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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey Hydrographic

Field No. Navy 101 Office No. H-6939

LOCALITY

Aleutian Islands

General locality Attu I., Aloutian Islands

Locality Approaches to Massacre Bay

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HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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Field No
REGISTER NO. H-6959 Aleutian Islands State Alaska
General locality Aleutian Islands - Attu Island
Locality Massacre Bay
Scale 1:20,000 Date of survey May to November , 1943
Vessel HYDROGRAPHER EXPLORER
Chief of Party W. M. Scaife G. C. Mattison
Surveyed by Shipse Officers
Protracted byP. M. Fisher
Soundings penciled by P. M. Fisher
Soundings in fathoms KKKt Fathoms
Plane of reference
Subdivision of wire dragged areas by
Inked by RH, Caratang
Verified by R.H. Caralina
HYDROGRAPHER under Navy instructions Instructions dated EXPLORER under instructions from Liaison Officer
Remarks: Completion of records, smooth sheet, plotting
and report by the Seattle Processing Office.

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Preliminary Statement for Descriptive Report

It is unfortunate that there was no descriptive report rendered by Commander Scaife for hydrographic sheets H-6939 and H-6940, as these surveys were made under very interesting and difficult conditions.

Concerning the survey of Massacre Bay, the following facts were learned from conversation with officers on the EXPLORER and SURVEYOR, and from officers of the Merchant Marine who were on transports at the time of the landing on Attu:

- (1) The HYDROGRAPHER, under command of Commander a. M. Scaife, was one of the first vessels to enter Massacre Bay prior to the landing of troops. The first recorded work was on May 12th, just one day after the American forces first landed on Attu Island.
- (2) Numerous buoys marking channels and shoals were established by the party on the HYDROGRAPHER, and transports were piloted to anchorages in Massacre Bay by them.
- (3) In addition to these duties, the HYDROGRAPHER was ordered by the Senior Haval Officer present to make many detached surveys for military purposes, and tracings of the day's work were usually prepared and submitted to the Sr. Naval Officer, sometimes between ten o'clock and midnight the day they were accomplished.

The party was handicapped by the lack of experienced survey officers and personnel. With the exception of Comdr. Scaife, and Lieuts. Laskowski, Wardwell, and Clark, all the other officers were inexperienced and lacked an engineering background.

It is not surprising that the records of the survey were not submitted in as complete a form as is customary with survey units. However, it is surprising that under the conditions existing these records could be interpreted and that the final result as shown on hydrographic sheets H-6939 and H-6940 gave such a complete hydrographic survey of the area.

The difficulties overcome in the processing of these sheets are brought out in detail in the attached report prepared by Mr. E. E. Smith, and was Faul W. Faulr

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- (1) All of the numerous hydrographic signals used had to be plotted from sortant angles taken from triangulation and other stations. This necessitated considerable work. Those signals located on sheet H-6940, scale 1:10,000, were transferred to H-6939, scale 1:20,000, by D.M.'s and D.P.'s. There was in all cases a check on the location of each signal, namely, three cuts or more, or cuts and a three point location at the station. All these stations were located and carefully checked before any plotting of the hydrography was accomplished.
- (2) The fathograms were quite mixed up. Soundings on several sheets were shown on one fathogram. The location of the fathogram pertaining to each day's work in many cases took considerable time. In a few cases, no fathogram could be found.
- (3) In most cases, only soundings on the positions were recorded in the sounding volumes, and often there were as many as ten positions in sequence which were not marked on the fathogram. This made the scanning and checking of intermediate soundings, entered in the records by this office, very difficult.

In Mr. Smith's report, the sounding volumes are listed in order according to their consecutive Navy numbers. These volumes have been divided and re-numbered consecutively for each of the two hydrographic sheets. The file numbers are shown inscribed in circles on pages 20 to 24, (Index of Sounding Volumes), of the report.

The sheets show the completeness of the survey as executed by the field party. I feel that Mr. Sylar, who plotted sheet H-6940, and Mr. Fisher, who plotted sheet H-6959, deserve a great deal of credit for the care, speed, and interest shown by them in completing these sheets. Tracings of all the soundings shown on the smooth sheets were made and forwarded to the field, as additional field work is needed on both sheets.

No comment on the completion of these sheets would be complete without the mention of the interest and care exercised by Mr. Smith in arranging these records, and in his scanning of many fathograms and supervising similar work done by Miss Nechaj, Ensign Dorner, and Lieut. Jones.

It is hoped that the methods followed in handling the records will simplify the verification of these sheets.

> P. H. Hardy Officer in Charge.

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H-6939 (101)

Aleutian Islands
Attu Island

Massacre Bay

Scale 1:20,000

Surveyed chiefly by the party of the HYDROGRAPHER, W. M. Scaife, Comdg., May to August, 1945. About 10% is by the party of the EXPLORER, G. C. Mattison, Comdg., August to November, 1945.

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FIELD NOTES - ADDITIONAL WORK

ON HYDROGRAPHER'S ATTU SHEETS

LAUNCH NO. 2

GENERAL:

All work by launch No. 2 was to supplement that of the U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER'S launches in the Massacre Bay area. These spots had been indicated by the Commanding Officer of the U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER.

Standard launch hydrographic methods were used, sextant control based on signals built and located by the U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER. And Dersey 808 was used for the sounding, the foot scale being employed where previously used on these sheets.

SHEET 102-2:

"a" Day, soundings in feet, development of shoals in vicinity of Army piers. A least depth of 9 feet was obtained by fathometer, least obtained by handlead was 19 feet. Numerous lines in the area showed depths on the fathogram, a fine tip of 9 to 15 feet in crossing this point. Two and one-half hours were spent on this shoal, sounding with fathometer and handlead, and also sounding with skiff and handlead.

Another shoal was verified east of the piers, kelp from this shoal to signal MASS, no further development warranted. Least depth found was ll feet.

SHEET 107: H-6940(1943)

"b" Day, soundings in feet, development of shoal indication near submarine net. Previous depths were verified and a least depth of 60 feet was found.

SHEET 101-1:

"c" Day, soundings in feet, additional soundings in cove be- \leftarrow H6940(1943) tween Navy pier and Casco Cove.

SHEET 104-1:

"d" Day, soundings in fathoms, development of shoals at entrance to channel and adjacent to approach. Least depth near channel was 12 fathoms, least on approach was 10-3/4 fathoms. On "e" and "f" Days the area between the channel and Signal CENT was covered.

