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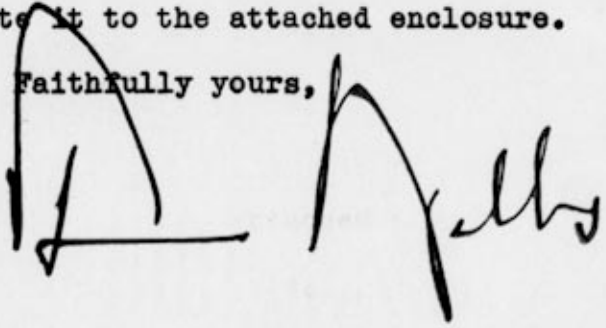
July 7, 1941.

My dear Mr. President:

I am enclosing herewith No. 9 in the series of secret documents which we have received from Germany. The figures should probably be studied and analyzed by agricultural experts. With that idea in mind I am informally furnishing a copy of this document to the Department of Agriculture with the request that they make a study and report. As soon as the report is received I will send you a copy and correlate it to the attached enclosure.

Faithfully yours,

Enclosure:
Document No.9.



The President,

The White House.

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Berlin, May 16, 1941. We.

Agriculture

1.

The official statistics regarding the operating expenses give a good idea of the technical equipment of German agriculture in the war.

The attached memorandum analyzes the statistical data on the operating expenses in German agriculture for the fiscal year 1939-40.

The provisional figures on the operating expenses for the fiscal year 1940-41, which are drawn up on the same bases as the previous memorandum regarding the fiscal year 1939-40, show that all figures for expenditures indicate an increase. This increase amounts to from 10 to 12 percent on the average. Hence it is sufficient, to get an approximate idea of the operating expenses of the farms in the second year of the war, to raise the figures at hand regarding the fiscal year 1939-40 by some 10 to 12 percent.

This memorandum permits definite conclusions to be drawn regarding the status of the productive capacity of German agriculture under control. Expert opinions can themselves be formed from these data.

2.

In the attached documents, further statistics are added on the figures for agricultural production. The
tables

tables include:

- a. status of vegetable crops at the end of April 1941;
- b. final figures for the cereal crop of 1940;
- c. slaughtering and meat supply statistics in March 1941.

3.

The most important points are stated in brief, below, according to the official reports on the requirements and future capacity of agriculture:

a. In agreement with the Office of the Price Commissioner, the Reich Ministry of Food and the Reich Food Office will undertake to raise prices for the fiscal current year, in the interest of further and more rapid increase in agricultural production. This applies to the production of both cereals and feeding-stuffs, and also to the main branches of the cattle business.

A further stimulus to agriculture, in addition to this direct raising of prices, is also said to be aimed at by having the prices of manufactured goods which are directly necessary for carrying on farming operations: farm machinery, tools, etc., lowered within the framework of the general scheme for diminution of profits and reduction of prices.

b. After the releasing of the quotas for the machine industry, technical agricultural apparatus, machinery and
other

other things made for field work and stock raising are to be delivered at an accelerated rate and to a larger extent. The persistent shortage of farm labor is to be counteracted by this mechanization.

c. Lastly, a broad program is being worked out: the improvement of the village, which is to form the basis for a total reorganization of the conduct of farming operations, in collaboration with all governmental, professional, industrial, communications and other organizations concerned. The amount needed for investment for the improvement of the village, that is, from the agricultural standpoint, the erection of dwellings for farm hands, shifting of population and villages, and general improvements, are estimated at from 60 to 75 billion.

...to get an approximate idea of the operating expenses of the farms in the second year of the plan, to raise the figure of 1945 regarding the second year 1950-52 by 10 to 15 percent.

These assumptions permit definite calculations to be made regarding the state of the productive capacity of Soviet agriculture under control. Expert opinions are supported by figures from these data.

2.

The first document contains further statistics and will be the basis for agricultural production. The

Amount of Meat Available from Slaughtering and from

Excess Imports of Meat

<u>March 1941</u>	<u>Total 100 kgs.</u>	<u>per head of population - kg.</u>
Horsemeat	39,953	0.05
Beef	846,946	1.05
Veal	214,718	0.27
Pork	2,159,712	2.68
Mutton	21,642	0.03
Goats' meat	15,754	0.02
Total meat	3,298,725	4.10
 <u>March 1940</u>		
Horsemeat	28,399	0.05
Beef	803,605	1.01
Veal	224,709	0.28
Pork	2,565,432	3.22
Mutton	22,941	0.03
Goats' meat	12,759	0.01
Total meat	3,654,312	4.59

Statement of Statistics on Slaughter-weight and Meat
Supply in the German Reich (Old Reich) including
Austria and Sudetenland, in the month
of March 1941

<u>Whole German Reich:</u>	<u>March 1941</u>	<u>March 1940</u>
Horses and other ungulates	251	265
Steers over 2 years old	335	335
Steers up to 2 years old	196	228
Bulls over 2 years old	334	343
Bulls up to 2 years old	195	211
Cows	236	247
Heifers	207	221
Horned Cattle, all together	243	254
Calves up to 3 months old	34	38
Hogs: professional slaughtering...	96	96
home slaughtering	114	114
both	--	--
Sheep	22	23
Goats	16	15

Status of Vegetable Crops at end of April 1941

Early white cabbage	Early red cabbage	Early savoy	Early cauli- flower	Early kohl- rabi	Spring spin- ach	Field let- tuce Lamb's let- tuce	Head let- tuce spring and summer let- tuce	Carrots early Carrots
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German Reich	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.9
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Ratings: 1 - very good; 2 - good; 3 - medium; 4 - poor; 5 - very poor

Figures from the statistics on slaughtering in the German Reich
in the month of March 1941
Ergebnisse der Schlachtungsstatistik im Deutschen Reich im Monat
März 1941.

MARCH 1941.															
Horses & other ungulates Pferde und andere Einhufer			Steers over - up to 2 years old Ochsen über bis 2 Jahre alt		Bulls over - up to 2 years old Bullen über bis 2 Jahre alt		Cows Kühe	Heifers Färsen bis zum 1. Kalb	Total horned cattle Rinder zusammen	Calves up to 3 months old Kalber bis zu 3 Monaten alt	Hogs commercial gewerbliche Schlachtungen Slaughteringe		Total zusammen	Sheep Schafe einschl. der nicht-beschauten Lämmer including uninspection lambs	Goats Ziegen der nicht-beschauten Lämmer
			Slaughteringe of German animals Schlachtungen von Inlandstieren.						Slaughteringe of German animals Schlachtungen von Inlandstieren.						
German animals	16 680	22684	6794	27689	30900	190452	66563	345 082	713099	1038967	1118418	2157385	109 810	146 639	
			Slaughteringe of Foreign Animals Schlachtungen von Auslandstieren.						Slaughteringe of Foreign Animals Schlachtungen von Auslandstieren.						
Foreign animals	941	5582	-	1265	9	11878	1153	19 887	-	64523	-	64523	428		
Slaughteringe of both German and foreign animals in March 1941	17 621	28266	6794	28954	30909	202330	67716	364 969	713099	1103490	1118418	2221908	110 238	146 639	
February 1941	19 517	32976	7497	28460	30838	212779	68202	380 752	596511	1022596	1407859	2430455	107 136	32 855	
January 1941	25 018	46570	9352	31043	32764	246222	77512	443 463	627685	981931	1617528	2599459	160 497	35 761	
March 1941 Old Reich including Austria and Sudetenland	15 912	26895	6174	27237	27001	178682	57276	323 265	639463	1004261	1037533	2041794	101 115	145 323	
February 1941	17 734	31989	6894	26908	27922	191102	59924	344739	554058	935622	1342863	2278435	98 464	31 616	
March 1940	10 701	20992	3983	28246	25767	172357	56861	308 806	591955	1242359	1226243	2468602	103 403	154 827	
Of the foreign animals slaughtered in March 1941 there were from:															
Denmark	17	386	-	766	-	9427	214	10 793	-	31820	-	31820	-	-	
Holland	-	2	-	10	-	561	39	621	-	24173	-	24173	-	-	
USSR (formerly Lithuania)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	218	-	218	-	-	
Hungary	94	4889	-	448	-	1892	893	8 112	-	1251	-	1251	428	-	
Yugoslavia	596	305	-	41	-	8	7	361	-	7055	-	7055	-	-	
Slovakia	244	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
from the statistics on slaughter weights and meat supply in the de der Schlachtgewichts- und Fleischverbrauchsstatistik in und Sudetenland in Monat															
Whole German Reich	251	335	196	334	195	236	207	243	34	96	114	-	22	16	
March 1940	265	335	228	343	211	247	221	254	38	96	114	-	23	15	
MARCH 1940															

German Reich (old Reich) incl. Austria and Sudetenland, in month of March
Deutsches Reich (Altreich) einschl. Ostmark
März 1941

