Pearl Harbor, we have a detailed memorandum from Commander Baecher in this regard, dated February 19, 1946, which we ask be spread on the record.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record at this point.

(The detailed memorandum referred to is as follows:)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

WASHINGTON

19 February 1946

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Seth W. Richardson

1. Pursuant to committee request, a search has been made to determine the conditions of radio silence in effect in the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets at the time of Pearl Harbor.

ATLANTIC FLEET

In accordance with a directive issued by the CinC, Atlantic Fleet CINCLANT Op-Plan No. 7-41, dated 1 September 1941, file A4-3(4)/(00164)/ and under which the Fleet began to operate about 1 October 1941, radio communication was prohibited except that which was authorized by the following portion of the directive:

- (1) To forward contact and important amplifying reports which it is impracticable to transmit by visual methods."
- (2) "All traffic pertaining to operations in progress for which plans are being made, may be transmitted by radio if trans-

mission by visual methods or mail are considered impracticable."

(3) "Information considered vital to the accomplishment of the task and of a greater importance than the preservation of communication security may be transmitted by radio to units not within visual communication."

B. PACIFIC FLEET

In accordance with CinCPac directives to individual Task Forces (for example, CinCPac dispatch 280447 of November 1941 to Task Forces TWO and EIGHT), the fleet was operating under Radio Condition 19 which prohibited radio communication except that which was authorized by the following:

- (1) "To forward traffic vital to the accomplishment of an assigned task when no other means of transmission would suffice."
- (2) "To make the limited transmissions necessary for a parent vessel to recover lost planes."

/s/ John Ford Baecher
Lt. Cmdr., USNR

1083A R120

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

WASHINGTON

2 April 1946

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Mr. Seth W. Richardson

1. By memorandum of 19 February 1946 (1083A R#120) information was forwarded you by the undersigned in respect of the conditions of radio activity and silence in effect in the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets, including that the Atlantic Fleet was operating under Op-Plan 7-41. In amplification of the information in that memorandum; it is desired to further advise you that Op-Plan*7-41 was placed in effect in the Atlantic Fleet at 1200 hours dated 10 September 1941.

/s/ John Ford Baecher

Lieutenant Commander, USNR

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Mr. Morgan: At page 299 and again at 780-2 of the transcript Congressman Gearhart requested records relating to the transfer of ships from the Pacific to the Atlantic from May to December, 1941. This material was rather extensive and detailed and for purposes of the record we would like to indicate that it was delivered to Congressman Gearhart on April 10 with the request that he advise as to portions, if any, he desired incorporated in the record.

Senator Ferguson: May I request the Chair that the aide to the military, the Army, furnish us with all logs kept in the Secretary's or Chief of Staff's office for the month of November and the first seven days up until the 7th of December.

Mr. Masten: What kind of logs?

Senator Ferguson: Any logs like we have seen here today.

Mr. Masten: Telephone operators?

Senator Ferguson: Duty officer logs and watch officer logs.

And I would like to have the Navy produce their logs for the same period.

The Vice Chairman: The liaison officers will take note of the requests.

Proceed.

Mr. Morgan: At page 7844 of the record Congressman Murphy requested a copy of the order which started the formation of

the Naval Coastal Frontier Forces after they had set up a command. This information has been supplied by the Navy. For the purpose of the record we would like to indicate that it was presented to Mr. Murphy on April 10, 1946 with the request that he indicate what portions he desired incorporated in the transcript:

At page 7940 Senator Ferguson requested identifying data concerning a message dated November 29, 1941 from the Adjutant General to Commanding General, Hawaii, which was read into the record at pages 7937-7938. This has been supplied under communication dated January 22, 1946 from the Army liaison officer, Lieutenant Colonel Harmon Duncombe, which we ask be spread on the record.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record.

(The communication referred to is as follows:)

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Washington

22 January 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON

The Office of the Adjutant General has supplied the following information concerning radio message #489, dated 29 November 1941, from the Adjutant General to the Commanding General, Hawaii:

- a. "AG 381 (11-29-41) MC-E" in the upper right corner is the file notation for the message. "AG 381" is the designation for "Far Eastern Situation"; "(11-29-41)" is the date of the memorandum directing the preparation of the cable. "MC" shows that the cable was prepared in the Miscellaneous Division, Confidential Section of the Office of the Adjutant General. "E" indicates that the memorandum directing the preparation of the cable was issued by the War Plans Division.
- b. "EHB/cdm 1712" shows that Elmer H.

 Boughton in the Miscellaneous Division, Secret and

 Confidential Section of the Adjutant General's Office

 was in charge of the physical preparation of the cable,

 that it was typed by Corrine D. Moss, and that the

 work was done in Room 1712 Munitions Building.
 - e whe signature is that of Colonel A. P.

Sullivan, who at the time of the preparation of the cable was in charge of the Operations Branch, Adjutant General: Office.

- d. The handwritten notation "#489" is the number assigned to the message by the War Department Message Center.
- e. "BASED ON: WPD 4571-5, 11/29/41" in the lower left shows that the cable was prepared from a War Plans Division memorandum having the file number WPD 4571-5, of 29 November 1941.
- f. The stamp "47 AGO DEC 8 1941 Received" in the lower right shows that this copy of the cable was received on 8 December 1941 by Classifier No. 47 in the mail room of the Office of the Adjutant General.
- g. "File Dec 23 1941 BJS" in the lower right corner shows that the cable was received in the classified files of the Office of the Adjutant General on 23 December 1941; the initials are those of Betty J. Sherbourne.
- h. "Green cy w/d & destroyed by burning,

 12/30/41, CDM 1705" in the lower left shows that
 the green-paper duplicate copy of this cable retained
 by the Miscellaneous Division, Secret and Confidential
 Section of the Office of the Adjutant General was

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"CDM" are the initials of Corrine D. Moss, Room 1705 Munitions Building.

1. "Ro 1-6-42" in the lower left corner shows that this cable was indexed on 6 January 1942 by Rose Coccaro.

HARMON DUNCOMBE

Lt. Colonel, GSC

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Mr. Morgan: Pursuant to a request made by Senator Ferguson at page 8531 of the transcript for information on the number of priority dispatches sent to Hawaii by the War Department on 7 December 1941, we have a communication, with enclosures from the War Department, dated 27 February 1946, and we would request that the letter of transmittal and enclosures be spread on the record at this point.

The Vice Chairman: The material will be so spread on the record.

(The material referred to is as follows:)

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Washington

Room 4D757

The Pentagon

27 February 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON:

In response to your 31 January memorandum forwarding Senator Ferguson's request for information on the number of priority dispatches sent to Hawaii by the War Department on 7 December 1941, and to Senator Ferguson's further inquiry (Tr. 8530-1) as to what periority messages were decoded in Hawaii before the 7 December Marshall varning, the following information is submitted:

- a. In a search of the War Department records, file copies have been found of four radios to Hawaii, each marked "priority" and bearing the notation "Sent 12/7". Three (Nos. 524, 525 and 527) are dated 6 December; the fourth, No. 530, is dated the 7th.
- b. No. 529, the Marshall warning, which was sent over commercial facilities, carried in its heading the notation "U. S. Govt", entitling it to priority in transmission in accordance with Western Union and RCA tariffs then in effect (Indosure No. 1). Testimony concerning additional measures taken to expedite transmission of No. 529 appears at page 195

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of the Army Pearl Harbor Board transcript and page 1843 of the Roberts Commission transcript.

No. 529 was received by RCA Honolulu at 7:33 a.m., delivered to the Signal Office, Fort Shafter, about 11:45 a.m., and decoded at 2:41 p. m. No records are available showing when the four messages mentioned in paragraph a were received and decoded in Hawaii. A delivery book of the Headquarters Hawaiian Department shows that the three dated 6 Lecember were delivered (presumably after decoding) as follows: No. 524 at 7:25 p. m. on 6 December, No. 525 at 5:14 p.m. on 7 December and No. 527 at 9:25 s.m. on 8 December, all Hawalian time. The delivery book shows that No. 530 of the 7th was delivered at "1002A", probably on the 7th (messages entered in the delivery book immediately before and after No. 530 have "12-7-41" in the "date delivered" column; the date space for No. 530 contains initials rather than a date). If delivered at 10:02 a.m. on 7 December, No. 530 must have been decoded before the Marshall warning was decoded. It will be noted, however, that No. 530 could not have been decoded before the attack, since, according to the time stamp on the back of the War Department copy, No. 530 did not leave the War Department until cometime efter 2:14 p. m. Washington time (8:44 a. m. Hawaiian time).

/s/ Harmon Duncombe

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SIGNAL CORPS, UNITED STATES ARMY

The following message was received at Radio Station WTJ in CODE

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TOME TODAY WHAT AMOUNTS TO AN ULTIMATUM ALSO THEY ARE UNDER ORDERS TO DESTROY THEIR CODE MACHINE IMMEDIATELY STOP JUST WHAT SIGNIFICANCE THE HOUR SET MAY HAVE WE DO NOT KNOW BUT BE ON ALERT ACCORDINGLY STOP INFORM NAVAL AUTHORITIES OF THIS COMMUNICATION



MARSHALL

(SECRET)

Received as a (CONHIDENTIAM) communication

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Decoded by: LT J H BA (200K) ...251P...DEC 7 1941

Answer should be marked "ANSWER to Code Message No. ... 529 7TH NOTE. See A.R. 330-5 and 335-5 for handling messages of this classification.

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The Western Union Telegraph Company

TARIFF BOOK No. 73

1941

LONGRAMS are telegrams accepted at rates lower than telegram or serial rates as a deferred service subordinated to telegrams and serials in transmission and delivery. These messages are identified by the symbol "LG". The service is available between points in the United States only.

The RATE for a LONGRAM of 100 words or less between points at which are located Western Union offices or agencies is twice the rate for a ten word telegram between the same points and an additional charge for each group of five words or less in excess of 100 words as indicated in the following table:

Where the full telegram rate for 10 words is				A LONGRAM of 100 words or less costs*								Each addi- tional 5 words or less cost			
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*LONGRAMS of 60 words or less take the lower Day Letter Rates.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MESSAGES

DEFINITION.

 United States Government messages are those sent by duly accredited representatives of the Federal Government (this includes U. S. Senators and Congressmen) on official business of the Federal Government or its various bureaus and agencies and paid for out of Federal Government funds.

