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TARGET NO. 90.35 NAME FuKuoKa - HaKaTa ZONE 10

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MP # 49600

A/C 9035-1239

10 February 1945

P.I. REPORT NUMBER A/F-20

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- I. JAPAN : Najima Seaplane Base, SS
- II. LOCATION : 5 miles NE of the town of Fukuoka on the E side of Fukuoka Bay.
- III. COORDINATES : 33°39'N-130°26'E (Kyushu Island).
- IV. MAP REFERENCE : XX B.C. Target Chart No. 39 and AAF Objective Folder No. 90.35, Kurume Area.
- V. PHOTOGRAPHY : AAFR55/444BG/30 Dec 44/24"1:15,000/V7.
- VI. RUNWAYS : None. (Seaplane alighting area).
- VII. FACILITIES : Depot Area: (2900' x 1000').
a. 1 seaplane ramp 135' wide.
b. Concrete maintenance apron 540' x 375' partly covered by a maintenance hangar 195' x 150'.
c. 1 radio station (2 antennas visible).
d. 4 saw-tooth maintenance hangars 360' x 240'.
e. 1 saw-tooth light assembly Bldg. 240' x 180', and two 240' x 120'.
f. 2 probable machine shops 135' x 90', one 120' x 90' and one 135' x 60'.
g. 1 probable spare parts Bldg. 150' x 60'.
h. 4 Adm. Bldgs. 120' x 45', one 100' x 75' and one 240' x 120'.
i. 8 warehouse Bldgs. 110' x 30'.
j. 1 warehouse Bldg. 150' x 45'.
k. 1 warehouse Bldg. 195' x 45'.
l. 3 warehouse Bldgs. 180' x 45'.
m. 1 warehouse Bldg. 135' x 45'.
n. 2 unidentified Bldgs., 150' x 75' and 150' x 150'.
o. Open storage in N and NE section of area.
- VIII. DISPERSAL : None.
- IX. DEFENSES : None visible in area covered by present photography.
- X. ACCESS : Highway borders E side of area. RR lies Approx. 300 Yds. E of area.
- XI. A/C ACTIVITY : 3 seaplanes on maintenance apron. 1 seaplane on ramp.
- XII. REMARKS : The Fukuoka/Najima Seaplane Base was formerly located on a point of land Approx. 1000 Yds. SW of the present location. The old installation and its facilities have been absorbed by the new base.

The new seaplane base contains 4th echelon maintenance facilities and probably does work in A/C sub-assembly. Possibility of further expansion on reclaimed land.

The Najima Thermal Electric Power Plant (AAF Target No. 664) lies Approx. 1250 Yds. SW of the new Najima Seaplane Base and Approx. 300 Yds. S of the former location of the base.

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One highway and three RR bridges lie 1400 Yds S of
the new Najima Seaplane Base.

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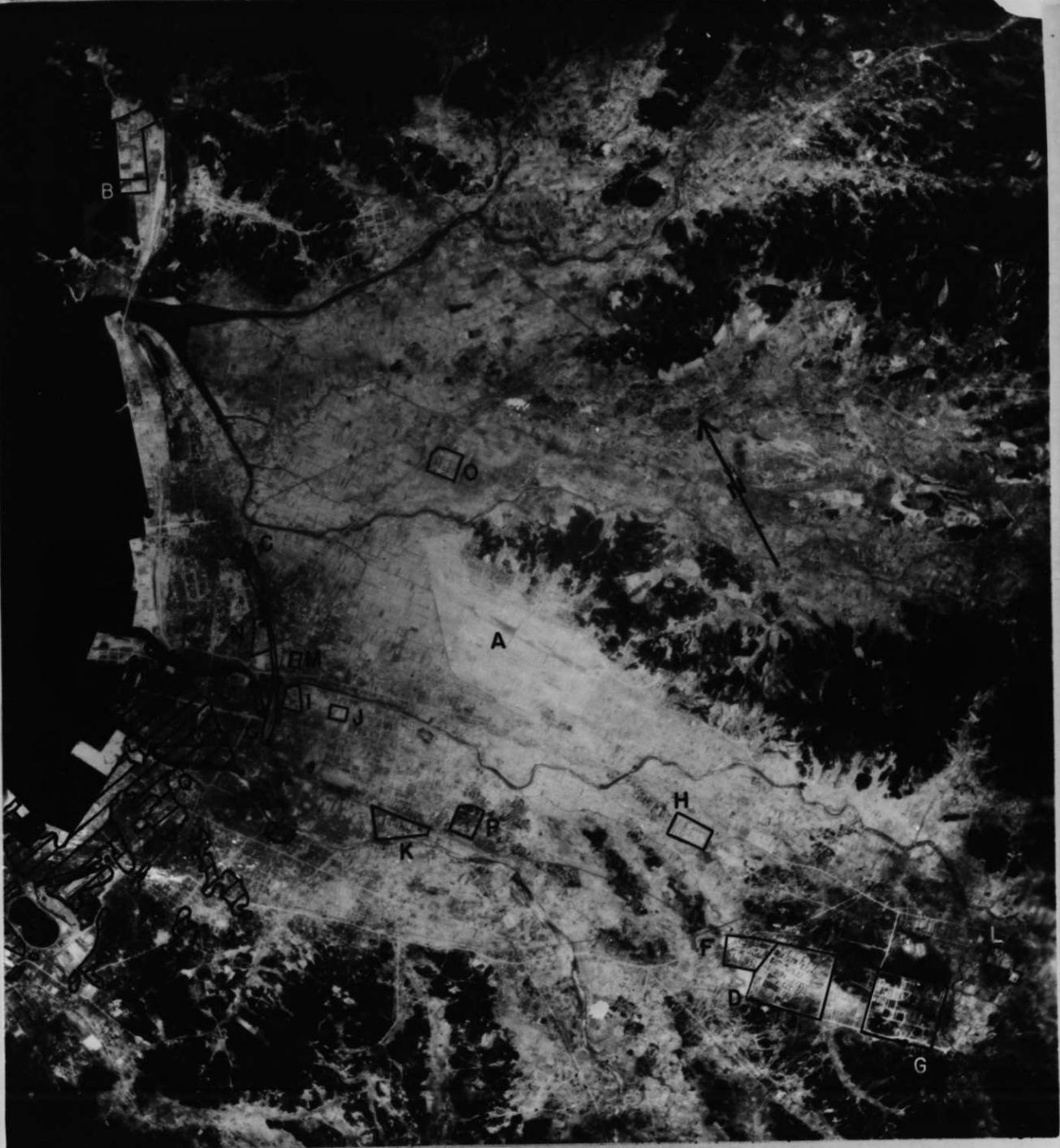
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P.I. REPORT NO. A/F-20
FUKUOKA/NAJIMA SS
KYUSHU, JAPAN
33°39'N - 130°26'E

Prepared By: P.I.D. XX BC
Date : 10 Feb 45

1000 0 1000 2000

Approximate Scale In Feet



AIR TARGETS IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE HAKATA-FUKUOKA REGION, KYUSHU (90.35) AS OF 1 AUGUST 1945

- A 2510 ITAZUKA AIRFIELD
B 2530 NAJIMA SEAPLANE STATION
C 1270 HAKATA RR YARDS AND STATION
D 662 KYUSHU AIRCRAFT CO., ZASSHONOKUMA PLANT: Airframe parts manufacture and sub and final assembly.
E 2079 KYUSHU AIRCRAFT CO., KASHII PLANT: Airframe sub and final assembly, possible parts manufacture.
F 1239 KYUSHU ORDNANCE CO., ZASSHONOKUMA: Depth charges, torpedoes, 10cm naval AA guns, MM MGs, torpedo tubes.
G KOKURA ARSENAL, ZASSHONOKUMA FACTORY: Products unknown.
H KYUSHU AIRCRAFT CO., ITAZUKE PLANT: Landing gear for D and E, barracks
I FUKUOKA STEEL FOUNDRY: Parts for D and E.
J MATSUMURE IRON FOUNDRY: Parts for D and E. Probable location.
K NIPPON RUBBER CO., FUKUOKA PLANT: Tires for E and possibly D.
L 1241 MIYATA MOTOR WORKS: Floats for D
M RIKEN OPTICAL INDUSTRY: Not now a target, location and products uncertain.
N 1238 WATANABE IRON WORKS: Not now a target, vacated and used as barracks.
O 1873 TATARA MACHINERY WORKS: Not now a target, makes field equipment.
P HAKATA BREWERY: Not a target.
Q AREA DAMAGED IN XXI B.C. URBAN INCENDIARY ATTACK 19 June 1945.

AICPOWATI No. 5 - FIG. 2

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9 May 1945.

P.I. SPECIAL REPORT NUMBER 20

SUBJECT : Hakata Harbor
(AAF Target No. 90.35-1255)

LOCATION : Fukuoka, Japan.

COORDINATES : 33°36'N - 130°24'E.

PHOTOGRAPHY : Mission No. : 5MP8
Print No. : V13,14 & 15
Date : 6 Jan 45
Organization : 444 BG, XX BC
Time : 0140 Z
Altitude : 30,000'
Focal Length : 24"
Print Scale : 1:15,000

REFERENCE : AAF Air Objective Folder No. 90.35

ENCLOSURE : Annotated Print of Hakata Harbor.

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ComSowespac
Op16-V P1
Op 28
Interpron I
Interpron II
ComPhibFor Pac
2 CinCFor, PH
✓ CincFor, Adv.

SUMMARY

The harbor facilities at Hakata are not extensive. There is one made-land extension which has Approx. 3000' of deep water berthing, plus warehouse facilities. Another made-land extension of approx. the same size is under construction. The harbor handles the general cargo for the city of Fukuoka and the exporting of some coal. There is one small-boat repair area equipped to handle boats 150' and under, but no major ship building facilities are present.

DETAILED INTERPRETATION

Harbor:

Off of the Ishido river is a peninsular extension of made-land, rectangular in shape, with an area of 2,100,000 Sq.Ft. This extension has approx. 3000' of deep water wharfage and is serviced by RR and motor roads. There are 3 cranes in this area. A probable fourth crane is also seen.

Warehouses are located here as follows: 3 Bldgs. 375' x 105', 10 Bldgs. 285' x 30'; 6 Bldgs. 120' x 30'; 8 Bldgs. 105' x 75'; 1 Bldg. 390' x 60', and several smaller Bldgs..

Tied alongside of this extension are 5N's the length of which are: 210', 140', 105', 75', and 140'. Anchored in the harbor and tied together 570' N of this extension are 2 N's, 255' and 165'. 5400' N of this extension is a NW 300'.

Just S of the extension is a small-boat basin, 1500' x 450', with approx. 150 small boats and lighters all of which are under 105' in length. This basin is used for loading and unloading of cargo and as a transhipment point for small boats.

900' E of the small-boat basin is an "L" shaped extension of made-land containing 3,527,200 Sq.Ft. which, when completed, will furnish approx. the same amount of wharfage as the extension E of it. That this area is still under construction is evidenced by the lack of any buildings and the presence of a dredge just off shore with pipe connections to this area.

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3150' W of this extension is a small-boat and lighter basin used as a transhipment depot. This basin contains approx. 90 boats, the largest of which is 130'. There are 2 warehouses 285' x 45', 2 warehouses 375' x 45', 1 warehouse 240' x 60' and several smaller bldgs. in this area. Also located at this base are repair facilities for boats up to 150'.

4900' E of the Ishido River is a circular boat basin 450' Dia., in which are numerous boats 30' and under.

Total Shipping in Harbors

1 MV 2300 gross tons.
1 MV 1600 gross tons.
2 small boats 150' x 200'.
8 small boats 100' x 149'.
240 small boats 100' and under (estimated)

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SPECIAL P.I. REPORT NO. 20
HAKATA HARBOR
(AAF Target No. 90.35-1255)

FUKUOKA, JAPAN
33° 36'N - 130° 24'E

Prepared By: PID XX BC
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500 0 1000 2000

(Approx. Scale in Feet)

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29 June 1945

DAMAGE ASSESSMENT REPORT NO. 97

FUKUOKA CITY

Mission No.: 3PR5M 289

Target Area: Kurume (90.35)

Date Flown: 21 June 1945

Airplane Commander: W.L. Abbott,
1st Lt, AC

XXI Bomber Command Mission 211 of 19-20
June destroyed 21.5 percent (1.37 square miles)
of Fukuoka City's built up area.

The city had not been damaged previously.*

Two numbered targets damaged include:

Target 1255, Hakata Harbor, 30% of buildings destroyed.

Target 1270, Hakata Railroad station and yards,
.....minor damage.

Damage is centered around the harbor area
and scattered throughout the city. A very small
amount of spotty damage extends into Chiyomachi
and Hokazakinachi.

*Note: The political boundary of Fukuoka City
(as shown in AMS, Fukuoka, Kyushu, Sheet 4147-1)
encloses an area of 8.4 square miles. The built
up area, including Chiyomachi and Hokazakinachi,
totals 6.56 square miles. Fukuoka, Chiyomachi and
Hokazakinachi constitute one target area known as
Fukuoka (see Inclosure No. 1).

References: AMS Fukuoka, Kyushu, Sheet 4147-1.
AMF Air objective Folder 90.35
1 July 1944.

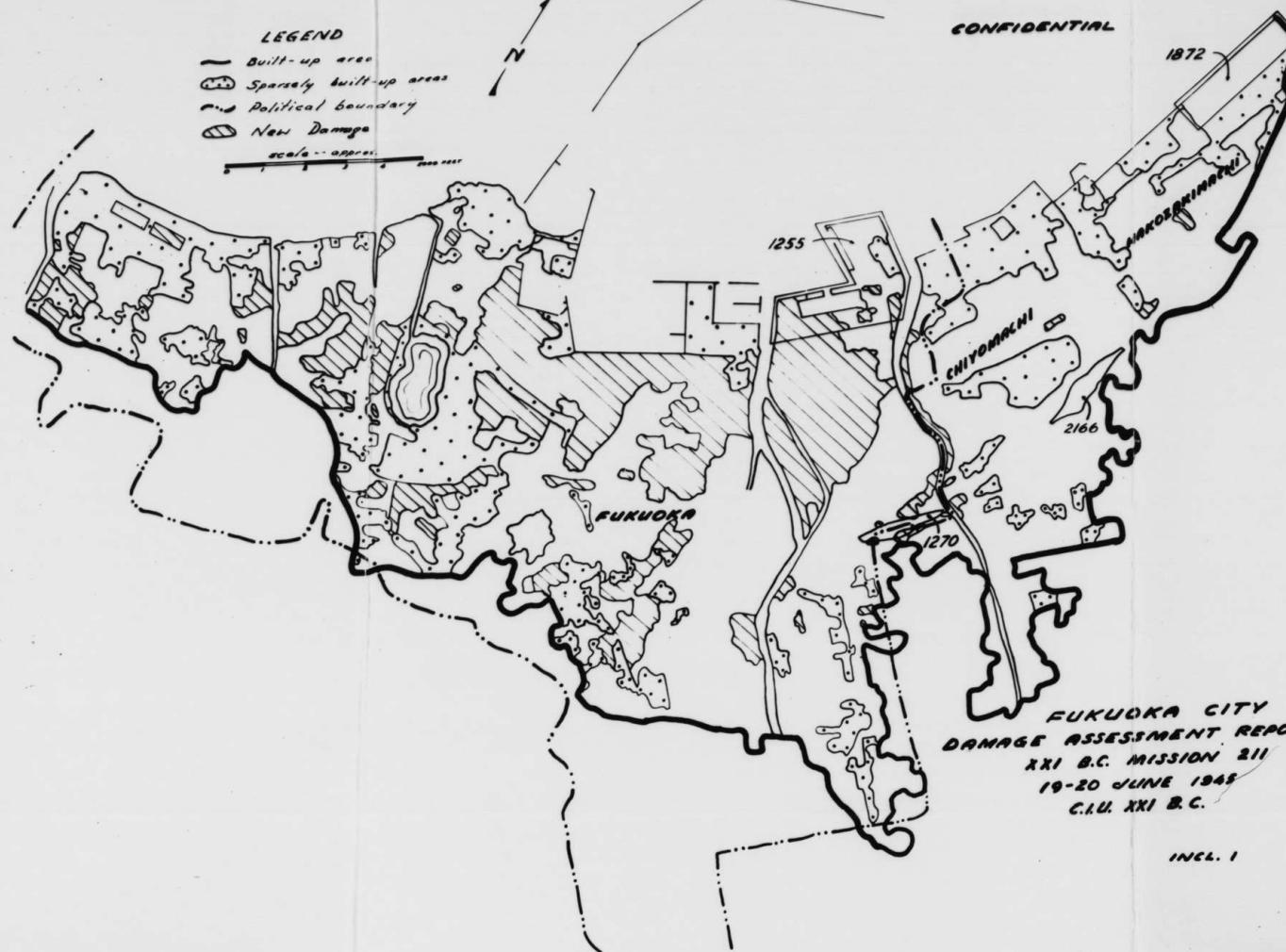
This report is based on pre-strike photos from 3PR5M 121
and post-strike photos from 3PR5M 289.

Inclosures: 1. Outline map.
2. Annotated mosaic (pre-strike).
3. Mosaic (post-strike).

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35th Photo Technical Unit)

9 April 1945

SURVEY REPORT NO. 74

Mission No.: 3PR5M 121 Target Area: Kurume, Shinonoseki
Date Flown: 6 April 1945 A/C Commander: Frank W. Scheible
Capt., AC
Altitude 30,000'

Reference: a. AAF Air Objective Folder 90-34
b. AAF Air Objective Folder 90-35
c. ONI 222-J July 1944
d. ONI 208-J January 1945
e. Recognition Manual, Vol. 18, January 1945

SUMMARY

This report surveys the following targets:

Target 663 - Gannosu Airfield (A/C count)
Target 1237 - Najima Seaplane Station (A/C count)
Saitozaki Airfield (A/C count)
Hakata Seaplane Station (A/C count)
Itazuke Airfield (A/C count)
Shipping - Wakamatsu-Tobata, Otake Anchorage, Ship
Anchorage between Eta-Jima and Mishima-Nomi-
Shima, Ube Harbor, Tokuyama Bay, Suo Nada,
Shinonoseki Straits and Hakata Bay.
Target 1238 - Watanabe Iron Works
Target 1265 - Nippon Rubber Co.
Target 1270 - Hakata RR Yards & Station
Target 1873 - Tatara Machinery Works
Target 1119 - Hatabu RR Shops & Yards
Target 662 - Watanabe Aircraft Plant
Target 1239 - Kyushu Ordnance Plant
Target XXI 6147 - Unidentified Industry
Target XXI 6148 - Unidentified Steam Power Plant

TARGET 663 (33/40 N--130/24 E) Gannosu Airfield

Aircraft visible: 65 (56 on 31 March 1945)
9 damaged not included
in total
35 S/E
30 T/E (11 prob. Nick,
4 prob. Irving,
1 Topsy, 7 Tabby,
7 Unidentified)

Reference prints 2: 12, 13 and 3R: 20-23
Last previous report - CIU Survey Report No. 69
No prints attached

TARGET 1237 (33/39 N--130/26 E) Najima Seaplane Station 60% coverage

Aircraft visible: 3 S/E (8 on 31 March 1945)

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Reference prints 2: 8-10
Last previous report - CIU Survey Report No. 69
No prints attached

SAITOZAKI AIRFIELD (33/39°N--130/21°E)

Aircraft visible: 79 (30 on 31 March 1945)

71 S/E
8 T/E

Reference prints 2: 13, 14
Last previous report - CIU Survey Report No. 69
No prints attached

HAKATA SEAPLANE STATION (33/39°N--130/22°E)

Aircraft visible: 11 S/E (13 floatplanes on
31 March 1945)

5 unidentified A/C
inside hangar

(Roofs removed from 2 main hangars)

Reference prints: 2: 13, 14 and 3L: 23-25
Last previous report - CIU Survey Report No. 69
No prints attached

ITAZUKE AIRFIELD (33/35°N--130/27°E)

Aircraft visible: 29 (No count on 9 March 1945)
6" coverage only

13 S/E
16 T/E

9 S/E dummy A/C and 1 T/E
damaged A/C not included in
current total.

Runways: 3, surfaced.

NNE-SSW 300' x 4700'
NW-SE 300' x 5500'
NW-SE 190' x 4600'

Reference prints 2: 2-4 and 3L: 3-7
Last previous report - CIU Survey Report No. 44
No prints attached

WAKAMATSU-TOBATA (33/55°N--130/49°E) Shipping

Approximately 50-60 vessels over 200' - 6" oblique only.

Reference prints - 1R: 25, 26
No prints attached

OTAKE ANCHORAGE (34/12°N--132/14°E) Shipping

1 CL, 5 probable DD's and 2 unidentified ships over 200'.
6" coverage only.

Reference prints 1V: 53, 54
No prints attached

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SHIP ANCHORAGE (34/15 N--132/27 E) between Eta-Jima and Nishi-Nomi-Shima

1 CA and 2 unidentified ships over 200' - 6" coverage only.

Reference prints 1V: 56, 57
No prints attached

URE HARBOR (33/57 N--131/12 E) Shipping

3 Vessels over 200' - 6" coverage only.

Reference prints 1V: 33, 34
No prints attached

TOKUYAMA BAY (34/03 N--131/47 E) Shipping

Approximately 12 ships over 200' - 6" coverage only.

Reference prints 1V: 44, 45
No prints attached

SUO NADA (33/57 N--131/45 E) Inland Sea (near Tokuyama) Shipping

1 BB - Yamato
1 CL - Agano
1 DD - Takanami
5 DD - Unidentified

Reference prints 1V: 42, 43 and 2: 37-39
No prints attached

SHIMONOSEKI STRAITS (33/57 N--130/57 E) Shipping - 6" coverage only

4 Repair type vessels, possible minesweepers
4 Type E M/V (Mod)
1 Type Tare Super M/V
39 Ships unidentified

Reference prints 1V: 27-29 and 2: 23-27
No prints attached

HAKATA BAY (33/36 N--130/24 E) Shipping

No naval vessels present

1 Flakship, possible
1 Tare Able
1 Sugar Able Sugar
6 Type E (Mod)
5 Unidentified over 200'

Reference prints 1V: 14, 15 and 2: 9-13
No prints attached

TARGET 1238 (33/36 N--130/25 E) Watanabe Iron Works

Location not confirmed. No industrial type building exists in area shown in reference. An industrial area located just SW of the reported site does not appear to be a heavy munitions plant as is claimed in the reference. It is not likely that Target 90.35-1238 is in this area.