Final Figures for Cereal Crops 1943

States	Winter Rye			Summer Rye			Both Ryes			Winter Wheat			Summer Wheat			Both W heats			Spelt and Emmer			Wheat and Spelt			Bread Grains																	
	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total	Area	Yield	Total															
	hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.		hectares	per hect.	hectares	per hect.	hectares	per hect.	hectares	per hect.							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27															
Prussia	3447154	15.8	5439412	47755	13.4	64036	3434705	15.7	5373443	748	344	22.2	1	650	406	289	215	24.2	608	214	1037	652	22.7	2	350	620	3	626	14.9	5	416	1040	685	22.7	2364	594	4535	594	17.3	7867	484	
Prov. Ost-Prussia	734290	14.1	1034196	4327	10.0	4327	734290	14.1	1034196	66	215	12.8	85	086	23	239	14.3	33	240	89	454	13.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stadt Berlin	3049	13.2	4025	190	12.2	232	3049	13.2	4025	93	15.0	140	37	12.6	47	130	14.4	119	332	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Mark Brandenburg	497395	13.8	685510	8119	12.5	10157	505514	13.3	685667	52	735	23.4	123	626	23	508	22.3	52	410	76	303	23.1	176	036	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pommern	559976	15.9	890541	9123	11.3	10336	569099	15.8	900877	48	852	22.6	110	591	15	188	23.5	35	758	64	040	22.9	146	349	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Schlesien	523159	13.4	700603	6418	12.0	8245	549577	13.4	708328	152	012	17.1	430	336	69	383	21.8	151	023	221	395	19.9	441	359	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sachsen Prov.	226371	16.8	380	434	4031	14.5	5865	230402	16.8	386299	112	263	24.5	275	253	101	214	28.0	283	339	213	477	26.2	558	592	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Schlesw.-Holst.	113008	18.6	211929	3160	15.2	4790	116968	18.5	216719	47	323	25.1	120	076	2	490	23.9	5	953	50	413	25.0	126	029	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Hannover	342609	18.0	617717	5286	14.7	7909	347395	18.0	625626	58	363	26.0	151	431	20	543	28.0	80	060	86	906	26.6	231	551	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Westfalen	175684	19.8	348614	2207	16.3	3601	177031	19.8	352215	56	300	23.7	133	902	2	845	20.5	5	805	59	225	23.6	139	707	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Hess.-Kassau	117377	19.9	233453	1047	16.6	1738	118424	19.9	235191	61	971	22.5	139	376	5	093	23.0	11	727	67	064	22.5	151	103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Rheinprov.	153036	21.7	331756	3719	18.3	6822	156755	21.6	338538	83	027	25.5	224	303	16	133	23.6	38	023	104	160	25.2	262	406	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Hohenzollerische Linie	400	15.6	624	28	12.2	34	428	15.4	658	3	950	15.6	6	146	542	15.2	823	4	492	15.5	6	969	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bayern	304727	14.7	4477972	36154	14.8	53504	340881	14.7	501476	295	495	17.7	524	283	67	392	18.8	126	414	362	837	17.9	650	697	1	745	14.5	2	593	364	672	17.9	653	290	705	553	16.4	1154	766			
Sachsen	113164	17.6	198616	6900	15.1	10442	128064	17.4	209058	71	760	22.2	159	235	20	108	21.1	42	352	91	876	21.9	201	507	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Württemberg	16163	15.7	25258	2772	14.2	3931	10925	15.5	29209	101	107	18.5	186	779	16	822	18.4	30	978	117	929	13.5	217	757	29	082	16.0	46	549	147	011	18.0	264	306	165	936	17.7	293	595			
Baden	20835	16.7	48287	3356	13.4	3165	21191	16.5	51452	59	198	18.5	109	453	5	490	18.1	9	934	64	088	18.5	119	387	6	517	15.2	9	958	71	205	18.2	129	295	162	396	17.7	289	747			
Thüringen	53036	18.3	96030	3596	17.2	4396	55592	18.2	101294	43	424	21.6	93	700	38	113	24.9	74	842	81	577	23.1	100	542	11	12.2	13	01	580	23.1	180	555	137	180	21.1	189	049					
Hessen	42634	19.4	82097	548	17.1	938	43132	19.4	83945	27	418	22.7	60	770	8	034	24.7	19	871	35	452	22.8	60	949	11	12.2	13	01	580	23.1	180	555	137	180	21.1	189	049					
Hamburg	2890	18.2	51804	72	14.2	104	2991	18.1	5228	235	235	22.4	1	138	7	568	22.8	660	1	944	23.2	1	944	23.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Mecklenburg	196420	19.9	390	348	2273	15.6	3949	19693	19.9	393977	46	265	24.3	115	231	7	568	22.8	17	974	53	037	24.8	133	308	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Oldenburg	46311	17.1	79121	276	15.6	3549	2273	15.6	3549	1	611	23.8	7	932	331	20.8	660	1	944	23.2	1	944	23.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Brandenburg	20075	21.6	43306	406	20.2	823	1125	19.9	1792	17	027	26.0	47	714	15	736	20.2	44	783	33	583	17.6	92	620	21	17.8	37	1	965	23.1	4	538	94	044	25.3	136	748					
Ernen	1100	16.0	1756	25	14.5	36	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200
Amst	21942	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200	22075	16.1	35335	128	15.6	200
Elbe	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107	10037	24.6	24735	60	17.9	107
Sachsenburg-Mag	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129	3621	26.3	9053	34	23.7	129
Saxland	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324	6421	16.7	10722	227	14.2	324
Ostmark	202	009	11.3	310136	20236	10.6	21773	30235	11.3	340909	165289	13.1	217731	46	850	29	795	15.4	44	566	19	354	18.2	35	163	136	299	17.2	334	072	1208	230	14.7	1778	269	16.7	34915137	7313	185	20.4	14898	611
Sudetenland	153	856	13.2	205267	11419	11.9	13293	165289	13.1	217731	46	850	29	795	15.4	44	566	19	354	18.2	35	163	136	299	17.2	334	072	1208	230	14.7	1778	269	16.7	34915137	7313	185	20.4	14898	611			
Danwig-Kenta	434086	14.7	640433	3614	11.5	4145	428060	14.7	644578	29	795	15.4	44	566	19	354	18.2	35	163	136	299	17.2	334	072	1208	230	14.7	1778	269	16.7	34											

Final Figures for Cereal Crops 1948 (including cereals)

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

Stockholm

Dated July 27, 1941

Rec'd 6:25 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

453, July 27, noon.

Having just returned from a week or so in Germany where travelled a good deal and spent two days at Goering's headquarters, 500 miles East of Berlin, Dahlerus in a long conversation yesterday among other things stated the following

One. Goering told him that Japan had been granted a free hand in east Russia and might be expected to try to take Vladivostok and other coastal places.

Two. Despite German surprise at number, size and strength of armament of Russian tanks Goering now felt that power of Russian armies will be crushed in about six weeks from now.

Three. It is then planned to divide Russia into small states, Goering to be economic dictator and Rosenberg political dictator in conquered areas.

Four. In retreating Russians have effectively put manufacturing establishments out of commission but efforts to destroy crops have not been successful and Germany expects to reap most of coming harvest and has

no

-2- 453, July 27, noon from Stockholm

no compunctions at starving Russians if necessary to keep flow of food and raw materials moving to Germany indefinitely.

Five. Dahleru (*)op whatever of invasion of British is less and felt it possible it was no longer planned. Hitler is now preparing for a long drawn out war and no peace suggestions will be advanced by Germany at conclusion of Russian campaign as had been predicted in other quarters in Sweden. As soon as German forces are released in case all out effort will be made by air against England and in battle of Atlantic.

Six. Goering was much perturbed at American occupation of Iceland.

Seven. From his intimate connections in other quarters in Germany I felt that influence of army over prty was somewhat in a (?)ancy.

Eight. He felt as have other visitors that German civilian population was thoroughly war weary.

Nine. Goering is not isolated nor does he seem to have lost favor with Hitler. British propaganda to effect that Goering and Hitler differed over Russian campaign are false.

Ten. Goering is very much annoyed with Sweden for having been so little cooperative in connection with
other

-3- 453, July 27, noon from Stockholm

other requests when troop transit to Finland came up. Nevertheless no threats were made because of this.

Eleven. Dahlerus, as Department is aware, has been hoping to be an instrument in bringing about peace even since before war commenced in 1939 now feels less hopeful about ^{it} than at any time and expects complete destruction of Europe as inevitable (?) of continued hostilities unless some peace proposal is submitted from neutral sources.

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Leah Day

BERN

Dated July 29, 1941

Rec'd 6 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

149, July 29, 5 p.m., (SECTION ONE)

My 141, July 2, 3 p.m.

Informant attributing to German General Staff and other reliable sources made following statements: German eastern front losses of men and material and fuel have been colossal, the men including reserves now being completely exhausted physically. Fourteen successive nights of effective bombing of Rumanian oil fields, pipe lines and loading ports would, unless Germany could find substitute oil supplies, terminate war by end of August. Desperate German situation makes absolutely essential that Turks be ready for surprise thrust to Caucasus oil fields. Two German combat divisions have just been added to Bulgarian forces now completing mobilization against Thrace. Italians concentrating in Greece and islands. Turks still seem undecided and to counter Nazi propaganda must be held in line by Russian guarantee backed by parallel American English guarantee of Turkish territorial inviolability in event of Russian victory. Earlier than

expected

-2-, No. 149, from Bern, July 29, 1941; 6 p.m.

expected the decisive psychological moment has now arrived for heavy blow by England against Germany where civilian army and party morale fast declining. Hitler group greatly fears destruction of Rumanian ? army will bring Italy in collapse, stagger Spain, make up Weygand's mind and be disastrous inside Germany. Imports except foods would be cut off as they are shipped to Germany. Spain puts foreign exchange at German disposal.

HARRISON

CSB

PM

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Bern

Dated July 29, 1941.

Rec'd 4:50 p.m., 28th.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

149, July 29, 5 p.m. (SECTION TWO)

Frontal attack by England in France and low countries now preferable to attacks on flanks, since only forty German occupational divisions, all landsturm, plus one panzer division spread thin from Bordeaux to Amsterdam, constitute entire German force in west. Reinforcements at present unavailable. Nearly all anti-tank artillery shipped east. Morale of landsturm is bad. Results of questionnaires among German officer corps and rank and file indicate, firstly that their continued adherence to Hitler and regime solely due to fear of partition Germany and creation thereby of terrain favorable for a future "Hitler" and, secondly, that (coupled with effective offensive by England) a positive declaration by the President that there will be no such partition will destroy last hesitancy of army to abandon Hitler and his regime and also permit creation of confederation under Wittelsback with south and west German sections

balancing

-2- #149, July 29, 1941, from Bern.

balancing expansionistic Prussia.

Vichy and Japan have formed military alliance for common action against England and China. French commander and troops in Indochina have gone north ostensibly to avoid clashes with Japanese, but actually to prepare attack on Burma. Japan will send half million men to Indochina.

Informant laid greatest stress on assurances from General Steff friends that decisive psychological moment now has arrived for England to break Germany in order to terminate war within weeks rather than perhaps months.

Military Attache requests that War Department be informed. (END MESSAGE).

HARRISON.

CSB

Look Day

RS

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BERN

Dated July 31, 1941

Rec'd 2:45 p.m.

Secretary of State,

Washington.

152, July 31, 4 p.m.

Your 152, July 30.

Following just received by informant my 149, July 29:

All oil reserves tapped very extensively for east; especially infantry, sometimes whole units incapacitated by new eye inflammation from dust; during past ten days strong replacements, morale low, four motorized and panzer elements sent east; a second Italian division, morale very low, passed through Salzburg on twenty-fifth; new assignment to be given Rommel probably east front as British deemed incapable African offensive now; arms distribution during week ending July 26 to workers in many central and south German factories officially explained as against English parachute troops, but believed actually anticipation internal disorder; repeated that this is psychological moment British offensive and entry United States to end war by September; as Japanese

Nazis

-2-, No. 152 from Bern, July 31, 1941; 2:45 p.m.

Nazis plan sink ships Panama Canal, recommends exclusion Spanish and Japanese ships.

Source my despatch 1780, July 2 reports that in southwest Germany, Nazis still believe in Russian defeat by year end, others believe war protracted to spring. Slight anxiety and growing uneasiness now noticeable among the people.

Military Attache desires War Department be informed.

HARRISON

LMS

[10-1-4]

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

To:

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

My dear Mr. President -

The attached is much like the information I relayed to you from Saigon - 2 months ago. Also it resembles the report from one of "our people" which has come in by way of Is [unclear] to the Navy - which you may have - is not all sent. [unclear]

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October 1, 1941

TO: Coordinator of Information

FROM: W. D. Whitney

There is attached a detailed memorandum of our talk with Stallforth at 1647-30 St., N.W. on September 30, 1941, at 5:00 p.m. (His name is omitted from the attached memorandum, in which he is referred to as the informant.)