2. Such messages are identified by the symbol "GOVT." The messages of the U.S. Weather Bureau, while actually government messages, are classed separately as weather messages and are identified by the symbol "WEA."

CLASSES OF SERVICE.

 Any of the following classes of service may be used for government messages:

Telegram Day Letter Overnight Telegram Serial Timed Wire Service

ACCEPTANCE OF MESSAGES.

4. Government messages have priority in transmission and delivery over all other messages of the same class of service.

5. All messages offered for transmission at government rates must be endorsed. "Official Business" by the sender. The endorsement shall also include the sender's name and title and the name of the department, bureau, agency, etc. with which he is connected. Such messages not so identified will be charged for at commercial rates.

6. Messages offered by telephone for transmission at government rates will be accepted without prepayment of tolls if telephoned from a subscriber's telephone, but will not be accepted without prepayment of tolls from public telephone stations. The sender of such a message will be required to furnish his full name, title, and the name of the department, bureau or agency with which he is connected and to state that the message is on official government business.

7. Messages of United States Marshals and United States District Attorneys should not be sent "collect" to the Department of Justice at Washington, but should be prepaid by the senders. Other Government messages addressed to Washington, D. C. will be accepted "Collect."

COUNT OF GOVERNMENT MESSAGES.

S. Government messages will be counted at commercial count, address and signature free. Extra words, code signatures, etc., will be counted as in commercial messages.

CHECKS OF GOVERNMENT MESSAGES.

9. The check will show the designation "GOVT.", the number of words according to commercial count, and in the case of day letters, overnight telegrams, senal or timed wire service, the class of service designation.

10. Care should be taken to check all messages sent collect at government rates "Collect Govt." The omission of "Govt." in the check causes serious difficulties

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11. Government telegraph rates apply to official United States government business exclusively, and no private individual, association, company or corporation should in any way be benefited thereby. In cases where it becomes necessary for a government official to use the telegraph on any business in the special interest of any

private person or persons, in which the government has no interest, the party for whom the service is performed will be required to pay for the messages both ways at commercial rates.

12. The this-line charges for government telegrams, day letters and overnight telegrams are 60°, of the charges for the same messages at commercial rates.

13. The this-line charges for government serials and timed-wine service messages are 80°, of the charges for the same messages at commercial rates.

14. In calculating the charges on government messages, if the result shows a fraction of a cent, such fraction will be dropped if less than one-half and will be counted as an extra cent if one-half or over.

15. The following minimum charges apply to government messages between points where there are offices of the Company:

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For all other Telegrains	
For a Serud	.54
For a Timed-wire-service message	.45
For a Day Letter	
For an Overnight Telegram	.30

16. The government tolls must be computed on each separate message. It is not permissible to bill a series of government message at commercial rates and their apply the government percentage to the total.

17. Except as indicated below, other-line charges to one-star points in the United States will be computed at sixty per cent (80% if social or functionesservice) of the commercial other-line rates at commercial count with the same minimum charges as shown in paragraph 15.

18. Exception: On government messages to one-star points in Alabama listed via York; to one-star points in Arizona listed via Holbrook; to one-star points in Texas listed via Laredo; to points in Minnesota listed as "30-2.5 more than Square 178, ek. Minne-apolis"; to one-star points in Idaho listed via Weiser; to one-star points in Minnesota listed via Duluth; to one-star points in Georgia and North Carolina listed via Cornelia, Ga; and to one-star points in Idaho and Montana listed via Armsteal, Mont. the other-line tolls will be charged for at the full connected other-line rate shown in the directory of stations.

19. To certain other one-star points government messages are carried by the other-line fee or with a special rate. This is shown by special notation in connection with the listing of such one-star points.

20. On government messages going to two-star, three-star or four-star points the this-line rate will be at government rates, and the other-line rate will be the rigular other-line rate shown in the directory of stations unless otherwise indicated in connection with the listing of the point in question.

21. In no case shall the rate charged for a government message exceed the amount charged for a commercial message of the same class of service and of the same length between the same points.

22. The rates for government messages between points in the United States and points in Canada, where there are offices of the Canadian National Telegraphs, and points in Newfoundland and Miquelon Island are shown in the table below. For rates to points in Canada other than those where there are offices of the Canadian National Telegraphs, add the other-line rates shown in the directory of stations to the rates computed from this table.

23. The rates for government messages between points in the United States and points in Alaska and Mexico are shown in the directory of Stations with the listings for Alaska and Mexico respectively.

F.C.C. NO. 15 STH REVISED TITLE PAGE (CAMCELS 5TH REVISED TITLE PAGE)

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To certain countries a Deferred Frees service is also available. The sender of a Deferred Frees telegram must write before the address the indicator "LCFS" which is counted and charged for as one word. Deferred Frees telegrams take equal rancin transmission with regular Deferred telegrams.

The supplementary services, Reply Paid (RP), Collation (TC), Motification of Delivery (PC or PCP) are not admitted in Press telegrams.

f) Government Telegrams

Government telegrams must be properly endorsed to the effect that they are on official business of the Government in whose behalf they are sent.

The telegrams of consular agents carrying on private business are only regarded as Government telegrams when they are addressed to an official person and relate to official matters.

Government telegrams are given priority of transmission over all cother classes of telegrams, except telegrams relating to safety of life at sea or in the air, unless they are filed at Deferred rate, or Radioletter rate, or unless the sender remounces the priority privilege at the time of filing.

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Mr. Morgan: Pursuant to a request of Senator Ferguson at pages 8579-80 of the transcript we have the following communication from the Army liaison officer, dated February 21, 1946:

"MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON

"At pages 8579-80 of the transcript, Senator Ferguson asked what the radar stations at New York City, San Francisco and Seattle were doing on 6 and 7 December 1941, and whether they were alerted and operating 24 hours a day.

"In response to Senator Ferguson's request, there are transmitted herewith:

- "(1) a paraphrase of a 31 January 1946 radio from the Commanding General Eastern Defense Command (Inclosure No. 1);
- "(2) an 8 February 1946 memorandum from the Commanding Officer of the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, Bradley Beach, New Jersey (Inclosure No. 2);
- "(3) an 18 February 1946 memorandum from the Headquarters First Air Force (Inclosure No. 3);
- "(4) a 4 February 1946 radio from the Commanding General of the Fourth Air Force (Inclosure No. 4).

(Signed) "Harmon Duncombe, Lieutenant Colonel, GSC."

We would like to have these inclosures spread on the record at this point.

The Vice Chairman: They will be spread on the record.

(The inclosures referred to are as follows:)

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RADIO FROM COMMANDING GENERAL EASTERN DEFENSE COMMIAND TO WAR DEPARTMENT,

DATED 31 JANUARY 1946

(Paraphrase)

On 6 and 7 December Twin Lights, Atlantic Highlands, .N. J. (radar equipment not stated) and SCR 270 at Mount Cadillac, Maine were operated by First Interceptor Command 24 hours a day. Foregoing from 1st Air Force historical records. Officer this command, then Arty Eng Ft. Hancock, informally advises that in December SCR-268 sets operated in secretarea Ft. Hancock.

ARMY SERVICE FORCES

HEADQUARTERS, SIGNAL CORPS ENGINEERING LABORATORIES BRADLEY BEACH, NEW JERSEY

Refer to: SPSGS-CO

8 February 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mejor General G. L. Van Deusen

Chief, Engineering & Technical Service.

SUBJECT: Telephone Request of Captain Carl R. Nelson,

1. These Laboratories are in receipt of a request for information concerning radar operation on the dates of 6 and 7 December 1941. This information was requested by Capt. Carl R. Nelson, Legislative and Lisison Division, -War Depart-

Louis Epsolal Stall, Room 4D761, the Pentagon, (Ext. 71470).

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As nearly as may be ascertained from a survey of files currently available at this organization, and from discussion with individuals who were present during December 1941, there were no radar sets in tactical operation manned by employees of Signal Corps Radar Laboratory, presently part of Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories. During the month of December 1941 there were in operation by this organization, one SCR-271 at Twin Lights, Atlantic Highlands, N. J., one SCR_271 at Atlantic City, M. J., an experimental 400 mc unit in the vicinity of Fort Hancock, plus a number of sets which were in varying stages of assembly. All of these equipments were being run only for technical observation, such as: life test of components, performance test of newly assembled equipments, and experimental work on new designs. Data from these tests would be in statistical form only and would not include dates of operation or times of day operated. Accordingly, it is not known what equipments under control of this organization were in actual operation on the specific dates of 6 and 7 December 1941.

during that period, it appears that some Radar Sets SCR-270 were in operation in Long Island by the First Signal Air Warning Company and some Radar Sets SCR-268 were in operation by Coast Artillery personnel of Fort Hancock. Since there is no organizational the between these organizations and the

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Signal Corps Engineering Laboratories, there is no detailed information available here on location, method, or times of operation of this equipment.

4. It is requested that if you see no objection to the above it be forwarded to Capt. Nelson.

/s/ VICTOR A. CONRAD

VICTOR A. CONRAD

Colonel, Signal Corps

Commanding

HEADQUARTERS

FIRST AIR FORCE

MITCHEL FIELD, NEW YORK

In Reply

J 413.44

18 FEB 1946

SUBJECT: Photostatic Copy of Logs of Radar Sets in Operation on 6 and 7 December 1941

War Department Special Starf, Room 4D761, Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C. (Attention: Capt. C.R. Nelson)

In accordance with letter of Commanding General,
Eastern Defense Command, dated 5 February 1946, above subject,
to forward copies of radar logs of radar sets operating in
the New York area during 6 - 7 December 1941, a search was

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dates in question by 1st Air Warning Company (SC) as a training measure. Existing records fail to reveal these logs. It is assumed these records were destroyed along with other confidential material due to lack of storage space and no apparent need for preservation by the New York Air Defense Wing prior to its deactivation.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

RAYNOR GAREY, Colonel, A.G.D., Adjutant General.

WAR DEPARTMENT

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING CLEAR MESSAGE

CG, 4th Air Force, San Francisco, California From:

War Department To:

No: 4 AF 6 E 293 4 February 1946

From Hale CG 4th AF to WDGS attn OPD Wash DC 4AF 6 E 293 ref yr WCL 43319

No radar stations were in operation in the Seattle area on 6 and 7 December 1941. Stations in San Francisco area were operating during daylight hours on 6 and 7 December but only for testing and calibration in preparation for a proposed maneuver. No stations were alerted prior to 1400 7 December 1941

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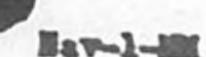
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Mr. Morgan: Pursuant to a request of Senator Ferguson 5.t. page 9550 of the transcript for a copy of a letter written by Admiral Nimitz, then Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, dated 25 November, 1941, we have now been supplied by the Navy Department a copy of this letter, which we asked to have spread on the record at this point.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record. (The letter referred to is as follows:)

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Mevember 25, 1941.