The development of this area is not complete. 4 Numerous shoal indications were found, shoalest found being 4-1/2 fathoms, about one half mile north of CENT; area is foul and should be avoided. The cargo boom on the sunken DELLWOOD was located. This boom showed about 10 feet above water. Tops of the vessel's mast were visible beneath the surface.

Respectfully submitted,

Max G. Ricketts,

Lieutenant, C. & G.S.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

Commanding Officer,

U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER

H-6939

Seattle Processing Office Notes

The greater part of this survey was executed by the U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER, Commander W. M. Scaife, commanding. Additional work was performed by Launches No's. 1 and 2 of the U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER, G. C. Mattison, commanding.

Survey Methods-

Triangulation in this area was executed for the Navy by the U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER. All other control stations were located by sextant angles from points ashore, recorded in Vel. #17 for sheet H-6940 (1:10,000) were scaled and transferred to H-6939. (1973) The remainder were plotted direct on H-6939.

Boat sheets are constructed on Scaife's 1943 datum. The smooth sheet is constructed on U. S. Navy Attu 1934 datum.

Three point fixes were used to control all hydrography. Soundings were obtained by Navy echo sounding devices in the HYDROGRAPHER's work, and by 808 A depth recorder in the EXPLORER's work.

Dangers-

See detailed list of rocks, breakers, etc.

Channels-

The East Channel entrance to Massacre Bay is plotted on this sheet. Development in this area was so close that it was impossible to show it all on the smooth sheet. Three overlay tracings were prepared covering j, k, l, m, q, r, and s days' work. The positions for this work are all dotted on the smooth sheet, but many of them could not be numbered resident for lack of space. All shoal soundings were transferred from the overlay tracings to the smooth sheet. The remainder of the hydrography in the East Channel was plotted directly on the smooth sheet. The channel was later wire dragged to an effective depth of 47 feet, by the party on the EXPLORER.

Datum-

When the HYDROGHAPHER was ready to begin triangulation, no geographic position was available for a starting point. On inspection of available sheets, the following position was assumed for the position of station RIK:

Latitude 52° 50° 41;022 H Longitude 173 26 30.348 H

The triangulation was extended by Horman E. Sylar of the Army Engineers north from Massacre Bay to Chichagof Harbor. An approximate recovery was made of the observation pier, Chichagof Harbor, U.S.S. GANNET, 1934, the new station being called CHIC - U.S.E.D. 1943.

	Lat. N	Long. E
CHIC (Assumed datum 1943)	52° 56° 18.7318	173° 14° 27.740
Ob. Pier (GANNET 1934 datum)	52 55 48.25	173 14 24.36
Correction from Sylar and		
Scaife 1943 to Mavy 1934-	- 30°t068	- 3:380

This neglects a difference in recovery of possibly a meter.

The datum notation on the sheet is "U.S. Havy - Attu - 1934 Approximate."

Control-

The basic control is the 1943 triangulation starting from a measured base north of the head of Massacra Bay, corrected for datum as previously explained. Other signals are from Topographic Sheet 305676-105 and supporting book of cuts. Vol. 17. And with H-6940(1743)

Topographic Sheet 305676-105-

This is on brown boat sheet paper.

The signals on this sheet are located by sextant angles which were recorded in a sounding record. Triangulation stations were used as bases and signals located from them were used as angle points. Many cuts were taken to rocks and tangents. It is not known how the shoreline was put on the sheet. Signals are so frequent that shoreline could be well sketched from inspection, supplemented by information from the many aerial photographs available, and the sextant cuts. Also, sextant fixes were taken at points along the shoreline.

T-6960(1943)

Part of the topography was plotted also on scale 1:10,000 on boat sheet 305676-107 (H-6940)(1943)

All cuts to signals were replotted on the smooth hydrographic sheets, H-6939 and H-6940. The good intersections obtained show that the angles were carefully observed and accurately recorded. The smooth plotting was carefully checked. There are differences from the field plotting of sheet 305676-105, but the smooth sheet plotting was held.

Signal Fun- No record was found for locating this signal other than the topographic sheet. It was transferred by distances from neighboring signals making some adjustment for differences between smooth sheet and topographic sheet in the positions of the signals so used.

Shoreline was transferred to smooth sheets H-6939 and H-6940 by adjusting from signal to signal along shore.

The book containing cuts is filed with the sounding records of H-6940 as Volume #17.

Boat Sheets-

The boat sheets overlap in such ways that a clean division could not be made between them for registry and smooth plotting. It was decided to divide the area between the 1:10,000 sheet and the 1:20,000 sheet approximately on the line from Alexai Point to Murder Point. The tabulation below shows the various boat sheets and the registered sheets with which they are concerned. There the boat sheet shows work of two or more registry numbers, it has been numbered for the one it chiefly concerns.

Massacre Bay Boat Sheet Field #	eat Sheet Smooth sheets as shown below-			Registry Number assigned to boat sheet
	1:20,000 H-6959 sounding	1:10,000 H-6940 sounding	1:20,000 H-6941 wire drag	
101	x	x		ii -6939
102-1		x		H-6940
102-2		x		11-6940
1.03	x	x		H-6939
104	x			H -6939
104-1	x		×	I 6939
104 W.D.	x		x	‼ –6941
107	x	x	x	H-6940
		~	•	1.0000

Fathograms - Ship HYDROGRAPHER:

In general, the party on the HYDROGRAPHER entered soundings in the volumes at positions only. In some books they maintained sounding entries at thirty second intervals.

The fathograms have been scanned in this office and the soundings entered for the usual intervals, all high points on the profile being entered at its proper time.

There are frequent long intervals on the fathograms with no positions indicated - 6, 8, or 10 positions skipped. These spaces were divided in proportion to time intervals between positions and scanned.

Index Correction-

In the report submitted by the party on the HYDROGRAPHER for the Korovin Bay sheet, Atka Island, H-6845, there are the following paragraphs:

"Ship soundings were obtained with a standard Navy NJ-5 or NMB-2 fathometer. The sounding records indicated which was being used. Both fathometers were calibrated for a velocity of 4800 feet per second. The NJ-5 fathometer is designed to give the depth below the oscillators. A constant correction of plus 2 fathoms was added to all NJ-5 soundings on the beat sheet. The NMB-2 fathometer was adjusted to give approximate true depths and no correction to NMB-2 soundings was applied on the beat sheet. Comparisons between wire soundings (vertical casts) and each fathometer are recorded in the sounding records.

