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JUNIOR CLASS, 1934

THE ACTION ON THE DOGGER BANK 1915

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1. On the mornings of 10, 11 and 12 October, Committees of the Junior Class will make presentations (Phase A) as shown on attached list followed by a graphic reproduction of the action (Phase B) on a large wall chart. Opportunity for discussion will be given. Comment and questions are especially desired.

2. The wall chart will carry the ship tracks from 0715 to 1145. (The German accounts usually use minus one or minus two zone time). In studying subject matter, the date of the publication of books and the authors' qualifications and background should be considered in the evaluation of data. Some material is quite imaginatively written.

3. The Director will call for the presentations and during the graphic reproduction will call upon the several commanders by British or German name to describe and explain reasons for their moves. Whenever possible, it is preferred that speakers use notes rather than manuscript.

4. Senior officers in committees are responsible for task accomplishment and arrangements with other committees to avoid duplication of presentations.

5. Dogger Bank is studied as a preliminary to Jutland, Note and present features of tactical interest, visibility, speed, gun ranges, guns that will bear in desired direction, effect of submarines, aircraft, reasons for maneuvers, information available at the moment, etc.

6. Notes and manuscripts of assigned subjects are requested for the War College files. (need not be typed).

SUBJECT ASSIGNMENT FOR PRESENTATION IN CONNECTION WITH
THE GRAPHIC REPRODUCTION OF THE BATTLE OF DOGGER BANK

(Phase A)

<u>Committee Assignment</u>	<u>Subject</u>	Time (Minutes)
GAA	British Naval Strategy, disposition of forces and operations in Home waters up to the Dogger Bank Action	20
GAB	Same - German	20
GAE	History of events immediately preceding and leading up to action. Intelligence service, mission, orders - British	10
GAF	Same - German	10
GAG	Comparisons of Materiel of the Forces Engaged.	8
GAH	Submarine Operations - German and British	8
GAI	Return of the British Forces	5
GAK	Political Results and Effects on Operations and Dispositions which followed immediately after - British	5
GAL	Immediate Effects on German Naval Strategy	3
GAM	The British Controversy over the last phase of the action	10
GAO	The Lion Signal Incident after the Eight Point Turn. (Given during graphic reproduction)	5
GAQ	German aircraft activity	10

DETAILS FOR GRAPHIC REPRODUCTION OF THE BATTLE OF DOGGER BANK

(Phase B)

Assignment

Detail

GP	Commander Scouting Division I (SEYDLITZ), Rear Admiral Hipper
GQ	Commanding officer, SEYDLITZ, Captain von Egidy
GR	Commanding Officer, MOLTKE, Captain von Levetzow
GS	Commanding Officer, DERFFLINGER, Captain von Reuter
GT	Commanding Officer, BLUCHER, Captain Erdmann
GU	Commander Scouting Division II (GRAUDENZ), Rear Admiral Hebbinghaus
GV	Commander Flotillas (ROSTOCK), Captain Hartog
GW	Commanding Officer "V-5", Lieut-Comdr. von Eichhorn
GA	Commander B.C.S.'s (LION) Vice Admiral Beatty
GB	Commander 2d B.C.S. (NEW ZEALAND), Rear Admiral Moore
GC	Commanding Officer, (LION) Captain Chatfield
GD	Commanding Officer, TIGER, Captain Pelly
GE	Commanding Officer, PRINCESS ROYAL, Captain Brock
GF	Commanding Officer, NEW ZEALAND, Captain Halsey
GH	Commanding Officer, INDOMITABLE, Captain Kennedy
GI	Commodore (T) (ARETHUSA), Commodore Tyrhwitt
GJ	Commander 1st L.C.S. (SOUTHAMPTON), Commodore Goodenough
GK	Commander M-class Flotilla (METEOR), Captain Meade
GL	Commander 1st Flotilla (AURORA), Captain Nicholson
GM	Commander 3d Flotilla (UNDAUNTED), Captain St. John

- GO - L-5 (Zeppelin), Lieutenant Hirsch
- GX - C-in-C Grand Fleet, Admiral Jellicoe
- GY - C-in-C High Seas Fleet, Admiral von Ingenohl

Students representing Admirals Hipper and Beatty, respectively, will be in general charge of presentations of history of moves. Students will be called by the names of the officers they impersonate. For each move, Admirals Hipper and Beatty will call on their subordinate officers only who are concerned with important events of the move. For example: unless there is something important for a commanding officer to bring out, the immediate superior should be the spokesman for the entire division or squadron or flotilla, etc.