Reference: b
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TARGET 1265 (33/35 N--130/26 E) Nippon Rubber Co.

Location not confirmed. The plant is located on the S side of the RR, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of the location reported in the reference.

Reference: b

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TARGET 1270 (33/36 N--130/25 E) Hakata RR Yards & Station

Location confirmed.

Reference: b

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TARGET 1873 (33/36 N--130/27 E) Tatara Machinery Works

Location confirmed.

Reference: b

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TARGET 1119 (33/58 N--130/26 E) Hatabu RR Yards & Shops

Location confirmed.

Reference: a

Annotated and attached 2:21

TARGET 662 (33/32 N--130/27 E) Watanabe Aircraft Plant

Location confirmed - 6" coverage only.

Reference: b

Annotated and attached 1V: 13

TARGET 1239 (33/33 N--130/28 E) Kyushu Ordnance Plant

Location confirmed - 6" coverage only.

Reference: b

Annotated and attached 1V: 13

TARGET XXI 6147 (33/36 N--130/25 E) Unidentified Industry.

An irregularly-shaped plant area covering 540,000 sq. ft., containing 6 major buildings occupying 120,000 sq. ft. This is one of two plants S of the Saibo Gas Co. which might be considered to be Target 1238, Watanabe Iron Works.

Reference: b

Annotated and attached 2: 5

TARGET XXI 6148 (33/58 N--131/10 E) Unidentified Steam Power Plant

A rectangular plant area covering 700,000 sq. ft., containing 2 major buildings occupying 84,000 sq. ft.

Reference: AF Air Objects Folder 90.32

Annotated and attached 2: 32

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NO. 1238
(REPORTED LOCATION)

NO. XXI- 6147

NO. 1270

NO. 1265

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33°32'N. 130°27'E.

KURUME AREA, KYUSHU

90.35-662 KYUSHU A/C PLANT

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TARGET 662 (33°32' N--130°27' E) Watanabe Aircraft Plant

Location confirmed - 6" coverage only.

Reference: b
Annotated and attached 1V: 13

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ldg No.	Use	Rough Dimensions	Rough Size	Total
<u>Depth Charges</u>				
32	^{2/3} drum const & gun shield	" ^{1/3} 250 x 175	12 000	
44a	ass	260 x 100	26 000	
				38 000

Torifedoes

3	torp parts mech shop	400 x 200	80 000
7	"	380 x 220	83 600
12	torpass & Ac parts	150 x 160	24 000
13	"	150 x 125	18 750
18	"	200 x 160	<u>32 000</u>
			238 000

10 cm

17	^{2/3} parts ass	109,200 280 x 390	72,8 000 109
32	drum const & gun shield	250 x 175	24 000 97 000

~~Guns~~ Automatic weapons

17	^{1/3} parts ass.	280 x 390	364 000	36 000
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Torp tubes mounts

24	torp tube shop	320 x 200	64 000	64 000
26	wrought iron	200 x 300	40 000	
29	casting	250 x 120	30 000	

1 Aug questions on Kyushu Ordnance.

1. Are torpedoes aerial or ship or sub? Had propellers

2. Did POW ever hear of anything at Kawatana? Yes.

There is a Kawatana factory of Sasebo Arsenal making aerial torpedoes. Can there be any connection between Kyushu Ordnance & Kawatana, or does Kawatana do aerial torps entirely & Kyushu do ship & sub?

3. are mgs 25 mm for certain. ~~unless this is all~~

Must check this with nameplate data. Report 84 MIS

were they for aircraft or ground or ship use ~~ship~~
~~not on plane in tables~~

4. What would 10 cm guns be used for if they stopped using them on destroyers or stopped building destroyers? ~~yes land~~

5. Can you help the POW work out a percentage of effort devoted to each product, not merely a priority of importance? Even a guess is better than our guess. ~~NO NO~~

6. Were depth charges loaded with powder here? yes, hasn't seen them but has heard that they do.
If not, where. ~~shot now~~
In what form did raw material for casings arrive?

Was it sheet iron or sheet steel? ^{freedom}

Did it come from Fukukawa Steel Foundry

YAWATAI Settsu.

Matsuura Iron Foundry

Shoua Iron Works

Matsuura

Shoua

or was it made here

Where did fuses come from? ^{? outside}

Rate of production

7. Where did raw material for torpedoes come from? ^{? Yatato}

Were they all driven by compressed air?

Did he ever hear of electric motors & batteries going into some
of the torpedoes.

Where were warheads loaded with powder? ^{? gun parts here but}

Were warheads made here? ^{don't know warhead}

Or were only motors (air or electric) made here? yes.

Where were torpedoes tested? Is shown #2

8. Were 10 cm guns for AA, or surface fire or dual purpose?
~~not said AA~~ angle of ~~not~~ elevation permitted by the
mount should tell.

Was this a recently developed type of gun? newest stuff

Was it considered hot stuff? new!

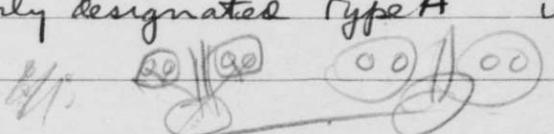
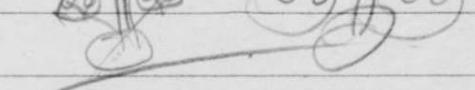
9. Where did raw material for gun shield & breech mechanisms
come from? *Yahata*

What is the barbette?

How does it differ from the gun shield?

10. Does plant make any depth charge throwers or racks?
If not, where are these made. *hasn't seen
doesn't know*

11. Has POW heard of KAIBOKAN No 1 & No 2, sea
defense vessels, = to U.S. frigates & DEs?
^{maybe} they have 4.7" guns which are about 12 cm guns.
might be 10 cm guns *NO*

12. Did POW ever hear names of sound locators
Temporarily designated Type A weight 1.4 tons
Type 97 *leftrightarrow*  3 " *leftrightarrow* .26 tons
Type 90 
Provisional WE aerial type

Type 90 has horns in 2 sections: straight bell + curved section
on adjustable tripod, scaled dials above tripod head

Did POW ever hear of Type 99 interlocking device to connect
sound locator & searchlight *NO*

Did POW ever hear of Type 96, Model 1, 150cm searchlight
" " *WV*

Ever see one

Was his sound locator designed to go with this light? *WV*

Did he ever hear of Type 2, Mark 1 range finders

" " Type 2 elevation transmitter *WV*

See photo in picture section of ONI weekly!

Show photo to POW after asking POW to sketch
the sound locators.

In what Bldg were "receiving devices made" *associated in 17* all over

Did any of them or parts for them come in from sub contractors?

Were the 10 cm in single, double or triple mounts

ditto the 25 mm. 2

Note KAIBOKAN uses 25 mm in single mounts

Were all parts of the mg made here? *Yes*,

Can't be draw in location of mg parts mfg & mg assembly
in floor plan of Bldg 13 (old number)?

Were ~~tube~~ tube mounts ever for land use or only *ship* *sea*?

On what products was wrought iron used?
sound locators? bldg 24 new

What ~~so~~ things were cast in the casting shop? ^{reg} ~~59~~ new

Why can't POW estimate rate of production of 10 cm gun
if he assembled breech block? worked on sound devices

Can POW estimate no. of employees 5,000
How many shifts 2 ^{whole}
Give starting & stopping of each. different works ~~as asked~~
~~all time~~

Parts from Sasebo Does this mean Naval Arsenal Yes
" " Yanata " Japan Steel Works,
Yanata plant 90.34-28

Identify bldg 8, 5, 14, 10, 22, 40, 45, 42, 43

Could bldg 23 be electric motors for torpedoes? No
to large ^(totally)

Go over FA and get a list of both products
worked on and processes carried out in each
building.

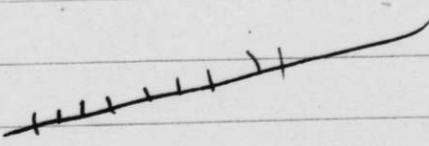
What are most important machines in the plant 17

Misc.

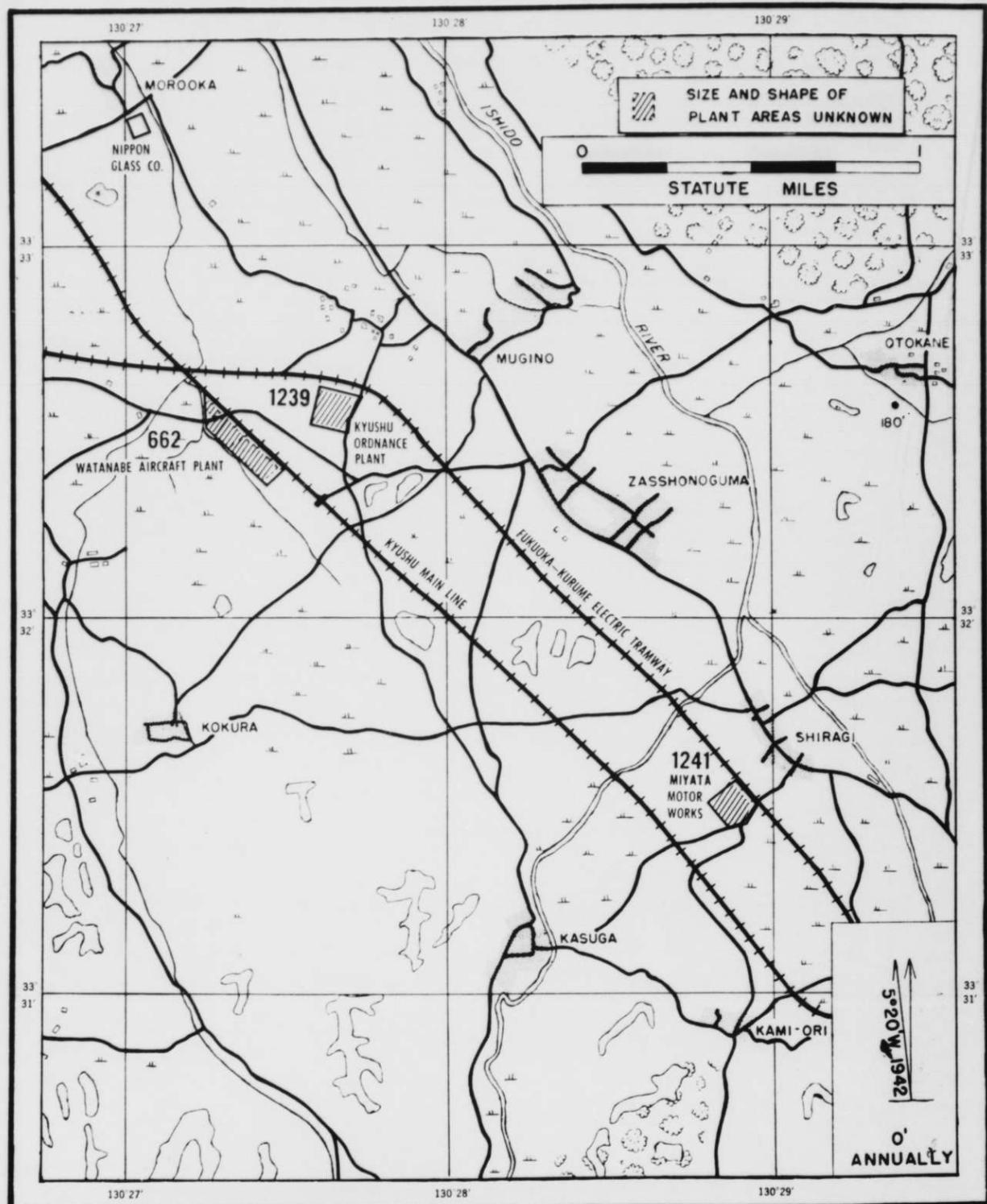
On blue overlay, POW locates the following

- 1- "A" - small plant making landing gear for "P", WATANABE
Aircraft Co.
2- "C", "B" barracks.

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ZASSHONOGUMA REGION

ELEVATIONS IN FEET

— RAILROADS
— ROADS

ADAPTED FROM JAPANESE NAVAL AIR CHART 1941
JAPANESE IMPERIAL LAND SURVEY 1930
U. S. H.O. 1940, HYDROGRAPHIC CORRECTIONS 1942

662.. WATANABE AIRCRAFT PLANT

1239.. KYUSHU ORDNANCE PLANT

1241.. MIYATA MOTOR WORKS

SOURCE:

Air Objective
Folder 90.35

KURUME AREA

MAP M4

AICPOWATT #5

Fig. 1

DATE OF ANALYSIS—APRIL 1944



Much of explosive charge for torp., mines, depth charges
made at Kure "A"

Type 88 powder main charge depth charges
& some of mines

Packed granular form

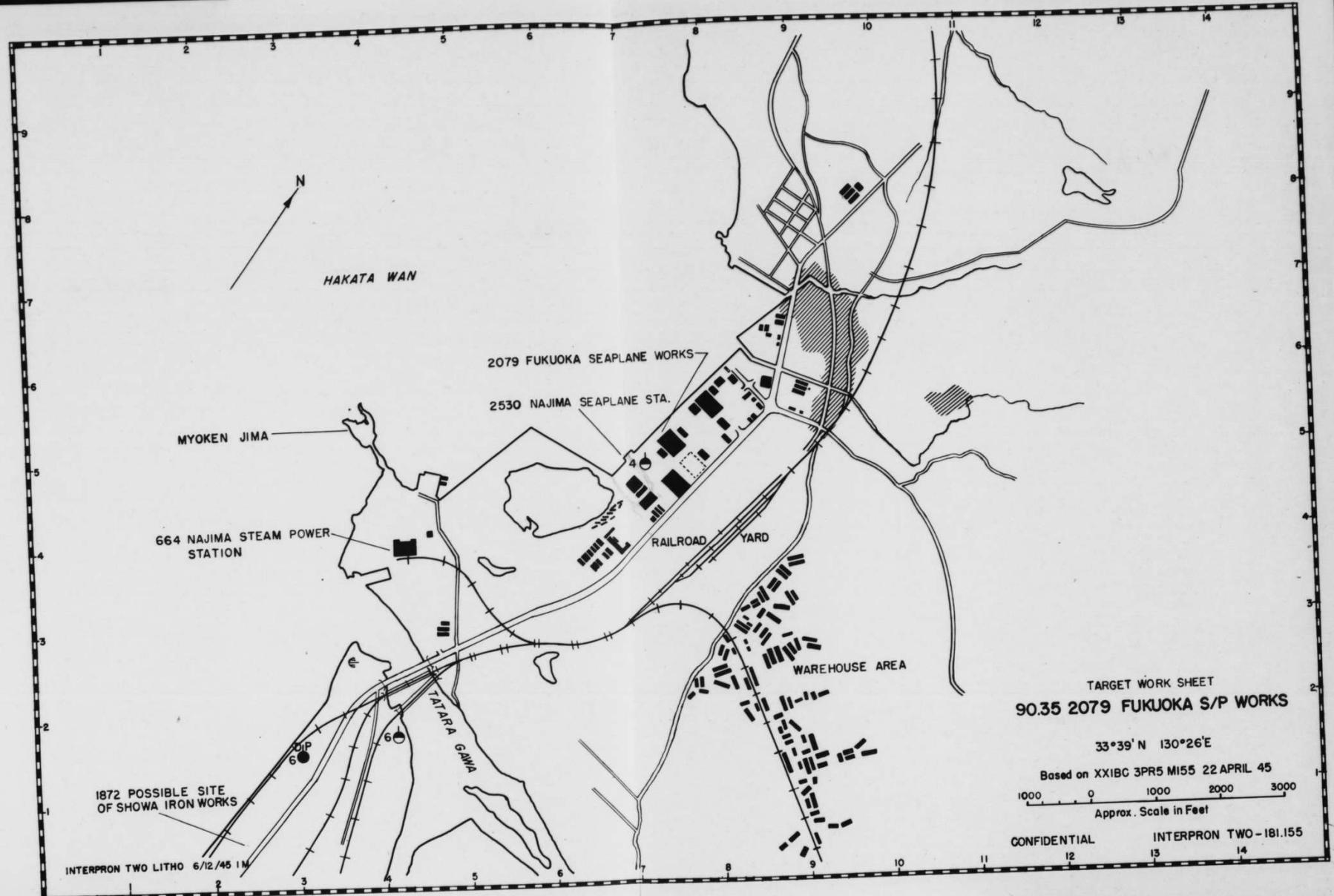
Tried to substitute Temp. type 1 powder, gave up, return to type 88

Fergie checked files
could find nothing 4 Aug.

Kyushu Ord. List #5

C NO	including	14
STG		2
Chief, MIS		2
Coll Divn, AC/AS, HQ, NAF		2
of 16 FE		1
Comairpac		5
Com Gen USASTAF		1
Com Gen 20th AF		2
Com Gen 8th AF		2
Com Gen FEAFF		5
Jicpoa		3
CO, Interpro 2		1
CO, Naval Unit, West Coast		1
ATIS, APD 500		1
SEATIC		1
		36
		8
		1
		1
		2
	Spare	<u>47</u>
		55

Ref
loan



1

Kyushu A/C Co., Kashii Plant

what planes made?? ~~large & small~~ many plane

F/A?

by Sasebo

dispersing to where?

(gitabaki)

2

Tatara Machy Wks

products

prime contractors

3

OIR Watanabe

empty? used as barracks

4.

area of reported Fukuoka Seikosho

^{probably in} where is it? in Katahama-machi & Hie-machi

5

u/i factory in Niiya

6

Riken? what?

products

prime contractors

7

u/i

8

Matsumura Tekkosho ?

products prime contractor to Kyushu A/C (?)

?

9

Nippon Rubber

main plant in Kurume

A/C tires for Kyushu A/C ? yes.

auto tires for Miyata ?

bike " " " ? yes

protection all
many consider stocks right Aishi bank

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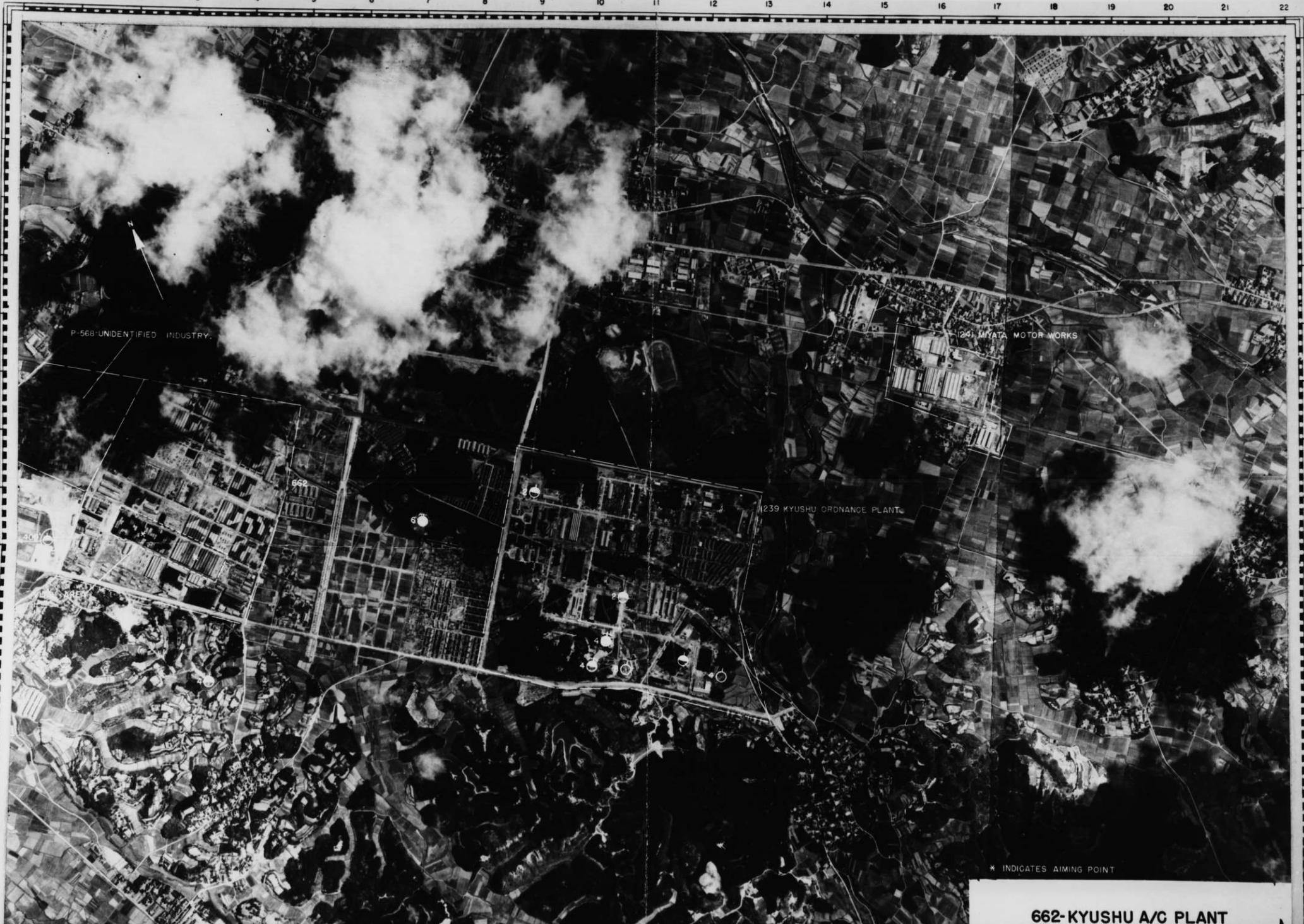
Miyata Motor Works

Anabaze A/C engines for Kyushu A/C ?