Launch soundings were obtained with a standard Navy NK-1 fathometer which is similar to a Submarine Signal Ce. 808 fathometer. The fathometers were set to give true depths by bar checks and lead line soundings on the bottom."

Since there are no reports from the HYDROGRAPHER concerning the sheets west of Atka, it is inferred that the statements concerning fathometers at Atka continued through the season. However, the type of sounding apparatus used is not always stated in the sounding record, and it is presumed that the same instrument was used on the different days in a book. In processing the sheet, the continuity of fathograms from book to book has been used as evidence of the continued use of the same fathometer, and the boat sheet pletting at two fathoms deeper than recorded soundings has been used as corroborative evidence of the use of the NJ-5.

There is no description of the NMB-2 fathometer in any of the HYDRO-GRAPHER's records. Apparently it was rarely used for recorded soundings. It is believed that whenever it was used, entries were made in the records.

Unsurveyed Areas-

There are several areas within the outer limits of this sheet which were unsurveyed in 1943. These have been recommended to field parties for completion in 1944, as well as areas needing further development and investigation.

Shoreline-

The shoreline in the vicinity of Murder Point and Alexai Point was transferred from the topographic sheet Field No. 105. Offlying rocks and reefs were replotted on the smooth sheet as discrepancies were noted in the positions of signals on the topo sheet.

Depth Curves-

Since a large percentage of the soundings on this sheet are between 20 and 50 fathoms, the 30 fm. and 40 fm. curves have been penciled in to better show the submarine relief.

Dangers - Rocks, reefs, and breakers-

Offlying rocks and reefs have been located by plotting cuts taken by hydrographic parties and also replotting sextant cuts taken from points ashore which are recorded in Vol. #17 of sheet H-6940. These were plotted by the field party on topo sheet Field No. 105.

Where identifying numbers were given to dangers on topo sheet 105, these numbers have been retained on smooth sheet H-6939. Additional dangers have been assigned letters of the alphabet by the smooth plotter to aid identification in the record.

Explanatory notes on breakers, etc., are listed below.

Reef #1		On sheet	H-6940.	r	
Reef #2		11 11	**		
Reef #3		11 11	Ħ	ν	
Reef #4		11 11	n	Also replotted on H-6939.	
Reef #5	52° 47:6 ~ 173 14.5	Plotted i	from tang	gent cuts in topo record.	>
Rock #6		Hydro sig		plotted on H-6940 and	

Rock #7	52° 48126 - 173 14.00	Located by cuts in topo record, not mentioned in hydrographic records. Rock awash 50 meters south
Rock #8	52 48105 × 173 14.34	Located by cuts in topo record, also noted by hydro party.
Rocks #9	52 46.61 < 173 16.91	2 H.W. rocks located by topo cuts. Topo sheet 105 shows rock awash 30 meters south of these rocks, but smooth plotter could find no recorded cuts to it.
Rock #10		Lone rock at triangulation station NED.
Reefs#11		At tes. CENT. Outline of reefs plotted from topo cuts.
Reef #12		On sheet H-6940.
Reef #13	•	n n
Rock #14		Believed to be erroneously plotted on topo sheet, see report for H-6940, last item under Shoals and Rocks, Page #18.
Reef #15	57 +8.7 173 18.0	Transferred from topo sheet 105. 7-6960
Reef #16	52 48,7 173 20,0	Transferred from topo sheet.

The U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER's Launch No. 2 spent "x" day, July 22, 1943, locating rocks and breakers in the vicinity of the NED. Smooth plotter had difficulty in plotting this work, partly because no regular system of lines was run, and partly because of discrepancies in plotting control stations on boat sheet. This entire area has been recommended for further investigation to the 1944 field parties.

Breaker "A"	52° 47321 173 16.57	Located by cuts from topo, record and by \sim hydro party.
Rk. Awash "B"	52 46.63 ~ 173 16.97	Located by hydro party. Cut at Pos. 12x does not check rock "B", but does pass Good location through Rocks#9.
Breaker "C"	52 46.76 173 17.06	A cut is recorded on Pos. 16x to Breaker #3, which breaker is not mentioned again by number. Boat sheet shows another cut from Pos. 47x, but there is none in the record, and no other authority for this breaker can be found. It has been plotted on smooth sheet on distance and direction from Pos. 16x, per boat sheet.

Possible cut from BAG

Breaker "D"	52° 173		Located by hydro party - a poor intersection of cuts.
Breaker "E"	52 173	47.13 17.62	Cuts to a breaker are recorded on Pos. 23, 24, and 25x. These are presumed to be to the same rock, and boat sheet shows cuts from Pos. 23 and 25 intersecting with a 3d cut of unknown origin. However, boat sheet plotting of Pos. 25x is in error, and smooth plotting of these 3 cuts fails to give an intersection. Cut from Pos. 24 passes through Breaker "D". There is undoubtedly such a rock as Breaker "E" in this area, judging by depths and kelp notations, although launch circled the area between Pos. 57x and 66x without mentioning any rocks in record. Breaker "E" has been plotted on smooth sheet on distance and direction from Pos. 23x per boat sheet.
Rk. Awash "F"	52 173	46.35 _ 17.06	Located by hydro party. Fair intersection of cuts.
Rk. Awahh "H"	E 9	46 60	Tanakad by hydra nauty t naay tutawaastian
AL. AVABIL "H"	173	46.50 × 17.60	Located by hydro party. A poor intersection of cuts. Removed from sheet. On replotting with original signals recorded, position agrees with rock awash 250m SE. located by Add WK. 1944
Breaker "J"	52	46.45	Located by combination of cuts from both of
	173	17.83	HYDROGRAPHER's launches and from points
			ashore. Fair intersection of cuts.
Breaker "G"	52	43.62 ~	Located by ship hydro party. Outside of
,	173	15.41	area sounded on this sheet. Inted on this sheet
Breakers "K"	52	42.3	Approximate location by tangent cuts from
	173	14.8	considerable distances, both from ship hydro
			party and from points ashore. Inted on this sheet.
Breaker "L"	52	49.12	From topo sheet. Only 2 cuts found to this
		16.46	rock. On N-6940
			••••
Rk.Awash 'M'	52	48.01	Combination of hydro and topo cuts. See
	173	13.52	report of H-6940. A breaker is shown on topo
			sheet 30 meters northeast of this rock; how- ever, smooth plotting of 3 cuts to this On H-4940 breaker gives a slim intersection 60 meters northwest of rock.
Rk.Awash "N"	52	48.84	From topo sheet. Believe this is breaker
WESTARSII N	173	17.680	mentioned by EXPLORER's Launch No. 1 at
	TIA	58	
			Pos. 13g.

