

plan for the further development of Fort Churchill, now under consideration, provides for increase in accommodation and facilities between now and 1952, when it is anticipated that there will be an over-all requirement for 2310 personnel at the station. The Board noted with satisfaction the progress made in the development of Fort Churchill. (A copy of the Canadian Army memorandum is attached hereto as Appendix No. 3).

6. Search and Rescue. Colonel Deerwester reported that following the meeting of the Board at Winnipeg in February, he and the Secretary of the United States Section had obtained from the United States Customs and Immigration Services agreement to a reciprocal formula facilitating customs and immigration clearance of Search and Rescue parties crossing the border. It remains to coordinate the arrangements with the United States Coast Guard, which is charged with certain responsibilities in connection with Search and Rescue. It is believed that this can be achieved in the near future and the Canadian and United States Secretaries undertook to see that the arrangements were completed by an exchange of notes.

7. Reciprocal Powers of Command at Fort Churchill. General Henry reported that the order concerning reciprocal powers of command which was discussed by the Board at its meeting in February 1947 had been issued by the War Department. This order directs United States Army personnel serving at Fort Churchill to obey the standing orders of the Canadian commanding officer and, in addition, to obey the orders of officers or non-commissioned officers of these forces superior to them in relative rank. (A copy of this Order is attached hereto as Appendix 4).

8. Channels for Transmitting Information by Interchange Officers. The Board was informed that the Canadian Army and the United States War Department have issued instructions to the officers interchanged between the Armed Forces. These instructions were based on the views of the Board as expressed in Paragraph 6 of the Journal of the February 1947 meeting and provide that "officers attached to the Armed Forces of either country should under no circumstances forward official reports to the service departments of their own country without keeping the commanding officers of the units to which they are attached fully informed of the subject matter of such reports."