My door Kinnell:

I am emclosing a memorandum which will give you a pretty elear picture of what we are doing in connection with Radar instruction.

This, as you know, is highly important and while we have been working at it for sometime, we have been handicapped by the inability to obtain any Radar material. That is coming along now and we are pushing these schools as fast as possible.

From a merale point of view, we felt that it would be most desirable to take radiosen second class and give them this training, but in view of your strong protest, we are endeavoring to obtain recruits having basic knowledge of electronies. The field has been pretty well combed over by Assy, Havy, and British agencies and it is impossible to got men with the messessary qualifications to culist as seamen second close. We are therefore taking them in as second class petty officers soud will send them to the Fleet as first class or chief petty officers. They will be specialists in their particular line and while they will have had no provious seagoing experience, I hope they will be found catisfactory. For such specialists we are creating a new rating as specialist third class, second class, first class, or chief specialist, so as to reduce the discontent that would otherwise be felt by petty efficers of long standing at sea if men who have had no seagoing empericase were placed over their heads as would undoubtedly have been the case if we would send them out as radionen first class or chief radiomen.

We are sometantly keeping your needs in mind and endeavoring to do everything possible to fill up the Fleet, but we do have problems that are most difficult for solution. With the expanding Navy, our recruiting is not producing sufficient men and we have asked for language in the supplementary appropriation for 1942 and in the appropriation bill for 1943 to utilize men from Selective Service. We had to some to this, but men must be obtained and if we cannot get them by straight recruiting, we will have to go to Selective Service for they have to be produced. The Pacific Fleet, I think, is in many ways fortunate. The percentage of men is greater than in the Atlantic which, at present, is engaged in active operations, and the number of Reserves in the Atlantic Fleet is considerably greater than in the Pacific.

With kindest regards and best wishes to you, I am, Most sincerely,

Admiral H. E. Kimmell, U.S.N., Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet, U.S.S. PHHNSYLVANIA, a/o Postanator, San Francisco, California. FE12/MM 185

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Mr. Morgan: In accordance with a request of Senator Lucas, at page 9917 of the transcript, with respect to a query as to a false weather message, we have a communication from the Navy liaison officer, dated 6 February 1946, which we ask be spread on the record.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record.

(The communication referred to is as follows:)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Office of the Secretary

Washington

6 February 1946

MEMORANDUM

To:

Mr. Soth W. Richardson

- On 4 February 1916 Senator Lucas made a querry as to a false weather message (Transcript Page 9917). These were two messages intercepted on 4 and 5 December 1941 by the Federal Communications Commission at approximately 2200 GMT and 2130 GMT respectively.
- These messages were in NCI Exhibit #65 2. and the full text of each can be found in the Narrative Statement, Volume II, Page 550 and Pages 573-574. Confirmation of the transmittal of these messages by the Federal Communications Commission to the Navy 20-G Watch Officer may be found in the Federal Communications Commission watch log which is Exhibit 142A in the present investigation.

John Ford Baecher Lt. Comdr., U. S. N. R. Cy4 WLC10

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Room 506.

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Mr. Morgan: At page 12,996 of the transcript Congressman Murphy requested that there be incorporated in the record information concerning the organization of lend-lease, and we now have a detailed letter from Chester T. Lane, Deputy Commissioner, Office of Foreign Liquidation Commission, Department of State, which we would like to have spread on the record at this point.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record. (The detailed letter referred to is as follows:)

OFFICE OF FOREIGN LIQUIDATION COMMISSIONER

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington

Room 506

1818 "H" Street, NW

Dear Mr. Richardson:

1. This is in reply to your letter dated Merch 6, 1946 addressed to Mr. Benno C. Schmidt, General Counsel of this Office, requesting a statement, for insertion in the record of the Committee's proceedings, "as to the organization which was set up by this Government (i.e. the United States) for the purpose of determining what distribution should be made under lend-lease and what officials were responsible for such distribution". It is apparent from your letter that our rely may generally be limited to the method of allocating military equipment items, such as ray materials and supplies for civilian consumption.

2. On December 6, 1939, the President appointed an informal inter-departmental committee for the coordination of foreign and domestic military procurement which became known as the President's Limison Committee. This Committee functioned as the coordinating body for all foreign military procurement in the United States until it was absolished in April 1941 after passage of the Lend-Lease Act. The membership of this Committee consisted of Real Admiral Ray Spear,

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Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, representing the Navy, Major General James H. Burns, representing the Army, and Mr. Philip Young, representing the Treasury Department. All early requests for lend-lease aid were channeled through this Committee to the appropriate agency of the Government for actual procurement and transfer of defense articles.

- On May 2, 1941, the Division of Defense Aid Reports in the Office for Emergency Management of the Executive . Office of the President was established by Executive Order. The President appointed Major General James H. Burns as Executive Officer of the Division. The Division of Defense Aid Reports was established to provide for the effective administration of the Lend-Lease Act. This Division succeeded the President's Liaison Committee as the channel through which requests for lend-lease aid were forwarded to the procuring agencies.
- By Executive Order dated October 28, 1941, the President established the Office of Lend-Lease Administretion, and transferred to this Administration all the functions previously vested in the Division of Defense Aid Reports and most of the powers conferred on the President by the Lend-Lease Act. Mr. Edward R. Stettinius, Jr. was appointed Administrator, a position which he retained throughout the Derion which while while Leviler is comediated.

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- 5. Military supplies transferred under the Lend-Lease Act prior to Pearl Harbor may be divided into three categories:
 - equipment procured by the War and Navy Department
 with funds appropriated prior to March 11, 1941

 (a limot of \$1,300,000,000 was placed by the LendLease Act on the value of material transferred out
 of this category);
 - b) equipment in the possession of the Army or Navy, but procured with funds appropriated after March 11, 1941;
 - equipment procured with funds appropriated to the President for lend-lease purposes, under U.S. contracts placed with suppliers directly in response to requests submitted by foreign governments.

Section 3(a)(2) of the Lend-Lesse Act provides that the equipment described in (a) and (b) above could be transferred to foreign governments only after consultation with the Chief of Staff of the Army or the Chief of Naval Operations of the Navy. Most of the pre-Pearl Harbor lend-lesse transfers were in category (a), and all transfers in that category were personally approved by the Chief of Staff or the Chief of Naval Operations. Procurement of defense articles covered by (c) above, was effected by means of requests filed with one of the apencies described in

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paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 above. After approval by one of these agencies, procurement was subject to priorities and controls established by the Office of Production Management, which operated in consultation with the Army and Navy Munitions Board.

There was created in the War Department by order of the Secretary of War of April 8, 1941, a Defense Aid Division of the Office of the Undersecretary. This Division was responsible for coordinating and maintaining records on the lend-lease operations of the War Department. The officers in charge of the work of this Division were Colonel Henry S. Aurand, Lt. Col. Edward E. MacMorland and Major John H. Franks, Army Air Force lend-lease activities were under the direction of Lt. Col. Benjamin Meyers. In the Navy, Admiral Joseph M. Reeves, Lisison Officer for the Secretary of the Navy on Lend-lease matters, and Rear Admiral Ray Spear, Chief of the Bureauof Supplies and Accounts, were chiefly concerned with lend-lease operations. The requests of the foreign governments for military supplies, which were first submitted for approval to the agencies described in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of this letter, were routed to these officers in the War and Mary Departments for allocation and procurement of such supplies.

7. A special committee handled allocations of air-

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Aircraft Committee, with membership consisting of General Herry H. Arnold, Chief of the Army Air Forces, Rear Admiral J. H. Towers, Chief of the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics, two representatives of the Office of Production Management, a representative of the President's Liaison Committee and representatives of the British Air Commission. This Committee controlled the allocation of all aircraft production in the United States prior to Pearl Harbor. The presence of General Arnold and Admiral Towers on this Board assured that no other governments would be allocated any aircraft which in the view of our military authorities was more urgently needed by our own forces.

8. I trust that this explanation will be found to be a satisfactory description of the procedure followed in allocating lend-lesse military supplies prior to December 7, 1941. The period in which you are interested was during the formative stages of these operations when the assignment machinery as it ultimately developed was not entirely in operation. However, I believe that it is evidence that at all times the allocation of military supplies was subject to the approval of the high officers of the United States Army and Navy in the distribution of valuable equipment.

Very truly yours,

's/ Chester T. Lane

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Mr. Morgan: We have a series of communications from Admiral Noyes, Mr. Sonnett, Former Secretary Hull, Captain Kramer, and Captain McCollum, with respect to certain corrections they would like to have indicated in their testimony.

We would like to have these communications placed in the record at this point.

(The communications referred to are as follows:)

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

BOARD OF INSPECTION AND SURVEY

Washington 25, D. C.

25 February 1946.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Counsel, Joint Pearl Harbor Inquiry Committee.

Enclosure: (A) List of Typographical Errors Found in Record of Proceedings, Investigation of Pearl Harbor Attack.

In reading over my testimony I noted that I failed to bring out the following point, which, however, is supported by my previous testimony and by documentary evidence.

In connection with the alleged telephone conversation with me on 5 December to which Colonel Sadtler testified and which I did not recall in that form:

on 5 December there was received by the Navy Department the message from Colonel Thorpe in Batavia addressed to General Miles in the War Department. This message was transmitted by the Naval Attache to Navy Department for delivery to General Miles. As I have already testified, the subject matter was under discussion between me and the War Department during that day. It is very probable that I would have called Colonel Sadtler and notified him of the fact that this message had been received and past terms definitely in the Tea Department.

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cussion took place between me and the "ar Department during that day on the subject matter of this message and the War Department recommended that we should make no change in our original translation of the setup of the Winds Code (see previous testimony), it would appear that any possible authentic or false execute of the winds message would have also been discussed and settled during that day.

Very respectfully yours,

/s/ Leigh Noyes

LEIGH NOYES,

Real Admiral, U.S. Navy.