very possible

ITAZURE KOJO











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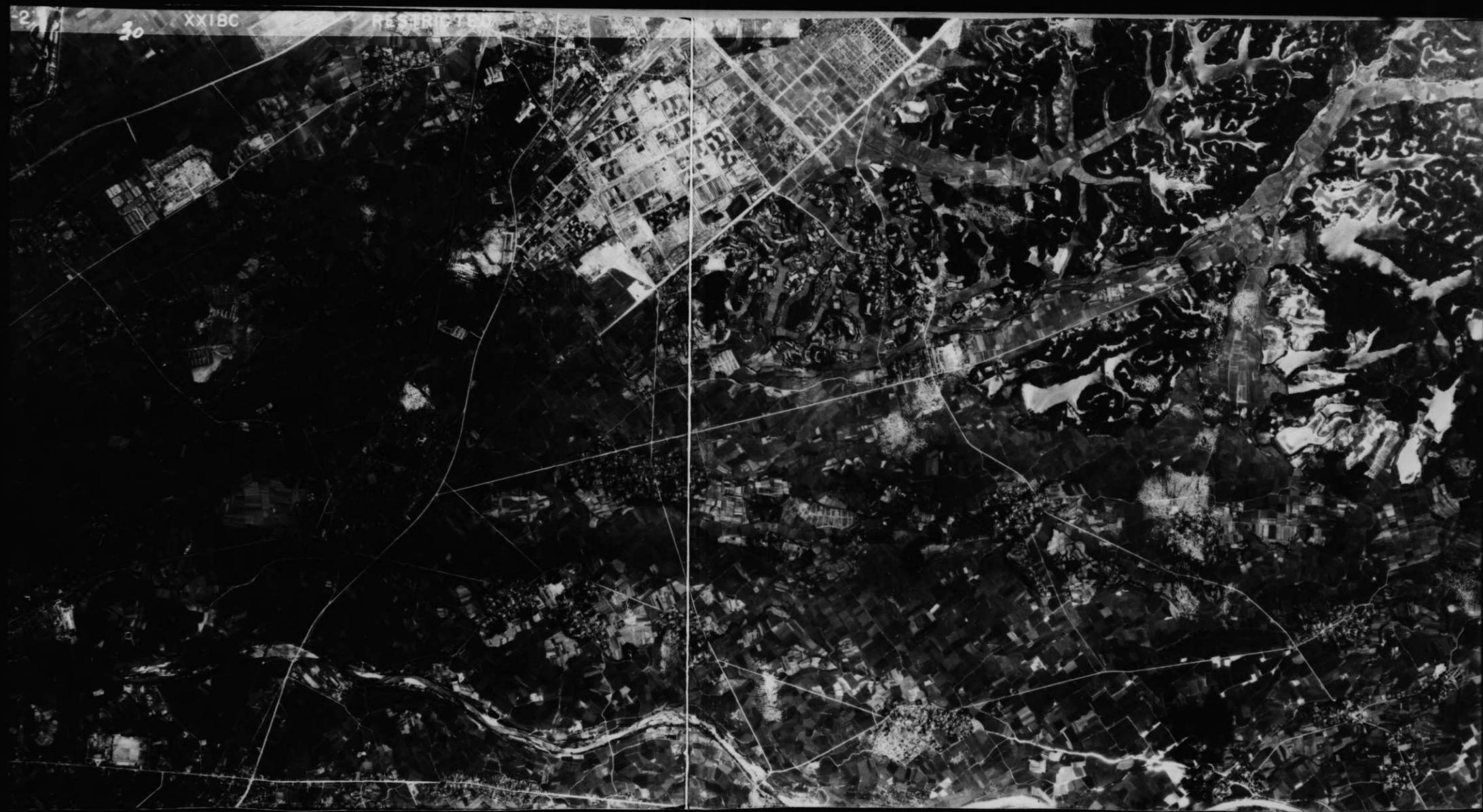


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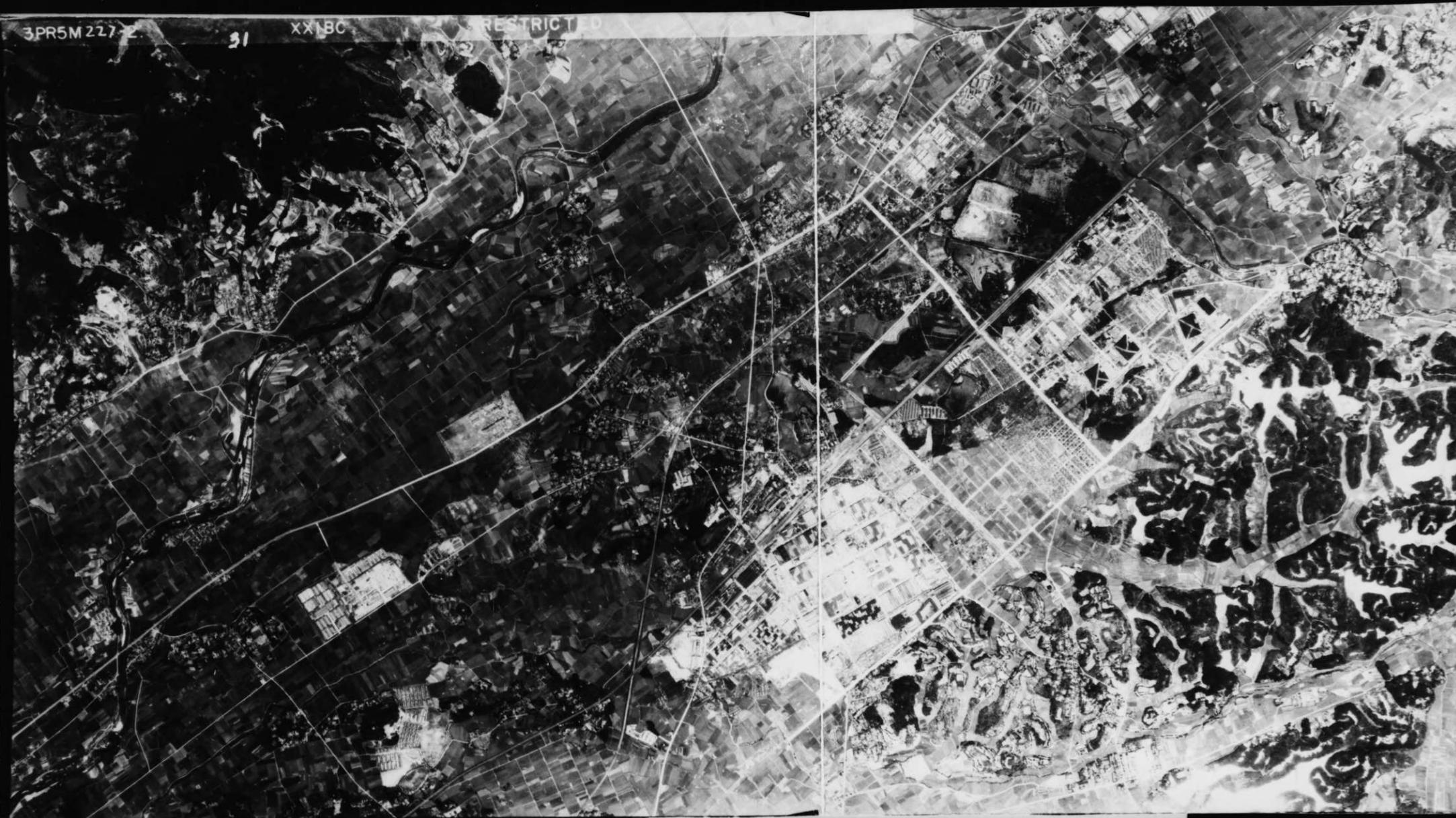


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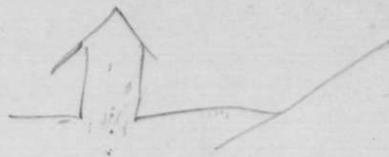
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F/A.



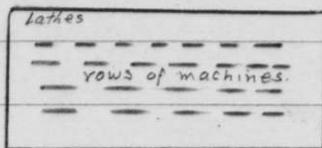
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1- Temple for factory workers.

1
joss grant shack w/ POW 2

2- Torpedo parts machine shop.

3



8

3- Office building

4

4- Compressed air machines

5

5- Cafeteria

no Hdg.

6

6- Torpedo parts machine shop. (similar to #2)

7

7- Guard hut

8

8- Time card punch office

9

9- Bicycle stand.

10

10- Torpedo assembly building. Also POW has heard that it makes some parts

11

in this building for Aircraft plant across street. Only small machines like drills.

11- Torpedo assembly building

12

12- Compressed air building

up to 14
barbette 15

and parts

13- Assembly for 10cm gun, 25 mm MG. All parts for 10cm gun except barrel and A

14

13a- Machines for parts of both.

15

special machines

line 2

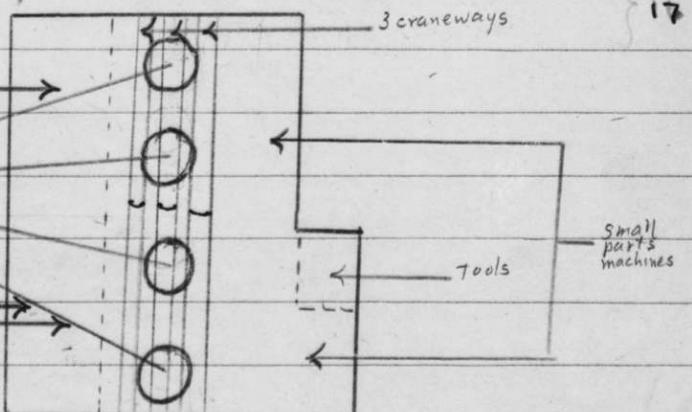
w/ 16

Concrete pits in the center of which
is a turn table on which to
set the 10cm gun. Here it is
assembled

16

lathes
drills

w/ 17



14 - Torpedo assembly building. Only small machines like drills.	18
15-20 - Buildings unknown but electric repairs building and copper shop are among them.	19abcdef 20-21
21 - Torpedo experimentation	20
22 - " " pool.	21 u/i 22
23 - Torpedo tube shop.	u/i 25abc 24
24-25 - Wrought iron shops (Should have some chimneys about 20 yards high)	25abc u/i 26 u/i 27
26 - Casting shop	29 u/i 28
26a - Some kind of a motor shop. POW can not describe motors.	23
27 - Office	30
28 - Woodwork shop.	31
29 - Depth charge drum construction. Also all heavy metal work like 10 cm gun shield etc is done here.	32
30 - Lunch house.	33
31 - Store room. Contents unknown.	34 from down
32 - Office	35a
32a - Storeroom. Contents unknown.	35b
33 - Rest rooms	36
34 - Miscellaneous shop.	39
35-39 - Added since POW was there	35-37 36-38 u/i 40abc
40 - Head	42
41 - Storeroom - nuts, bolts, small parts.	41 u/i? 42

head? 43

42 - Depth charge assembly shop.

44a+b
u/i 45, 46, 47

43 - Storeroom. Contents unknown.

50
48

44 - Time card office and punching.

45 - Bicycle stand.

49

46-50 - School for factory workers or their children. 53-59 u/i 52
u/i 51

51 - Training school for factory work.

60
u/i 61

52 - There should be some smoke stacks here

~~58~~ 62

53 - Probably addition to factory - possibly barracks.

new area {
u/i 63
u/i 64

54 - Office of boss for both plants (in aircraft plant)

55 - Assembly building (in aircraft plant)

Structural Analysis

POW gives the following information from observation of building #13 in which he worked. He stated that he had never noticed carefully but he believed that the remaining buildings with exception of some of the smaller ones were constructed in the same fashion.

A. Framing

1. Buildings are one story structures although some are higher than others.
2. The columns upholding portion of roof bearing cranes are made of steel, track like uprights. (Diagram of a vertical track) Other columns holding up lighter structures and usually lower structures are wood.
3. i.e. In building #13 there are 3 cranes that move along the building lengthwise. Consequently there are not too many beams running crosswise.

B. Walls

1. From the ground, about $\frac{1}{2}$ way up the wall is brick concrete.
2. The space, from $\frac{1}{2}$ way up to the roof is taken mainly by numerous windows.
3. POW says about 6'-8" thick for the walls and usually they were made of brick covered on both sides by

40
40
80

2

a thin layer of concrete.

C Floors ✓

1. For the most part the floors are of concrete although in a few parts of a few buildings they are wood.

D Roof ✓

2. Roofs are made of "benri kawara" which literally translated means "handy tile". From what POW says this is probably some prefabricated slate-like substance which is probably short of $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick. POW said that he thought it was a little thicker than tin roofing.

E Foundation. ✓

1. Uprights go into concrete floor and are braced with iron on the sides.



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F Wall Openings ✓

1. As marked in blue on overlay.

2. Two buildings are marked and POW believes the rest to be similar. Building #13 is the only one with doors marked "X".

3. "X" door is thin metal that opens from top to bottom. slides 5.2 x 15' x 15'

4. Remaining doors are constructed of wood with the top half made of glass (grid pattern) and slide back and forth. Size 10' x 9'

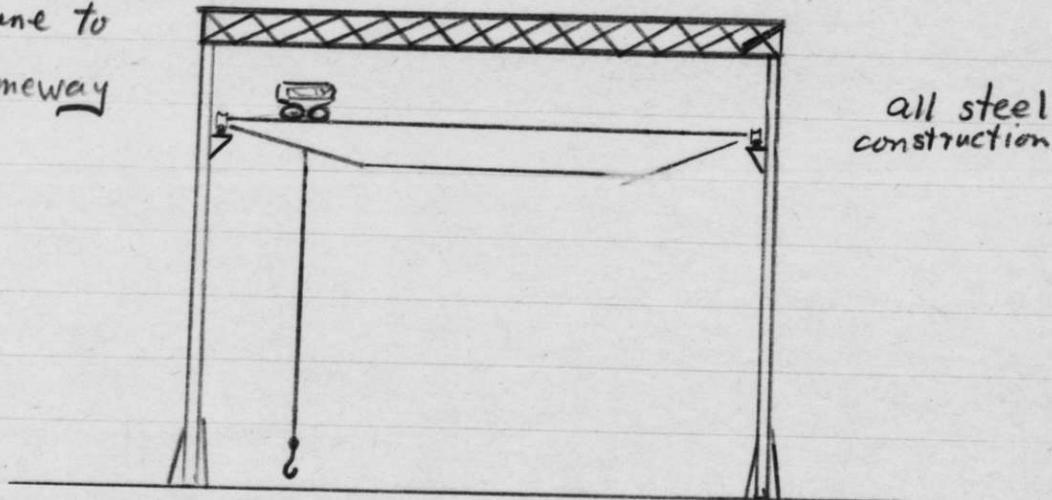
G. Structural protection.

1. According to POW, in no building are there any subdividing walls that would be over one thin thickness of wood.
2. Most of the larger machines are covered in part by a metal covering. Lathes etc. have no protective covering. POW is very vague on this subject.

H. Building 13-13a. ✓

Pow states that the 3 cranes in this building are constructed in the following manner.

one crane to
each craneway



June 43 June 44

1

I. NAME - Kyushu Heiki KK (Kyushu Ordnance Co. Ltd)

Previously from Oct. 1943 it was changed from
KK WATANABE TEKKO SHO, HEIKI BU (WATANABE
IRON WORKS LTD, Ordnance section)

R. a) POW says that he believes that the original
WATANABE IRON WORKS in FUKUOKA is no longer
operational but that it is only hearsay.

b) Although the KYUSHU Ordnance CO. and the WATANABE
Aircraft Co were one Company and then separated
in 1943, they are still under the control of one man,
WATANABE.

2.

A. POW is not sure of boundary near the chimneys at
52 but knows that there is a playground north of
the school. The actual plant continues only to the
road on the north side. Other boundaries are
clearly set forth except for boundaries around
53. POW seems to think that the construction
here was done after he had left the plant but
does know however that this is one part of company
probably barracks.

B. It was POW's belief that the electric power for this
plant was generated here. However he was not able
to locate it saying first that it should be here and
then it should be there. Electric power was used almost
exclusively here at the plant.

Economic Assessments.

A. Products.

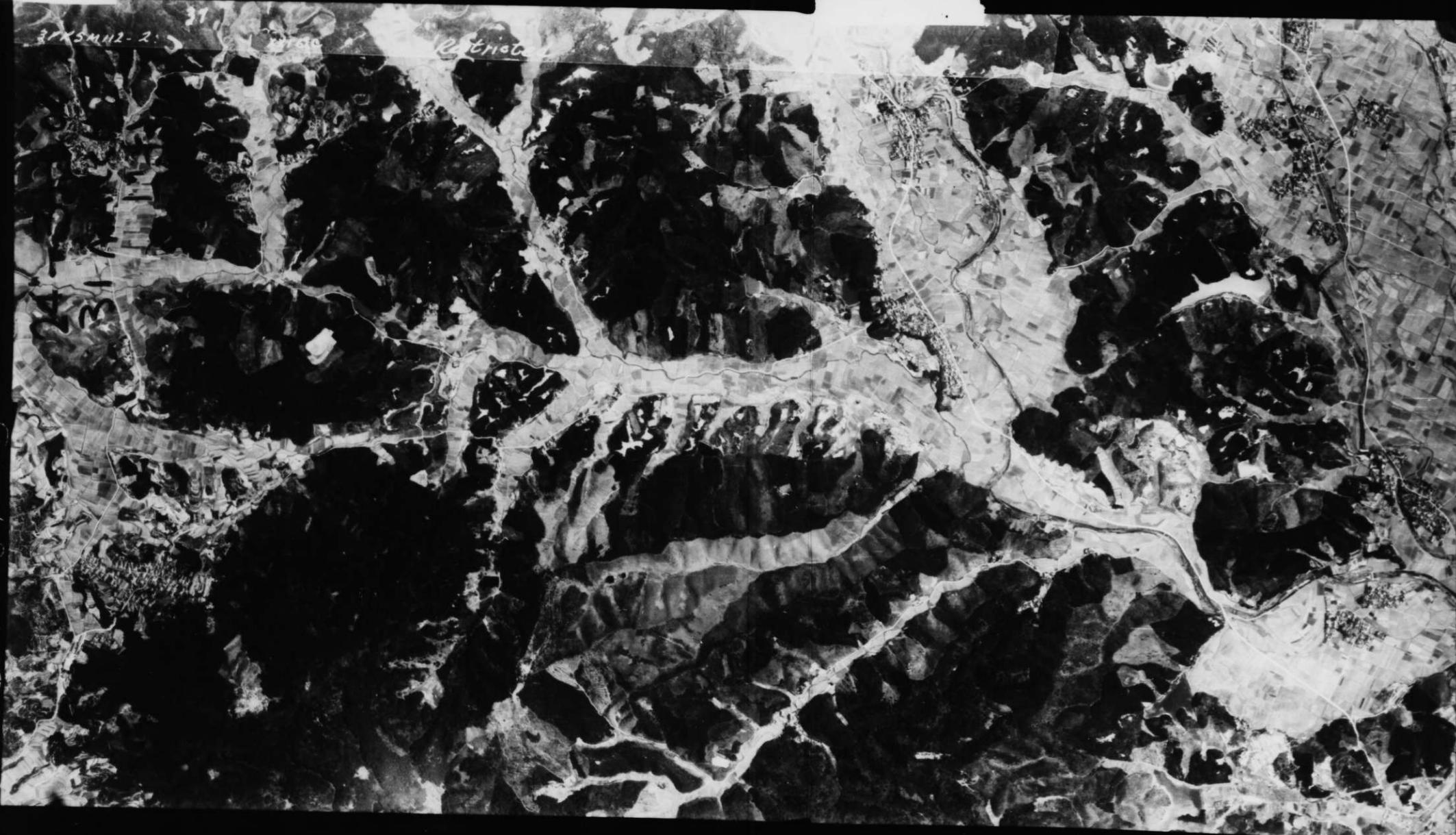
1. Mounts of 6 Torpedo tubes according to POW. Does not know where they are used. Type unknown.
2. 10 cm. gun - barrel and barbette usually made at SASEBO and shipped to the plant although they have had times when they made the barbette also here at the plant. Remainder of gun including receiving devices made here. These guns are made for use on DD's.
3. Depth charges (□) diameter $1\frac{1}{2}$ '-2'; length approx $2\frac{1}{2}'$ -3'. Type, serial no. etc unknown.
4. Torpedoes - type, model etc unknown.
5. MG 25 mm. ✓