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TO: Coordinator of Information

FROM: W. D. Whitney

This is a memorandum of conference held at 1647-30 St., N. W., September 30, 1941, 5 o'clock p.m., between the informant (whose name is given on a separate memorandum), Colonel Donovan, and W. D. Whitney. The informant's story follows, using the first person singular:

In 1940, about the end of June or early July, I was in Berlin and had a personal conversation with Goering. He proposed a peace plan, after conferring with Hitler. The plan was:

- 1) British Empire in status quo, except certain colonies for Germany.
- 2) Political independence for France, Belgium, and Holland (except Alsace-Lorraine and Luxembourg to Germany).
- 3) Germany to have free hand in the East, including Poland and Czecho-Slovakia.

On August 12 I arrived in the United States and submitted this plan to Wilson of the State Department and to Drury, a British representative. I understand that it came to the attention of the Prime Minister and the President, and was of course turned down.

At the beginning of May, 1941, I was again in Germany, this time on the business of negotiating the sale of ships belonging to Axis-controlled countries in the Western hemisphere, and for which, although the ships were not German owned, German consent was necessary. I inquired for Goering, but this time he refused to see me. I was later advised that this was because Ribbentrop was in complete charge--and that all were confident of complete victory, so that Goering did not dare see me.

In talks with the Army, I was told that the plan to invade Russia had been fully agreed upon in early November and indeed the very day of June 22 had been set. There had been two disappointments:

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- 1) That Russian tanks were three times as many as expected,
- 2) That the Russian troops were loyal to Stalin instead of showing the bad moral that had been expected,

but that the German General Staff still expected:

- 1) To annihilate the Russian armies by the end of October, this representing only a two month's delay beyond their original estimate of the end of August,
- 2) That the Russian political situation would be fully in hand by the spring of 1942.

Goering had recommended to Hitler that a boundary be put upon the German names in Russia and that an all-out effort to conquer Russia should be abandoned. The next morning he found his home, the Kerinhalle, surrounded by SS men. He could not go out and his telephone wires had been cut. (I was informed of this by Frau Goering, who told me the whole story.) The basis of Goering's ideas on the Russian campaign was that the German people's morale would not stand up to it.

I was also reliably informed that Mussolini asked Hitler to make peace, saying that Italy must have peace. It was believed that Mussolini was the only man that could say this to Hitler without being locked up. But Hitler was merely rather amused by Mussolini, regarding him as sort of a naughty boy.

I also know that Von Pfeffer, who was the organizer of the Nazi party in Prussia, made the same recommendation to Hitler and was immediately arrested and ordered to be shot, but due to the intercession of Frau Von Pfeffer he was reprieved and put in solitary confinement.

Note by Whitney: I know that the informant was intimate with Von Pfeffer as I attended a private luncheon in informant's room with Von Pfeffer in a Berlin hotel in 1936, at which Von Pfeffer outlined the then plans for an ultimate Russian campaign. This is the only corroboration that I can personally give to the informant's story.

I was called in by General Udet, Chief of the Luftwaffe, because I had had a long prior acquaintance with him, and through him I met Brauchitsch and Keitel and through them in turn many other officers. As a consequence I was invited to a rather formal luncheon at which were officers (not the top officers, but the second men) in each of the military establishments,--General Staff, Army, Navy, and Luftwaffe. The course of the conversation ran as follows:

They: We are still confident that we will conquer Russia, but we are anxious at all costs to avoid war with the United States of America and wish to know what the USA wants.

I: We will make no peace with the present German government, and neither would Great Britain.

They: What if Hitler and Goering were to disappear or to resign.

I: That would not be enough. No party member would be accepted by the USA today, but I personally believe that the USA and Great Britain would likely make peace with a new constitutional government in which every private citizen would be recognized and have full normal rights.

They: How about a monarchy?

I: That would do, I think; if it were a constitutional monarchy on the English model.

A few days later, one of them came to me and the following conversation ensued:

He: Suppose,--always suppose--that the army replaces the present regime and offers peace.

I: I think that it is possible that the USA and Great Britain would treat with the army under those circumstances.

He: The army's conditions would then be:

- 1) No double crossing of Germany, as happened after Germany's acceptance of Wilson's Fourteen Points;
- 2) The army to remain in control to avoid chaos and thus of course disarmament could not be immediate.

I: I think something could be arranged.

He: Whom would you suggest to meet with you.

I: I suggest Donovan, Willkie, and General Wood. (I thought of these three men to show that America was united, and to negative the idea that Willkie or Wood would not cooperate with the President.)

He further explained to me that they did not even ask who would be the emissary from England as they have full confidence in England, but indicated that they would prefer energetic men like Beaverbrook. They hate us more than the British, because we are spoiling their success; whereas they rather admire the British. He indicated that they would likely send Falkenhansen, Haltner, Stupnagel, and others of that type. They distrust Keitel; they believe that Brauchitsch will come over at the last. As a civilian member, they would probably send Von Hassel, son-in-law of old Tirpitz, and who, as a former ambassador to Rome, claims to be a friend of Phillips.

It was further explained to me that:

- 1) Everything against Hitler and the regime must originate from Germany. The German people must not get the idea that the disposition of Hitler has been organized from outside, as then they would line up to protect him.
- 2) If we consider their plan at all, we must do so very promptly, before hatred of the USA gets worse in Germany.
- 3) But as soon as it becomes plain to the German people that the change means peace, they will let Hitler go, as they put peace first in their affections and Hitler second.
- 4) The German army fears that the President or Churchill would kill any such plan, as they have been convinced by their own propaganda to the effect that the President and Churchill as individuals have a special and violent animosity against Germany while all the rest of the USA and Great Britain understand them. I of course explained that this was absurd and that the USA and the UK were definitely behind their two chiefs, but mere explanations do not surmount months of skillful propaganda. This does not of course mean that they would not be glad to deal with Churchill and the President, but they think that the President and Churchill would, for reasons of blind hatred, refuse even to consider reasonable solutions.

I showed them the eight points which they had not seen. But (I got them from the Embassy in Berlin.) They read them over carefully and said they were satisfactory, except the last point about disarmament. They said there should be an economic union of Europe, but that politically they would be prepared to evacuate all territories, except only Austria. Germany and Austria should remain intact. They suggested the Kaiser's grandson as the new sovereign, because in the legitimate line.

They emphasized to me that I should make plain that they are making these suggestions, not because of fear, but to save the white race from further destruction

9/30/41

The following are certain statements made by Dr. Hans Thomsen on Monday night to a friend of his:

He said he expected that the United States would sever all diplomatic relations with Germany by the end of this year. When that happens, he said he would charter a Swedish ship for the trip home. He said the reports they had were that their consuls and their families were ill-treated on the American ship which returned them to Europe. He wants to purchase a large electric ice-box and take it back home with him.

When asked about what he thought the Japanese would do, he said they could not tell yet what they would do; that they were very unsatisfactory Allies; that they were too self-centered and selfish. He said certainly they were watching the Russian situation like a hawk and any break there would make them feel freer from pressure than they do now.

When asked what he thought the German military plans would be after the Russian campaign, he said that the High Command is ready to move in several directions; that they are the world's best opportunists; that unless peace with Britain would follow the collapse of Russia, the next move would be made at the place most vulnerable at that time, and where a defeat of Britain would most vitally affect the war as a whole. He said he could not guess where that would be and doubted if the High Command would be willing to guess; that it was ready to move in several different directions.

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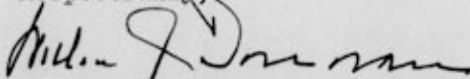
WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 3, 1941

My dear Mr. President:

Here are certain notes
excerpted from information obtained by the
British, and in which I thought you might be
interested.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. J. Donovan", written in a cursive style.

William J. Donovan

The President

The White House

Washington, D. C.

GERMAN NAVY

Progress in construction of German Aircraft Carrier "Graf Zeppelin"

The "Graf Zeppelin" was located at STETTIN on 8th September and air photographs were obtained.

Information from photographs

A preliminary interpretation of these photographs stated that the ship was completed, but further examination shows that:-

- (a) No work is at present in progress on the ship, neither is she in a position where work can be commenced.
- (b) The control tower is not in place, but the base may be prepared to receive it.
- (c) The funnel is in place and has a searchlight platform.
- (d) No mast is stepped.
- (e) The flight deck appears complete but there are some workmen's huts on it still.
- (f) No guns can be seen, although the turret bases appear to be in position. The broadside casemate guns cannot be seen, but might be concealed by the overhang of the flight deck.
- (g) Careful measurements show this vessel to be about 870' in length overall. The flight deck itself being 830' long, and about 100' wide, but abreast of the super-structure the width is about 80'.

Previous history

The 'Graf Zeppelin' was on steaming trials in April 1940. Left KIEL in July 1940. (A.1) (Air reconnaissance).

Was reported at GDYNIA in December 1940. (C.3).

Was reported at GDYNIA completing in May 1941. (C.2).

Was reported at STETTIN 26th June 1941. (B.2).

(Note: Germany commenced hostilities with Russia on 22nd June 1941).

There is evidence that a decision had been reached in March 1940 as to the type of aircraft which the ship was to carry, but no reports of the training of pilots preparatory to deck landing.

CONCLUSION

That the "Graf Zeppelin" has not been completed and that from the time work on her is resumed at least six months must elapse before she is ready to operate as an aircraft carrier.

The British Admiral Miles reported from Moscow:

Russian scorched earth policy is everywhere being carried out with great thoroughness and relentlessly. Removal of unfinished hulls and machinery from Nikolaev and the destruction of immovable gear showed that the Soviet Navy could do their share.

Leningrad is the only Baltic Russian Naval repair base.

Kronstadt is too small to base the entire Russian Baltic Fleet, and, although very strongly fortified, is vulnerable to attack from the main land.

Should Leningrad fall the Russians are faced with the four following courses of action for their Baltic Fleet:-

1. To scuttle.
2. To suffer capture by the enemy.
3. To sail through the Baltic to the North Sea.
4. To surrender for internment to the Swedes.

The Russian Fleet to our knowledge has not so far shown the same determination as their Army, except for the destruction at Nikolaev when incompleated ships were destroyed.

The Russians are notorious for their dislike of the sea.

The arrival of the Russian Fleet, although expected, would be highly distasteful to the Swedes, and, swollen by this unwieldy gift, Sweden's neutrality would not remain inviolate for long.

AXIS SHIPPING

Eastern Mediterranean

Practically the whole of the Axis shipping between Italy, the Aegean and the Black Sea has been engaged in the carrying of war material and supplies, particularly oil from the Roumanian oil fields.