Time Schedule of Moves in Phase B.

Move

- 1 0715 - 0800
- 2 0800 - 0830
- 3 0830 - 0900
- 4 0900 - 0930
- 5 0930 - 1000
- 6 1000 - 1030
- 7 1030 - 1100
- 8 1100 - 1115
- 9 1115 - 1130
- 10 1130 - 1145

Note: British time used.
For German time, add 1 hour.

ASSIGNMENT OF JUNIOR CLASS STUDENTS TO COMMITTEES
AND COMMANDS IN CONNECTION WITH PRESENTATION
OF THE BATTLE OF DOGGER BANK

<u>Student</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Command Assignment</u>
Lowe - - - - -	GAG	
Popham - - - - -	GAG	
Loventhal - - - - -	GAL	
Baugh - - - - -	GAG	GP
Fultz - - - - -	GAB	
Folz - - - - -	GAF	
Graham - - - - -	GAG	GQ
Speight - - - - -	GAL	
Ernest - - - - -	GAB	GY
Bahm - - - - -	GAF	GV
Jamison - - - - -	GAF	GT
Miller - - - - -	GAG	
Hamilton - - - - -	GAG	GR
Acuff - - - - -	GAB	GW
Pollard - - - - -	GAF	GS
Wirth - - - - -	GAL	GU
Sisson - - - - -	GAB	GO
Baker - - - - -	GAM	
Flood - - - - -	GAK	
Vytlacil - - - - -	GAH	
Gambrill - - - - -	GAI	
Loomis - - - - -	GAM	GX
Kane - - - - -	GAH	
Erwin - - - - -	GAA	GL
Rathbun - - - - -	GAE	GI
Binford - - - - -	GAK	GF
Smith - - - - -	GAO	GB
Krause - - - - -	GAA	GM
Graves - - - - -	GAE	GA

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<u>Student</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Command Assignment</u>
Jones - - - - -	GAO	- - - - - GC
Main - - - - -	GAH	- - - - - GH
Grover - - - - -	GAK	- - - - - GK
Nold - - - - -	GAA	- - - - - GD
Goodwin - - - - -	GAE	- - - - - GJ
Farrell - - - - -	GAJ	- - - - - GE

COMMITTEES

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Committee</u>
GAA	Erwin Krause Nold
GAB	Fultz Ernest Acuff Sisson
GAE	Rathbun Graves Goodwin
GAF	Folz Bahm Jamison Pollard
GAG	Popham Baugh Graham Hamilton
GAH	Vytlacil Kane Main
GAI	Gambrill Farrell
GAK	Flood Binford Grover
GAL	Loventhal Speight Wirth
GAM	Baker Loomis
GAO	Smith Jones
GAQ	Lowe Miller

GENERAL REFERENCES

(This list does not contain all books available)

- (1) The World Crisis (Churchill)
- (2) Germany's High Seas Fleet in the World War (Scheer)
- (3) The Grand Fleet, 1914-1918 (Jellicoe)
- (4) Der Krieg zur See (Groos)
(Nordsee Band 3 - Kartes 17 and 18) (Maps - 17 and 18)
vol. 3.
- (5) With the Battle Cruisers (Filson Young)
- (6) The Navy in Battle (Arthur Pollen)
- (7) The Naval History of the World War (Frothingham)
- (8) Official History of the War, Naval Operations (Corbett)
(Vol. II, Text and Maps). (Map in Front Pocket)
- (9) The Jutland Scandal (Bacon)
(Appendix "B")
- (10) Fighting Ships 1918 (Jane)
- (11) The War at Sea, Vol. III, Chapter 6. The Battle of the
Dogger Bank - Translation.
- (12) The War at Sea, vol. I, Chapter 18, Vol. II, Chapter 2,
(Early Strategy in the North Sea Area) - Translation.
- * (13) British Signal Book Memo. (1 copy).
- (14) Dogger Bank Messages - War College 1932.
- (15) Rangeliste der Kaiserlich Deutschen Marine 1913.
(not translated).
- (16) British Navy List.
- (17) Weyer, 1913. Taschenbuch der Kriegsflotten.
(not translated).
- (18) How We Kept the Sea (Currey)
- (19) Unsere Marine im Weltkrieg.
(not translated)

* Archives.