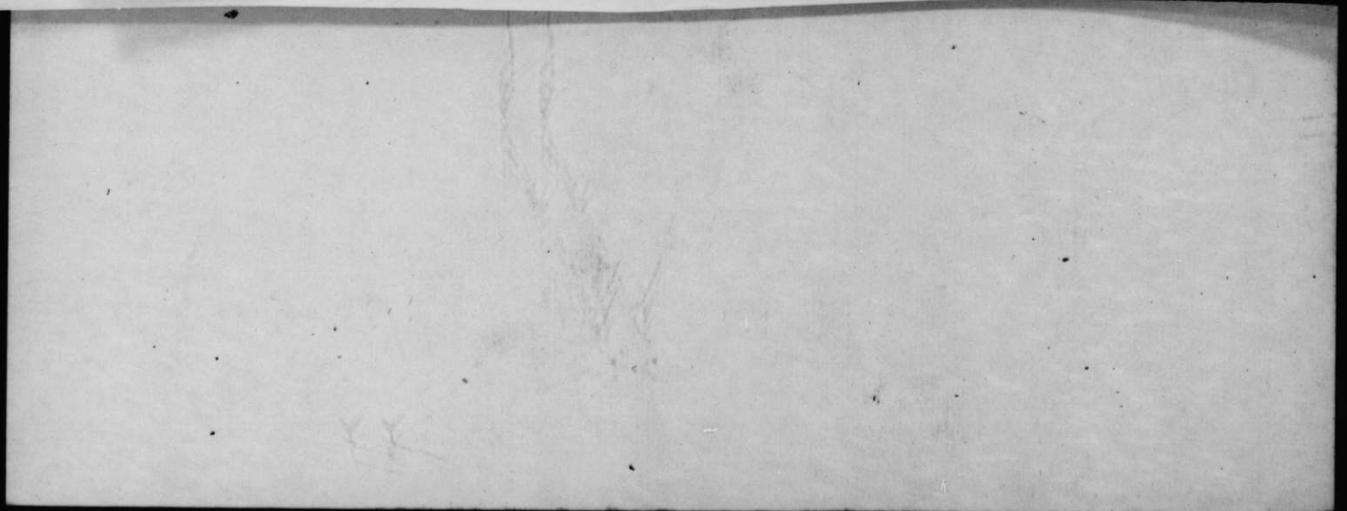
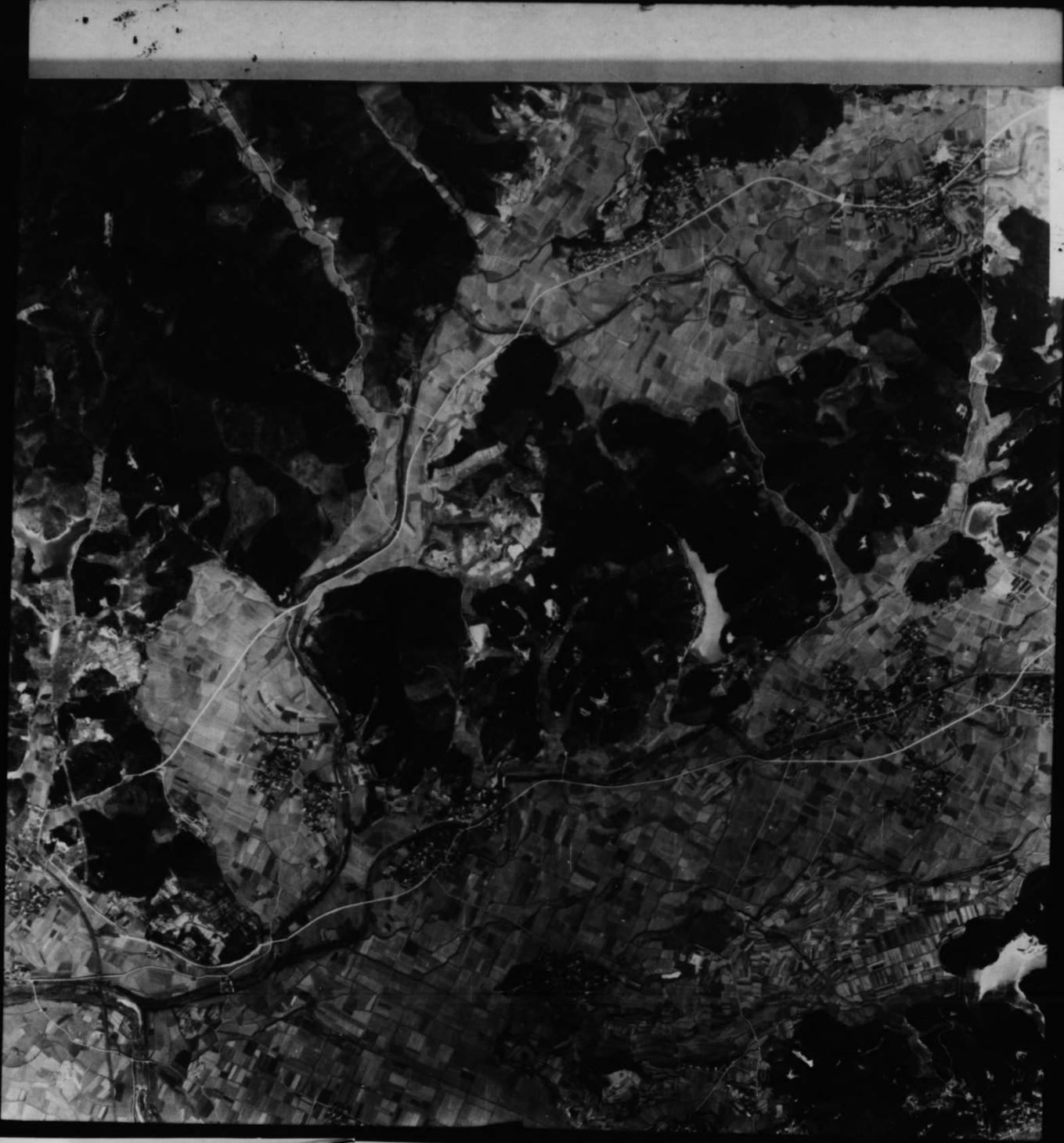
~~B~~. Effort devoted to each in following order - 3, 4, 2, 5, 1

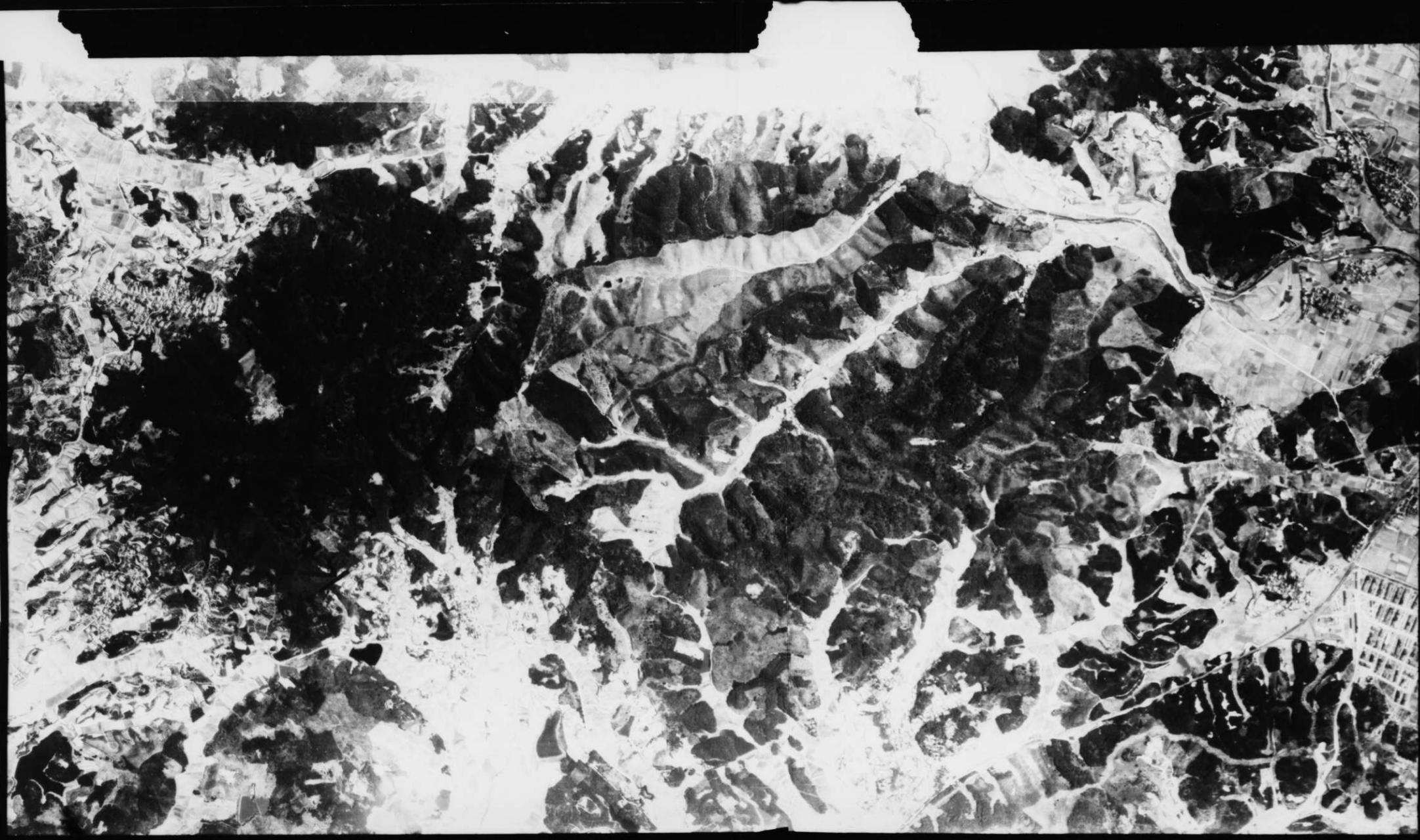
C. Raw materials and small parts come mostly from SASEBO, YAWATA or various small factories in FUKUOKA city, the names of which POW claims not to know.

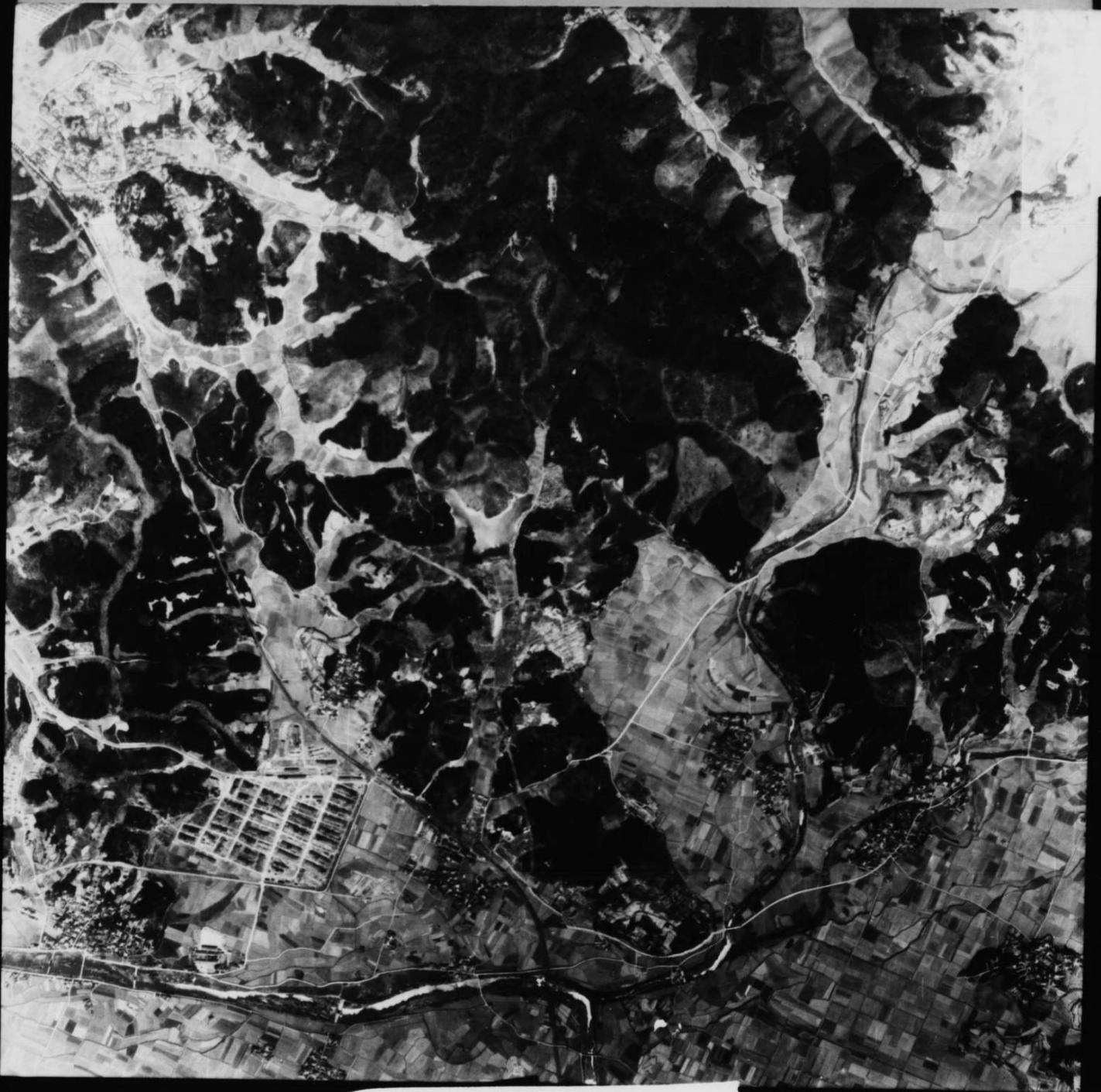
D. Because this plant is working for the Navy, all finished products go to SASEBO usually by train but at times by truck. The products from the WATANABE AIRCRAFT CO also go to SASEBO for the same reason.

E. A small percentage of incoming materials comes in by truck and is usually brought in by train.





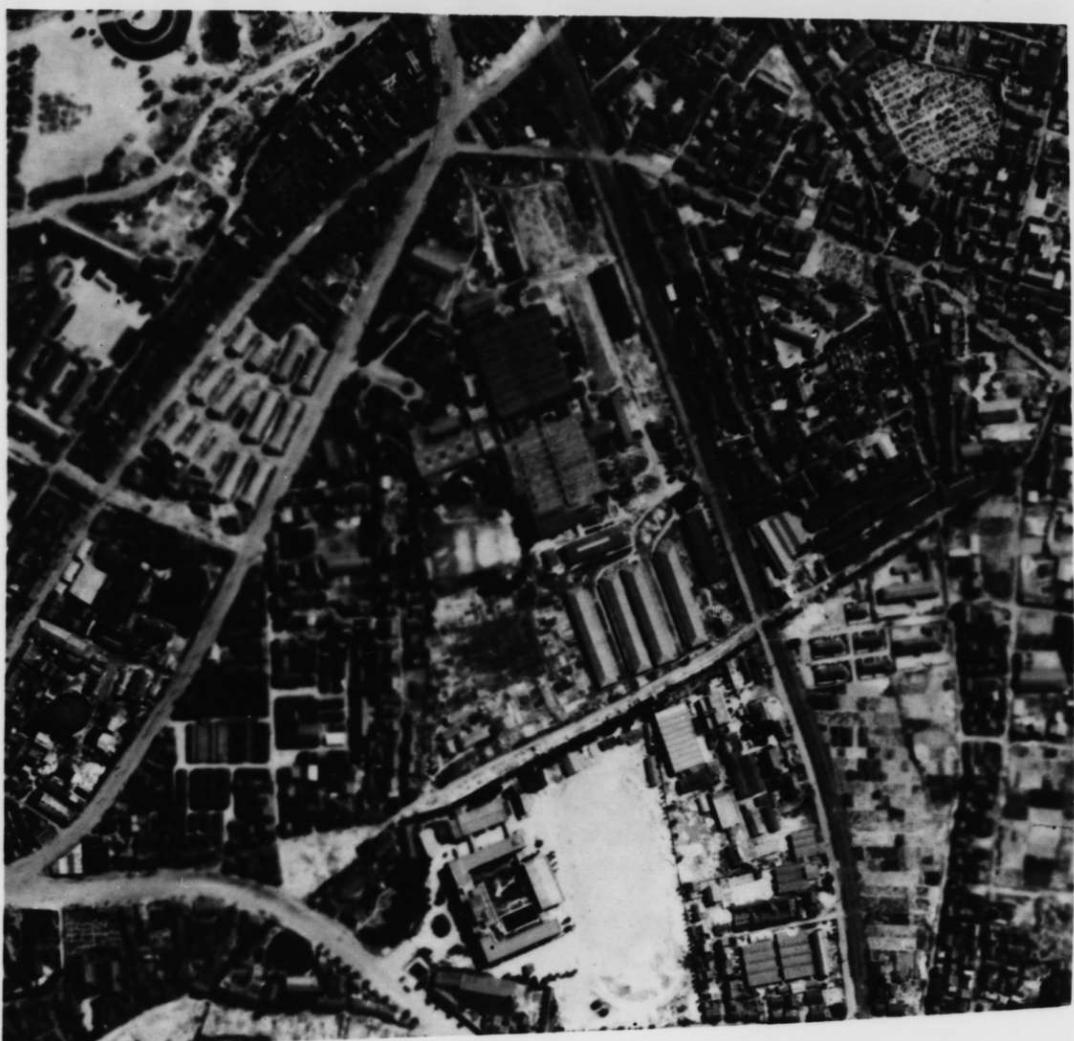




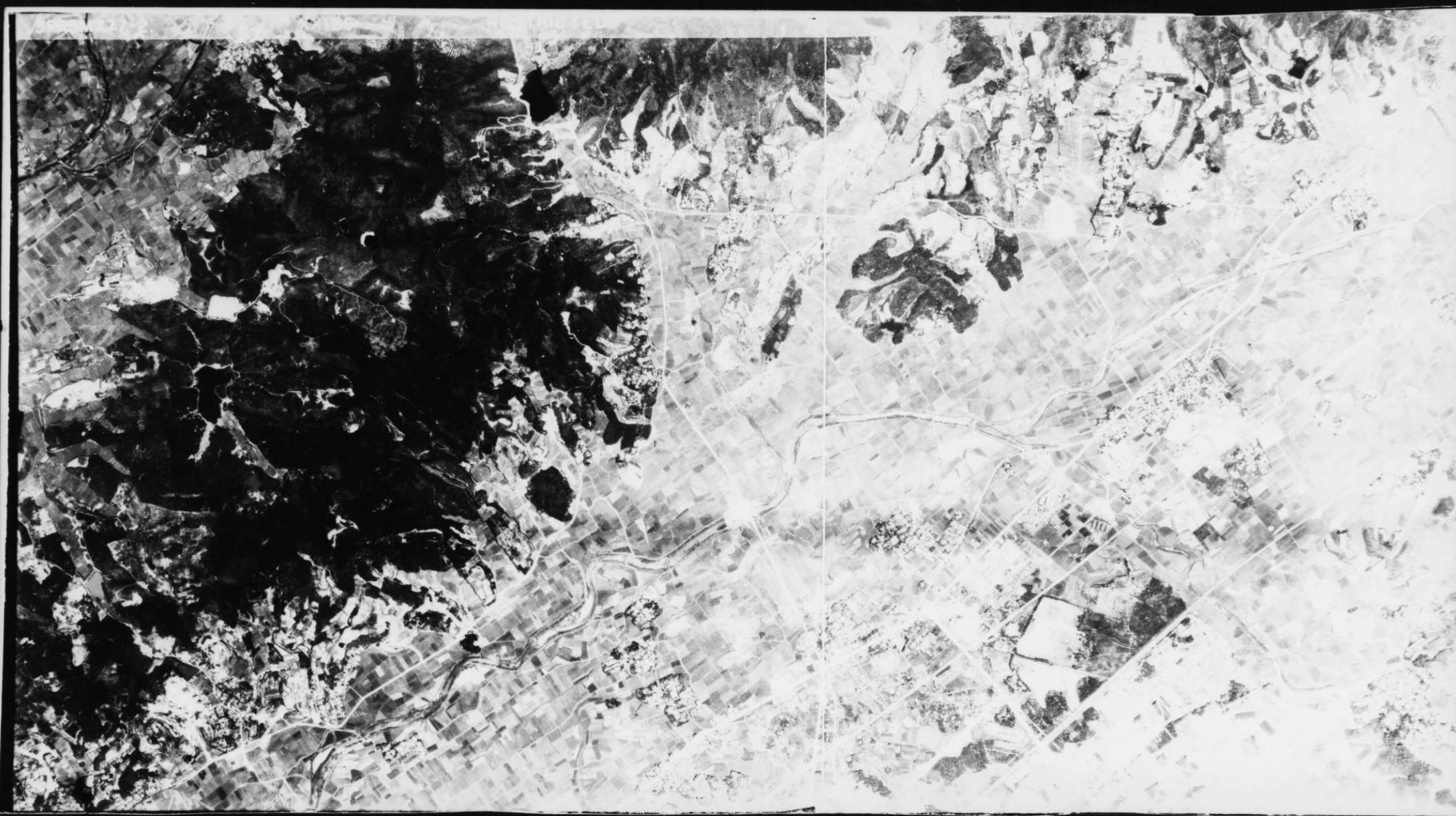












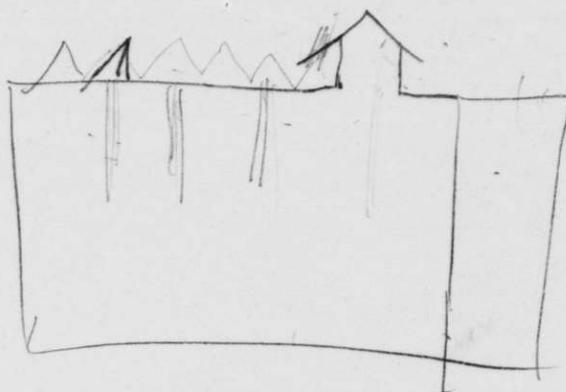


Kyushu Ordnance 1239

18 6.194

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24 July

Letter Draft

From: Oin C, AIC

To: Op 16-1-Y

Subject: Target Information for Joint Target Group
Reference (a) AIC Conf. Ltr to Op 16-1-Y, dated 23 July 45.

Serial ~~TAR-231515 OF~~

Enclosure (A) Fig. 2 of AICPOWATI #4, advance copy

1. Enclosure (A) is forwarded ~~of~~ ~~for~~ ~~in~~ ^{by Joint Target Group} ~~of joint target group~~ for possible use in assigning gridding numbers ^{target} to 90.35 - 1239, Kyushu Ordnance Plant.

