

C253483

Reports covering the regular interests of the section continue to be produced: i.e. Daily chart of Enemy Sub Positions (for J.I.C.); Disposition of Enemy Warships (weekly); Progress of A/S Warfare, (monthly); Neutral Shipping Activities (irregular); Summary of Boarding Reports on Russian Ships (monthly); Report on Kiel Canal and Greece (in particular Piraeus), based on interrogation of crews of Swedish Relief Ships. New advances in enemy methods continue to be summarized in Notes on Enemy Tactics.

All information from censorship, W/T, and signals which bears on activities of enemy warships and merchant ships, as also of neutral ships, continues to be filed.

Among special reports the following may be mentioned:

(1) Scales of Attack on East and West Coasts (prepared in co-operation with N.I.D. (3) and O.I.C.).

(2) The Kuriles Situation.

Included in incidental activities of the section was the preparation of a code for local use on the west coast.

N.I.D. (3)

P/W Section - can record a steady three months' further work on the collection and collation of material for use in the interrogation of P/W's - German, Italian and Japanese. Unfortunately no Naval P/W's were brought to Canadian ports during the period in question, and the only interrogation conducted was of a U-boat Commander, who had escaped from a Canadian camp and was brought to Ottawa for questioning after his recapture on the 27th September.

N.I.D. (3) had been, however, responsible for detecting and reporting on escape plans, based on material contained in a parcel addressed to a Naval P/W at Camp 44 (Grande Ligne). Two of N.I.D. 3's officers visited the Camp on 13th and 14th of August after a breakout, which was only partially successful, of 6 P/W's. Advice was given to the Camp Authorities on the charts and papers recovered from the escapers. A fortnight later all N.I.D. 3's male officers spent two days at the Camp. A general search of all P/W's papers and effects having been carried out by the Camp Authorities and the R.C.M.P., advantage was taken to examine the diaries and loose memoranda of a number of prominent U-boat officers and a certain amount of Naval Intelligence was distilled therefrom, as well as a good deal of information of value to the Camp Authorities.

The main activity of the Section continues to be the distillation of Naval Intelligence from the mails, and a busy quarter's work can be recorded in the Naval Section of the Postal Censorship, where the Naval Tables examined some 81,210 letters and some 4,547 submission slips were composed. Of these latter the bulk were for the Admiralty and for the Navy Department, Washington. On August 30th, at the request of Admiralty, a further check of U-boat officers' mail was begun by N.I.D. (3) personnel. Hence during the