Recently it was reported that they intended running a regular service between Trieste and Istanbul with three ships:- "CAPO ARMA" (3,175 tons), "ALBA JULIA" (5,701 tons) and "BALCIC" (3,600 tons). The first is Italian and the other two Roumanian. They left Istanbul in company on the 2nd of August and arrived at Trieste on the 15/16th with cargoes of oil cakes, oil seeds, olive oil, skins, valonea and aero engines.

During the months of June, July and August, the total tonnage from the Black Sea to the Aegean was approximately 100,000 tons, representing 26 sailings. Of the ships engaged (23) it is claimed three were sunk by British submarines in the Aegean whilst another was sunk by submarine in the Black Sea. The four ships sunk represented a tonnage of 17,616 tons. The majority of the ships were oil tankers.

The following extracts are from the Report of Ministry of Economic Warfare:

OIL

Germany's overland transport routes are not thought at present to be capable of handling more than the current Roumanian oil export surplus of some 350,000 tons a month. In order to carry on the Russian campaign Germany has to draw heavily upon her stocks, which are at present inconveniently situated in that some 1,000,000 tons, or half of her free reserves, are in Roumania. Although these are to some extent available to the southern sector of her army, they cannot be made available in the North by a direct route until considerable repairs and alterations to rail communications in Western Russia have been effected. Unless, therefore, Germany can increase the rate of output from Roumania, free stocks in Western Europe may become exhausted, while there are still considerable reserves in Roumania. Unless some cure can be found this may result in a severe limitation in Germany's future strategy. The only cure that is available is the removal by the sea route of Roumanian stocks through the Dardanelles.

It seems reasonable to assume that Russian naval activity will decline in the Black Sea as the German advance proceeds and that as the result of this the tanker traffic through the Dardanelles will be speeded up. The importance of the successful interception of tankers proceeding towards the Black Sea cannot be over-emphasized. Not only will the lifting of stocks from Constanza and the supplies to Axis forces in the Mediterranean be retarded, but also the enemy will be deprived of a tanker reserve within the Black Sea which would be of the greatest importance to him not only in carrying Roumanian oil forward during the period of his advance but also for carrying back Caucasian oil if he succeeds in capturing these oil fields.

Commodities other than oil.

With the close blockade in the west, Germany had done her best to exploit the resources of Turkey and Asia Minor to the fullest. Up till the time of the Greek campaign goods from this area had passed to Germany either by rail on the Orient line from Istanbul or by steamer from Turkish Black Sea ports to Bulgarian and Roumanian ports and thence by rail. The main Orient rail communications were cut during the Greek campaign and coasting traffic in the Black Sea was brought to an end by the outbreak of the Russian hostilities. At a time, therefore, when Russian goods and goods from the Far East were denied to her, the Axis was also faced with the loss of supplies from Asia Minor which she had taken great trouble to develop. It was not surprising, therefore, to learn that a service between Trieste and Istanbul was being organized as a matter of urgency. So long as the Black Sea is closed it must be assumed that the Axis will do their utmost to develop this service, which is their only transport link with the Near East. There is every indication that this will, in fact, happen, and the road lorry system is being built up in Anatolia to act as a feeder service. The commodities to be carried by this route are principally wool, cotton, oilseeds and tanning materials, all vitally important to Germany's war effort.

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The translation of the German writing on
the map appears to be as follows:

On the right: - "Fuel reserves for Trans-Atlantic
traffic -

- (a) with what capacity,
- (b) Whom to interest for installation,
- (c) Estimate."

On the left: - "(1) Is a fuel monopoly planned?

- (2) Can private capital participate
in expansion?

Under what conditions?

- (3) To what extent will Mexico F
participate in installation
and expansion F as furnisher
of fuel? Lacks fuel reserves."

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THE GERMAN MILITARY AND ECONOMIC POSITION

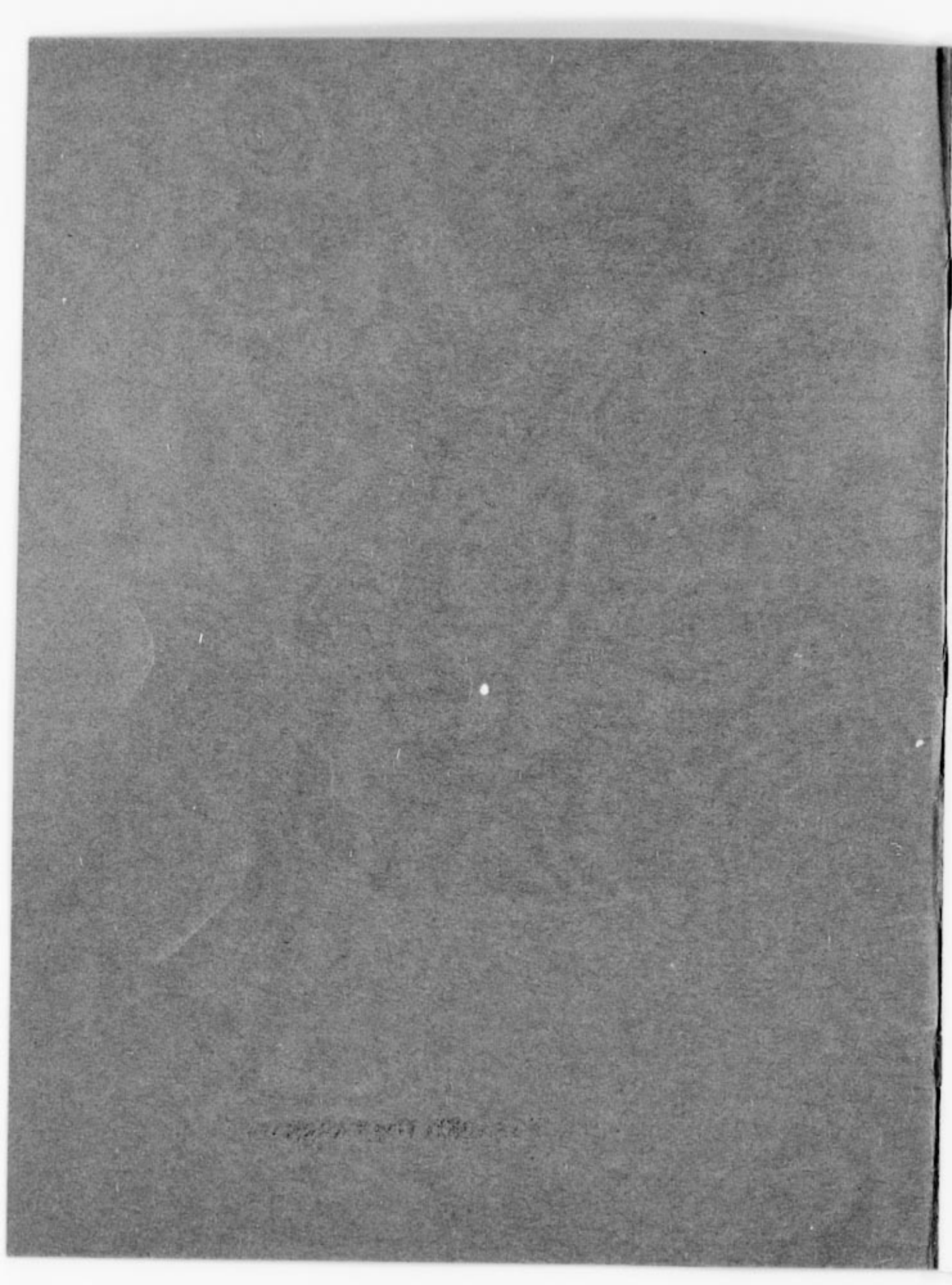
SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION



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THE GERMAN
MILITARY AND ECONOMIC POSITION
DECEMBER 1941

Summary and Conclusion

A. GERMAN MILITARY POSITION

Upon the outbreak of hostilities, in 1939, the German armed forces totaled about 2 million men. In June 1941 they totaled 9 million, of whom about half have been engaged on the Eastern front. A tentative estimate places German battle casualties in the war against Russia at 1,500,000 killed, wounded, and missing to December 10. This figure excludes what is probably a considerable loss due to disease, exposure, and other nonbattle causes. To some extent these losses have been filled by new recruits.

The following table summarizes the limited available data on the German position with respect to materiel.

	On hand, June 1941	Production rate (monthly)	Estimated losses (June- December 1941)
Airplanes (combat).....	24, 000	1, 960	4, 500
Tanks.....	30, 000	1, 000-1, 700	(1)
Artillery:			
Antiaircraft.....	9, 000	150	(1)
Other.....	13, 500	235	(1)
Trucks.....	(1)	10, 000	(1)

(1) No estimate.

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The most serious consequences of the Russian war for the German position have been the following:

1. Manpower losses, especially within the age group 21-28.
2. The strain on transport, especially the railways.
3. The reduction of petroleum stocks, as a result of the high military consumption rate on the Eastern front.

B. GERMAN ECONOMIC POSITION

Prior to June 1941 the German industrial machine exhibited few signs of strain, having been bolstered by the stocks and resources acquired in the campaigns of 1940. These minimized the consequences of the Allied blockade.

The large scale and prolonged operations in the East, however, have evoked three types of strain on the German economic system. First, pressure on total manpower and transport resources has been measurably increased, causing further incursions into the supply of civilian goods and services and some net decrease in the efficiency of the industrial machine. Second, the continuance of the war at its present level of intensity has accentuated the problem of depreciation, with respect to the railways, industrial equipment, and durable consumer's goods. Third, the large demands of the present campaign have exposed and accentuated certain specific German weaknesses:

1. The further withdrawal of manpower of military age, from agriculture and industry, has necessitated the substitution of less efficient over-age workers, women, foreigners, and war prisoners. In addition to this general dilution of the labor supply, shortages exist for special types of workers, notably industrial technicians, railway workers, and administrators of all types.

2. The large foodstuff demands of the Army have accentuated somewhat the underlying German weaknesses with respect to meats, fats, and oils; although the consequences of that weakness will be greater in 1942-43 than in the current harvest year.

3. The necessity for maintaining military production at a maximum level has caused withdrawals from stockpiles in the following instances: Tin, copper, antimony, and the steel-hardening alloys taken as a whole.

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4. The current rate of petroleum consumption is being maintained out of stocks; and there is some evidence, although the data are inadequate, that the petroleum stock-pile may be exhausted within the year 1942. On the whole, this seems unlikely.

5. The present transport situation has caused local shortages in civilian and some industrial supplies. The present strain would be markedly accentuated if the current winter is severe, and the internal water-ways frozen for prolonged periods.

6. German morale has been somewhat impaired by the prolongation of the Russian war. Heavy manpower losses and the increasing remoteness of ultimate victory have necessitated a defensive shift in the nature of official German propaganda.