Breaker "P"	52° 47125 V	From tope cuts. Good intersection of cuts. Launch passes close by 2 different times without mentioning any rock.
Breaker "Q"	52 47.73 173 13.20	Cut from t.s. BAG and cut and distance from Pos. 118 dd (blue) on sheet H-6940.
Breaker "R"	52 48.82 173 13.20	Transferred from topo sheet. Believed to on M-67% be in kelp patch 200 meters SSE. See report for H-5940.
Rk.Awash "S"	52 49.90 V 173 23.70	Combination of hydro and topo cuts. Good intersection.
Breaker "F"	52 49.90 V 173 25.53	Hydre cuts. Only 2 cuts found for this rock.
Rk.Awash "U"	52 49.27 173 18.52	From topo sheet. T-6960 (1943)
H.W.Rks. "V"	52 49.35 \(\simegred{52} \) 173 18.35	19 H9 P7
H.W.Rk. "W"	52 48.84 V 173 19.04	n n n
Rk.Awash "X"	52 48473 V 173 19.17	и и и . ′′
Rk.Awash "Z"	52 49.08 173 18.72	From hydro records, Pos. 125 p, red Note rather indefinite.
Breaker "Y"	52 44.99 / 173 20.71	Intersection of cut from Pos. 101M and cut to "nearby breaker" from the CENT. No such rock on any boat sheet, nor is there any other authority for this rock. Position doubtful.
Breaker "AA"	52 47.34 ~ 173 10.89	Located by hydro party
Breaker "BB"	52 44.71 / 173 22.80	17 10 17 17 -

Rocks, and other offlying features, not mentioned above, in the vicinity of Alexai Pt. and Murder Pt. have been transferred from the topo sheet.

Buoys-

Whistle Buoy E. of Chirikof Point - A position of Whistle Buoy was taken by the SURVEYOR. It is recorded in their records for H-6936,

(Field No. 161-43) which is to be smooth plotted at 1:100,000 scale; Vol. 2, survey. page 38. Buoy plots in Lat. 52 47:90. Long. 173 32:51.

Bell Buoys 1, 2, and 3- These buoys are shown on Chart 9128 in a line between Whistle Buoy and entrance to East Channel. They are not mentioned in any of the records for this sheet. Personnel of the EXPLORER stated orally that they were not in place in late 1943, when that vessel left the area.

East Channel Buoys - The various positions of these buoys taken by the U.S.S. HYDROGRAPHER are to be disregarded as the channel has been changed. The positions taken by the EXPLORER, recorded in Vol. 15, H-6939, (1943) are the positions plotted on the smooth sheet.

West Channel Buoys - West Channel Marker, Buoys C-1 and N-2, have been plotted from EXPLORER records. Position of C-1 agrees with that on Chart 9128, but position of N-2 is different. These are noted on Boat Sheet 101 as "proposed buoys."

Wreck of "Dellwood" - A yellow marker buoy is shown at wreck of the S.S. "Dellwood" in Lat. 52° 4611 Long. 173° 1815. A boom of the ship shows above the surface.

Marker buoy removed June 29,1944

Beam gone

Discrepancies-

Lat	. & Lor	e.		Positions	Remarks
	47333 18.91	/		16-17j (r) / Lch. #2	15 fms. with no indication of shoal on other lines.
	47.36 10.97	7		24-25w (r) Lch. #2	7 3/4 fms. described as "ghost" sdg. by scanner. Seems it may be all right as it falls 90 m. E. of sunken rock.
	45.94 19.22	~		1-2e (g) Ex.Lch.#2 3-4b (b) H. Lch.#1	15-15 fms. crossing satisfactory
	45.8 19.3	· •	•	e day (g) Ex. Lch. #2	Sdgs. between Pos. 31-32e do not agree with adjacent sdgs. between - 27-28e. bottom irregular - shoaler depths plotted

Discrepancies (continued)-

Lat	. & Long	. Positions	Rema	
52 ⁰ 173	47!18 13.65	8-9a (p) 88-89d (p) Ex. Lch. #2		steep slope - shooler depths plotted
	44.42 10.50	126-127 U Hydrog. 53-54 Z (Also next soundings to north to 40 fms.)	39 fms. 35-34 fms. where 36 fms.	13 & 34 fms. are not on fathogram & were not plotted. Bottom spotty and has shoaler depths in this area,

List of important soundings and least depths on sheals-

Lat	itude	Longitude	Position	Fathoms	Remarks
52°	43157	175° 12370	51-52U	13	Underdeveloped
	45.85	09.40	101 U	17	
	45.90	10.21	43 Z	19 🗸 S	urrounded by 25-26 fms.
	45.11	15.87	125 F	•	not developed
	45.98	16.70	13-14b (b)	~14 ×	not developed - developed in 1944
	45.78	17.50 ·	11-12b (b)	. 13 🗸	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
C	45.91	18.20	43-44a (b)	5 1/2	<u>~</u>
	45.84	18.15	23-24a (b)	9 1/4	V
•	45.78	18.28	40-41a (b)	7 1/2	also tide rips
	45.90	19.11/	17-18e (g)	7 3/4	
,	45.80	19.31	27-28e (g)	9 3/4	_
	45.65	19.29	4-5 b (b)	10 3/4	
	45.93	19.59	45 M	10 3/4	
	45. 60%	.20.62	25-26e (g)	4 1/6	_ Developed in Add. WK 1946
	45.59	20.79	- 24-25e (g)	7 1/2	
,	45.30	21.78	87-88 M	13 -	