NAVY DEPARTMENT

BOARD OF INSPECTION AND SURVEY

Washington 25, D. C.

25 February 1946.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ENCLOSURE A

Lieut. Comdr. Baecher, USNR.

Subject: Corrections in Report of Proceedings,

Investigation of the Pearl Harbor

Attack - testimony of Rear Admiral

Leigh Noyes, U.S. Navy.

1. The following is a list of corrections to be made

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in the testimony of Rear Admiral Leigh Noyes, U.S. Navy:
          Page 12,559 - line 18: change Bidell to Biddle.
          Page 12,559 - line 25: change to read, "Chief of
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     Staff to Commander".
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          Page 12,560 - line 15: change to read, "No, September
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     1944, in San Francisco."
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          Page 12,561 - line 10: change to read, "what I do now."
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          Page 12,562 - line 1: Witness Noyes
          Page 12,564 - lines 13,14: strike out, "Who acted in
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     my place" insert "or".
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          Page 12,568 - line 18: change to read, "they could not
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     decipher the diplomatic traffic and send it all to Honolulu."
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          Page 12,571 - lines 13,14: strike out, "or by ML the
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     important ones."
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          Page 12,574 - line 14: "inkling."
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          Page 12,580 - line 12: change "words" to "worries".
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          Page 12,581 - line 19: change to read, "knew what the
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     rules were."
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          Page 12,586 - lines 20,21: change to read, "Chief of
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          Page 12,592 - lines 21,22: change to read, "Naval
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Page 12,595 - lines 20; change to read, "several booklets

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Page 12,598 - line 7: change to read, "I do now".

Page 12,603 - line 9: "change "mine" to "mind".

Page 12,614 - line 6: change "present" to "presented".

Page 12,615 - line 9: change to read, "Safford said".

Page 12,625 - line 19: change to read, "I believe a reference to forty-six words".

Page 12,643 - line 14: change to read, "and it was some time after I got back."

Page 12,686 - line 15: change to read, "information to the Naval Attaches."

Page 12,686 - line 24: change to read, "At the time when Italy came into the war, which".

Page 12,688 - line 14: change "by" to "but".

Page 12,699 - line 21: change "warning" to "morning".

Page 12,710 - line 6: change "technical" to "tactical".

Page 12,711 - line 21: change "Canada" to "Japanese".

Page 12,729 - line 1: strike out, "and I supposed the record was supposed to bear on subsequent events".

Page 12,735 - line 23: change "execute" to "setup".

/s/ Leigh Noyes

LEIGH NOYES,

Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy.

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ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Washington

February 27, 1946

Dear Mr. Richardson:

The Navy Department has made available to me Volumes 66 and 67 of the transcript before the Joint Committee on the Investigation of the Pearl Harbor Attack, which contain my testimony along with the testimony of various other witnesses.

In examining the transcript of my testimony I have noted a number of minor typographical and grammatical errors, which I have indicated on the transcript, and respectfully request be corrected.

Very truly yours,

/s/ John Sonnett

John F. Sonnett

Seth W. Richardson, Esquire

General Counsel for the Joint

Committee on the Investigation

Senate Office Building

Washington, D. C.

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The following is a list of corrections to be made in the testimony of John F. Sonnett:

Page 13,330 - line 25 - add "of Justice" after "Department"

Page 13,331 - line 6 - add "a" after "was"

Page 13,331 - line 17 - change "investigate" to "review"

Page 13,331 - line 20 - add "and in general" after "tion"

Page 13,331 - line 22 - change "was was" to "as might be"

Page 13,332 - line 5 - change "1944" to "1945"

Page 13,332 - line 16 - add "in the Navy" after "where"

Page 13,333 - line 13 - change "at tempt" to "attempt"

Page 13,334 - line 16 - change "t en" to "then"

Page 13,335 - line 6 - change "is" to "was"

Page 13,335 - line 6 - add "This was in" after "crazy."

Page 13,335 - line 7 - add "and" after "document"

Page 13,336 - line 20 - change "Navy" to "Navy,"

Page 13,351 - line 6 - change "lation," to "lations,"

Page 13,351 - line 13 - change "S. Correa" to "F. Correa"

Page 13,353 - line 9 - change "civil" to "civilian"

Page 13,353 - line 13 - change "civil" to "civilian"

Page 13,358 - line 16 - change "be" to "be,"

Page 13,359 - line 9 - change "the Navy" to "Naval

matters"

Page 13,362 - line 11 - strike out "which I have mentioned"

Page 13,366 - line 3 - strike out "which"

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Page 13,366 - line 4 - change "so were set" to "and were so set"

Page 13,369 - line 25 - change 'Reports" to "Report"

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CORDELL HULL

WARDMAN PARK, WASHINGTON, D. C.

My dear Mr. Richardson:

It will be appreciated if you will cause the following corrections to be made in my testimony as it appears in the transcript of the Pearl Harbor hearings:

Volume 9, page 1460

Line 5: "Explore" should read "expose".

Line 8: "Money" should read "cotton".

Volume 9, page 1470

Line 9: Omit "and for 90 days".

Volume 10, page 1594

In reference to the first sentence of my reply to the Vice Chairman's question I find, upon careful rechecking of the time, that the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor occurred at 1:20 p.m., Washington time, so that the telephone message from the White House must have occurred shortly after 1:20, at which time the appointment to see the Japanese Ambassador had already been postponed upon the Ambassador's request to 1:45 p.m.

Volume 10, page 1612

In reference to Senator Lucas' question beginning at line 5, to which I replied, "No," I had in mind the question whether the Army Board had conferred orally with me on this point. As to correspondence, the Secretary of "ar in a letter

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dated September 14, 1944, reciting that it was at the instance of the Army Board, asked me as to the truth or falsity of an allegation that an ultimatum had been delivered to Japan on November 26, 1941. I replied in a letter dated September 28, 1944, stating that my communication to the Japanese representatives on November 26 was in no sense an ultimatum. I added that if I could further assist the Board in its investigation I would be glad to do so. The correspondence was made public by the State Department on August 30, 1945. Volume 10, page 1614

Line 4: Enclose in quotation marks, "poor, innocent, peace-minded".

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Cordell Hull

The Honorable

Seth W. Richardson, General Counsel, Joint Committee on the Investigation of the Pearl Harbor Attack, Congress of the United States.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE MAVY
Office of the Secretary

Washington

11 March 1946

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Seth W. Richardson

1. Forwarded herewith is a letter of Captain Alwin D. Kramer, U.S. Navy, requesting corrections in the reporter's transcript of his testimony before the Joint Committee.

/s/ John Ford Baecher

John Ford Baecher

Lt. Comdr., USNR.

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Office of the Secretary

Washington

8 MAR 1946

Mr. Seth W. Richardson,

Chief Counsel,

Congressional Committee Investigating the

Attack on Pearl Harbor,

Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

At the request of the reporters, I have checked the transcript of my testimony before the Congressional Committee,

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and request that the corrections listed on the attached pages be made in the record.

Very respectfully,

s/s A. D. Kramer

A. D. KRAMER,

Captain, U.S. Navy.

Underline indicates error or omission

Volume 55, of 6 February 1946

Page	Line	Change
10,432	19	After "San Diego in" add "1935 and".
433	16	"area" should be "Area".
435	20	should read "known as OP-20-GZ, OP-20-G being" etc.
436	18	should read "until 9 or 10 or 11" etc.
441	2	"knowledge of"
141414	4 & 5	Word after "indicating" should be "punctuation."
		Text should therefore read: "three letter code
		groups, indicating punctuation of various kinds."
445	25	"stronger in language".
450	8	"believe at".
451	20	After "folder" add ", 1.e. (close quotes).
454	21	Should read: "featrues required in handling".
462	24	Put a period after "Fort Myer".
464	17	Should read "heading only, and to",

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Read "execute"

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df 13		1	555	5	Read "reference to England. Things more
		8			emphatic" etc.
		3		7	Read "been. That is the scheme" etc.
		4		10	Read "Thailand with Japan. We knew" etc.
		5	558	17	"This".
		6		18	Read "indication".
		7		21	Comma after "Germans".
		8	568	6	"Roma <u>ji</u> ".
		ð	572	9	Comma after "messages".
		10	583	25	"alone".
	WARS	11	584	6	Read "running to 12 and 15 feet in length", etc.
	D PAUL	12		16	Read "news broadcast".
	. WAS	13	586	16&17	Read "messages 901 to 910".
	OLGAIR	14	589	8	Put the word "beginning" in quotes.
	2 0	15	593	11	Should read "That is, presumably other codes
	,,	16			intended for distribution"
		17	10,605	25)	Should read "originating an encoded or en-
		18	10,606	2)	ciphered message", etc.
		19	608	23	Should read "in a Division of Naval Operations" etc.
		20	611	13	"subsist out" should be quoted.
		21	. 618	5	Read "from Alusma, Batavia".
		22	625	25	Should read "riji yori seiri no tugoo aru nu tuki".
		23	627	7.	Read "the code indicator "STOP" ."
		24	635	19	Read "call KANA Horse," etc.
		23	6,70	J25	India "Libersepi jai e" sin.
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df	14		1	660	7	Read "designated as _J-12, in my" etc.
			2	662	7	Read "The JD number" etc.
(3	664	10	Read "which I might characterize" etc.
			4	690	9	Read "impression on that point."
			5	694	22	Should read "Captain Kramer: That is" etc.
			в	706	25	Omit comma.
			7	710	5	Read "particularly certain" etc.
			8	716	19	Omit "much as".
			9			Volume 57. of 8 February 1946
			10	10,728	16	"shirts" should read "shifts".
		WARR	11	730	14	Should read "broadcast, one of", etc.
1		PAU	12	731	9	Read "impression of irritation" etc.
		L. WAS	13	733	24	Change "should" to "shall".
Ŋ.		MINGT	14	735	2	Read "number for" etc.
ij.		2 0	15		4	Read "last night, and there" etc.
ı		0	16	736	283	Read "during the war in interrogation", etc.
			17		7&8	Read "corresponds in Japan to our Joint Chiefs
			18			of Staff, in the months preceding Pearl Harbor.
			19	743	12	Add "of the" at end of line.
			20	746	21	Read "inserted".
			21	747	17	Insert comma after "down".
			22	748	6	Omit "and now" to read "at the time presumed".
			23	755	25	Change "was" to "were".
			24	775	20	Change "day" to "say".
			26	11 -505		There he was profes to the same of
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Read "other than that I knew that the Naval" etc.