C. CONCLUSIONS.

The data are inadequate to assess these weaknesses fully. The following tentative conclusions, however, appear justified:

1. The strains induced by the Russian war have reduced the absolute strength of the German military machine and economic machine; and further limited the supplies at the disposal of civilians.

2. Some of these strains, such as those in manpower and transport facilities, can perhaps be alleviated by a period of respite from military operations on the present scale. Others, however, reflect the gradual exhaustion of stock-piles of strategic raw materials—a process which is not greatly affected by the scale of military operations, except in the case of petroleum.

3. German leadership is thus faced with a dilemma in timing: whether to hold military operations down to a defensive minimum, while maximizing preparations for new offensives next spring; or to push on during the winter into areas possessing supplies of needed raw materials in order to strengthen immediately the basic position. Many facts unknown to us, or known imprecisely, will influence the decision. It seems likely, however, that in the coming months German military operations, whether directed towards strategic or economic goals, will be on a much reduced scale.

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THE GERMAN MILITARY AND ECONOMIC POSITION

DECEMBER 1941¹

I. Military Manpower and Materiel Position of Germany, June 22, 1941

A. MANPOWER

Roughly 9,000,000 men were organized in German military and semimilitary formations at the outbreak of the Russian war. This excludes the troops of Italy, Finland, Rumania, and other allies, totaling roughly 44 divisions.

Ground forces totaled 7,500,000 organized in 300 divisions of which 25 were armored and 35 were motorized.

The German air force personnel totals about 1,200,000 including pilots, signal corps, antiaircraft forces, parachute troops, and other attached services.

It is estimated that 179 divisions has been the maximum engaged at one time in the Russian campaign. This may have amounted, including all supporting and service forces behind the combat areas, to 4,500,000 men.

¹ The purpose of this study is to consider the fragmentary information available concerning German military gains and losses in the Russian campaign in relation to the German economic position as of December 1941. Its conclusions are subject to revision in the light of a special report, now being prepared by the Eastern European Section, on German gains in the Russian campaign.

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B. MATERIEL

1. Combat planes. It is estimated that Germany had approximately 24,000 combat planes available at the outbreak of the Russian war, as follows:

	First Line	Reserve	Total
Bombers, heavy (including long-range reconnaissance).....	220	220	440
Bombers, medium (including reconnaissance).....	4,250	4,250	8,500
Bombers, light (Stukas).....	1,190	1,190	2,380
Pursuit, single engine.....	2,400	2,400	4,800
Pursuit, twin engine.....	2,250	2,250	4,500
Observation and cooperative.....	900	900	1,800
Flying boats, navy fighters and amphibians.....	(?)	(?)	(?)
Total.....	11,660	11,660	23,320

Approximately 50 percent of the German first line plane strength has been employed on the Russian front; i. e., about 6,000 planes.

2. *Tanks*.—It is estimated that Germany had 30,000 tanks on hand at the opening of hostilities. It is to be noted that Germany is favoring the use of medium and heavy types of tanks.

3. *Artillery*.—An average estimate of 13,500 guns is submitted as between a British estimate of 15,000 and an American of 12,000. Heavy antiaircraft guns amounted to an additional 9,000. The number of antiaircraft (47 mm.) on hand is not known, but it is to be noted that these are employed for antitank purposes as well.

4. The percentage of total equipment used on the eastern front is approximately in proportion to the number of divisions operating there.

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C. MILITARY MATERIEL PRODUCTION RATES

1. *Planes*.—The present estimated monthly production rate of German combat airplanes by types is as follows:

Bombers (including heavy, medium and long-range reconnaissance).....	770
Light bombers.....	230
Pursuit.....	730
Army cooperation, coastal, etc.....	230
Total.....	1,960

2. *Tanks*.—Monthly production rate is estimated to be between 1,000 and 1,700 tanks, with heavy and medium types predominating.

3. *Artillery, light, heavy and antiaircraft*.—It is estimated that field guns and howitzers were being produced in April 1941 at the rate of 235 per month; while heavy antiaircraft guns were produced at a rate of 150 per month.

4. *Trucks*.—Production in Germany and occupied countries may amount to 10,000 per month.

II. German Military Losses in the Russian War

A. MANPOWER.

Two announcements have come from German official sources regarding German casualties in the Russian war. The first, emanating from the High Command, estimated losses to August 31; the second, made by Hitler, December 11, presented figures up to December 1. These estimates, together with a derived estimate of the losses from August 31, to December 1, are presented in the following table:

	Killed	Wounded	Missing	Total
June 22-Aug. 31.....	85, 896	296, 770	20, 299	402, 965
June 22-Dec. 1.....	162, 314	577, 767	33, 334	773, 515
Aug. 31-Dec. 1.....	76, 418	280, 997	13, 035	370, 550

The two official estimates are roughly consistent, in that the proportions among killed, wounded, and missing are similar. They would indicate, however, a much lower casualty rate for the latter three than for the first two months of the campaign. Average daily casualties, from these official German figures, would be roughly 5,750 to August 31, only 4,072 from August 31 to December 1. While it is certainly true that with lengthened supply lines and weakened Russian resistance, the numbers of German troops actually engaged has decreased, it must be remembered that in the period August 31 to December 1 the following actions against heavy resistance have taken place: capture of Kiev, Kharkov, Odessa, Rostov, the Crimean campaign, the closing of the ring around Leningrad, the Dnieper crossing and two major drives on Moscow, the first of which (Vyasma-Bryansk) was announced by Hitler as the "greatest military onslaught in history."

Various arguments, nevertheless, have been advanced in favor of accepting the German published figures as accurate. It is said (a) that since the war against Russian communism is popular in Germany the army has no particular inducement to understate losses; (b) that a gross understatement would be too easily detected by the German people; (c) that in the case of earlier statements by the High Command which can be checked, the statements have proved to be accurate; (d) that the German figures are not unreasonable from what is known of German tactical methods, making due allowance for the character of the engagements and the size of the forces involved.

None of these arguments is conclusive. If losses are heavy there is always a strong inducement to understatement; nor is detection of such understatement an easy matter. The accuracy of past statements of losses may be explained by the fact that these losses were small. Though there is every evidence that German tactical methods have been designed to minimize manpower losses, this does not necessarily mean that losses in fact have been small.

The only alternative, however, to an acceptance of the German figures appears to be a choice among the estimates of a number of official and unofficial "observers". These range all the way from

an estimate of 800,000 in the first 5 months of war to the Russian "estimate" of 6,000,000 as of early December. None of these estimates appear to be based on a method of calculation which commands respect. Any estimate of German losses in excess of 3,000,000 for the first 6 months of the Russian war would have been incompatible with the magnitude of the German effort in this area, up to the time that the German offensive was broken off. On the other hand, a figure considerably in excess of the German reported losses is probably compatible with this effort.

A calculation based on German losses in the Polish campaign may afford a clue. Germany officially admitted 665 killed per day in the Polish campaign of 1939. Five armies were involved as against 13 on the Russian front. Assuming the same rate of loss for all armies, over a period of 170 days (i. e. to December 10) yields a figure of 294,000 killed. Using a World War ratio of 1 killed to 4 wounded indicates total casualties of approximately 1,500,000.¹ Resistance on the Russian front has undoubtedly been more serious than in Poland. On the other hand, with lengthening supply lines, the German forces engaged in combat have declined. In view of these considerations a figure of 1,500,000 total battle casualties to December 10 seems not unreasonable.

If the figures on plane losses given below are correct, the loss of pilots in the 5 months ending November 22 may be well over 2,000.

¹ This calculation represents total battle injuries; and makes no allowance for possible losses due to other causes. The following statement from the Office of the Surgeon General is revealing: "It may be presumed that the type of warfare in Russia affected by tanks, motorized infantry, aviation, excessive cold, rapid movements, supply difficulties, fatigue, etc., will produce high mortality rates. Typhus fever, always endemic in this area, is probably running wild, as there is little opportunity for delousing and bathing. Dysenteries may be taking a heavy toll and pneumonia, meningitis and other respiratory borne infections are probably on the increase. Without definite figures, it may be presumed that mortality rates for specific age groups of German males are higher in the Russian front than they would be for same groups at home during normal conditions. As to German soldiers in quiet areas the rates should not be higher than normal."

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B. MATÉRIEL LOSSES

Losses include both matériel destroyed in battle and the considerable percentage which must be replaced under the hard conditions of active service.

1. Best available reports seem to indicate that the German Air Force lost approximately 1,500 planes in the first two months of the Russian campaign. If subsequent losses have been proportionate, then total losses in the first six months of war have probably been about 4,500 planes of all types. It is estimated that perhaps 10-15% of this equipment could be made serviceable through repairs. It will be noted that the monthly rate of loss appears to be less than the monthly plane production rate, for all types; although a considerable additional loss has undoubtedly been suffered due to accidents, break-downs, and other non-combat causes.

2. Estimates of loss of other types of equipment are not available. Military advice is to the effect that matériel losses, from all causes, can be replaced from existing stocks and current production. German losses have been mitigated, as well, by the fact that Germany has gained control of most of the battle fields, and thus held a good part of its own and Russian damaged equipment.

3. Total military petroleum consumption since the outbreak of the Russian war is considered to be in the neighborhood of 620,000 tons per month of which approximately 75,000 tons are consumed by the air service. This rate of consumption involves some incursion into petroleum stocks.