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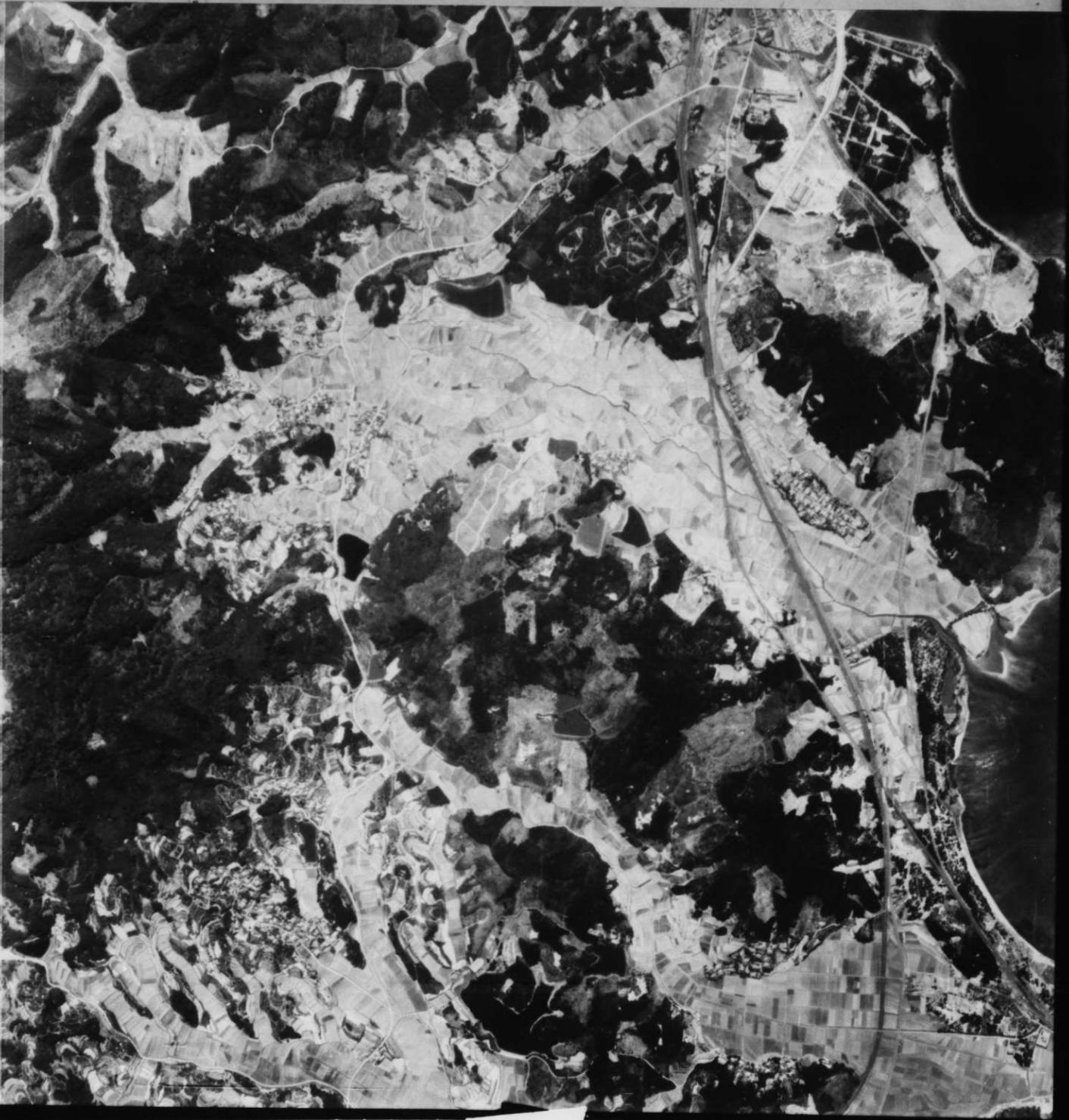






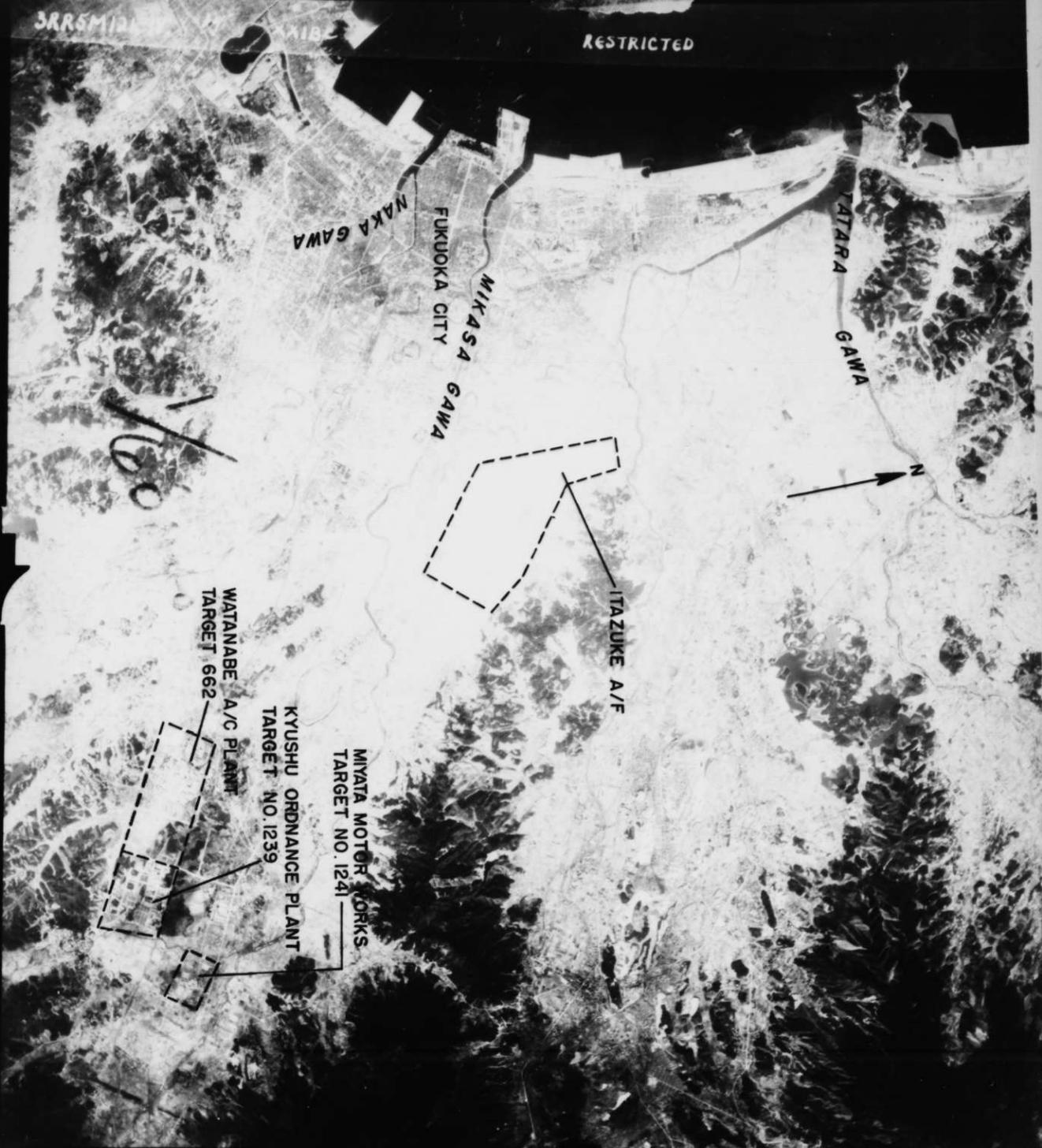
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Japanese Aircraft Production No. 10 15 July 45

Secret

	1 Jul 44	1 Jan	1 Jul 45
Shinden SEF Kyushu	0	3	3
each month			

Jake SER float	"	45	45	27
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	J	F	M	A	M	J
Jake or successors	23	23	25	45	32	27

To OSCAR

Subject manufacturer of
AMAKAZE engine used
in "LORNA" (TOKAI) is
HITACHI

LORNA airframe assembly
done by KYUSHU

Note Kyushu firm also built
SLIM II the small submarine
from recon plane

(2) Following trainers also
indicated as built by
Kyushu

- a) Type 2/11 land primary
- b) Type 2/11 land intermediate
- c) Shoragaku/21 observation

Joe Wind

LORNA

low perf

des. for mass prod.

low power

Anakaze engine ~~7480~~⁴⁸⁰ hp

mfg probly Watanabe

Dec 44

never captured

sheth shows fixed landing gear

8 on Saeki airfield 4 may

XXI BC

TAIC Summary #17
Overall 2nd 3/19/44 20.17
Sighting Record of P-40s
8.7

JAKE II = E13 A1-K
14 cyl 1045 hp

Kinsei 43 Mitsubishi

plane mfd by Watanabe

called trainer - some of use. but less than trainer.

TAIC Summary 23 Japanese Trainer A1K

Spec. P.I. Report No. 33 15 may
Part 2

for Lorna

no dope on amakaze } write TA1
jicpoa } jicpoa

Jakes at Zasshonokuma

Lorna at Kashii land

but Jakes stopped don't know what would
 make.
 don't know when stopped

Lorna known for long time

Part by Aichi Kinsei 54 by Mitsubishi

Jake successor

Seien ^{land}
Seien has:

Ha 42 mod 31, might be
Mitsubishi ^{which} because.

Ha 42 mod 11 is Mitsubishi

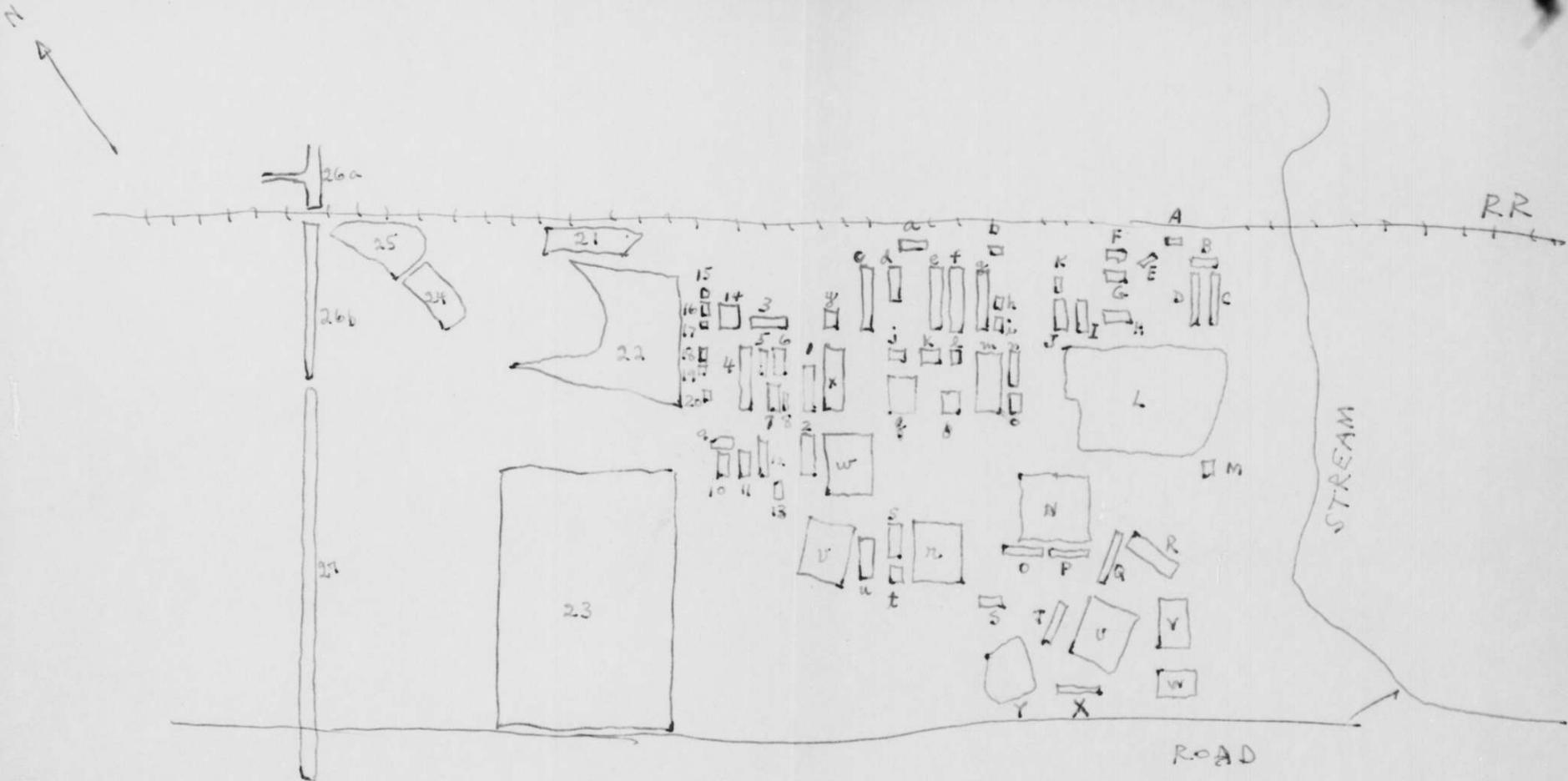
maybe Kyushu making Seiens?

because is long nose very like
Lorna

Keiun

Maybe dual atonta V12 = W
in Keiun 600 Atonta series

likely not by Kyushu



INTERR. BLOW UP OVERLAY

ORDNANCE

TARGET 90. -1239

KYUSHU ~~PLANT~~ PLANT

Kokura Arsenal

Kyushu AF

662

186.94 area

K-6-4 Cinepac -

186.428 A

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New AAF no plane assignment
No. 8 p. 2

No. 2079 for Fukuoka
Seaplane Works

1239

Kynoch Oranana Co

Largest lathe ^{over} 22'

All lathes driven by single elec. motors

M 220 Int Raft 8 Sraft 44

Map: Japanese Radar

Defense HQ ATAFPOA
APD 234

1 July 45

No 1 or 52 radars Fukuosha

Hachata 2 ashionokuma

App A Flak News Letter No. 2,

Flak Radar Intell Memo No 4

1 July 45

Flak News Letter No. 21 14 July
2 icfpa secret

90.35 - 1237

Fukuoka Seaplane Works

Correct name Kyushu Hikoki KK

Kyushu Airplane Co. Ltd, Kashii Plant

References: Kentifile on targets 90.35-662, 1238, 1237
in Geog Sect

Jicpaa Daily Pow reports 14 jun 45,

XXI BC DA report 97 29 jun 45

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ACAS 2st. P1 Rept ~~22~~ S-4 18 july 44

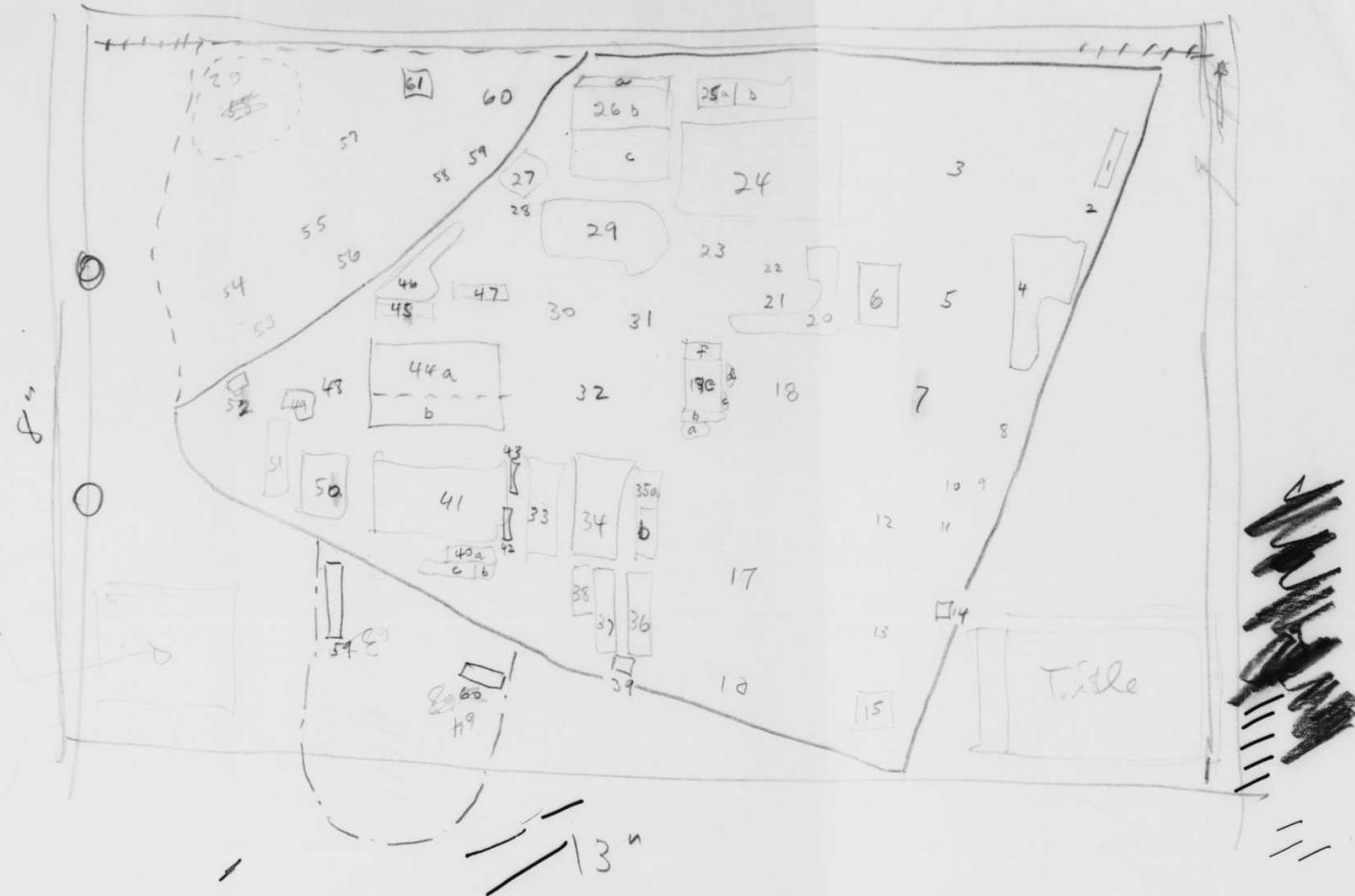
Interphon 2 Special P1 Rept "

old name Majima Seaplane Base

Main compound

Training School

Possible Expansion



90.35 - 1241

Miyata Factory Co
Motor mfg Co

airplane parts landing gear 11M 33
steam, diesel, internal combust eng for
small boats, motor vehicles 1 Oct 42

Kayashiru Airplane Co.

Zasshonokamura Plant

) sub contractor

90,35 - 662

Kyushu Airplane Co. Zasshonokuma Plant

parts from

Steel, SEIKOSHō Steel Foundry KATAKASU-MACHI
HIE-MACHI

Fukuoka Seiko Factory above Nishikatakasan
MATSUMURE TEKKOSHō (Iron Foundry) HIE-MACHI
Matsumura - 1 mile of road SE of from Fukuoka

reg
tires

Seiko Factory

Nishiyama - Miya

Nippon Rubber Co. airplane tires

Duralumin, aluminum, magnesium alloy from

Japan Coal mines Nippon Tanko

Sumitomo Metal Industries

Kobe Steel Works

Air Station

Wheel planes tested at Gannosu airfield = Fukuoka Naval

Seaplanes tested at Wajiro ss Suijohikyo
not operational SS

all navy planes

ATIS #756 23 Jan 45 sketch

fuselage propeller assembly

change location 1936 govt decree Ac nfg

	To Dec 31 44
Glen 9 per "4 of 4F	180
Jake 135 - - -	1068
Tokai 36 - - last '12 44	12

Jap AC Makers Plates & markings #60

23 Jan 45 MID

E 13A1

JTG said 40 Japas Dec 44, + Jan 45

Kisei 43/44 engine

of Hitachi Tachikawa 9/17-2009

HMS L772 4147-1
(2)

1945

SR 74

DA 97

90.35

1238 - Watanabe Iron Works

all site abandoned by Mar 58

ATIS SURPAC ^{or} 756 23 Jan 45 sketch

90.35 - 1265

Nippon Rubber Co. Fukusaka Plant

tires

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photo

DA 97

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Target 90.35-1239 Kyushu Ordnance Plant, Zasshonokuma

Japanese Air Target System: Armament

References: (a) Jicpoa Daily Report of Target Information from POW Interrogation, 18 June 1945.

(b) AOF 90.35, 1 July 1944

(c) Survey Report No. 74, C.I.U. ~~XIV~~ Bomber Command, 9 April 1945

(d) Interpron Two ~~8x8~~ photo 186.428A, 90.35
Briefing enlargement 328.100, Kyushu A/C Plant 90.36-662

(e) Interpron Two 8x8 photo 186.428A, Kyushu A/C Plant 90.36-662

(f) ~~(g)~~ (f) Interpron Two 8x8 photo 186.382A, Sasebo Naval Arsenal and Engineering Dept., 90.36-758

(h) ~~(g)~~ (f) Interpron Two 8x8 photo 186.269 Kawatana Factory of Sasebo Arsenal, 90.36-2021

(i) ~~(g)~~ Interpron Two 8x8 photo 186.279 Kawatana Factory of Sasebo Arsenal, 90.36-2021

overs (j) ~~(g)~~ ONI Weekly, Vol. IV, No. 21, May 23, 1945, p 1721-1722

(m) ~~(g)~~ Joint Target Group Sheet No. ATSF/A, page no. 17, 10 Feb 45

(n) ~~(g)~~ Sasebo Op. II FE 70-45 Sasebo Naval Base, 20 July 45

(g) ~~(g)~~ Cincpac-Cincpoa Bulletin No. 188-45, Special Study Sasebo Naval Base, 20 July 45,

(over)

POW Source

(K) (S) Cincpac-Cincoa Bulletin No. 55-45, Japanese Infantry
Weapons, 15 Mar 45

(L) (S) Cincpac-Cincoa Bulletin No. 92-45, Japanese
anti-aircraft material, 11 Apr 45

Outline

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11. Underground Relocation

1. Source of Information

POW assembled parts for the breech of ~~#~~ a
(and later worked on an AA sound locator) ^(number 17)
10 cm. naval gun, in the gun assembly building of this
target. He is ~~for approximately one year~~,

beginning about
~~from~~ June 1943 ^{and ending about} ~~to~~ June 1944. He is

considered of average reliability.

2. Target Name.

POW states that the name of this target is Kyushu Heiki KK, or Kyushu Ordnance Co., Ltd. This ~~is~~ corroborates ^{the} statement of ~~another~~ POW, interrogated recently by Linpao Jicpoa, ~~as~~ reported in reference (a). The name has been in use since October 1943, or, according to reference (a), since November 1943. Prior to the change, the name was KK Watanabe Tekko Sho, Heiku Bu, or Watanabe Iron Works, Ltd., Ordnance Section. It is not known how long the latter name was used, or when this plant was built.

✓ Watanabe Iron Works also had an Aircraft Division, ^{now known as Kyushu Hikoki KK,} Target 90.35-662. For a history of changes in name of ~~this~~ target, see reference (a). Both the aircraft and the ordnance plants are under the control of one man, Watanabe, despite their separate corporate existences.

POW believes that the original Watanabe Iron Works, Plant no. 1, in ~~Fukuoka~~ is no longer operational, but ~~states that this is only hearsay~~ is being used as barracks. POW states, however, that this is hearsay.

3. Target Location

The first map plot of the location of ~~Kyushu~~ Kyushu Ordnance Co. ~~was made known to AIC~~ was made in reference (b), of which a portion of map number 4 is reproduced herewith as Fig. 1. When the first six-inch photo cover of the area was obtained ~~by XXI Bomber Command~~, the C.I.U. of the ^{XXI} Bomber Command reported in & reference (c) that the location given in reference (b) was confirmed, and selected as the target a plant lying 2600 feet southeast of the aircraft plant. This was done presumably in conformity with the text on page 57 of reference (b) which stated that target 1239 was .2 miles east of target 662.