Read "Intelligence, deals, perhaps 90 percent is

more accurate, is of anything but a positive

Change "At" to "--was the arrival" etc.

Extend answer to read: "I did, yes, sir, but the matter of the time of crew's mess, and of the number of ship's personnel above or below decks were simply part of the factors in my mind when I was remarking on 7:30 Sunday morning being the quietest time of the week. These factors were not stated, however, in my present best recollec-

Read "refresh my memory on that point. I do not"

Change "characters" to "character".

Read "the Japanese word "KORYAKU", which means" etc.

Read "Alusna, Batavia".

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đf	16		x !	877	24	Omit comma after "at least".
			3	879	18	Change "Javorach" to "Jabberwock".
			3	888		Should read: "translation of the Japanese version,
			4		& 19	which in the light of seeing the work sheet
			5			just a few days ago I believe reads:
			в			NIHON TO TO NO KANKEI KITAI NI HAN SU".
			7	904	12	Read "through 1941, the only" etc.
			8	907	13	Expand to read: "Yes, sir, the original letter."
			9	912	17	Read "made by me only".
			10	919	22	Insert comma after "questions".
		WARD	11	927	6, 7,	Change "Wilkinson" to "Kimmel" on these 3 lines.
		S PAUL	12		& 9	
,		WAS	13	931	14	Read "and no reply to it".
		HINGTO	14	937	4	Read "impose on any friendships etc.
		2	15	•	22	Read "what I already had. Not to" etc.
		0	18	•		Volume 58. of 9 February 1946
			17	10,960	3	Read "Greenwich Mean Time, yes, sir".
			18	961	19	Read Those trips, however, etc."
			19	984	7	Change "confirmation" to "consummation".
			20		10	Change "know" to "knew".
			21	990	23	Read "between about 8:15and 9:30, at " etc.
1			22	996	23	Read "Pearl Harbor than" etc.
			23	997		Read "with Admiral Kimmel's request" etc.
			24		9	Read "hoped that it would not be" etc.

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                               Add comma after "Sunday".
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                               Read "gotten up to it", etc.
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                               Read "Have no information" etc.
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                               Read "him only rarely" etc.
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                               Read "understanding" etc.
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                               Read "Thank you. I hope I don't etc.
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                  NOTE: The following corrections on pages 11,020 and 11,021
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                  apply to the page numbers as corrected by the Official Reporters
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                  in their note of 10 Feb. 1946.
                               Read "Communications. When" etc.
                  11,020
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                               Read "--by_the watch officer" etc.
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                               Read "A.""On receipt of" etc.
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                               Read "who presumably would get it".
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                         20&21 Read: "East Wind, Rain" meaning United States;
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                                      "West Wind, Clear" meaning England;
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                                      "North Wind, Cloudy" meaning Russia.
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                     051 10&11 Change capital to small "i" in the word "investi-
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                  gation" on both lines.
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                  11,052 889 Read "It was only incidentally in" etc.
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                               Read "and which was subsequently" etc.
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                               Read "by comparison with days" etc.
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                               Read "amounted to perhaps 100 feet" etc.
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                               The statement: "Senator Barkley informed me of
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                                that proposal" should appear as a remark of
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                  Senator Brewster rather than of the Vice Chairman.
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ır	18		1	098	14	Insert to read "Yes, using the touch system.
			2		&15	I have never" etc.
			3	104	8	Read "Colonel Bales" etc.
			4			Volume 59, of 11 February 1946
			5	11,117	10&	Read "classified papers, reading from this:
			6			(brown wrapping paper)"_ originated" etc.
			7	119	18	Read "the questions".
			8	121	19	Read "I therefore feel it" etc.
			8	127	8	Read "before that hearing" etc.
			10	129	4	Read "Will show him these later."
		WARR	11	131	22	Read "for the past month_because" etc.
		E PAU	13		23	Read "they consist" etc.
		SW. A	13	133	8,9,	Rearrange to read: "read these papers from
		HINGEG	14		10,11	mid-day 1944 to this moment, other than to glance
		ON. D	15			at the headings or first paragraphs of each on
		n	18			certain days and times last December" etc.
			17	134	22	Read "It was her I was about" etc.
			18	137	22	Read "teletype. Station 2 was" etc.
			19		24	Read "by Army and retained" etc.
			20	138	5	Read "except possibly Christmas" etc.
			21	142	2 4	Read "for periods varying" etc.
			22	147	7 20	Read "I most certainly" etc.
			23	160	12	Repunctuate to read: "I recollect that this was
			24		to	interpreted. I am uncertain of the precise word-
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	1			and I believe it was_approximately_my consid-
	3			eration at the time, as being an attempt" etc.
	3	11,160	23	Read "Diplomatic posts were" etc.
	4		25	Read "were usually pared," etc.
	5	165	6	Read "the Japanese shoehorned, if I may use that
	в		to	term, military men into the delegation conducting
	7		9	those negotiations. The Ambassador, or Special
	8			Envoy, as I recall it, was named Yoshizawa."
	9	165	17	Read "in Panama and in all parts of" etc.
· L	10	170	6	Read "who, when I was speaking to him, was about
	11		æ.	ten or fifteen feet away from the conference table,
PAUL	12		7	and just outside the closed door of the room, Mr.
WASH	13			Hull's office, where the three secretaries were
INGTO	14			conferring."
, D	15	170	21	Read "because the names associated with each
	16			each other in my mind."
	17	172	15	Insert comma after "officials".
	18	177	14	Read "Lasswell, Commander Roenick," etc.
	19	181	23	Change "Halsey" to "I".
	20	183	13	Read "testified to,"
	21		18	Read "engagement, which I previously testified to.
	55			at" etc.
	23	188	4	Read "That is Greenwich Meridian Time, is it?"
	24	202	14	Change "code developed" to "word developed" etc.
	25		17	Read "has""1, 10, 12, 2X, P, S, G, MIS, BE. B".
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df 2	0		1	11,202	19&	Read "Pound sign. "AF. X. Y. MONO". Is that
			2		20	correct?
			3	204	25	Read "we actually never used it, sir".
			4	205	9&	Read ""B" "BE" not used. "B" OP-16-B. I think.
			5		10	what is that?"
			6		17	Read ""AF". CinCAF, Asiatic Fleet "X" 20-GL".
			7	207	12,13	Read ""Tokyo to Honolulu, 24 September," that
		8			being the originator's date; originator's message	
		9			"number 83", and an asterisk meaning "an interest-	
			10			ing message"."
		WARD	11	208	16	Read "would see exhibit 2," etc.
		BAG	12	212	18	Read "gists were" etc.
		P. WAS	13	213	12	Change "Talk" to "Take".
		SHI KOT	14	215	17&	Read "footnote says: "JD-1: 6944".
		HINGTON. D	15		18	"I relayed"" etc.
		6	16	217	7	Read "that latter".
			17	250	12	Read ""No", is a postposition identical"" etc.
			18		16	Read "mean" for "means".
			10	25	8. 25	Read "There you have 4".
			20		14	Change "12-41" to read: "12-4-41".
			21	25	9 10	Read "4 or 5 December dates".
			22		11	Read "dividing" etc.
			23	26	1 24	Read "Nos. 7152 to 7184 run chronologically" etc.
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11,263 13 Read "testified, "and those shown" etc.

Read "simply to give Admiral Halsey" etc. 267

Change "what" to "that", and change "onr" to "our".

12 Read "did I have that conception" etc. 268

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY Office of the Secretary Washington

1 April 1945

Mr. Seth W. Richardson

There are forwarded as enclosures A and B, respectively, a letter from Captain A. H. McCollum, U.S.N., requesting that certain typographical and grammatical errors be corrected in the transcript of his testimony before the Joint Committee and a list of the itesm by page and line number.

> /s/ John Ford Baecher JOHN FORD BAECHER Lieutenant Commander, USNR

U. S. S. HELENA (CA 75)

c/o Fleet Post Office,

New York City, N.Y.,

March 18, 1946.

The Honorable Alben W. Barkley,

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D.C.

My dear Senator,

I have but recently had the opportunity of reading over

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ENCLOSURE A

before your committee investigating the Japanese attack on our Fleet at Pearl Harbor on Sunday, December 7, 1941. In reading over the transcript of the record furnished me, I find what appear to be either clerical errors and omissions or errors due to lack of clarity of expression on my part. There There are not many of these, and in the interests of clarity and precision I venture to suggest that, subject to the Committee's pleasure, I may be permitted to correct my testimony as transcribed in accordance with particulars listed on a separate page.

May I again express to you and to the Committee my appreciation for the thoughtful consideration and courtesy shown me during my testimony before you.

Respectfully,

/s/ A. H. McCollum

A. H. McCOLLUM, optain, U.S.N., Commanding.

U. S. S. HELENA (CA 75)

SUGGESTED CORRECTIONS TO TESTIMONY OF

CAPTAIN A. H. McCOLLUM, USN

Page	Line								
9115	18	Change	6th	word	from	"destroy	er"	to	"transport"
9116	5	Change	7th	word	from	"June" t	to "	Janu	lary"

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٠	2	9116	10	After last word of the line add "and"					
	3	9117	6	Change last word from "billing" to "billet"					
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	5		•	and"					
	6			After 6th word insert "as head of"					
	7	9119	24	After 4th word insert "intelligence"					
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L. WAS	13	9128	9	to "or". Strike out 4th and 5th words "me and", and 9th word "the".					
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		0000	10	Change 8th word from "Hurd" to "Heard"					
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df	25		1	9146	24	Change 6th word from "is" to "was"
			2	9147		Strike out first three words "as they appeared"
			3	9149	22	Change 4th word from "taking" to "checking"
			4	9152	21	Change 4th word from "taking" to "checking" Change 1st word from "movement" to "unit"
			5	9152	22	Change 7th word from "movement" to "unit"
			в	9152		Change 3rd word "sets" to "setup working"
			7	9152	24	Change 10th, 11th and 12th words "route of entry"
			8			to "unit"
			9	9153	21	Change 3rd word "that" to "as"
		<	10	9158	18	Change 2nd word "a" to "back the"
		YARD A	11	9161	22	After 11th word insert "no"
		PAUL	12	9170	11	After 9th word "on" insert "Japanese"
(WASH	13	9178	22	Change 4th word "discovered" to "so covered"
	3.	INGTON	14	9219	13	After 7th word "might" insert "not"
		0	15	9220	15	Strike out 4th word "and"
	7		16	9221	12	Last two words change "they did" to "did they"
			17	9252		Change 7th and 8th words "at the" to "as to"
			18	9275		Change 8th word "1907" to "1904"
			19			Change 2nd word "Hurd" to "Heard"
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Mr. Morgan: At page 7625 of the record Senator Brewster requested information concerning the sources from which the timetable of attacks appearing on page 7622 of the record was prepared. A rather detailed reply has been received from the Navy Department under date of April 4, 1946, and we would like to have this communication spread on the record.