Lat	itude	Longitude	Position	Fathoms	Remarks
52 ⁸	45124	173° 29155 ~	69 M	7 3/4 -/	(See Boat Sheet 101.
	45.32 -	29.94	68 M	15 -	(Breakers charted here
	45.58 /	30.48	67 M	8 1/4 -	(Area undeveloped
	46.81	08.79	3-4 ¥	16	Inner edge of work.
	46.71 -	09.13	14 Z	18 -	
	46.99 ~	10.16	96-97 U	14~	
	46.99~	10.88	1-2 Z	16 ~	
	46.91	14.60	26-27d(p)	7 3/4 7	\mathcal{X}_{i}
	46.56	15,48 🗠	59-60f(p)	2 1/2	In kelp.
	46.01	15.31	44-45a(p)	12 -	Undeveloped area.
	46.10		5-6a(b)		At wreck of "Dellwood" from wreck-
	46.60 -	18,60 ~	18-19a 7=8ā (d)	フ女 8 1/ 2	n turn Developed on Add wk A44
	46,04	18.32	24-25a(b)	. 13 💆	
	46,59	19.52	23-24d(g)	13 ×	
	46.33	21.14	36-37d(g)	10 1/4	
	46,90	23,94	58-59 T	14	
	47.02	09.48	97 - 98 U	13 -	
	47.57	10.32	58-59w(r)	8 3/4	
	47.18	10.78	40-41w(r)	9 1/4	
	47.40 <	11.09	49-50d(p)	×7 3/4	
	47.85	11.35 "	29-30a(p)		Omitted-probably Kelp - developed on N-694
	47.51	12.83	5-6a(p)	1 3/6	kelp
	47.41	13.10	6-7a(p)	12	
	47.35	13.24	7a(p)	2 % - / · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	47.32	14.60	36-37e(p)	1 5 1/6 %	Peweloped in Add WK 1946 - no Wy shouler than 5% shown
	47.49	14.65	5-6d(p)	32 × 1	skelp

Latitude	Longitude	Position		Remarks
52° 47160 °	173° 14174 =	5-6d(p)	1/3	Original reading on Kelp
47.95	14.72 ×	36-37f(p)	1 1/6	
47.14~	15.48	19-20e(p)	6 5/6	
47.23 4	15.89	40-41b(p)	6 4/6	
46.65	15.26	128-129b(p)	9 1/4"	
47.83 ×	15.29	118-119b(p)	10	•
47.93	16.93	56-57h (r)	6 5/6	
47.55	17.61	84-85 A	8 1/2	
47.67	18.59 -	99-100s(r)	8 1/2	
47.15 ~	18.72 -	150-151s(r)	n'	
47.90	19.50	2-3 L	9 3/4	,
47.38 /	20.10	8-9v(r)	7 -	
47.50	20.63 ~	89-90v(r)	8-3/ 4	Undeveloped
47.90	21.09 🗸	65-66 A	12 -	,
47.43 L	£1.73	65-66 T	12	
47.11	22.20	84-85 T	10 1/4 -	
47.42	23.40	16-17 C	17 ~	
47.82	30 . 76 ″	11 - 12 S	21 -	•
48.25	14.14	2-3f(p)	1/6	Ke/p
48. 06 ×	14.74	105-106d(p)	1 26	
48.06	15.60	117-118b(p)	10 5/4	
48.97	16.38	1-2n (r)	5 5/6	
48.86			2.3	in kelp
48.77	16.72	42-43s(r)	3 4/6	
48.77	16.86	111-112b(n)	. 5	in kelp

Lat	itude	Longitude	Position F	thoms	Remarks
52 ⁰	48106	173° 16160	36~37h*(r)	10 1/2	
	48.50	17.99	73-74 72-75 p (r)	* €	least depth found in kelp patch. Fathogram hard to interpret.
	48.05	17.46	39 K (r)	9 1/2	in East Channel
	48.18	18.31	109-110g*(r)	3/2	Kelp ~
	48.01	18.10	93 s (r)	2 5/6	
•	48.36	18.90	135-136g*(r)	8 1/2	
•	48.40 -	19.18	141-142g'(r)	6 5/6	
	48.06	19.62	108-109 L	7 76	Appears that development should have been carried further yest.
	48.59	20.72	75-76 L	9 3/4~	
	48.55	21,49 🗸	113-114 S	4 2/6	Interpretation of fathogram doubtful - may be kelp shadows.
	48.77	29.93	20-21 N	11.	should be given further consideration when adjacent unsurveyed is completed Undeveloped Undeveloped Undeveloped Undeveloped
	48.68	31, 68	93 L	14 ~	
	,49.21	19.31	105-106p(r)	4 2/6	Kelp patch
	49.36	28.80	62-63B	8 3/4	at edge of unsurveyed area.
	49.41	31.24	48~49 S	13	at edge of unsurveyed area.

"Dellwoed" Pinnacle- .

Charted as 2 1/2 fms. P.A. Lat. 52° 46309 Long. 173° 17343

The origin of this location seems to be the unrecorded cuts plotted on boat sheet 101. The intersection was pointed out by a field officer in this processing office where the notation was made. The similar notation on sheet 104 was made in the field where it was transferred from sheet 101 to sheet 104.

The position of the rock has been transferred to the smooth sheet sheet 101.

2'2 at position given is disproved by Add .wk. 1946. A 3' was found 300 m to youth from boat sheet 101.

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Attu Island

Massacre Bay

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Numbers-

The soundings volumes of work done in Massacre Bay were numbered by the party on the HYDROGRAPHER in the following way:

Boat	Sheet	# 101	Volumes	401	to	406
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14	10	103	77	423	to	428
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Volume 407 is plotted on sheet H-6936. The other volumes are plotted on H-6939 and H-6940 as shown in this index.

There are also five volumes of the EXPLORER's soundings in Massacre Bay.

Where a book has been plotted on two registered sheets, the division is clearly shown. The book was numbered for filing with the records of the sheet with which it is chiefly concerned.

The number of the fathogram has been entered for each day's work of the HYDROGRAPHER, and cross entries were made on fathograms and sounding books. For certain days of the HYDROGRAPHER's work no fathograms were furnished. The forty two rolls supplied have been thoroughly examined. Forty one rolls are being returned to Washington. One roll, \$635, was combined with \$638. Fathogram \$640 is uncontrolled and is not plottable.

The segregation of the fathograms for filing is shown on the last page of this index.

Copies of this index have been placed in each report, and in Volume 1 for each of sheets H-6939 and H-6940.