OTHER FACTORS

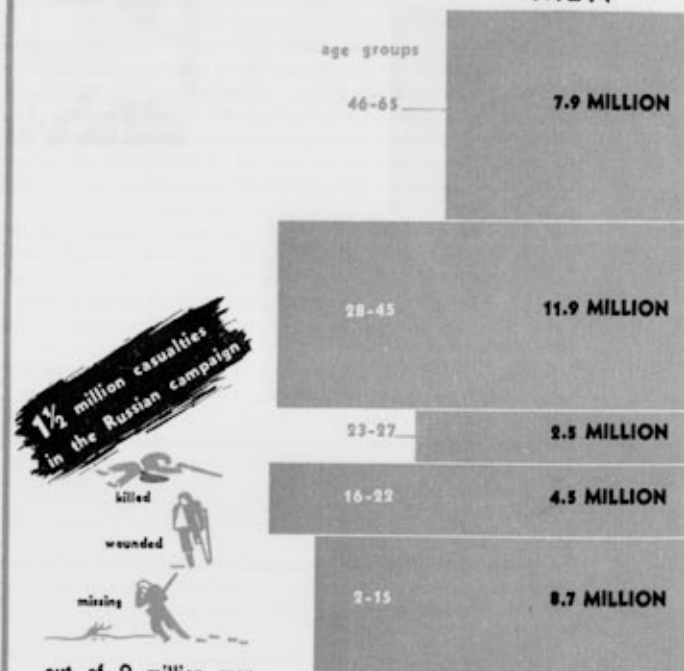
Reflection on the fragmentary material available concerning German losses suggests that although replacement of lost manpower and equipment has not presented serious difficulties to date, the following considerations may be important:

1. If German casualties are concentrated in the age group 21-33 (but particularly in the age group 21-28), replacements of losses by soldiers drawn from the same age group may become difficult, due

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1941 GERMAN

MEN



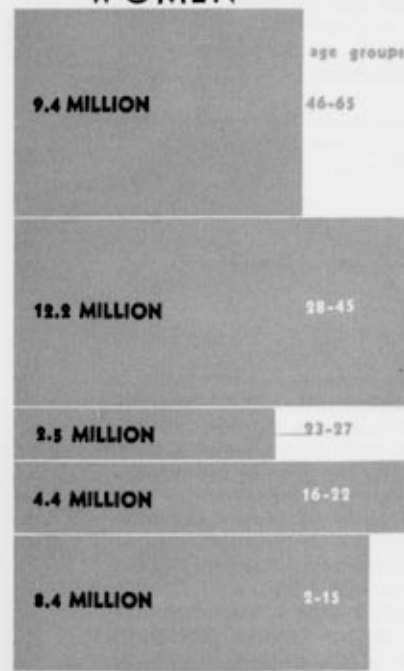
out of 9 million men
in the German armed forces

TOTAL MEN 38,800,000

GRAND TOTAL

POPULATION

WOMEN



Greater Germany

Germany
Austria
Sudetenland

TOTAL WOMEN 40,600,000

79,400,000 PEOPLE

to the unnaturally small size of that group within the German population.

2. The extension and maintenance of a 2,000-mile front, at increasing distances from German centers of production, has created a disproportionate demand for railway equipment and other transport facilities.

3. Since German plane losses have been principally in bombers, they are somewhat more serious than the over-all figures would indicate. In view of reserves and the current production rate, however, plane losses are not to be regarded as a major German cost in the present campaign.

4. The magnitude of oil consumption in Germany and occupied countries when combined with military consumption, seems definitely to create, at least temporarily, a situation in which consumption is at a greater rate than production.

III. The German Economic Position

A. GERMAN MANPOWER RESOURCES

1. As early as 1935 the present regime in Germany began to extend a system of controls over employment; by 1936 a large-scale plan for the control of employment and the inventory, training, re-training, and allocation of labor was in effect. As a result of the carrying out of this plan Germany is in an extremely good position to make the most flexible and efficient use of her labor supplies.

2. At the outbreak of the war in 1939 the potential manpower resources of Greater Germany were already utilized to an extraordinarily high degree. It is estimated that employment in 1939 was 20 percent higher than in the prosperous year 1929.

3. Before the outbreak of the war in 1939, 2,500,000 men were withdrawn from employment into the armed services. At the outbreak of the Russian campaign this number had been increased by approximately 7 million.

4. Estimates based on German sources indicate that, in partial replacement of the 7 million withdrawn from employment, Germany since 1939 has made the following additions to its labor force:

Foreign civilians	1,600,000
Prisoners of war	1,500,000
Women	500,000
Men	500,000
Volksdeutsche	150,000
	4,250,000

5. Qualitative impairment of the labor force has been as important as the net reduction in numbers. Prisoners of war, Polish and Italian civilian workers, men called back from retirement, and women workers do not provide adequate replacement for the men of active age drawn into military service.

6. Industrial output per hour worked showed no net increase between 1933 and 1939, and has undoubtedly declined since 1939, even among those employed in their normal occupations. This decline has been accentuated by the qualitative impairment of the labor force. The decline in average productivity per man-hour has been only partially offset by an increase in the number of hours worked per week.

7. As a result of the reduction and dilution of the labor force, together with some material shortages and transportation difficulties, there has occurred a decline in the volume of industrial output in Germany since 1939 which has been estimated by the BMEW to be as much as 20 percent. While evidence is lacking to support this figure, it is clear that total output has fallen. This decline was concentrated in the goods and services available to civilian consumers, while production of war materials probably increased.

8. Previous to 1939 the shift in production from civilian to military output had been such as to reduce per capita production and consumption of civilian goods by 10-15 percent below the 1929 level. Since 1939 this shift has been accentuated. Perhaps the most illuminating evidence of the concentration of effort in war production is the increase in employment in the metal trades by approximately 2,200,000, an increase of roughly 50 percent.

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GERMAN LABOR SHORTAGES

MAY

1939 Before the outbreak of the war in 1939 the 40 million workers in Greater Germany were practically all employed.



There were 2 million men in the armed forces

FALL

1941 The number employed had fallen to about 37 million in spite of recruitment of about 4 million new workers.



7 million men were drafted from the employed for the armed forces

4 million new workers

9. Judgment as to the existence of a general manpower shortage in Germany is a matter of definition. It is obvious that manpower resources under German control are not sufficient for the maintenance of normal output for German civilians plus the requirements of the present war effort. A more reasonable criterion would be the maintenance of the present war effort plus a tolerable level of civilian output. There are evidences that this standard is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain in Germany, especially since the outbreak of the Russian war, despite the exploitation of Continental manpower and other economic resources.

It is, however, impossible to allocate exactly the extent to which a manpower shortage, as opposed to shortages in transport, raw materials, and productive capacity, is responsible for present strains. Specific evidences of manpower shortage, by this definition are the extraordinarily long hours of work demanded of German labor; and the extreme efforts made to employ special types of foreign labor; e. g., Polish miners, Belgian and Dutch engineers, etc. A general manpower shortage, however, must be regarded as one of several over-all limits to German output, rather than as a bottleneck capable, in itself, of precipitating crisis.

10. Germany's most decisive and least manageable manpower problem is the shortage of men suitable for active combat troops. Here foreign manpower can be used to a strictly limited extent, and war prisoners are useless.

Due to the great fall in the number of births in 1914-18, Germany has only 2,244,000 men between the ages of 23 and 28—about 1,500,000 fewer than if the pre-war birth rate had been maintained. Even including those now 21 to 23, and those 28 to 33, there are only 7.2 million men from 21 to 33, and this is the best age group for active combat.

Losses from this group, undoubtedly heavy already, are virtually irreplaceable. This shortage may prove serious in the face of protracted Russian resistance and may be decisive should the manpower resources of hitherto noncombatant areas ever be fully mobilized against Germany.

B. THE GERMAN FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL POSITION

1. Except in meats (rations for which were reduced 20 percent in June 1941) German food rations have remained about unchanged since early spring 1940. In order to assure most efficient use of available supplies, the German rationing system makes allowance for the differing requirements of various classes of consumers. They are largest for soldiers in active combat, and are larger for workers performing arduous labor than for other civilians.

2. Present German food rations can be most readily compared with pre-war consumption in the three important food groups—flour, meats, and fats and oils. For front-line soldiers, the rations of each of these items are somewhat larger than in 1936-37. For civilians as a whole, average flour rations have been reduced by 6 percent, fats and oils by 33 percent, and meats by 46 percent. The June 1941 cut in meat rations was announced as temporary. Restoration of the pre-June allotments would still leave consumer rations one-third below pre-war. German potato production is far in excess of human requirements, even though this consumption—which is not rationed—has increased by at least 50 percent for the old Reich as a whole. These increased shipments have further aggravated a transport situation which has, from time to time, created acute shortages of potatoes in some districts.

3. In terms of caloric, or energy, intake, present German diets appear adequate or nearly so; in terms of longer-run nutritional requirements for vitamins and calcium, diets are deficient. Besides lowering resistance to infection, these shortages will, if they persist, result eventually in deficiency diseases such as pellagra and rickets.

4. Without drawing on the Ukraine and without significant encroachment on existing stocks, Germany can maintain present flour rations during the crop year 1941-42. The 1941 grain crop appears to have been normal in Germany, and larger exports than in 1940-41 can be expected from the Danubian countries.

5. Present low meat rations can be maintained in Germany during the crop year 1941-42 without reduction in German livestock herds. This will involve, however, continued drastic restrictions on meat

consumption in German dominated countries as well as additional slaughter of herds in Denmark and the Netherlands. Supplies of animal feedstuffs are, in any event, inadequate to maintain livestock population in these countries. Restoration of German meat rations to the pre-June level would necessitate a reduction in German livestock numbers.

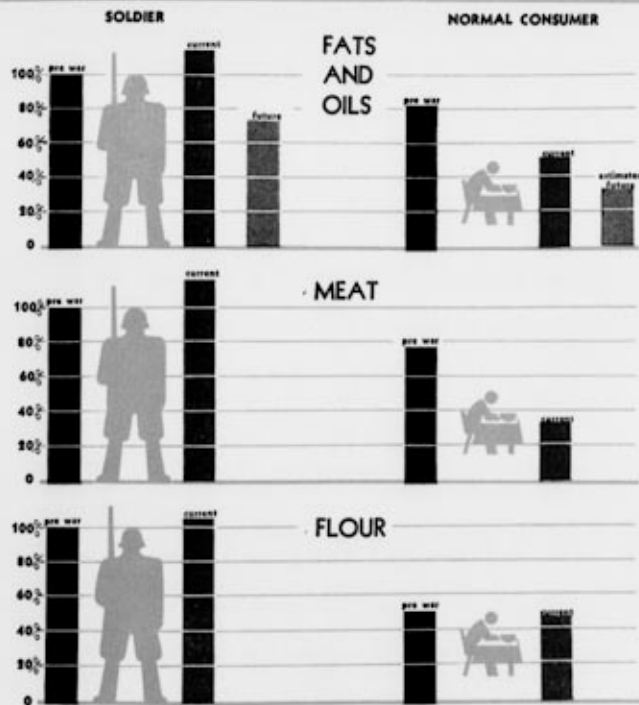
6. Fats and oils are the weakest element in Germany's food position. In the year 1940-41, the German fats and oil stockpile had to supply over 20 percent of her domestic human utilization of such foods. Stocks on August 1, 1941, were estimated at little more than one month's consumption. Domestic production can supply only about 60 percent of requirements at the current level of rationing. Further curtailment of consumption during the coming winter and spring is definitely called for, unless additional supplies not now in prospect can be obtained. The present supply position, however, permits a level of consumption above that of 1916-18.

7. The German standard of living in items other than food has undergone substantial curtailment since the outbreak of war. New clothing rations have been introduced in October which involve a reduction of 50 percent from those previously in effect. Leather has virtually ceased to be a civilian consumers good. Fuel for domestic heating has been available only in limited amounts. Most durable consumer goods, already sharply curtailed before the outbreak of war, have become unavailable. In general, however, these shortages are not as dangerous, potentially, as those in nutritional foodstuffs.