In conformity with reference (c), Interphon Two issued ^{a briefing enlargement, reference (d),} ~~three items of target material~~ showing the ordnance plant southeast of the aircraft plant.

POW ~~#~~ indicates, however, that the Kyushu Ordnance Co. is adjacent to and directly ~~west of~~ northwest of ~~#~~ the aircraft plant, while the factory to the southeast is a branch of the Kokura Arsenal. Both of these identifications corroborate similar reports given in reference (a).

The newly verified location of the ~~ordnance~~

Kyusuke Ordnance Co. was included as part of the aircraft plant in reference (c), and was marked "P-568 unidentified industry" in ~~city~~ Interphone material, references (d) and ~~(e)~~ (e).

Target locations as now established are shown in Fig. 2.

4. Target Boundary

Fig. 3 shows the plant boundaries and division of the plant into three areas:

- a. Principal plant compound
- b. ~~Public school and plant~~
Training school area
- c. Probable barracks area

POW is not certain of the outer boundaries of the the last two areas.

No information could be obtained on outside utilities serving the target, except transportation facilities. Incoming materials usually arrive by rail over the Kyushu Main Line RR. adjacent to the plant on the northeast; a small percentage arrives by truck. Outgoing materials are shipped ~~on~~ ^{in similar} the same ~~facilities~~ ^{facilities} and proportions.

F. General Functional Analysis.

The Kyushu Ordnance Co. ^{appears to be}, in effect, a branch factory of ^{the Naval} Sasebo, arsenal. POW stated that the plant works for the Navy and that all products go to Sasebo. It is logical to assume that most if not all of the plants ~~offic~~ business ~~concern~~ dealings are ~~with the~~ conducted with the Sasebo Naval Arsenal and Engineering Department, ~~as shown in references (f) and (g).~~ However, target 90.36 - 758, ^{there might} ~~may~~ be some connection with the Kawatana Factory of Sasebo arsenal, target 90.36 - 2021, shown in references ^{and (h)} ^(g), which is reported to produce aerial torpedoes. These speculations were

not advanced by the prisoners, for he ~~was~~ is totally unfamiliar with Sasebo and knew only that plant products were shipped to Sasebo.

The products of Kyushu Ordnance Co.

during the period June 1943 - June 1944 were

depth charges, torpedoes, 10 cm. ^{and purpose} naval guns

(except ^{the gun} barrels), and 25 mm. ^{naval} machine ~~gun~~ cannon.

6. Economic Assessment

a. Products

1) Depth Charges. These were simple cylinders,

one and one-half to two feet in diameter and

two and one half to three feet in length. Raw

material ~~is~~ ^{was} sheet iron shipped in from the outside. Fuses

~~were~~ also shipped in. When questioned POW had heard that

loading with powder was done here, but he had never seen

where it was done. Since photo cover reveals ~~a~~ lack of

retardments and very close spacing of buildings, presence

of powder at this plant seems doubtful. ~~It~~

of depth charges

Mark and model number, could not be determined.

2) Torpedoes. Torpedoes were for ~~surface craft~~

use, to best of POW's knowledge. However, his

~~description of~~ Doubt is cast upon this information

by the fact that torpedoes ~~manufactured~~ made here appear to

~~have been~~ for submarines. POW did not know diameter or

mark and model number. He saw all three ~~parts~~ sections

(warhead, air flask section, and afterbody and tail section) at

the plant, ~~as~~ as separate sections, and ~~as~~

~~assembled~~ torpedoes. Air flask sections and afterbody

and tail sections were manufactured here for certain; he

warhead manufacture he is not certain about.

~~did~~

~~he~~ not know whether warheads were manufactured
here or not. He did not know whether ~~they~~ were

all driven by compressed air. He had never heard of electric motors going into torpedoes. The electric motors reported in Building 23 were not for use in torpedoes as they were too big. POW had heard of Kawatana ~~as~~ town but not as a factory ~~as~~ ^{as} torpedo factory.

3) 10 cm ^(Dual Purpose) Naval Gun. It is believed certain that These guns

were naval guns, because they were all shipped to Sasebo arsenal and, to best of POW's knowledge, were intended for use aboard DDs. They were

dual purpose guns, because they were capable of horizontal fire as well as normal AA fire. POW

thought they could be used on land, if the output

were no longer needed for ships. When asked if this was a newly developed type of gun, POW said it was the newest.

A check with Mobile Explosives Investigation Unit #4 revealed that the Japs have ~~4~~ two versions of a 10 cm naval (Dual purpose) gun, the Type 98 10 cm 50 calibre (1938) and the Type 98 10cm 65 calibre. At least one of the versions can be shore mounted, as a unit was found on Saipan, minus nameplates. According to MEIU #4, the Type 98 10 cm naval DP is comparatively new but is not particularly more important than other

AA guns, of which the army 90 mm AA has caused the most trouble.

The preceding evaluation does not seem to rule out the possibility that the Type 98 10cm AA naval DP is a weapon of high importance in Jap naval AA defense.

Barrels and barbettes of the guns were made at Sasebo and shipped to the plant for assembly.

There were some periods when Kyushu Ordnance Co made the barbettes. All other parts, such as breech mechanism, gun shield and locating devices, were made at Kyushu Ordnance.

Locating devices associated with the gun appears to

have been sound locators. POW could not identify the

type, but when showed a picture of the Type 90 aerial sound

Locator ^{from} Reference (j), ~~for~~ photographic section and page 1725},

he declared ^{his} ~~it~~ was different from the Type 90. The sound

locator manufactured by Kyushu Ordnance Co. included

four horns, ~~one~~ set in a single horizontal line ~~and~~ in
pairs, ^{being set} ~~joined with~~ two horns, on each side of the central pedestal.

POW stated he had never heard of associated devices mentioned

in reference (j), such as Type 99 interlocking device to connect

sound locator and searchlight, Type 96 Model 1 150 cm searchlight,

Type 2 Mark 1 range finder, ^{or} ~~and~~ Type 2 elevation transmitter. He

said the sound locator was not designed to operate with the searchlight.

4) ^{Naval}
Machine Cannon
~~25 mm Machine Gun~~ Automatic Weapons

This ^{cannon} was for ship use, POW thought, and was a single barrel mount. All parts for the ^{cannon} were made in this plant.

A check of documents reveals that there is only one gap 25 mm ~~gun~~ weapon, which is therefore

presumed to be that manufactured here. Reference (f) identifies (with illustrations)

it as ^{the} Type 96 25 mm automatic cannon, and says it "is

essentially an anti aircraft weapon but may fire anti-tank missions. It has been found on fixed and mobile single mounts and on fixed twin and triple mounts."

It has a high muzzle velocity, variously given as 2700-2900

feet per second. This document rates it as "apparently the basic automatic AA weapon of Japanese Naval Units".

Reference (k) identifies the 25 mm as the Type 96 (1936) 25 mm automatic Weapon, and states that it ~~is~~ "widely used ^{both on} on both ships and in shore installations -- is a very effective weapon -- has been found in increasing quantities in the Pacific Area and is the most formidable weapon the enemy has to combat low-flying aircraft".

The last statement is of particular interest with respect to naval carrier aircraft.

5) Torpedo tubes. Tubes were manufactured

here and assembled into ~~two~~ mounts of six

tubes each, ~~two~~ ranged three each in two rows.

POW thought this arrangement was two horizontal

banks of three each, rather than three horizontal

banks of two each. The former arrangement

would be a shipborne mount of a type apparently

not mentioned in documents available at AIC.

The latter arrangement would be typical for

several types of Jap submarine. It appears

likely that these tubes were for submarine use, in

spite of POW's statement. Since it is presumed

that the torpedoes and tubes were designed for use together, it also appears likely that the torpedoes were for submarine use.

D. Percent of Effort Devoted to Each Product.

POW could make no estimate.

E. Percent of Floor Space Devoted to Each Product

POW gave no direct information on this topic.

The following is based on aerial ~~photographs~~ photography

(Fig. 3) and the detailed functional analysis given

by the POW.

b. Division of Effort among Products

POW could not establish ~~any~~ any comparative expression of the effort devoted to each product, ~~except~~ other than to rank them in the order given above.

c. Division of Floor Space among Products

A rough analysis of floor space devoted to the various products shows that much the largest area is allocated to torpedoes manufacture, with 10 cm guns second, ~~depth charges~~ torpedo tubes and mounts third, and ~~10 mm~~ depth charges ^{machine cannon} ~~25 mm automatic weapon~~ and ~~machine guns~~ tied for last. The following table shows the approximate figures:

Torpedo manufacture 238 000 sq. ft.

10 cm gun mfg & assembly 97 000 "

Torpedo tubes mounts
~~Depth charge mfg~~ 64 000 "

Depth charges 38 000 "

~~Machine cannon~~
~~Automatic weapons~~
~~Machine guns~~ 36 000 "

These figures were arrived at by considering only major shop buildings, by arbitrarily allocating two-thirds of building 32 to ~~depth~~ depth charges and one third to

gun shields and two-thirds of building 17 to 10 cm

guns and one third to ~~machine guns~~ <sup>Machine cannon
Automatic weapons</sup>, and by

entirely omitting the wrought iron and casting shops, buildings

26 and 29. ~~etc.~~ The detailed table, giving

~~very rough~~ building dimensions, follows:

d. Rates of Production.

P O W either could or would not make any estimates of production rates, even for the breech mechanisms and locating devices on which he worked.

A rough guess at production of 10 cm guns, based on the existence of four gun assembly pits, might be four to ten guns per month.

C. Dr. [redacted] Relative Importance of Products.

Pow had difficulty trying to estimate relative importance of the various products to Japan's war effort. Finally, and ~~sing~~ apparently using units of product as a criterion, he rated the products in this order:

depth charges, torpedoes, 10 cm guns, 25 mm ^{machine} ~~automatic~~ ^{cannon} weapons, torpedo tubes and mounts.

Any estimate by AIC of possible relative importance of products as of August 1945 would

be conditioned by the two following factors. Japan
is known to be striving desperately to increase aircraft

production in the face of bombing attacks and dispersal

programs. Also Japan knows its Navy is almost non-existent, and the ^{overall} need for shipborne AA guns has diminished. If these guns are built ^{now} for land use, however, they are as important as ever.

A possible rating of products follows:

10 cm. ^{naval} DP guns, land based

25 mm. ^{AA and AT} naval machine cannon, land based

Torpedoes, if for submarines

Torpedo tubes and mounts, if for submarines

Aircraft parts

Depth charges

Depending upon ~~possible~~ the amount of possible recent

expansion of aircraft parts manufacture reported to

~~June 1944~~ be on a small scale in June 1944,
engaged in
~~carried on~~

aircraft parts might now ^{stand higher} come ~~find~~ on the
above list.

f. Number of Employees.

POW felt incompetent to estimate number of
employees but finally guessed 5000 to 6000. He

stated that the ~~entire~~ entire plant works twenty four

hours, that there are two main shifts, ^{and} that

changes of shift come at different times in the
various departments.

g. Relations with Subcontractors.

The only information obtained was that fuses for depth charges were obtained from the outside, and that ^{some} ~~various parts~~ ^{for the products} came from small factories, names unknown, in Fukuoka City.

h. Relations with Suppliers of Material.

Sheet iron for depth charges, ~~and~~ sheet steel for torpedoes, ^(and metal stock for gun shields and breech mechanisms), were supplied from Yawata, presumably Japan Steel Co., Yawata Plant, target 90.34-28, or its Tobata Branch, target 90.34-29. 10 cm gun barrels and most of the barbettes were supplied by Sasebo

Base
Naval ~~arsenal~~, presumably the Sasebo

~~arsenal~~

Naval Arsenal and Engineering Department,

target 90.36-758, Naval Gun Factory, building

group 63 ~~as~~ as annotated on page 4 of

reference (1) (g).

i. Relations with Prime Contractors.

Nearly all products of the plant were shipped to

(for practical purposes)

Sasebo Naval Base; making it the only prime

contractor. However, to the extent that aircraft parts

were made, they were sent across the street

to Kyushu aircraft Co., Zasshonokuma Plant,

target 90.35-662.

j. Economic Position of Target within
the Industry.

~~PP~~ It is difficult to attempt to estimate the position of this plant in the Japanese ~~air~~ Armament air Target System, due to the general lack of information concerning locations and rates of production of specific items of armament. In addition, this plant is ~~not mentioned~~ not mentioned in joint Target Group's ~~Folder~~ Armament ~~Folder~~ air Target system Folder.

P

JTG makes no specific mention of
10 cm DP naval guns, ~~or~~ 25 mm. ^{machine} ~~and~~
^(or depth charges) cannons or of their manufacturers. No
information from other sources is ^{readily} available
at AIC regarding other manufacturers of
these weapons. This target is considered to be
of importance because of its production of
~~of high speed~~ high performance intermediate
and heavy ^{AA weapons} ~~flak~~, regardless of its other
products and regardless of other producers
of the same ^{AA} ~~flak~~ weapons.

(m)

in reference (f),

Joint Target Group, ranks locations of torpedo
manufacture in the following order: Kure, Yokosuka,
Sasebo, Maizuru, Mitsubishi Steel and Arms.

Airponati #2 suggested that torpedo manufacture
was only a small part of activity at the Yokosuka
Arsenal and Armament Works. If the Kyushu
Ordnance Co and the Kawatana Factory of Sasebo
Arsenal are both included as part of Sasebo,
^{probably}
~~fact~~ Sasebo should rank ahead of Yokosuka's

However, Kawatana is some nine miles from
Sasebo and Kyushu Ordnance Co. is some
fifty miles from Sasebo, so there is some

justification for ranking these as separate

targets. ~~(H)~~ Extremely rough figures, one

~~might compare these three to~~ ~~torpedo manufacturing~~

~~areas as follows:~~

~~Floor Space in Major Shops Devoted to~~

~~Torpedo manufacture~~

Rough Figure

90.36-2021

Kawatana Factory of Sasebo Arsenal

500 000 sq ft

Source: reference (b)

90.35-1239

Kyushu Ordnance Co., Tashionokuma

240 000 "

90.17-282

Yokosuka Arsenal + Ordnance Works

40 000 "

Source: AIC POWAYI #2
at AIC

The latest available information on torpedo

manufacture at Sasebo itself is contained

~~reference (l), pages 4, ^{8 and} 5, and 10~~

~~in reference (H), page 21 and chart A.~~
~~(B)~~

in reference (g), pages 4 and 5.

(no P)

Reference (g) indicates that ~~about 140~~ ^{square} square feet of ~~roof areas~~ (number of stores ~~measured~~)

torpedoes are made

~~but probably one~~ are available in the Torpedo Factory,

(building group 64, ~~on page 4~~)

of the Sasebo Naval arsenal and Engineering Department,

(target 90.36 - 758,

~~building group 64 on page 4~~), and ~~somewhat~~

~~225000~~ square feet of ~~roof area~~ are ~~available~~

in ~~the~~ a "probable torpedo factory" immediately

north of Sasebo airfield, Target 90.36 - 754,

~~These two sites total~~

Using extremely rough figures,

one might compare these ~~five~~ ^{five} torpedoes

manufacturing ^{centers} ~~area~~ as follows:

Floor Space in Major Shops
Devoted to Torpedo Manufacture

Target No.	Target Name	Source	area in Sq. ft
90.36-2021	Kawatana Factory, Sasebo Arsenal	ref (g) ⁽ⁱ⁾	500 000 roof
90.35-1239	Kyushu Ordnance Co., Zashinonokuma	Fig. 3	240 000 floor
none	Probable Torpedo Factory, N. of Sasebo airfield	ref (g)	225 000 roof
90.36-758, Bldg group 64	Torpedo Factory, Sasebo Naval Arsenal and Engineering Dept.	ref (g)	140 000 roof
90.17-282	Yokosuka Arsenal + Armament Works	AICPOWATI #2	40 000 floor

Comparison with areas available at Kure,

Mitsuru and Mitsubishi Steel and Arms is
not attempted in this report, nor is any breakdown
with respect to type of torpedoes.

7. Detailed Functional analysis

The following information on uses of specific
in June 1944
buildings, relates to building numbers shown in

Fig. 3

- 1 Temple for factory workers
- 2 Unidentified by POW; possibly a guard shack
- 3 Torpedo parts machine shop. This contains rows of machine tools running the length of the building. Many of the machines are lathes.
- 4 Office
- 5 Compressed air machines

6 Building now removed ; was a cafeteria

in June 1944

7 Torpedo parts machine shop, similar to 3

8 Unidentified

9 Guard hut

10 Time card punch office

11 Outdoor roofless bicycle stand

12 Torpedo assembly building. Contains only small

machines such as drills. POW had heard that

some A/C parts for Kijushu aircraft Co., Zasshoukuma ~~X~~

Plant, 90.36-662, across the street, ^{were also} ~~are~~ made here.

13 Torpedo assembly building

14 Unidentified by POW; possibly a guard shack

15 Compressed air building. Photos indicate
sizeable stack. No details.

16 Unidentified

17 10 cm gun and 25 mm ~~machine gun~~ parts

manufacture and assembly. All parts of the

10 cm gun except the barrel and barbette are made

here. Building contains three craneways, each with

one travelling crane. Craneways are adjoining and

occupy the center of the building, running NE - SW.

Set in the floor beneath the central crane are

four concrete pits. In the center of each pit is

a turntable which supports the 10 cm gun during

the assembly process. Layout of craneways,

pits and types of machine tools ~~is~~ shown in

Fig. 4

18 Torpedo assembly building. Contains only small

machines, such as drills

19 a,b,c,d,e,f Individual buildings are unknown to

POW, but electric~~s~~ repair building and copper

shop are among them

20 Torpedo experimentation

21 Torpedo experimentation pool

22 Unidentified

23 Some kind of motor shop. POW cannot describe
motors. Not for electric torpedoes.

24 Torpedo tube shop

25 a Unidentified

25 b Outdoors yard; contents unidentified

26 a, b, c Wrought iron shops. POW stated this

building had some stacks about ~~to~~ 20 meters high

in June 1944; they do not appear in photos.

27 Unidentified; large stack shown on Fig. 4 appears
to be connected,

28 Unidentified

29 Casting shop

- 30 Office
- 31 Woodwork shop
- 32 Depth charge drum ^{manufacture?} construction; also all heavy metal work, such as forming (?) of 10 cm gun shield.
- 33 Lunch house
- 34 Building now removed; in June 1944 was a storeroom, contents unknown.
- 35 a Office
- 35 b Storeroom, contents unknown
- 36 Restrooms for workers
- 37 Unidentified; constructed after June 1944
- 38 same as 37

39 Miscellaneous shop

40 a, b, c Unidentified

41 Storeroom for nuts, bolts, small parts

42 Unidentified

43 Head

44 a Depth charge assembly shop

44 b ~~Building~~ Building now removed; in June 1944 was
same as 44 a

45 Unidentified

46 "

47 "

48 Time card office and punching

49 Outdoors, roofless bicycle stand

50 Storeroom, contents unknown

51 Unidentified

52 Unidentified

53 - 62 Public school and training school area

53 - 59 School for factory workers ^{and 8} ~~&~~ their children,
established by the plant. Usual public school
curriculum.

60 Training school for factory work

61 Unidentified

62 POW stated that there were some stacks here
in June 1944; none appear in photos.

63-64 Largest buildings in an area where POW

said plant expansion of some sort had probably
taken place; buildings are possibly barracks.

Unnumbered The office of the ^{head of} ~~SSS~~ both this plant

and the adjacent A/C factory was in a building
in the A/C factory.

8. Structural Analysis

P.O.W. based the following statements on his observations of Building 17 in which he worked. He stated that he had never noticed carefully, but he believed ~~he~~ that the remaining buildings with the exception of some of the smaller ones were constructed in the same fashion.

Buildings ^{17 has} ~~have~~ continuous steel framing using H or I section columns and ^{built-up} open roof trusses.

~~Panel~~ Exterior panel walls ^{are} ~~are~~ non-load-bearing, 6"-8" of brick surfaced, ^{both sides} with concrete, rising ^{approximately} ~~to~~ one half the height ^{to} of the eaves, with fenestration above.

Floors are generally concrete, although in parts
of a few buildings they are wood. Roofs are made
of "BENRI KAWARA", which literally translated
means "handy tile". From what POW says
this appears to be some pre-fabricated ^{concrete} ~~slat~~
~~tile~~ ~~substance~~ which is ^{possibly} ~~fully~~ ^{1 1/2"} thick.
POW said he thought it was as little thicker than
~~the roofing~~. The only foundation details known
are that columns have ^{steel} knee bracing at the floor.
Buildings are generally single story, although
some are higher than others. Columns in the lighter
structures and usually in the lower structures are wood.

Factory doors are wood with lights in upper portion,

horizontally sliding, size about 10' x 9'. Building 17

has two ~~one~~ metal overhead sliding doors, one at

each end of the central craneway, obviously for passage of
the 10 cm guns.

No structural protection for vital
machinery and equipment had been installed by June

1944, so far as POW knew. Maximum thickness of

internal subdivision walls was one thin panel of wood,

while machines had no special protection except

safety devices and dust covers. Removal of

Building 44b since June 1944 may indicate protection

of some
machinery by dispersion.

9. Machinery Layouts

The only diagrammatic information on location of vital machinery and equipment which could be furnished by POW is shown in Fig. 4, ^{a generalized} floor plan ~~of the~~ layout of building 17, ~~Fig.~~

10.

11. Dispersion

Buildings 6 & cafeteria, 34 - storehouse, and 446 - depth charge assembly shop have been removed since June 1944. There is no direct evidence to indicate whether the motive for removal was desire to lessen fire hazard or desire to protect contents by

dispersion. Similar removal seems to have occurred between photo covers of the two Kyushu aircraft Co plants at Fukuoka and Fashii. Since the aircraft plants are owned under common ownership with the Ordnance plant, there is some likelihood that a common dispersal policy may be applied to both types of plant, provided the importance of the product justifies it.

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q. Underground Relocation

There is no ~~for~~ evidence of underground relocation provided by POW or photos of the plant. There does appear to be underground activity in the hills to the north and northeast.