The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record at this point.

(The communication referred to is as follows:)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

WASHINGTON

4 April 1946.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Beth W. Richardson.

Subject: Time Table of Japanese Attacks - source of

material.

(a) My memorandum to Mr. William D. Mitchell, Reference: dated 29 Nov. 1945.

- (b) My memorandum to Mr. Seth W. Richardson, file 1083A(HLB)R#112, dated 22 Jan. 1946.
- (o) My memorandum to Mr. Seth W. Richardson, file 1083A(HLB), R#112, dated 24 Jan. 1946.
- In response to the oral request of 28 March 1946 from Counsel for more specific data as to the information and sources of information which were heretofore forwarded in reference (a) at the request of Mr. William D. Mitchell, in reference (b) at the request of Senator Brewster (Record of Proceedings, page 7625) and in reference (c) at the request of Congressman Keefe, concerning the times of attacks by the Japanese on various places in the Pacific Ocean areas, the information, supplemented as requested, is restated and summarized for purposes of clarity as follows:

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	5	PLACE	LOCAL	GREENWICH	WASHING	TON SOURCE OF
	2		TIME	TI ME	TIME	INFORMATION
	3	Kaneohe	7:50 am	6:20 pm	1:20 pm	War Diary of Commandant
	4	NAS	7th	7th	7th	14th Naval District
	5	Pearl	7:55 am	6:25 pm	1:25 pm	Report by Admiral
	в	Harbor	7th	7th	7th	Nimitz dated 15 Feb.
	7					1942 of the attack at
	8					Pearl Harbor and War
	9					Dairy of the Comdt. 14th
	10					Naval District, dated
WARD S	11					3 Feb. 1942.
PAUL	12	Singapore	3:00 am	8:00 pm	3:00 pm	Statement by Captain
WASK	13		8th	7th	7th	John M. Creighton, U.S.N.
Nator	14					who was at Singapore.
0	15	Khota Bar	u 3:40 pm	8:40 pm	3:40 pm	This information ob-
	16		8th	7th	7th	tained by oral inquiry of
	17					the War Department, Col.
	18					Mc Nall, USA, G-2 MIS
	19					File.
	20	Davao	7:10 am	11:10 pm	6:10 pm	War Dairy of U.S.S.Wm.
	21	Gulf, P.I	. 8th	7th	7th	B. Preston
	22	Guam	9:10 am	11:10 pm	6:10 pm	War Dairy of Comdt.U.S.
	23		8th	7th	7th	Marine Corps, dated 31
	24					March 1942.
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	4	Kong	8th	7-8th	7th	tained by oral inquiry
	5					of the War Department,
	6					Major R. E. Guest,
	7					USA, G-3.
	8	Wake	12:00 noon	1:00 am	8:00 pm	Report of Comdt. U. S.
	9		8th	8th	7th	Marine Corps, dated
4	10					31 March 1942.
A 20 B	11	Clark	9:27 am	1:27 am	8:25 pm	This information ob-
PAUL	12	Field, P.	I. 8th	8th	7th	tained by oral inquiry
WASH	13					of the War Department.
NOTON	14	Midway	9:30 pm	9:20 am	4:30 am	Log of the Chast Guard
. 8	15		7th	8th	8th	Cutter WALNUT,
	18	Nichols	3:00 am	7:00 pm	2:00 pm	Report of 16th Naval
	17	Field	9th	8th	8th	District Intelligence
	18	(Manila)				Officer, file 40207.
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Mr. Morgan: At this point, I would like to read a portion of a memorandum supplied by the War Department, dated January 14, 1946, as follows:

"Reference is made to Mr. Mitchell's memorandum of 31 December 1946 forwarding Senator Ferguson's request for any records showing who was in charge of the offices of the Chief of Staff and of General Gerow on the night of 6 December 1941.

"General Gerow indicated to the Committee that as of 6 December 1941 War Plans Division had an arrangement whereby a duty officer was designated for the 24-hour period and, though not required to remain at the office throughout the night, was required to stay within calling distance of a telephone (Tr. 4320-1). The Office of the Secretary General Staif maintained a similar outy officer arrangement for the Chief of Staff. A thorough search has been made for the duty rosters of War Plans Division and of the Office of the Secretary General Staff for the period including 6-7 December 1941. Those rosters have not been located and apparently it was not the practice to preserve such rosters."

Pursuant to a request made by counsel we have a communication from the War Department dated 21 February 1946 setting for the authority on which Lieutenant Colonel Clausen administered We would like to oaths during the course of his investigation. have this letter spread on the record.

- The Vice Chairman: It will be spread on the record. (The letter referred to is as LULLUMS.)

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WAR DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

21 February 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON:

With reference to your inquiry concerning Lt. Colonel Clausen's authority to administer oaths during the investigation which he conducted at the direction of the Secretary of War, your attention is invited to U. S. Code, Title 10, Section 1586 (Article of War 114), reading as follows:

1586. Authority to administer oaths (article 114).

Any officer of any component of the Army of the United States on active duty in Federal service commissioned in or assigned or detailed to duty with the Judge Advocate General's Department, any staff judge advocate or acting staff judge advocate, the President of a general or special court-martial, any summary court-martial, the trial judge advocate or any assistant trial judge advocate of a general or special courtmartial, the president or the recorder of a court of inquiry or of a military board, any officer designated to take a deposition, any officer detailed to conduct an investigation, and the adjutant, assistant adjutant or personnel adjutant of any command shall have power to administer oaths for the purposes of the administration of military justice and for other purposes of military administration; and shall also have

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of oaths, the execution and acknowledgment of legal instruments, the attestation of documents and all other forms of notarial acts to be executed by persons subject to military law; Provided, That no fee of any character shall be paid to any officer mentioned in this section for the performance of any notarial acts herein authorized. (As amended Dec 14, 1942, ch 730, 56 Stat 1050)

(sgd) Harmon Duncombe
Lt. Colonel, GSC

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Mr. Morgan: At various places in the transcript, particularly at pages 5484 and 11,853-4, information has been set forth concerning the air situation in the Philippines at the outbreak of the war. We have received a communication from the War Department, dated 1 February 1946, enclosing additional material in this regard, and we would request that this letter and the enclosures be spread on the record.

The Vice Chairman: The material will be spread on the record.

(The material referred to is as follows:)

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Washington, D. C.

Room 4D 761

The P ntagon

1 February 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. RICHARDSON:

Three memorands have been submitted by this office in response to requests by Committee members for information concerning the air situation in the Philippines at the outbreak of the war. The first, dated 27 December 1945, forwarded an account of the initial Japanese air attack against the Philippines contained in the Army Air Force narrative entitled "Army Air Forces in the War Against Japan 1941-1942". A second memorandum of the same date transmitted the available information on (a) the total number of planes in the Philippines on 7 December 1941, (b) the number of bombers at Clark Field when the Japanese first attacked, and (c) the number of bombers lost at Clark Field in that attack. The third memorandum, sent to you on 30 January, forwarded material from the War Department files with regard to Japanese air reconnaissance over the Philippines and other U. S. possessions in the Pacific prior to 7 December 1941.

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attack against the Philippines. Inclosure No. 1 consists of photostats of documents on which the account of the Japanese attack contained in "Army Air Forces in the War Against Japan" was based. Inclosure No. 2 is a memorandum concerning the command organization of the United States Army Forces in the Fer East and the Fer East Air Force as of 7 December 1941.

/s/ Harmon Duncombe
Lt. Colonel, GSC.

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History of the Fifth Air Force, Part I, December 1941 to August (Dec. 1941 Instalment).

This document and its appendices purport to represent only a portion of the story of aerial operations in the Southwest Pacific Theater for December 1941. It incorporates such information as was found during the period of its preparation - namely between Jan. 1944 and June 1944 - in the files of Hq. Far East Air Forces (which were the files of Hq. Fifth Air Force until 15 June 1944), Hq. U.S. Army Air Forces in the Far East, and Hq. G.H.Q., S.W.P.A., augmented by personal interviews with several persons who were present in the iterater in December 1941. It is expected several additional statements from persons in the latter category will still be obtained at A.P.O. 925.

According to information obtained during the preparation of these documents, and from other sources, the following additional sources of information exist in the U.S.:

- 1. The office of the Adj. Gen., G.H.C., S.7.P.A., states that a number of records from the Philippines were transmitted to the Tar Dert., Washington in Oct. 1942.
- 2. An oral report states a report on the modification of the P-4DE was sent from the Philippines to Washington.
- 3. Operations reports and unit casualty reports sent from the Philippines to Washington.
- ichool of Applied Tactics), Orlando, Fla., some detailed transcripts of statements by returned pilots, including those of a combat milot's round table, were taken during the summer, fall and winter of 19/2. These included a statement by Lt.Col. Boyd D. ("Buzz") Tagner. The latter also supplied a statement to the A-2 and A-3 offices of Ho., Army Air Forces, Washington.
 - 5. The papers of Lt. Col. W.E. Dyess, and his published book.
- Group in the Thilippines.
- T. Lt. Col. H.G. Thorne. In charge of certain phases of P-38 training near Los Angeles. Was 1st Lt. in command of ird Pursuit Soundron, Thu, Luzon, P.I. at outbreak of war.
- 8. Col. Orrin L. Grover, Mas stationed at Army Air Forces
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 History of the 24th Pursuit Group (Doc.I, App. II).
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When the month of December, 1941, opened in the Philippines the Far LAST Air Force was under the command of Major General Levis H. Brereton. Units were fully alert. Due to the tense international eituation, from November 14 (1) "all pursuit aircraft were fully loaded, a rand and on constant alert 24 hours each tay with pilots available on 30 minutes notice" (. Throughout the Air Force intensive training was in progress and a number of newly arrived units were being integrated into the Air Force. Despite this fact, the Far Bast Air Force had but small forces to meet the attack which was about to be launched.