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Fathograms - HYDROGRAPHER-

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608	×	628 x
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610	x	630 x
611	x	631 x
612	x	632 x
613	×	653 x
614	x	634 x
615	×	635 (added to Roll 638)
616	x	636 ×
617	x	637 x
618	x	670
619	x	659 x
620	x	640 x (uncontrolled sdgs.)
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This tabulation is listed here because a number of the rolls contain soundings for two sheets. Fathogram numbers have been shown in the sounding records.

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TIDES

The Scattle Processing Office received sheets of hourly readings of Massacre by tides through the Washington Office. It was not stated whether these readings were from the Automatic Cage at the Many wharf or the Fortable Automatic Cage, but the sedmoer was entered on each wheet. The staff reading of MLW on a temporary staff through June 19th was 5.6 feet; thereafter, the reading on the permanent staff was 5.7 feet. These corrections were applied to all hourly readings to obtain the reducers for soundings in Massacre Bay and the vicinity of Attu Island.

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TIDAL NOTE

Massacre Bay, Attu I.

Gage at:

Latitude 52° 50195

Longitude 173 12,45

Gage at: (approximate location)

Latitude 52° 50145

Longitude 175 11.65

Geodetic Datum - Havy 1954.

Hote: It is not known which gage furnished the data for the high and low water sheets used for reducers to tides.

Echo Correction-

The party on the HYDROGRAPHER did not submit any fathometer corrections to be applied to their soundings. The echo corrections obtained by the EXPLORER's party for use on a Hughes fathometer calibrated for an assumed sound speed of 800 makers per second, the same as the instruments on the HYDROGRAPHER, were applied to the HYDROGRAPHER's soundings. These echo corrections vary from zero at 100 fathoms to plus ten fathoms at 1,000 fathoms depth. Since the corrections are less than one percent of the depth below 1,000 fathoms, no echo corrections hafe been applied below that depth.

FATHOMETER CORRECTIONS

for

HUGHES & R. C. A. on ONONDAGA 800 Fms. (1463 Meters) Per Sec.

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List of Signals

H-6939

Triangulation Stations

AL	MASS
BAG	MIKE
CENT	NED
CREE	NIP
DOME	NOR
DOT	PIN
FLAG	RAD
FOX	REEF
GAB	RIK
LRX	SUB
LITTLE	TANK
LOAF	WOW
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Hydrographic Signals

Except where otherwise noted, all angles for locating these signals are recorded in Vol. 17, sheet H-6940.

Ace	Gray	Lan	Rod
Bar	Gull	Lime*	Scar
Big	Gum	Low	Sharp
Black*	Hill*	Mar	Sir
Bye	How	Mat	Son
Can	Hum	Min	Tar
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^{*}Cuts recorded in Vol. 1.

Statistics-

Respectfully submitted:

Edgar E. Smith
Assoc. Cartographic Engineer

Paul M. Fisher

Sr. Engineering Draftsman

Approved and Forwarded:

F. H. Hardy

Officer in Charge,

Seattle Processing Office.

Surveys Section (Chart Division)

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. H6939

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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

June 17, 1944

Division-of-Hydrography-and-Topography:

✓ Division of Charts: Attention: H. R. EDMONSTON

Plane of reference approved in 18 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 6939

Locality Aleutian Islands: Attu Island, Alaska.
Approaches to Massacre Bay

Chief of Party: G. C. Mattison in 1943
Plane of reference is mean lower low water
3.7 ft. on tide staff at Massacre Bay
6.5 ft. below B. M. 1

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 3.3 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

SOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 1543

MEMORANDUM IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

SURVEY DESCRIPTIVE REPORT	No.	Н	H6939	ļ	received registered verified
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This is forwarded in order that your attention may be directed to the matters as indicated below. Please initial in column 3 as an acknowledgement that your attention has been thus directed. The complete original records are available if desired. If you cannot give this your immediate attention, please initial, note, and forward to the next section marked, calling for the records at your convenience.

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DIVISION OF CHARTS

REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. 6939 and Add. Wk.

FIELD NO. 101

Aleutian Island; Attu Island; Approaches to Massacre Bay Surveyed in Summer, 1943 - 44 Scale 1:20,000 Instructions: Oral Instructions of Liason Officer

Soundings:

Control:

808 Fathometer Navy NK-1, NJ-3 and NM-B-2

Three-point fix on shore signals

Chief of Party - W. M Scaife; G. C. Mattison and R. D. Horne Surveyed by - Ships Officers
Protracted by - P. M. Fisher and D. H. Benson
Soundings plotted by - P. M. Fisher and D. H. Benson
Verified and inked by - R. H. Carstens
Reviewed by - R. H. Carstens
Inspected by - H. R. Edmonston, Nov. 7, 1944

Mar. 5, 1945 (Add. Wk.)

1. Shoreline and Signals

The shoreline and signals originate with T-6960 (1943) and with cuts recorded in the sounding records of the present survey and H-6940 (1943). Signals on T-6960 were located by sextant cuts recorded in vol. 17 of H-6940.

2. Sounding Line Crossings

Satisfactory.

3. Depth Curves and Submarine Relief

The usual depth curves could in general be satisfactorily drawn. The 15-fm. curve was added to more clearly delineate the bottom.

In this area the bottom is marked by numerous shoal and kelp covered pinnacles rising sharply from deeper depths. Because of the steepness and small size of some of the pinnacles it cannot be regarded with certainty that the least depths have been found.

4. Junctions with Contemporary Surveys

A satisfactory junction was made with H-6040 (1943) on the north. No other contemporary surveys adjoining this area have been registered at this date.

5. Comparison with Prior Surveys

A. No prior surveys of the area have been made by this Bureau.

B. <u>H-6941 (1943) W.D.</u>

Except for small unimportant differences the effective depths from this wire drag survey are in harmony with the soundings of the present survey.

6. Comparison with Chart 9128 (Latest print date 1/16/45) Chart 9198 (Latest print date 4/29/44)

A. Hydrography

The charted hydrography originates with advance information of this Bureau's surveys of 1943 shown on various blueprints. Differences in tidal and fathometer corrections, and in the interpretation of the fathograms, cause variations of as much as 3-fm. between the values of boat sheet and smooth sheet soundings. A shift in the position of some of the sounding lines of as much as 200-m. has been brought about in plotting the smooth sheet.