8. Only the German position with respect to meats, fats, and oils emerges, as of possible strategic importance in the area of the economy examined here. Supplies for the 1941-42 year, however, may not present any insuperable difficulties. But, Germany will enter the 1942-43 year with depleted stocks of these commodities. Her present sources of imports will be able to provide less than in the current year, and it is unlikely that a victory in Russia can appreciably add to her prospects. Germany will have to depend more upon home production, particularly of livestock—which supplies the bulk of domestic fats and oils, as well as meats.

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GERMAN FOOD CONSUMPTION



To some extent caloric deficiency resulting from reduced consumption of fats, meats flour and other commodities has been met by increased consumption of potatoes which are not yet rationed.

Percentages are based on consumption of average soldier in pre-war period (1916-'17) = 100

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9. Allotments of phosphate fertilizers in 1940-41 were about 40 percent of those in 1937-38. Crop yields in Germany may be adversely affected if increased supplies do not become available for next year's crops.

C. THE GERMAN MINERAL SUPPLY POSITION

1. In the period 1933-39 Germany prepared for a major war by taking the following types of action with respect to minerals in which her domestic supply was deficient:

- (a) Large scale imports for stockpiling.
- (b) Rigid controls and, later, restrictions on civilian consumption.
- (c) The provision of facilities for the manufacture of substitutes on a large scale (notably oil).
- (d) The substitution of abundant for scarce materials (notably the light metals and zinc for copper).

The German mineral position was materially strengthened as a result of the campaigns of 1940 by the acquisition of additional stocks and of new mineral resources.

2. Deficiencies in certain commodities have, nevertheless, persisted, and the Russian campaign has probably accentuated them, insofar as it calls for increased output in the aircraft and armament industries. Excluding the steel-hardening alloys, examined below, the present position of the German mineral supply may be summarized as follows:

German Position Secure: Bauxite and magnesite, coal and lignite, iron ore, manganese (assuming Nikopol mines available), zinc ore, lead ore, and mercury.

German Position Strained But Not Yet Critical: Copper, tin, antimony, phosphates, and coke.

3. A shortage in the steel hardening alloys has persisted, despite extreme efforts at conservation and substitution. Wherever possible the alloys have been eliminated and the percentages used, reduced. In general, molybdenum and, to a lesser extent, vanadium have been substituted for the more scarce nickel and tungsten. A sum-

mary of the German position with respect to each of the major alloys follows:

Tungsten.—Portuguese output being expanded and going increasingly to Germany. Despite this development and extensive substitution of molybdenum, the German stockpile is probably being reduced, since the Russian war cut off the Chinese supply.

Molybdenum.—Yugoslavia, Norway, French Morocco and other areas probably yield about 15% of world output to Germany. Extreme effort being made to expand Continental output. Stockpile position probably better than for tungsten, but being slowly reduced.

Nickel.—Perhaps most serious of all alloy shortages. Stockpile probably being reduced quickly. Limited crisis may develop unless Petsamo mines can be set to work in Finland. This seems unlikely in near future.

Chrome.—Conflicting evidence on amount of Balkan supply coming to Germany. Stockpile probably being reduced, although full exploitation of Balkan resources might check trend.

Cobalt.—Necessary for both steel and hydrogenation. French Morocco only major source of supply. Probably sufficient if freely exploited and transport made available.

Vanadium.—Probably sufficient supply to be drawn from steel slag and burnt oil residue.

Manganese.—Ample supply, if Nikopol production successfully mined and transported from Ukraine.

4. It is impossible to evaluate precisely the net significance of the various shortages within the German mineral supply position. There is no reliable evidence that either the quality or the quantity of German military production has yet suffered in consequence of such shortages; although it should be borne in mind that output could be maintained for a considerable period out of stockpiles. Stockpiles are being reduced in the case of copper, tin, antimony, nickel, chrome, and tungsten. The moment of their exhaustion can not be deduced from available evidence, although crises have been predicted by the British in copper and chrome in the course of 1942.

D. THE GERMAN PETROLEUM POSITION

1. To ensure an adequate petroleum supply in case of a major war has been a prime objective of German policy since 1933. Between 1933 and 1939 the following types of action were pursued:

- (a) Large stocks were accumulated from abroad.
- (b) The domestic output of crude oil was sharply increased.
- (c) Large plant facilities were provided for the manufacture of synthetic petroleum products.
- (d) Less essential uses were curtailed.

2. The acquisition through conquest of the prime oil producing areas of Europe has probably constituted a net accretion to Germany's petroleum supply, although that accretion was limited by the simultaneous acquisition of responsibility for satisfying the minimum petroleum needs of Italy and the occupied areas.

Quantitative appraisals are subject to a wide margin of error, but the situation in the year between the end of the campaign in the West and the beginning of the campaign in Russia appears to have been roughly as follows:

(a) With the completion of the Western campaign in 1940 and with the Continent-wide application of stringent economies, it would appear that the relation between consumption and production was such as to permit at least a balance, at a level of 14-16 million tons annually, and probably some accretion to military stocks.

(b) This relatively secure situation, however, depended not only upon widespread use of substitute fuels and stringent economies but also upon the fact that the German armies were not used actively and on a large scale in the year following June 1940.

(c) Within the rough equilibrium or surplus that appears to have existed, there may have been shortages of particular products, notably Diesel fuel and lubricants; and some surplus, under existing economies, of certain types of gasoline. Some observers hold, however, that there is almost complete flexibility as regards the proportion of particular products available to Germany, provided the total basic petroleum supplies are adequate.

3. The Russian campaign has altered this situation in the following respects:

(a) Total consumption of petroleum has undoubtedly increased substantially, despite further curtailment in less essential uses.

(b) Difficulties of oil transport from Rumania to Germany, which had inhibited the effectiveness of this area as a source of supply, are reported to have been somewhat alleviated; and it has proved possible to send Rumanian oil directly North and East, to the Axis armies in the field.

(c) Russian petroleum supplies, previously available at the rate of about a million tons a year, have been cut off and this has been only partly offset by the acquisition of the Galician fields.

(d) Heavier R. A. F. bombings have probably impaired the operating efficiency of refineries and synthetic plants in Western Europe and destroyed some oil stocks.

Almost all estimates of current consumption indicate that Germany is at present maintaining its war machine partly out of petroleum stocks, accumulated before June 1941. Estimates of the rate at which depletion is proceeding vary; the extreme calculations, chiefly British, indicate that the present rate, if maintained, would exhaust German petroleum resources within the next calendar year.

4. The following factors make complete exhaustion unlikely within the next year:

(a) More moderate estimates of continental consumption suggest that the drain on stocks may be as little as 10 percent per year.

(b) The intensity of warfare, and therefore the oil consumption rate, will probably not remain steadily at its present high level.

(c) The possibility that Germany will gain control of the fairly accessible oil fields of the Northern Caucasus. In that case, substantial quantities of oil will probably be obtained, regardless of Russian sabotage and the difficulties of transport.

(d) There is still a small margin by which civilian consumption can be reduced; and the possibility of using producer and bottle gas equipment in motor vehicles and other industrial and commercial uses has not been fully exploited.

(e) New synthetic oil plants may be brought into production.

(f) The Rumanian oil fields may be exploited more fully.

5. On the basis of present evidence, therefore, it cannot be predicted that Germany will suffer a critical petroleum shortage in 1942.

E. THE GERMAN TRANSPORT SITUATION

1. Upon the outbreak of war in 1939 the German transport system was probably in good physical condition. At that time, however, the limit of intensive utilization of rolling stock had about been reached; subsequent transport demands have been met largely by curtailing civilian services.

2. From 1939 the traffic burden of the railways has been increased by the reduction in coastwise shipping and in trucking, due to the gasoline shortage. The relocation of industry and the increased use of coal, wood pulp, bauxite, and potatoes in the development of substitutes have also increased the transport load. The acquisition of transport responsibilities in east and southeast Europe has probably involved some net liability to the German transport system. France and the Low countries, on the other hand, probably contributed an important accretion of rolling stock and locomotives.

3. Until the Russian campaign the transport facilities under German control proved adequate generally for the requirements of the war economy. This rough equilibrium was achieved by curtailing civilian services, by avoiding coincidence between the harvest peak load and large scale military movements, and through the above-mentioned accretion of rolling stock. The greatest period of strain occurred during the winter of 1939-40, when the unusually severe freeze immobilized the inland waterways (which carry 25 percent of all freight).

4. The additional burden imposed by the Russian campaign has been sufficient to cause symptoms of a transport shortage, potentially capable of reducing the total efficiency of the German war economy; coal has accumulated at pitheads in Silesia, crop movements have been delayed, measures to increase the use of waterways have been taken, and efforts have been made to speed the loading and unloading of trains. Local shortages of consumers goods have accentuated

an already difficult civilian position, both in Germany and in occupied areas.

5. The significance of the present transport shortage is difficult to evaluate on the basis of present limited information. Thus far civilians have largely borne the impact of the new strains induced by the Russian war. Coal shipments to Italy and Sweden have been reduced and shortages of supplies for German war industries have been reported. The extent and the rate at which the output of military equipment and their supply to the fighting fronts may be affected can not be stated. The immediate seriousness of the situation can readily be exaggerated, but at the very least, the shortage means that organizational and material resources, which are vitally needed in uses that contribute more directly to military success, must be devoted to the alleviation of the transport difficulties. It may be possible to measure the degree of strain more closely during the coming winter, when pressure on the German transport system would, in any case, be expected to increase.

F. THE PRESENT STATE OF GERMAN MORALE

1. From 1933, and even before, German morale was prepared for the responsibilities and hardships of offensive military action. The advent of the National Socialist regime was accompanied by the institution of elaborate efforts to control and direct public opinion to this end.

2. Nazi propaganda theorists have realized that during a modern total war efforts to control public opinion work within narrow limits: The real underlying factors remain, as elsewhere, the success, actual and prospective, of military operations and the hardships and discomforts borne by the people.

3. From the outbreak of hostilities in 1939 until June 1941 the strength of German morale was unquestioned. This may be regarded essentially as a consequence of the great German victories and, perhaps more important, the feeling that total victory was certain and within sight.

4. The prolonged and difficult campaign in the East has affected German morale in the following respects:

(a) Civilian supplies of all kinds have been diminished due, in part, to the pressure on transport facilities and on the labor supply.

(b) British bombing has been intensified.

(c) Manpower losses have been sufficiently heavy to impress themselves upon the public.

(d) Perhaps most important, total victory has ceased to be an immediate prospect for Germany.

5. The official response of the propaganda ministry to this situation has been to present total victory against total annihilation as the only real alternatives for the German people.

6. This suggests that the necessary condition for a "collapse of German morale" is the universal realization, as a result of serious military set-backs, that ultimate defeat is inevitable. Further drastic reductions in the civilian standard of life are capable of weakening morale in such a way as to make it more susceptible to military reverses and to collapse.