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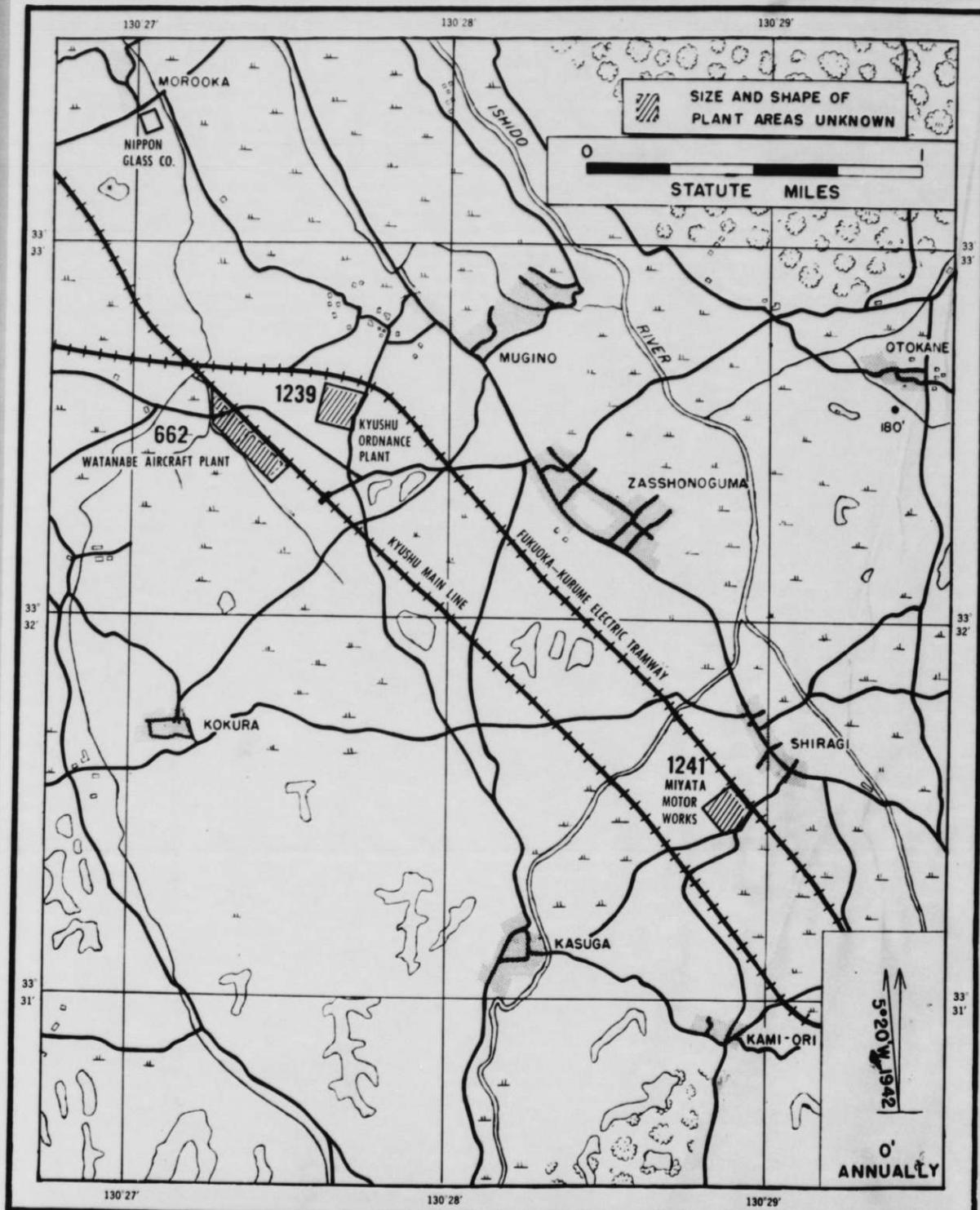
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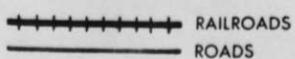
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ELEVATIONS IN FEET



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JAPANESE IMPERIAL LAND SURVEY 1930
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662.. WATANABE AIRCRAFT PLANT

1239.. KYUSHU ORDNANCE PLANT

1241.. MIYATA MOTOR WORKS

SOURCE:

Air Objective
Folder 90.35

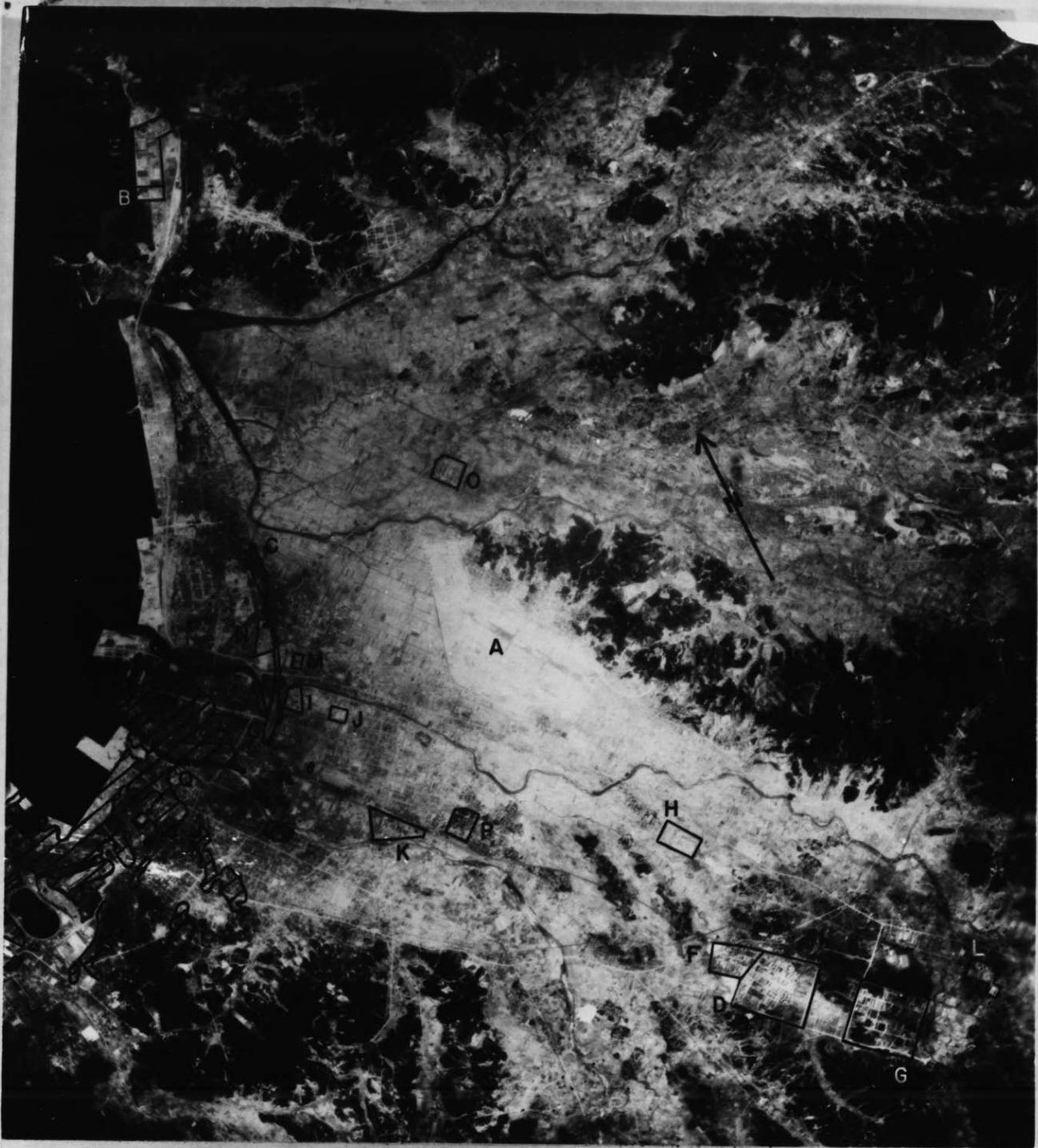
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Fig. 1

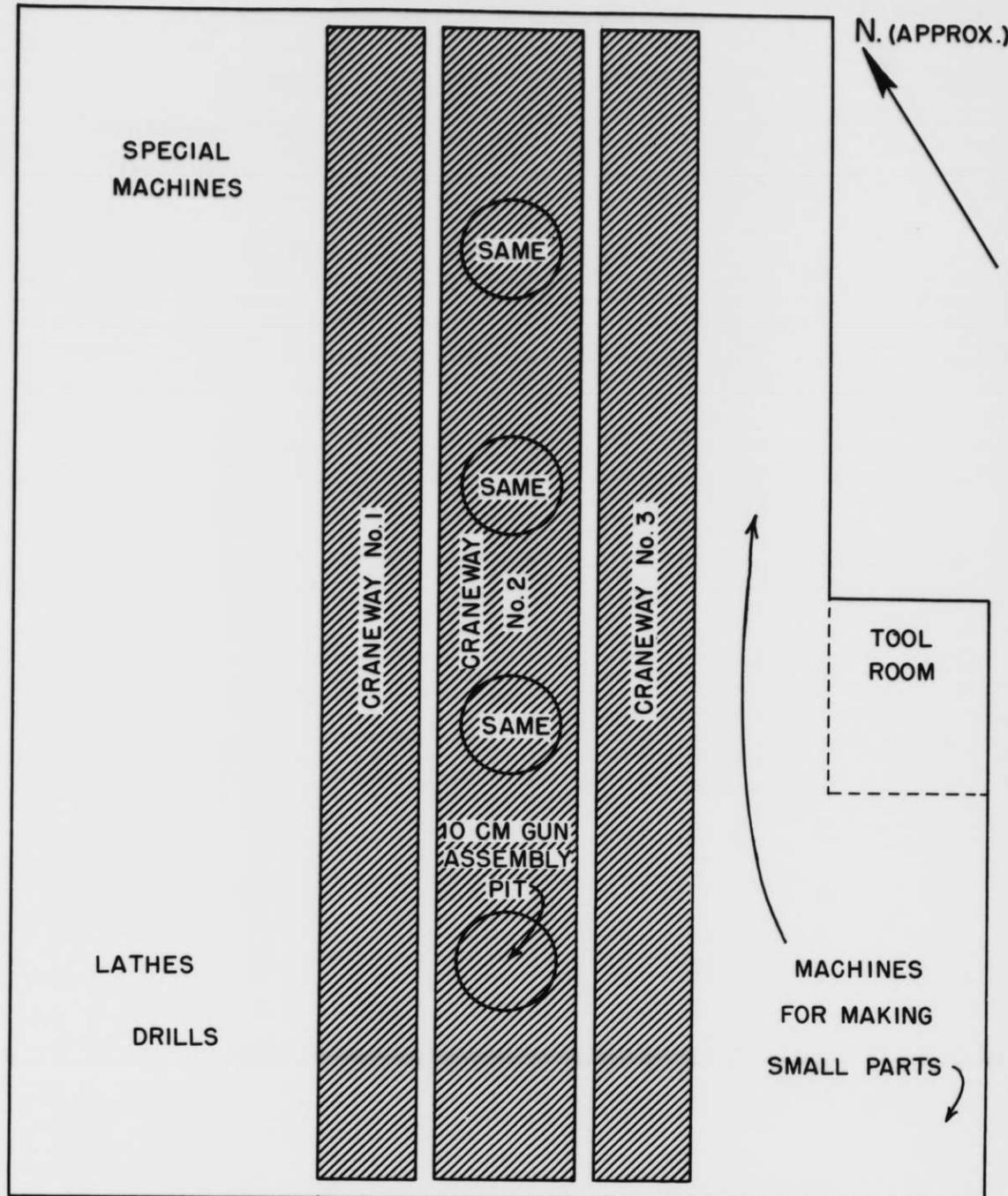
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AIR TARGETS IN THE EASTERN PART OF THE HAKATA-FUKUOKA REGION, KYUSHU (90.35) AS OF 1 AUGUST 1945

- | | |
|--|--------------------------|
| A 2510 ITAZUKA AIRFIELD
B 2530 NAJIMA SEAPLANE STATION
C 1270 HAKATA RR YARDS AND STATION
D 662 KYUSHU AIRCRAFT CO., ZASSHONOKUMA PLANT: Airframe parts manufacture and sub and final assembly.
E 2079 KYUSHU AIRCRAFT CO., KASHII PLANT: Airframe sub and final assembly, possible parts manufacture.
F 1239 KYUSHU ORDNANCE CO., ZASSHONOKUMA: Depth charges, torpedoes, 10cm naval AA guns, MM MGs, torpedo tubes.
G KOKURA ARSENAL, ZASSHONOKUMA FACTORY: Products unknown.
H KYUSHU AIRCRAFT CO., ITAZUKE PLANT: Landing gear for D and E, barracks
I FUKUOKA STEEL FOUNDRY: Parts for D and E.
J MATSUMURE IRON FOUNDRY: Parts for D and E. Probable location.
K NIPPON RUBBER CO., FUKUOKA PLANT: Tires for E and possibly D.
L 1241 MIYATA MOTOR WORKS: Floats for D
M RIKEN OPTICAL INDUSTRY: Not now a target, location and products uncertain.
N 1238 WATANABE IRON WORKS: Not now a target, vacated and used as barracks.
O 1873 TATARA MACHINERY WORKS: Not now a target, makes field equipment.
P HAKATA BREWERY: Not a target.
Q AREA DAMAGED IN XXI B.C. URBAN INCENDIARY ATTACK 19 June 1945. | AICPOWATI No. 5 - FIG. 2 |
|--|--------------------------|





90.35 - 1239

KYUSHU ORDNANCE Co., ZASSHONOKUMA

BUILDING 17 - FLOOR PLAN

(PARTS MANUFACTURE & ASSEMBLY OF 10 CM. NAVAL GUN & 25 MM. MG)

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APPROX. SCALE IN FEET

AIC POWATI # 5

FIG. 4.

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POW SOURCE



TARGET NO. 90.35-2079 NAME FUKUOKA SEAPLANE WORKS

DATE 9 May 45 P/4
COMPLETED

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FUKUOKA-90.35-URBAN

XXI Bomber Command Mission 211, 19-20 June 1945

TARGETS WITHIN BUILT-UP AREA: DAMAGE

A. Numbered targets:

90.35-1238	Watanabe Iron Works	None visible
90.35-1255	Hakata Harbor & Facilities	30% of buildings
90.35-1265	Nippon Rubber Co.	None visible
90.35-1270	Hakata RR Yards	None visible
90.35-1872	Showa Iron Works	None visible
90.35-2166	Fukuoka RR Station & Yards	Minor damage

B. Other targets:

Saibu Gas Co.	None visible
Kanagafuchi Spinning Mill	None visible
Sumiyoshi Steam Power Plant	None visible
Riken Optical Industry	None visible
Military Brigade Hq.	60% destroyed
Warehouses	30% destroyed
Dai Nippon Beer (Alcohol) Co.	None visible
Jofuku Flour Co.	None visible
Ishido & Naka Gawa Bridges (8 RR, 7 highway)	None visible
Ship (200' or less) building facilities	35% destroyed
Small Unidentified Industries (21)	100% destroyed

The following targets, none of which are damaged, are within a 5 mile radius of the center of Fukuoka city:

A. Numbered targets:

90.35-663	Gannosu Airfield
90.35-664	Najima Power Plant
90.35-665	Saitozaki Petroleum Center
90.35-1873	Tatara Machinery Works
90.35-2505	Hakata Seaplane Station
90.35-2510	Itazuka Airfield
90.35-2530	Najima Seaplane Station
90.35-2538	Saitozaki Airfield
90.35-2541	Shigashima Airfield
90.35-2549	Gannosu Seaplane Station

B. Other targets:

Tatara Gawa Bridges (2 RR, 2 highway)

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SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT TO DAMAGE ASSESSMENT REPORT NO. 108

KAGOSHIMA URBAN AREA(90.38)

XXI Bomber Command Mission 206, 17 June 1945

TARGETS within LIMITS
of BUILT UP AREA:

<u>Numbered Targets</u>	<u>Damage</u>
90.38-1517, Kagoshima Railway Repair shops.....	10 percent destroyed
90.38-1518, Kagoshima Freight Yards.....	None visible

Other Targets

Yoshima Iron Works.....	None visible
Gas Plant.....	Minor damage
Railroad Station.....	None visible
Satsuma Cotton Mill (probable war industry).....	75 percent destroyed
Boiler and Machinery Factory.....	80 percent destroyed
90.38-XXI 6114, Radio Station.....	None visible

TARGETS outside LIMITS of
BUILT UP AREA (within 5-
MILE RADIUS of CENTER of
CITY).

<u>Numbered Targets</u>	<u>Damage</u>
90.38-2514 and 2515, Kagoshima Airfield and Seaplane Station....	Hangars and shops 35 percent destroyed by previous mission
90.38-6112, Unidentified Industry, probable aircraft plant..	None visible

Other Targets

Nippon Hydro Electric Company.....	None visible
Dai Nippon Textile Mill.....	70 percent destroyed and gutted by previous mission.
Tanabe Iron Works.....	None visible
Marine School.....	None visible
Military Barracks.....	None visible
Sakura Oil Storage.....	None visible
Navy Aviation School.....	80 percent destroyed previous mission

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FUNCTIONAL ANALYSIS REPORT NO. F/A-127
Date 5 May 1945

TARGET NO: 90.35-2079

NAME OF TARGET: FUKUOKA SEAPLANE WORKS

LOCATION: FUKUOKA (KURUME AREA) KYUSHU, JAPAN COORD: 33°38'N, 130°25'E

PHOTOGRAPHY:	Date	Mission	Print Nos
	30 Dec 44	4L4BG/4MR55	V:7,8
	8 Mar 45	3PR/5M74	2V:48,49

1. This report has been prepared from a study of aerial photographs and a consideration of evaluated ground information supplied by the Joint Target Group.

2. FUNCTION:

This plant is reportedly an important seaplane assembly plant, producing JAKE twin-float, single-engine aircraft.

3. LOCATION:

This target is located on reclaimed land on the East side of HAKATA BAY. It is N.E. of FUKUOKA about one mile North of the mouth of the TATARA RIVER.

4. SERVICES:

The KYUSHU RR passes the plant near its Eastern border affording mainline rail transportation.

A wide highway from FUKUOKA and HAKATA forms the Eastern boundary of the plant.

5. IDENTIFICATION OF FACILITIES:

- | Building | Occupancy |
|----------|---|
| 1. | Storage Building |
| 2. | Storage Building |
| 3. | Possible Stores Receiving Building |
| 4. | Storage Buildings |
| 5. | Unidentified-(Removed-not observed on cover of 8 March) |
| 6. | Possible Offices |
| 7. | Unidentified |
| 8. | Probable Machine Shop (Removed-not observed on cover of 8 March) |
| 9. | Unidentified - Antenna Alongside |
| 10. | Boiler House and maintenance Shops |
| 11. | Unidentified |
| 12. | Machine Shop and Sub-assembly |
| 13. | Maintenance and Tool Shop |
| 14. | Storage Building |
| 15. | Probable Sub-Assembly Shop (Removed-not observed on cover of 8 March) |
| 16. | Storage Building |
| 17. | Maintenance and Tool Shop |
| 18. | Sub-Assembly Shop (in process of reconstruction or removal) |
| 19. | Final Assembly |
| 20. | Maintenance and Tool Shop |
| 21. | Maintenance and Tool Shop (Removed-not observed on cover of 8 March) |

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- 22. Sub-Assembly
- 23. Service Apron and Ramp
- 24. Service Hangar
- 25. Offices
- 26. Post Assembly Building
- 27. Probable Storage Buildings

6. ACTIVITY:

One S/E aircraft, presumably JAKE, is observed in the March cover on the service apron in front of Building #24.

Several buildings have been removed during the period between the two dates of photography,

No useful statement concerning production activity can be made.

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POPULATION
323,000
BUILT UP AREA
6.56 SQ. MI.
PTA 4 SQ. MI.

FUKUOKA
Urban Area

MISSION N°	211			
DAMAGE	1.3 SQ. MI. (20%)			
WINGS	73 & 313th			
DATE	19 JUNE '45			
DAY/NIGHT	NIGHT			
BOMB TYPE	INCEND.			
AV. LOAD	14,399			
A/C AIRBORNE	237			
A/C BOMB. P.T.	221			
TONS ON P.T.	1525			
ALTITUDE	9000-10000			
BOMB. METH.	58 V-163 R			
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TARGET: Fukuoka Urban Industrial
Area
OBJECTIVE AREA: 90.35 - KURUME

T A R G E T I N F O R M A T I O N S H E E T

FUKUOKA URBAN INDUSTRIAL AREA

Latitude: 33° 36' N
Longitude: 130° 25' E
Elevation: Sea Level

1. SUMMARY COMMENT: Fukuoka is the commercial and administrative center for the adjoint coastal plain in northern Kyushu. Its port receives a large amount of the shipping from Korea, and a major branch of the Kyushu RR runs through the city. A number of important industries are located within the area of and adjoining the city.

2. LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION: Fukuoka Bay is in the NW section of Kyushu, 35 miles SW of Moji and Shimonoseki Straits. The bay is approximately 12 miles across at its widest part and is shaped roughly like a shoe, with the city of Fukuoka at the position of the sole. Hills rise to 1000 ft. in the vicinity of the city and to 3500 ft. a few miles south of the city.

From the NE corner of the bay a narrow arm of land extends more than halfway across the mouth of the bay, forming the top or instep of the shoe-like shape. On this arm are two airfields and several small industries.

3. TARGET DESCRIPTION: The city of Fukuoka is crescent shaped, extending for about 7 miles along the coast and from 1 to 2 miles inland. The north side of the city follows the harbor while the south side is bounded by abrupt hills. The city had a population 323,000 in 1940 and has probably grown since then, due to the increase in shipping from Korea and the development of new industries. It has a population density of about 40,000 per square mile in the congested area of the city proper.

The buildings are predominantly the single-story, tile-roof, wood-frame type that is so common in Japan. However, since a large part of the city is new and because it is a university town, it resembles in layout one of our own cities more than the ordinary Japanese hodge-podge urban industrial area. The usual heavy congestion is relieved by the three following areas: (1) a fortress in the west-central part of the city covering 200 acres

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and surrounded by a moat; (2) a park in the west section; (3) the university campus which extends for 2 miles along the coast of the northern section. The commercial and administrative section of Fukuoka, which serves Northern Kyushu as well as the city itself, is located in the center of the city.