OPPARITATION AND BUUIPMENT OF THE ALL MAN AND TO LOT

In the Philippines the Far Best Air Force was itself a new organizatlon. The mase had undergone two recent changes. The first charge had followed the creation of the United States Army Forces in the Far East. Lieutenant General Douglas MacArthur had assumed command of USAbFE on July 27. 1941 (3). Following this he had redesignated, on August 4, 1941 the Philippine Department Air Force as the Air Forces, United States Army Forces in the Far East (4). This operated "cirectly under the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the Far East, except for routine a iministration and supply, which will continue through Headqua-ters. Philippine Department" (5). At this date the Commanding General of the Air Force was Brigadier General Henry B. Clagett, who had arrived in the Philir inne on May 4, 1941. Subsequently, on October 7, 1041 (West Longitu . Time), the War Department designated Mrjor General Levis H. Brereton as the air commander (6). He brought with him a number of officers, including a new Shief of S.aff, Colonel Francis M. Brady. The War Department, on October 28, 1941. (West Longitude Time) redesignated the Air Force as the Far Eart Air Force This redesignation became effective on November 16, 1941 (7).

STAFF OF THE FAR BAST AIR FORCE

With the arrival of General Brereton, his staff was organize as follows: (Table I. P. 2.).

- 1. In this narrative all time is given as 'hilippine : epartment Standard Time and all sates are East Longitude unless otherwise indicated. ?. History of the 24th Pursuit Group in the Philippines (ocument I Appendix II). This document is from Fifth Air Force Files, and is dated October 10 1:42. Lieutenant Colonel Allison W. In: Allied Intelligence Bureau, and Colonel L. A. Diller, Public Relations, GHQ, SW A. both state that this history was written by Columel O-rin L. Grover, who was the Comme of the 24th Pur. Gp. in the Philispines.
- 3. O.O. No. 1. United States Army Forces in the Far Fast, July 27. 141.
- L. G.C. No. 4, "SAFFE, Aug. 4, 1441 (Doc. 2, App. 11).
- 5. G.U. No. 4. USAFFE, Aug. 4, 1941 (Doc. 2, A r. 11). b. Chrono'ogy of the Fiith Air Force, War Demartment, Washin, ton, ". C.
- G.O. No. 28, USAFFE, Nov. 14, 1 41 ("oc. 1. Arn. II).

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AIR FORCE

Hext in chain of command in the Far East Air Force were the Fifth Interceptor Command, Fifth Bomber Command, and Far East Air Service Commen The Fifth Interceptor Command was commanded by Brigadier General Henry B. Clagett, with Colonel Harold E. George as Chief of Staff. The authority for activation of this unit in the Philippines has not been found, but it is listed as operating on December S, 1941, in the document tracing the chain of command of the Far East Air Force, which is in the USAFFE files (8). The Fifth Interceptor Command also appears on the movement order to Batash (Dec. 23) (9), and in subsequent General Orders of USAFFE (10). In the first available strength report this unit is shown as having film officers and fifteen emlisted men (11).

The Fifth Bomber Commend and Far East Air Service Command were activated on November 16, the same day as the creation of the Far East Air Force. (12) Lieutenant Colonel Bugene L. Bubank, also the commander of the 19th Bombardment Group, became the commander of the Fifth Borber Command. This was only a skeleton unit, and although authorised full Table of Organization strength, had only one officer and twenty enlisted men on December 23 (13). The Far Eart Air Service Command, under Colonel L.S. Churchill, had eight officers and sixty enlisted men (14).

PURSUIT UNITS

The pursuit units in the Philippines consisted of the five squadrons of the 24th Pursuit Group, commended by Major Orrin L. Grover (15). This unit was an autgrowth of the Fourth Composite Group, which at the start of 1941 had as its components all of the tactical air units in the Philippines. The three pursuit squadrons in this group, the 3rd, 17th, and 20th, were all equipped with P-26's until May, 1941. At that time they were re-equipped with P-35's.(15). Hert, in July 1941, one squadron was equipped with P-408's, and still later, P-408's were received (16). On September 16, 1941, the 24th Pursuit Group was activated and the three pursuit equadrons transferred to it from the Fourth Composite Group(17). In November two ad iti mal squadrons, the 21st and 34th, arrived from the United States. They were a part of the 35th Pursuit Group, but pending the arrival of the rest of its units, were attached to the 24th Pursuit Group (18).

- 8. FEAF Chain of Command. (Doc 4, App. II)
- 9. Doc. 5. App. II)
 10. GO No. 40, USAFFE, Mar. 14, 1942 (Doc. 6, App. II)
- 11. Movement Order to Batsan (Doc. 5, App. II) It should be noted that Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron of the Fifth Interceptor Command was under movement orders from the United States when war started. It had been activated from the Second Interceptor Command (under WD letter. 14 October, 1941, AG 320. 2 (10-1-41) MR. N. AAF, 'Constitution and Activation of AirCorps Units"). Under command of Lieutenant Colonel willis R. Taylor this unit, with eight radar sets sailed from San Francisco at 1800 on December 6, 1941 (San Franci to Time) on the Tasker H. Biles. This ship put back into port on December o (San Francisco Time) and the Hq. and Hq. Bq. Fifth Interceptor Command debarked and retirned to Seattle. History of the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, II Interceptor Command, II Fighter Command and V Fighter Command. May 1941 - December 1942. By Major Edward J. McCormick, Jr., pp. 10-15. This history also states that the 557th Signal AW Batallion, also under orders to proceed was in 'he Port of Embarkation at the time, but wa to the Philippines. also ordered back to beattle.
- 12. G.O. No. 28, USALTE, Nov. 14, 1941 (Doc. 3, App. II).
- 13. (Doc. 5. App. II).
- 14. (Doc. 5. App. II). 15. History of 24 Pur. Op. (Doc. 1. App. II).
- 16. History of 24 Pur, Cp. (Doc. 1. Apu. II).
- 17. 0.0. Bo. 10, USAFFE, Sept. 16, 1941 (Doc. 7. App. 11)
- 18. History 24 Pur. Gp. (Doc. 1, App. 11)

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TRAILING OF PURS"IT PILOTS

In the summer of 1941 *100 new pilots from training schools in the Unite: States arrived and were used to build up the three original nursuit squadrons to strength. Because these pilots had not received combat training a training unit was formed at Clark Field (19). In addition it was necessary to train these pilots in gunnery, so a gunnery training camp was established at Iba (20). In October 35 more new pilots were assigned to the pursuit units and the same program of training was started with them '21). At the runs ry camp at Iba "an extreme arount of difficulty was experienced in the malfunctioning of the guns, tue to introper adjustment and mal-installation. In order to properly function it was imperative th the all gun installations should be modified (22).

BOMBARDMENT WITS

In the fall of 1941, the 19th Bostariment Group (H), with B-17's arrived in the Philippines. This group was commanded by Lt. Col. Eugen-L. Bubank. Prior to its arrival the bosters in the Philippines had been B-10s and B-16's, which were not suitable for combat. These planes had been issigned to the 28th Bostardment Squadron of the Fourth Composite Grou. With the arrival of the 19th Bostardment Group the 28th Bostardment Squadron was transferred to the 19th Bostardment Group, re-equipped with B-17s and redesignated from medium to he vy on Hovember 16, 1941 (23). This gave the 14th Bostardment Group a headquarters equadron and a total of four instead of three subordinate squadrons. The group had a grand total of 35 B-17s.

On November 20 the 27th Bombardment Group (D) arrived in the Philippines. This unit was commanded by Major John H. Daviss. All of its aircraft (A-24s) were on a later convey, which was on the high seas at the time war broke out, and had to be diverted to Brisbane, Australia. The non-arrival of the 'ive bombers left the bombardment component of the FRAF unbalanced, there being no unit specially adapted for use against shipping.

ardment Group (E) (24). On December 7 (West Longitude) part of the air echelon, flying from California landed at Pearl Harbor; but none of the air echelon reached the Philippines.

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from the 4th Composite Oroup, Headquarters equadron of this group was abolished on November 16 and the 2nd Observation Squadron was thus placed directly under Headquarters, FRAF (25). The squadron was equipped with observation type miroraft and was commanded by Captain J.Y. Parker (26).

AIRDROMES

Philippines, Clark Field, near Ft. Stotsenburg about 60 miles north of Manila, and Mielson and Michols Fields on the outskirts of Manila. These were all extended during 1941. Because of the shortage of suitable fields some has to be used even while under construction, which increases the accident rate among the pursuit (27).

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^{19.} History 24 Pur. Op. (Doc. 1, Anp. II).

^{20.} History 24 Pur. Op. (Doc. 1, App. II).

^{21.} History 24 Pur. Gp. (Doc. 1. App. II).

^{22.} History 24 Par. Op. (Doc. 1. App. II).
23. 00. 28 USAFFE, Nov. 14, 1941 (Doc. 3 - App. II).

^{23. 00. 28} USAFFE, Nov. 14, 1941 (Doc. 3 - App. 11).

24. Statement of Colonel R.L. Fry (Doc. 8 App. 11) and

Statement of Colonel Ray T. Blemore, (Doc. 30a, App. 11)

^{25. 30 28.} USAFFE. Nov. 14, 1641, (Doc. 3, App. II)

^{26.} FEAF Chain of Command (Doc. 4, App. 11).
27. History 24 Pur. Op. (Doc. 1, Apr. 11).

AIRDROMES CONTINUED

By Perember 1, the following fields were in use, or rapidly nearing completion: (Fer location see C. I. U. Map, Chart 1, App. I).

PURSUIT FINLDS (28)

Nichols Pield Mielson Field Clark Field Iba Field Rosales Field Del Carmen Field

BONDARDMENT FIELDS: (29)

Clark Field Del Monte Field, Mindanao

FIELDS BEARING COMPLETION (30)

O'Donnel Field San Fernando Field Ternate Pield San Marcelino

In addition to the fields listed as nearing completion a more extensive airdrome construction program had been started in Luron, but had not reached a point where it affected the eituation prior to evacuation to Bataen (31). The fields provided did not allow for sufficient dispersion, nor for sufficient mobility of the air force. This was a cause of concern to General Brereton (32).

South of Luson, Del Mon:e in Mindaneo was in use as already indicated. Senta Barbara on Panay, and Cebu, Cebu, together with a few other fields in Mindanao were also used after war started (13). (See Chart 1, App. 1).