The following discrepancies between the smooth sheet and hydrography charted on Chart 9128 are noted:

- (1) The two sunken rock breaker symbols charted in the vicinity of lat. 52° 47.25', long. 173° 13.1' from bps. 37850 and 37470 are probably the same breaker and should be charted from the present smooth sheet as a rock awash.
- (2) The 13-fm. charted in lat. 52° 48.18', long. 173° 16.2' from bp. 37372 falls in present depths of about 16-fms. The sounding was not identified on the boat sheet and is probably in error. Later blueprints of the same area do not show this sounding.
- (3) The 5-1/2 fm. charted in lat. 520 47.9', long. 173° 16.9' from bp. 37287 is shown on the boat sheet of the present survey but is not recorded in the sounding volumes. It may originate with unrecorded data taken by the HYDROGRAPHER while cruising in this area. It is recommended that the depth be retained on the chart until further investigation can be accomplished. 5½ verified by Add. WK 1746
- (4) In the vicinity of lat. 52° 47.0', long. 173° 17.0' the differences in values of shoal soundings and in the positions of rock awash and breakers arise from differences in interpretation of fathograms and in plotting the rocks.

- (5) The rock charted in lat. 52° 46.55', long. 173° 16.9' from bp. 37575 was not located on T-6960 (1943) nor on the boat sheets of the present survey. It is probably an error in compiling the blueprint and should be disregarded.
- (6) The rock awash charted in lat. 52° 48.85', long. 173° 17.7' from bp. 37287 was plotted on the boat sheet in error and should be charted at the charted position of the sunken rock symbol 150-m. to the southwest.
- (7) The sunken rock charted in lat. 52° 48.82°, long. 173° 17.35° from bp. 37287 indicates a breaker whose position is weak. The breaker probably falls on the shoal 250-m. to the southeast. It has been indicated on the smooth sheet by the word breaker in that general area. No mention of the breaker was made on the sounding lines: (Disposition made in item 5A (5) of review of H-6940 Add. Wk. (1944).
- (8) The 2-1/2-fms. charted in lat. 52° 48.0', long. 173° 18.0' from bp. 37470 is probably in error. The 2-5/6-fm. on the smooth sheet 120-m. distant is adequate to show the least depth.
- (9) The 10-fms. charted in lat. 52° 48.52', long. 173° 20.25' from bp. 37470 is plotted in error on the boat sheet and should be disregarded.
- (10) The 12-fms. charted in lat. 52° 48.35', long. 173° 20.05' from bp. 37470 was probably compiled in error on that blue-print. No shoal sounding appears on the boat sheet at that place.
- (11) The 19-fms. charted in lat. 52° 47.15', long. 173° 11.3' from bp. 37470 is probably an error in compiling the blue-print and should be disregarded.
- (12) The 1-1/2-fms. charted in lat. 52° 47.8°, long. 173° 13.55° from bp. 37850 was plotted on the boat sheet in error and should fall 100-m. to the southeast.
- (13) The 3-1/4-fms. charted in lat. 52° 47.15', long. 173° 17.56' from bp. 37850 is compiled in error on that blueprint and should be disregarded.
- (14) The 1-3/4-fms. charted in lat. 52° 48.8°, long. 173° 20.45° from bp. 37470 was compiled in error from that blueprint and should be disregarded.
- (15) The 3-1/2-fms. charted in lat. 52° 49.25', long. 173° 19.3' from bp. 37470 is changed to 4-1/6 on final reduction and should be charted from the smooth sheet.

- (16) The 1/2-fm. charted in lat. 52° 48.87°, long. 173° 16.8° from bp. 37575 is a kelp reading on the fathogram and should be disregarded.
- (17) The rock islets charted in the vicinity of lat. 52° 47.7', long. 173° 14.5' from bp. 37575 originate with penciled outlines on the boat sheet. Cuts concerning the reef at this place make no mention of the islets and it is probable that the penciled shapes represent portions of the reef. The shapes should not be charted as islets.
- (18) The sunken rocks charted in the vicinity of lat. 52° 45.4', before long. 173° 29.7' from chart letter 42 (1944) indicate shoal water of unknown depth. The sunken rock charted in lat. 52° 45.8', long. 173° 26.9' is probably out of position and has been removed from Chart 9128. The sunken rock lat. 52° 45.1', long. 173° 21.4' from bp. 37470 was reported by Navy patrol vessels. This rock should be retained pending further investigation.
- (19) The 5-fms. charted in lat. 52° 44.7', long. 173° 22.75' and the 10-fm. charted in lat. 52° 43.6', long. 173° 12.9' both from bp. 37848 should be retained until these areas have been more completely covered by surveys of this bureau.
- (20) The rock awash charted in lat. 52° 46.55°, long. 173° 17.7° from bp. 37372 was plotted on the boat sheet in error and actually falls about 250-m. to the southeast.
- (21) The boom of the wreck charted in lat. 52° 46.1', long. 173° 18.45' was no longer visible in 1944. The charted note "boom visible" should be deleted.
- (22) The 6-1/4-fms. charted in lat. 52° 48.06', long. 173° 19.6' the 1-3/4-fms. charted in lat. 52° 48.15', long. 173° 18.1' and the 3-1/4-fms. charted in lat. 52° 47.52', long. 173° 14.87' from the present survey before verification and review are probably kelp readings and should be disregarded.

Except for the previously mentioned soundings and sunken rocks to be retained, the charted hydrography should be recompiled from the present survey.

B. Aids to Navigation

The survey positions of aids to navigation are in satisfactory agreement with the charted positions and adequately mark the features intended except that the survey position of buoy N-2 in lat. 520 47.2°, long. 173° 12.3° differs with the charted position by about 0.65 mile. The charted position originates with bp. 37850 a compilation of advance information of this bureau's field surveys. However no recorded data pertaining to the new position of the buoy was found except a penciled position on a boat sheet. The present survey posi-

tion of the buoy more closely agrees with the position proposed by the U. S. Navy in chart letter 717 (1943) than does the charted position.

7. Condition of Survey

Satisfactory except that the position markings on the fathograms of the NJ-3 fathometer used on the SHIP HYDROGRAPHER were inadequate for accurate scaling of the fathograms. In some cases as many as 8 to 10 positions were left unmarked. The open spaces indicating positions on the fathograms were generally excessively wide for an accurate determination of the position.