7. Another possibility must be recognized, however. Should the tide of the war run strongly against Germany it is possible that German public opinion will shift from its present offensive attitude to one of last-ditch defense; and the full power of the propaganda ministry will be directed to that end. In that case, a distinct "collapse of morale" may not occur. But even this possibility is contingent upon a belief in some chance of German victory, coupled with a conviction that Allied victory would bring vengeance and disaster to the German people rather than peace and better living.

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Dated December 27, 1941

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Secretary of State,
Washington.

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German press twenty-sixth devoted to American participation in war and Japanese successes, without mentioning Axis reverses, Eastern Front, North Africa; all newspapers give prominence to Hitler's decree death penalty for misuse winter clothing collected for Front soldiers. VOLKISCHER BEOBACHTER calls for enlistment noncommissioned officers for air force schools. Beginning April 1, 1942, applicants seventeen to eighteen years old enlist for twelve years. Same paper states "before Winston Churchill entered White House he was faced with fait accompli in contrast to his prototype Woodrow Wilson. Roosevelt has shown himself to be a good business man. Roosevelt stated with air of dictator that agreement had been concluded between United States and Canada, head of which still remains George VI, which entirely subordinates Canada's war production United States. This agreement, advantageous to United

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to United States, is another proof of steady bleeding to death British possessions and colonies, whereby Roosevelt makes England pay for America's help. This is only reason for Churchill's visit to Washington." Christmas number FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG quotes Ribbentrop interview with Spanish newspapermen thus "Mister Roosevelt is entirely responsible for extension of this war; he wanted to cut Japan off from its natural supplies of raw materials in Far East and wished to subject Japanese to laws of Wall Street millionaires. He wanted to strangle Japan just as Mister Churchill and Mister Roosevelt attempted to strangle Germany and Italy in Europe. Mister Roosevelt's method was so aggressive, insulting and meaningless that normal person must ask whether this crazy attitude could have been dictated by a sane mind". Ribbentrop stated he had been told that for some time past Mister Roosevelt has suffered from ever increasing hallucinations. Ribbentrop denied cooperation between Axis powers for attack on democracies had been planned long in advance affirming original idea of Tripartite Pact had been front against Bolshevism. When he was German Ambassador in London he had made every effort to persuade Great Britain to join Anti-Commintern Alliance. If

Mister

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Mister Roosevelt now claimed Tripartite Pact had been signed purpose conquering world, this could only be considered statement of psychopath suffering from persecution mania; actually such statement but thinly veils intentions of a megalomaniac who himself wishes to conquer world and to camouflage his intentions, accuses Tripartite partners of what he himself is striving to attain. Ribbentrop statement commenting on Washington conference ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG states conference between two statesmen is proof of catastrophic position in which two powers find themselves result destruction American Pacific fleet and threatened loss Singapore. In Berlin little interest shown in outcome of conference but symptomatic significance under present military developments strongly emphasized. Certain controversies between British and American press have already led to differences regarding tactical and strategic leadership joint campaign as remarkably revealed Washington conference. British radio comments are considered remarkably interesting giving unmistakable proof that American fleet which according to declaration Secretary Knox was seeking Japanese fleet has not hurried to rescue Philippines or Singapore.

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HUDDLE

THE SECRETARY

July 28, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

The attached cable from Harrison at Bern, while, of course, without confirmation, is of such possible importance that I wish to be sure that you see it.

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

Bern

Dated July 27, 1942

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Secretary of State,
Washington.

3467, July 27, 6 p.m.

My 3184, July 8. Same source has obtained following from informant he considers sure.

Some time prior offensive Russia this summer Germans asked Japs sound out Soviets view separate peace. When Hitler discovered Japs using mission their own advantage administered rebuke and started offensive. Boris, knowing Hitler interested in effecting deal with Soviets, sent his brother-in-law to meet Hitler's personal physician in Switzerland while he contacted Soviets who showed willingness to talk. Exchange of views took place in Geneva. No information available how far talks have got but are continuing. Endeavoring confirm. Will report further.

HARRISON

WWC

Dec. 14.

Dear Miss Tully:

Will you try to get me some kind
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December 14, 1942.

REPORT ON KEY NAZIS.

Henry Field and I have the attached list of 400 key Nazis, and expect to have a total of 4,000 such Nazi officials in the near future, on whom we are getting brief, essential biographical data. We thought that you might be interested in having the files, as they are completed, to supplement those already supplied to you by O.S.S. The entire cost of this project will be about \$1,000 and I am prepared to pay it out of the funds already assigned for this Unit, but before making any commitments I wanted to know whether such a file would be of any practical value or interest to you.

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December 10, 1942

LIST OF KEY NAZIS

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ADAM, Wilhelm	Generalleutnant
ADANCZYK, Joseph Joachim	Landeshauptmann der Provinz Oberschlesien ^h Untergauleiter der NSDAP Oberschlesien
ALBRECHT, Conrad	Vizeadmiral
ALBRECHT, Herbert	Ph.D. agr. Reichsredner Gauleiter
ALLWOERDEN, Wilhelm von	Senator in Hamburg Obergauleiter in Altona
ALPERS, Friedrich	Staatsminister in Braunschweig
d'ALQUEN, Gunter	Schriftleiter des Voelkischen Beobachter SS Obersturmfuehrer
ALTEN, Karl Wilhelm Victor von	Gauarbeitsfuehrer, Gau 15
AMANN, Max	Verlagsdirektor Praesident der Reichspressekammer
AMEND, Otto	Rechtsanwalt Gaufuehrer im Stab der Rechtsabteilung der Reichsleitung
AMMERLAHN, Gotthart	Obergebietsfuehrer der H.J.
ARAUNER, Richard	Diplomlandwirt, Siegelbewahrer des Deutschen Reichsbauernrates
ARNDT, Guenther	Gaufuehrer des Arbeitsgaues II
ARNOLD, Alfred	Landesbauernfuehrer in Wuerttemberg
AUTRUM, Otto	Leiter der Oberpostdirektion

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BACKE, Herbert	Reichslandwirtschafts- minister
BALLARIN, Hans-Georg	Abteilungsleiter im Amt fuer Volkswohlfahrt
BANGERT, Heinrich	Gaubetriebszellenobmann, Duesseldorf
BANNEMANN, Emil	Senator Kreisamtsleiter der NSV fuer Luebeck
BARTELS, Friedrich Georg Christian	Dr. med. Ministerialrat im Reichsministerium des Innern
BAUER, Arthur Emil	PH.D. Hauptabteilungsleiter IV der Landesbauerns- chaft, Sachsen
BAUER, Robert	Beauftragter der Parteileitung
BAUMANN, Hans	Gauarbeitsfuehrer, Gau 30
BEERMANN, Johannes	Evangel. Bischof van Danzig
BEINTKER, Paul	Referent im Aufklaerungs und Presseamt bei der Reichsleitung des Arbeitsdienstes
BEINZGER, Walter	Landesobmann fuer die bauerliche Selbstver- waltung Weimar
BELDING, Robert	Reichsbetriebsgruppen- leiter Textil der Deutschen Arbeitsfront
BENNINGHOFF, Wilhelm	Direktor Technisches Vorstandsmitglied der BVG
BENZE, Rudolf	Ph.D Ministerialrat im Preussischen Kulturministerium

BERNDT, Alfred-Ingemar	Hauptschriftleiter des Deutschen Nachrichtenbureaus
BERNHARDT, Otto H.	Konsul von Siam a.D. Senator in Bremen
BERTRAM, Kurt	Braunschweigischer Staatsrat
BESOLD, Andreas, Wilhelm Otto	Praesident der Reichspostdirektion Nuernberg
BEST, Werner	Dr. jur. Gesandter in Daenemark
BIALLAS, Hans	Hauptschriftleiter des Fachpresseamtes der Deutschen Arbeitsfront, Berlin
BEIBER, Rudolf	Adjutant des Generals Loerzer, Berlin
BISCHOFF, Willi	Fuehrer des Reichsverbandes Deutsche Zeitschriften
BLANK, Max	Gauarbeitsfuehrer, Duesseldorf
BLUME, Hermann	Sonderbeauftragter des Reichsarbeitsministers fuer Musikwesen, Berlin
BOCK, Fedor von	Generalfeldmarschall
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FROM: Lt. Comdr. Earle
TO: Mr. Harry Hopkins

DATE: 2 October 1943

REFERENCE MY LAST TELEGRAM REGARDING POSSIBLE GERMAN REPRISALS. MAVROUDI TURKISH CITIZEN OF GREEK BLOOD CORRESPONDENT HERE LONDON TIMES GIVES ME FOLLOWING: GERMAN WOMAN CONSIDERED RELIABLE TELLS HIM SHE PERSONALLY SAW 3 WEEKS AGO LETTER ADDRESSED TO ALL HIGH GERMAN OFFICIALS FROM BERLIN TELLING THEM TO HAVE NO WORRY ABOUT MILITARY SITUATION AS IN RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AN ATTACK SO TERRIBLE WOULD BE MADE ON ENGLAND THAT FEW BRITISH INHABITANTS WOULD SURVIVE. THE NATURE OF THE ATTACK WAS NOT GIVEN. MAVROUDI WITH ME BELIEVES THIS IS GERMAN PROPAGANDA BUT HE AND I ARE NOT SO SURE. I ASK MYSELF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS: FIRST WOULD HITLER, GOERING, GOEBBELS REPEATEDLY PROMISE TO GERMAN PEOPLE TERRIBLE REPRISALS FOR SO CALLED BRITISH TERROR RAIDS REALIZING FAILURE OF THESE REPRISALS TO MATERIALIZE WOULD INTENSIFY ALREADY BAD GERMAN MORALE AND COMPLETELY DISCREDIT THEMSELVES. SECOND ARE THE NAZI LEADERS SO STUPID AS TO BELIEVE CIRCULATION OF VAGUE AND OMINOUS WHISPERS OF IMPENDING DOOM WOULD MODIFY UNITED NATIONS TERMS OF UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER. THIRD IS COMPARATIVE INACTIVITY OF LUFTWAFFE AN INDICATION OF PREPARATIONS FOR SOME GREAT BLITZ.

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By HRH/SG, NARA, Date 2/15/91

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FROM: ALUSNA, BEYOGLU, TURKEY
TO: MR HARRY HOPKINS
DATE: 1 OCTOBER 1943

ITALIAN AIR ATTACHE CALLED TODAY TO ANNOUNCE READINESS
COOPERATE. HE SAYS RELATIVE INACTIVITY OF LUFTWAFFE DUE
FUEL SHORTAGE AND GIVES NO CREDENCE TO GERMAN THREAT DESCRIBED
IN MY 231313.

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GSD letter, May 3, 1972

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WASHINGTON

September 20, 1944.

This is a very rough suggestion
made by me -- among others -- for a
subdivision of Germany after the peace.

F.D.R.