OO-ORDINATED WITH OTHER CONCLANDS

It was recognised that any defence of the Far East would cound the closest coordination with the British, Dutum and Australians. Much of the work to this end was carried out by military staff missions of foreign governments in Washington in consultation with the War Department and does not fall within the limits of this narrative (34). However, a considerable amount of planning was carried on through direct consultation. In the early summer of 1941 General Clagett received instructions to proceed to Singapore and China, where he carried on a number of conferences (35).

History 24 Pur. Op. (Doc. 1, App. II) 28.

Statement of Colonel Harold Hade (Doc. 3, App. II). 29.

History Be Fur, Op. (Doc. 1; App. 11). Radio Ocerel Brereton to Ocerel Arnold, (Doc. 9, Apro. II) and 30. 31.

History 24 Pur. Op. (Doc. 1, App. II) Redio, General Brereton to General Arnold, March 2, 1342 (Dac. 4, A. Journal of 19th Bombardment Group - (Doc. 11 App. II) 32.

Miennial Report of the Chief of Staff 1941-1943 (War Department) p. 33. Lt. Col. Allison W. Ind (Batean) (Hes). This book, as an unofficir: 34. source, is used only for material where the author wa: a direct 35. participant, and where the subject discussed fal a within his fiel: of military specialty, which is Intelligence. In this case, for example he went on the trip with General Claget: . Permission for use in this o'ficial history has been granted by Lt. Cel. lad.

al Brereton went through the Dutch Eas Still later, G the Australian Mandates, and Australia. He held a number of conferences, concerning the improvement of ferry-routes to the Philippines, and the arrangement of routes for ferrying pursuit aircraft from Australia via Koepang, Kendari, Sandakan, Balikpapan, Tarakan, Del Monte (In Mindanao' and Santa Barbara (on Penay) (36). Before the start of the war supplies of bombs and gasoline had already been sent into Rabaul, Port Moresby and Darwin. Arrangements were also under way to send such stocks to Singaporo and Balikpapan, but the war came first. Also General Prereton arranged future plans for staff coordination with the Australians and the Dutch. which paved the way for later developments. Among the nost far-sighted of his arrangements was the development of Projects 1 an. 2, which envisioned thouse of Australian maintenance facilities, and cal ed for considerable expenditures. These plans were left with Sir Charles Surnett Chief of The Australian Air Staff in Melboirne. Some work was in progress when ie war started. This was then speeded up and proved capable of merting many of the actual requirements of the situation which developed early in December (37).

AIR WARRING STEPPEN AND COMMUNICATIONS

The development of the Air Warning System in the Philippine was based primarily on a system of native observers. These reported in over the lines of the Philippine Telephone System to Interceptor Headquarters at Heilson. Data was then reported to the plotting board at Clark Field and based on it, orders were issued to the various squadrons. Commercial lines of the Philippine Telephone Company were all that existed for receiving reports. Delays were frequent. Clark, Hielson and Nichols Fields were linked by telephone, and this circuit, supplemented by telephone when necessary, was used for direct communication. The third means of communication was radio, the major fields each having an SCR 297 which was used for both point to point and ground to air communication.

In addition to the ground observer system the first rather had been installed in the Philippines at Iba. A second was being assembled near Aparri, and a third was en-route to Legaspi. The set at Iba was in tactical use, and operated on a 24 hours per day basis (38).

ANTI AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY

of AAA. General Brereton in March 1942, stated that before he left
Washington in 1941, he declared that - "To put a bomber force in the
Philippine Islands without providing adequate anti-aircraft defence neasures
was almost certain to mean their destruction." (39). Also General Brereton
mentioned the inadequate fighter protection and inadequate air warning system.
The amount of anti-aircraft was inadequate. The one anti-aircraft regiment
at tro airfields was the 200th CA (AA) Regt., a mobile unit of one battalion
of 3" and 1 battalion of 37mm guns. This unit was stationed at Clark Field.
The remaining anti-aircraft regiment was the 60th CA with units on Hataan
and the harbor forts in Manila Bay (40). The remaining airdramse were
protected by onl, a few 50 calibre and 30 calibre machine guns. These
offered but slight protection.

^{36.} Ind, Bataan (Mes) p. 196 ff.
37. Columel Merle-Smith to General Clagett, Dec. 24, 1941 (oc. 17, Apr. II

^{36.} History 24 Pur, Grp. (Dec. 1, App. II).
Brereton to Arnold, Farch 1, 1942 - This was actually written over a

week earlier) - (Doc. 9, App. II).

46. Lt. Col. Mellnik, AAA in Philippines, (Doc. 24, App. II). It should the noted that a training program for Filipino AAA was in progress at Fort wint. The organization of the Filipino Units was in progress and a number of regiments were scheduled to be trained by March, 1942. Equipment was declared teing supplied from the U.S.. From this equipment, after war was declared two additional regiments were organized; the 20th Provisional CA (AA) which came in part from the parent 200th, was moved to Nichols Field and areas of Manils on the night of December Sth.

JAPANESE STRINGTH

Intelligence estimates showed that the Japanese had overwhelming strength, in comparison with the Far East Air Force equipment in the Philippice; In the R.A.A.F. the sir order of battle was given as follows:

TABLE II

JAPANESE AIR STREEGT	H. DEC.
Floot Air Arm .	612
Manchuria	800
Japan	600
M. and Cen. Cuina	198
Mandated Is.	100
Malaya	300
Phil inc. Centon Mainen, Formose	250
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Total first line strength : 2860

While this estimate is from Australian sources, similar figures had been made available to General Broreton and his staff when they were in Australia on New, 21-23 (40a). Royal Air Force figures for this date placed the size of the Japanese Air Forces as around 4,500 aircraft of front line strength, which is now generally accepted as correct (41). The RAAF and RAF figures are cited at this point because no estimates from the War Department, Washington, for the period December 5, 1941, are available here (ArO 925).

The estimates shown above indicate that from the Japanese bases in Southern Formesa (430 to 450 miles north of Clark Field) it was possible to throw vestly superior formations against the Philippines. It was also possible for the enemy to increase this superiority by the use of carriers. Finally, the southernmost islands of the Philippines were within range of Japanese air units based on Palau. (Chart VII, AppJ).

In the field of Intelligence the Japanese knew the disposition of our units, the location of important stores, the capabilities of our planes. They had excellent maps of the entire area, and objective folders on the important targets. Within the Philippines many of the large Japanese minerity were organised as Sakhadlistas, a fifth column under the orders of Japan. In addition to transmitting information, this group — "ven lighter flares at night to designate important targets. In some of the islands in the Far Hast, the Japanese withdrew their nationals prior to the outbreak of the war. In the Philippines they organized them. Our counter-espionage system was inadequate to cope with this organization; and the security measures around our installations were not great enough to prevent observation of the equipment and installations (42).

NO. (Continued.) It was functioning by December 10th and was equipped with 12-3" and 12 - 37mm AAA gums, as well as some 50 calibre which were placed at Bichols Field and at the port area on the night of December 5th. Also the 51" CA (AA) was organised and used after war began. It does not appear to have operated on air fields.

40a. Central Operational Intelligence Center, Situation Report (now under ONQ, SWPA,) Dec. 12th 1941.

41. Figure from Enemy Appreciation Section, Allied Air Forces, A-2. SWPA. (S/L Folthes).

42. Ind. (Bataan) (Mes) p. 246 ff.

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One of the available estimates of the situation of our forces in the Philippines at the end of November, 1941, was contained in a general intelligence summary used by the Tanaka Force. An exact extract of this document (to which are added translations) reports the FLAF as consisting of :-

THI?	TYPE
24th Euchiku Sentai (Pursuit Group) 3rd Kuchiku Chutai (Pursuit Squadron) 17th Euchiku Chutai (Pursuit Squadron) 20th Euchiku Chutai (Pursuit Squadron) 24th Euchiku Chutai (Pursuit Squadron)	P-35 P-36 P-38 P-10 - 27 planes at 'ichole Field above types included.
19th Bakugeki Sentai (Bombardment Group) 1st Chutai of Kuchiku P-38 or P-40 14th Bakugeki Chutai B-17 28th Bakugeki Chutai B-18	

2nd Teleateu Chutai (Reconnelssance Squadron) 0-19. 0-46 0-47. 0-57.

36th Bakugeki Chutai

The information above is essentially accurate, as comparison with the following table of our dispositions will show. The chief mistake is in listing part of the pursuit as compenents of the 19th Bomberdment Group and not listing two of the squadron numbers in the 19th Bomberdment Group. Also aircraft types are listed which were not in the Philippines. About December 1, the summary was shown by the Japanese to include:-

(Type of plane unknown)

Pighters	130
Bombers Bavel Patrol	30 20
Total	150

This is also substantially correct, if it is assume: that observation be included under fighters. The fact is that this information is more accurate than that sent to the Australians by their Washington sources following the outbreak of war. The Japanese figure is closer to the number of operational aircraft, whereas those of the Australian Attache included obselete planes to a greater extent, and also those not in commission (43).

FEAT DISPOSITIONS ON DEC. 7, 1941

In opposition to the Japanese Army and Mavy Air Services, our depositions on the eve of war were as follows: (See Chart II, App. I.)

PABLE III

STATUS & LOCATION OF AIRCRAFT (44.

c.o.	WIT	LOCATION	TYPE	OPERAT.
Major C.L. Grover Lt. V.B. Putman Lt. H.G. horne let Lt. Boyd Wagner let Lt. J.H. Moore let Lt. Sam "arett let Lt. V.E. Dyess	Hq. & Hq. Sq. 3rd Pur. Sq. 17th Pur. 20ti. Pur. 21st Pur. 34th Pur.	Clark Iba Nichols Clark Del Carmen Nichols Total Pursuit	P-10-E P-10-E P-10- P-35 P-40-3	18 18 18 18 18

^{43.} Compare the Japanese "No. 3. The Situation of Both Sides Prior to War",
ATIS, Current Translations, No. 46 with COIC SITEEP for the period after.
December 8, and through December 30, 1941. Further, the Australian Naval Attache
in Washington reported to his government on Dec. 12, that the 52 A-24's were
operational in the Philippines (Doc. 13, App. II). Actually these aircraft
were unloaded at Brisbane on December 22. Twelve of them were eventually ready
for the Java campaign.

^{44.} This table has been compiled from the History 24 Pur. Grp. (Doc. 1), and