Fukuoka is cut by seven canals or rivers large enough to serve as firebreaks. However, several of the canals are close together, thereby isolating only small sections and leaving three major sections without firebreaks. These major sections are: (1) from the Ishido River, north; (2) between the Ishido River and the Naka River; (3) from the Naka River, southwest.

Some of the larger industrial plants reported in Fukuoka are naval ordnance, rubber tire and shoe manufacture, heavy machinery and railroad shops.

4. IMPORTANCE: Numerous industries are located in and around Fukuoka, including two iron works producing naval ordnance, and a rubber company estimated to be producing 700 tires daily. Some textile mills and a number of warehouses are also located here.

The city is a funnel for all types of transportation. Kyushu's main highway runs through the city, the harbor receives a large part of the shipping from Korea, and a major branch of the Kyushu RR runs through town with the Hakata Yards, Target 1270, serving it.

It is also important as the administrative center for the surrounding coastal plain, containing a large number of government buildings.

A list of targets located in the city proper follows:

- 1238 - Watanabe Iron Works - Important producer of naval ordnance.
- 1255 - Hakata Harbor - Receives large amount of shipping from Korea.
- 1270 - Hakata RR Station - Important station and yards on one of major Kyushu lines.
 - Spinning Mill
 - Optical Industry
 - Gas Company

A list of targets adjacent to the city follows:

- 1872 - Showa Iron Works - Producer of Naval ordnance.
- 1265 - Nippon Rubber Co. - Produces 700 tires and 1500 pr. shoes daily.
- 1873 - Tatara Machinery Works - Produces coal mining machinery

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1237 - NAJIMA SEAPLANE BASE - 9 hangars and 12 shops at the base.
664 - NAJIMA STEAM POWER PLANT - 60,000 KW of 60-cycle.

Besides the destruction of a good deal of industry, an incendiary attack on Fukuoka should destroy or disrupt important regional administrative and governmental facilities. It should also pose another problem for the already over-burdened Kyushu transportation system, and create a serious housing problem for governmental and industrial workers in the area.

5. AIMING POINTS: Aiming points will be specified in the Field Order.

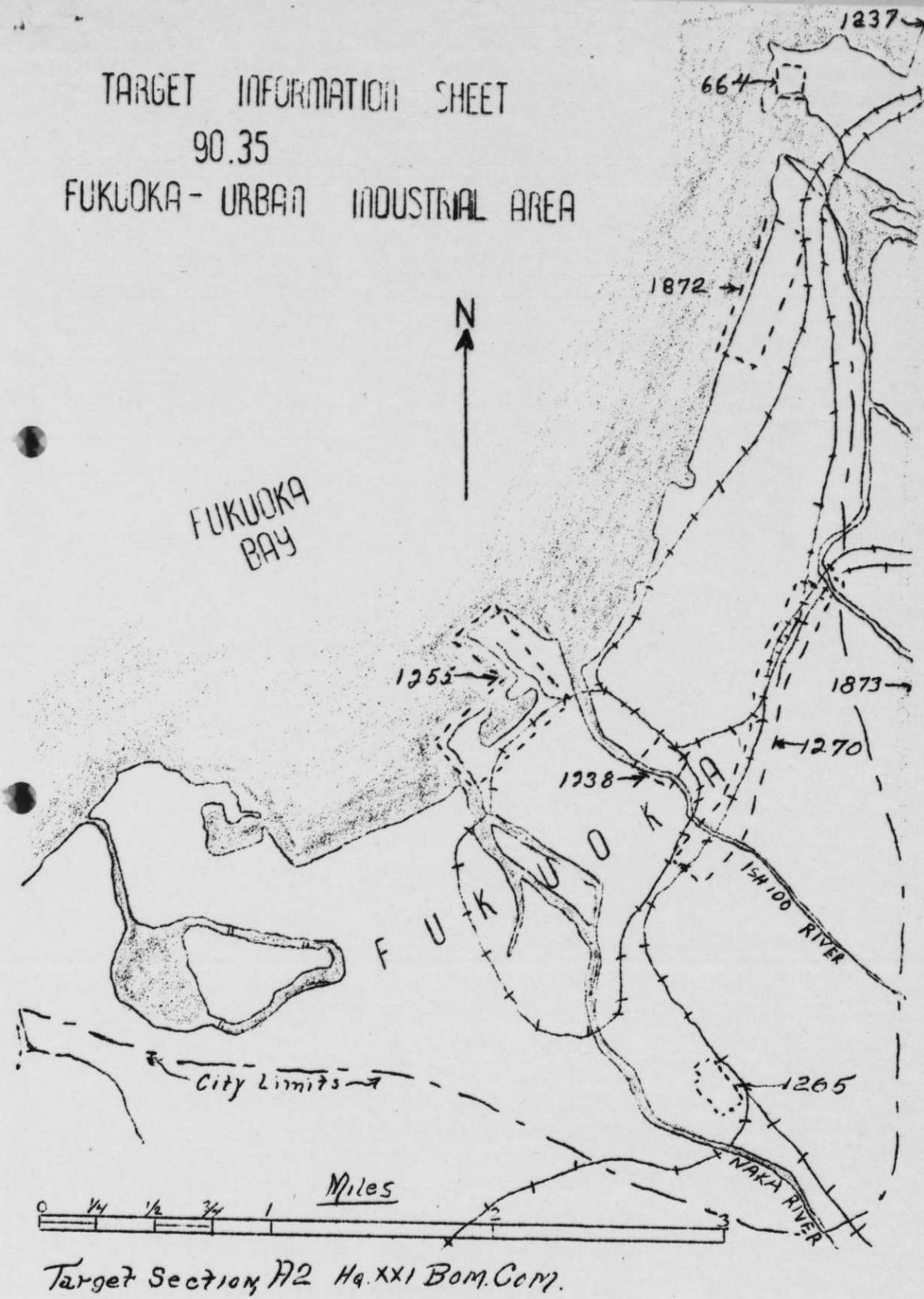
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TARGET INFORMATION SHEET
90.35
FUKUOKA - URBAN INDUSTRIAL AREA



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MISSION SUMMARY

Mission Number 211

28 June 1945

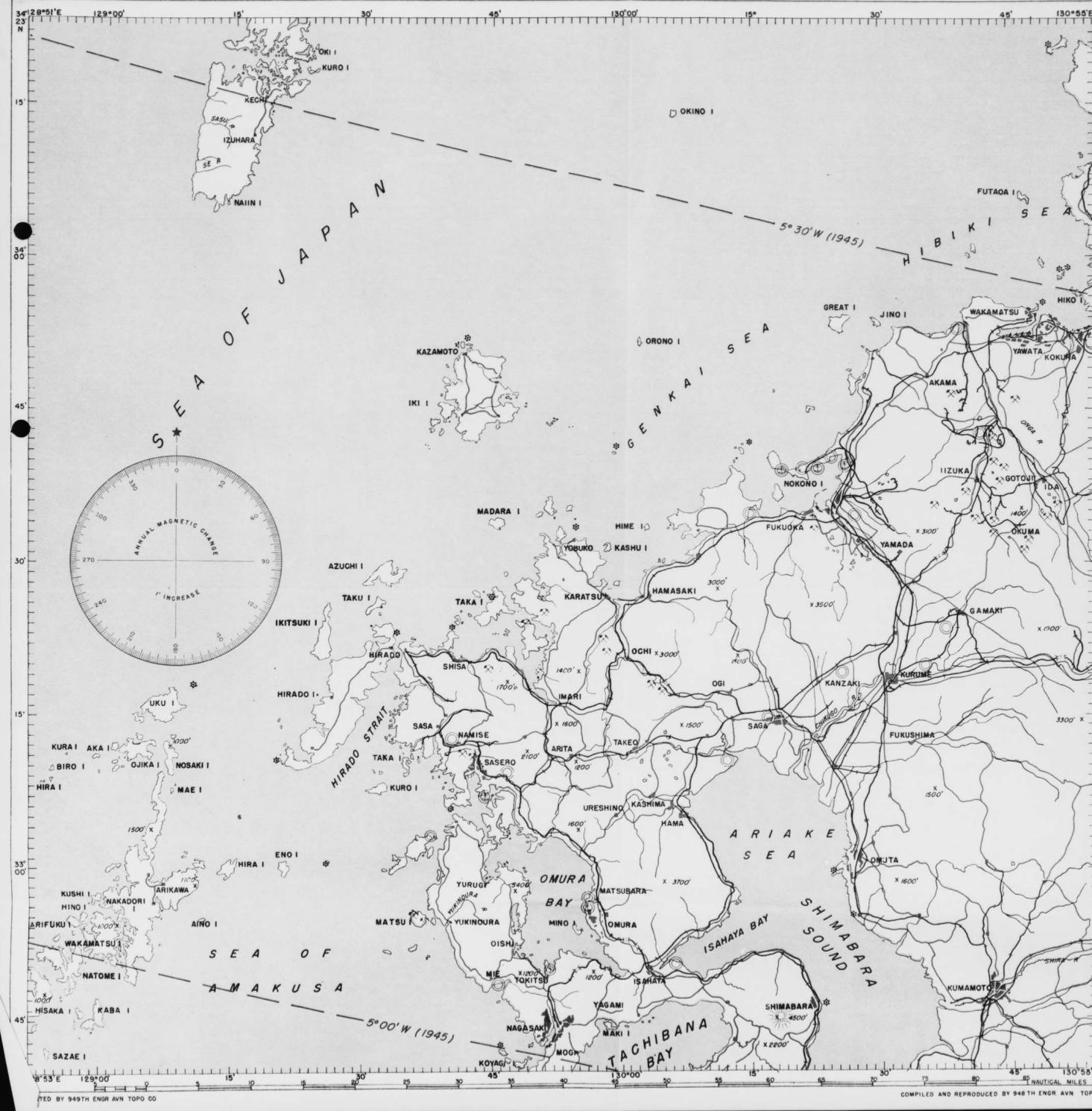
1. Date: 19 June 1945
2. Target: Fukuoka Urban Area (90.35)
3. Participating Units: 73rd and 313th Bombardment Wings
4. Number A/C Airborne: 237
5. % A/C Bombing Primary: 92.82% (221 primary and 2 opportunity)
6. Type of Bombs and Fuzes: E-46 and E-36, 500 lb. incendiary clusters set to open 2500' above target, and AN-M47A2 incendiary bombs with instantaneous nose.
7. Tons of Bombs Dropped: 1525 tons on primary and 13.3 tons on opportunity.
8. Time Over Primary: 0011K - 0153K
9. Altitude of Attack: 9000 - 10,000 feet
10. Weather Over Target: 1/10 - 3/10
11. Total A/C Lost: 0
12. Resume of Mission: 73rd Wing strike photos showed good results, with numerous fires in the built up area of the city. 1.3 sq. miles destroyed (20%) of built up area. Medium and heavy A/A, moderate to moderate and generally inaccurate. Twelve E/A sighted made 4 attacks. Ten B-29's landed at Iwo Jima. Fourteen B-29's were non-effective. Average bomb load: 14,399 lbs. Average fuel reserve: 717 gallons.

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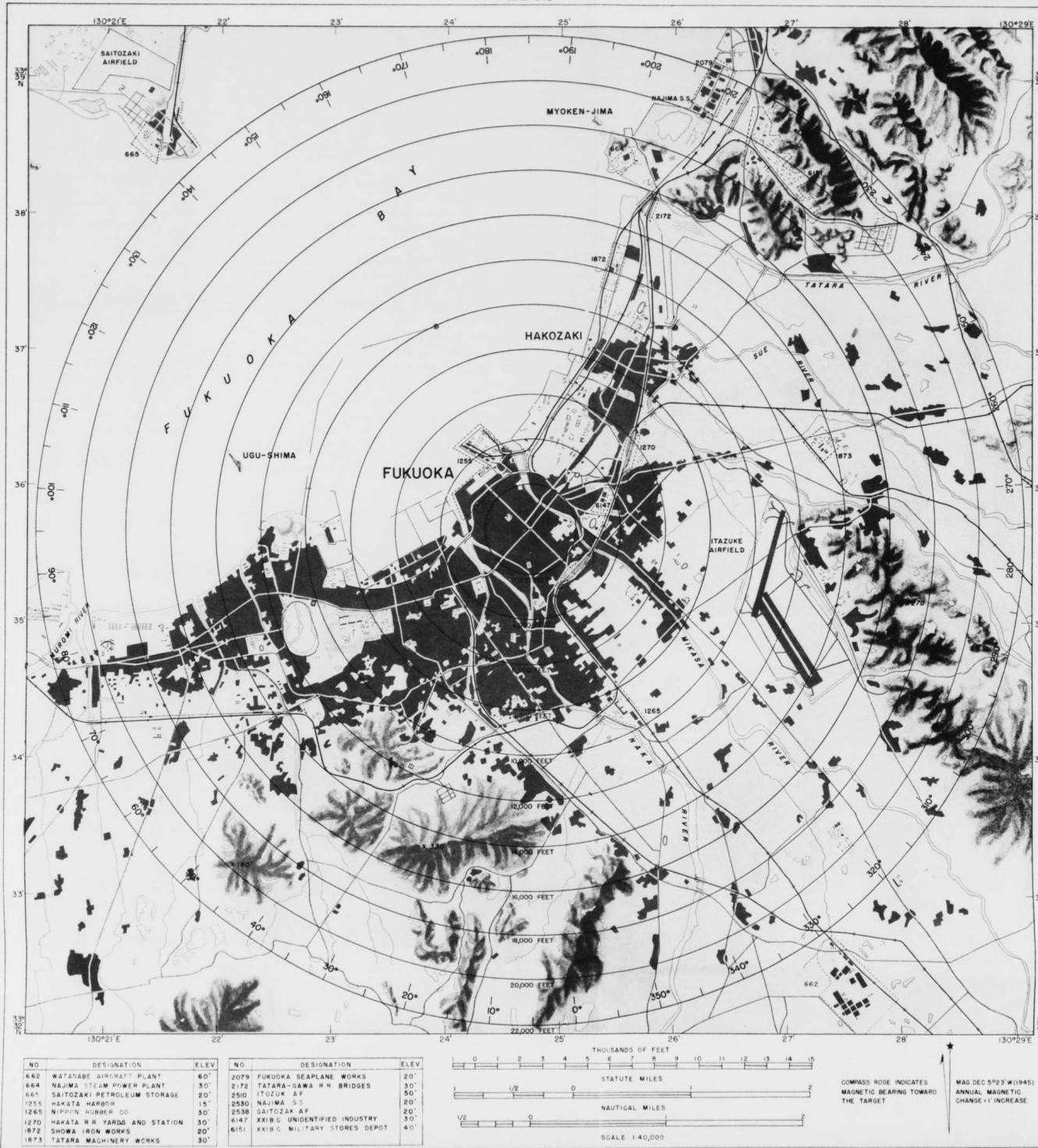


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KURUME AREA
TARGET NO. 90.35 - URBAN (33°19'N - 130°31'E) ELEV APPROX 30 FEET
ALL DISTANCES ARE IN NAUTICAL MILES

TARGET CHART NO. 41
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20 July 1945

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT TO DAMAGE ASSESSMENT REPORT 97

FUKUOKA-90-35-URBAN

XXI Bomber Command Mission 211, 19-20 June 1945

TARGETS WITHIN BUILT-UP AREA: DAMAGE

A. Numbered targets:

90.35-1238	Watanabe Iron Works	None visible
90.35-1255	Hakata Harbor & Facilities	30% of buildings
90.35-1265	Nippon Rubber Co.	None visible
90.35-1270	Hakata RR Yards	None visible
90.35-1872	Showa Iron Works	None visible
90.35-2166	Fukuoka RR Station & Yards	Minor damage

B. Other targets:

Saibu Gas Co.	None visible
Kanegafuchi Spinning Mill	None visible
Sumiyoshi Steam Power Plant	None visible
Riken Optical Industry	None visible
Military Brigade Hq.	60% destroyed
Warehouses	30% destroyed
Dai Nippon Beer (Alcohol) Co.	None visible
Jofuku Flour Co.	None visible
Ishido & Naka Gawa Bridges (8 RR, 7 highway)	None visible
Ship (200' or less) building facilities	35% destroyed
Small Unidentified Industries (21)	100% destroyed

The following targets, none of which are damaged, are within a 5 mile radius of the center of Fukuoka city:

A. Numbered targets:

90.35-663	Gannosu Airfield
90.35-664	Najima Power Plant
90.35-665	Saitozaki Petroleum Center
90.35-1873	Tatara Machinery Works
90.35-2505	Hakata Seaplane Station
90.35-2510	Itazuka Airfield
90.35-2530	Najima Seaplane Station
90.35-2538	Saitozaki Airfield
90.35-2541	Shigashima Airfield
90.35-2549	Gannosu Seaplane Station

B. Other targets:

Tatara Gawa Bridges (2 RR, 2 highway)

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29 June 1945

DAMAGE ASSESSMENT REPORT NO. 97

FUKUOKA CITY

Mission No.: 3PR5M 289

Target Area: Kurume (90.35)

Date Flown: 21 June 1945

Airplane Commander: W.L. Abbott,
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XXI Bomber Command Mission 211 of 19-20
June destroyed 21.5 percent (1.37 square miles)
of Fukuoka City's built up area.

The city had not been damaged previously.*

Two numbered targets damaged include:

Target 1255, Hakata Harbor, 30% of buildings destroyed.

Target 1270, Hakata Railroad station and yards,
.....minor damage.

Damage is centered around the harbor area
and scattered throughout the city. A very small
amount of spotty damage extends into Chiyomachi
and Hokazakimachi.

*Note: The political boundary of Fukuoka City
(as shown in AMS, Fukuoka, Kyushu, Sheet 4147-1)
encompasses an area of 3.4 square miles. The built
up area, including Chiyomachi and Hokazakimachi,
totals 6.56 square miles. Fukuoka, Chiyomachi and
Hokazakimachi constitute one target area known as
Fukuoka (see Inclosure No. 1).

References: AMS Fukuoka, Kyushu, Sheet 4147-1.
AF Air objective Folder 90.35
1 July 1944.

This report is based on pre-strike photos from 3PR5M 121
and post-strike photos from 3PR5M 289.

Inclosures: 1. Outline map.
2. Annotated mosaic (pre-strike).
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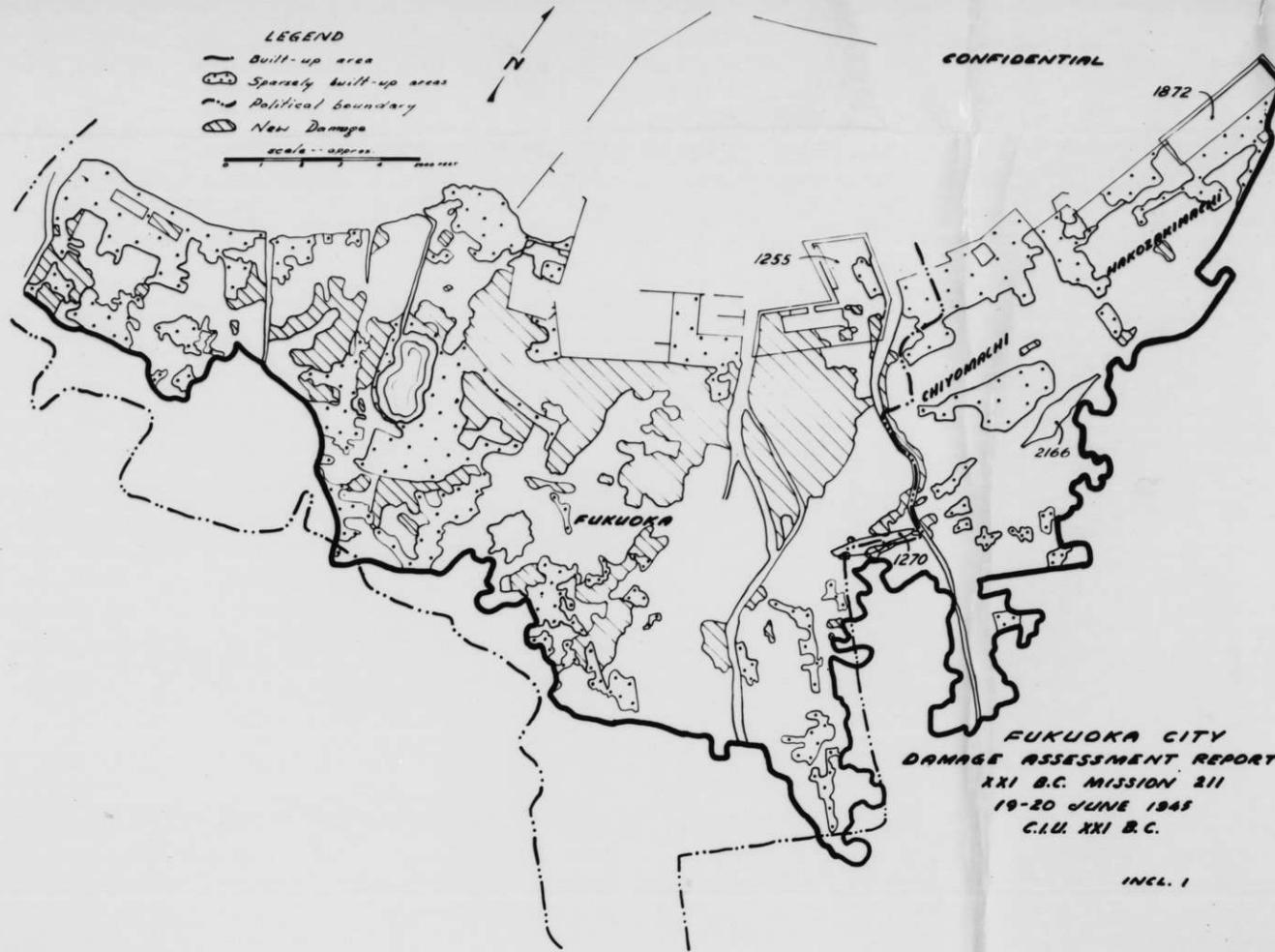
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LEGEND

- Built-up area
- Sparsely built-up areas
- - Political boundary
- New Damage

scale - approx. 1 mile

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