The plotting of this survey has been unusually well done by the processing office. The complete supplementary notes added in the sounding records greatly facilitated the verification.

8. Compliance with the Instructions for the Project

Satisfactory except that few bottom characteristics were taken and hand lead investigations were not consistently made on pinnacles where kelp recordings made fathogram soundings uncertain.

9. Additional Field Work Recommended

Considerable additional work is necessary in order to render the present survey a basic survey. In general many of the least found depths on shoals were not drift-sounded and shoaler depths can of course exist. On the other hand a closer line spacing would undoubtedly reveal more irregularity in the vicinity of lat. 520 46.71, long. 1730 17.91. This area, however, is not considered important because it is fringed by shoals and is therefore an area to be avoided.

- A number of unsurveyed areas including excessively wide sounding line spacings apparent on inspection of the smooth sheet should be completed.

 Completed by Add wk 1946 and H-7088 (1945)
- The small amount of wire drag on H-6941 (1943) W.D. is restricted to channels. This work should be extended to include most of the areas inside the 20-fm. curve.
- C. Specific consideration should be given to development of the following:
 - (1) 13 fms. in lat. 520 43.61, long. 1730 12.71. Accomplished 4-7016 Mark 1792
 - (2) 5-1/6 fms. in lat. 52° 47.3°, long. 173° 14.6°. Developed by Addisting (3) 12 fms. in lat. 52° 49.07°, long. 173° 27.8°. Accomplished wross (1745) (4) 4-4/6 fms. in lat. 52° 45.6°, long. 173° 20.6°. Accomplished Add WK 1946

 - 5-1/2 fms. charted in lat. 52° 47.9°, long. 173° 17.0°, (see par. 6A (3) above). Accomplished Add. Wk. 1996 (5)
 - Charted sunken rocks in the vicinity of lat. 520 45.21, long. 173° 21.6'; lat. 52° 45.8', long. 173° 26.9'; and lat. 52° 45.4', long. 173° 29.7' discussed in par. 6A (18) of this review.

Accomplished Add wk 1946 on H-6939 and H-701A

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(7) 4-2/6 fms. in lat. 52° 48.55', long. 173° 21.5' be kelp. Add. development (8) 2-1/2 fms. in lat. 52° 46.1', long. 173° 17.4' Accomplished on (10) 2-1/2 fms. in lat. 52° 47.12', long. 173° 15.47'. Add WK 1946

Examined and approved:

Chief, Nautical Chart Branch

Chief, Section of Hydrography

Chief, Chart Division

Division of Coastal Surveys

To:

The Director,

U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey

Washington 25, D.C.

Through:

Commanding Officer,

USCAGSS EXPLORER

Through:

Lt. Comdr. J. Laskowski, USCAGS

Through

Lt. Comdr. W.M. Scaife, USG&GS

From

Lieut. Arthur L. Wardwell, USCAGS Lieut. Charles W. Clark, USCAGS

USCAGSS EXPLORER

Subject:

1945 Survey of Massacre Bay, Alaska.

Reference:

Review of Hydrographie Survey - Registry No. 6939

and Add. Wk., dated 14 August 1948.

Having been on the original survey of Massacre Bay we feel that some comments on the survey and the review are in order.

The USS HYDROGRAPHER arrived at Massacre Bay in May 1945 with the task force that invaded the island and captured it from the Japanese. The surveys by the HYDROGRAPHER at Massacre Bay and Shemya Island during the summer of 1945 were made primarily for immediate use of the task force in the invasion of the islands and establishing bases thereon.

When the HYDROGRAPHER arrived at Massacre Bay nothing was known about the bay. It was necessary to make a survey that would serve immediate needs in the shortest possible time. The survey was made under conditions far from ideal. No attempt was made to make a complete basic survey of the bay.

Roughly the procedure in carrying out this survey by the HYDROGRAPHER was as follows: During the first several days soundings were obtained in the inner part of the bay by the ship's launches without centrol. This was done in order to determine as quickly as possible the locations of any possible dangers that could be found. Dangers thus found were immediately buoyed so ships could stay clear of them. Shoal areas found and buoyed during this period were those at Lat. 52° - 50.4', Long. 175° - 15.5' and Lat. 52° - 51.2', Long. 175° - 14.1'. A rock not found in time to prevent a ship hitting it is the one at Lat. 52° - 49.0', Long. 175° - 15.5'. The SS PERIDA hit this rock on the second day the task force was in the harbor.

After this period of preliminary surveys and as time and opportunity permitted, surveys of the bay were centimued in a more
orthodox manner. A rough base was measured over and around supplies unloaded on the beach at the head of the bay. Signals were
built and sextant triangulation extended from the base line for a
preliminary location of signals. Controlled soundings were obtained throughout the important areas of the bay and approaches.
Suitable entrance channels were located and buoyed. Reefs, rocks,
breakers and shore line were located, but in all cases not well
defined, by theodelite or sextant outs from shore stations and
from the ship and launches. Suitable air photos were not available and it was necessary to get some information that could be
charted on the numerous reefs and rocks in the bay.

During this time it wasn't known how long the ship would remain at Massacre Bay and to what extent the surveys could be carried. The remaining time was spent in improving and adding to surveys already made. Additional hydrography was done, more information was obtained on rocks and reefs and other dangers. A more accurate base line was measured and triangulation of at least third order accuracy was extended to include all signals.

All this work was done under poor conditions with numerous interruptions inherent in wartime operations and without the best of equipment and experienced personnel except for a few Coast Survey officers.

The survey records were kept primarily for immediate use aboard the ship. They were admittedly far below Coast Survey standards for records. The permenant value, if any, of the records should be considered a by-product of the mission of the ship. When the survey was made it was not known that the Coast Survey would process the records and the survey was made, within limits, in accordance with Hydrographic Office practices.

Time didn't permit the usual refinements necessary for completing a survey such as obtaining bettom samples, drift sounding over unimportant shoals, determining in all cases whether rocks near the surface were awash or perhaps bare at high water and similar information. If a danger was known to exist it was charted as a danger in accordance with the latest information available.

It is thought that the control was in general fairly accurate and a shift of 200 meters in sounding lines mentioned in par. 6A of the reference is not understood.

The cuts referred to in par. 6A (17) of the reference should not be considered as definite. As mentioned previously, dangers such as this were located by theodolite cuts from distant shore stations. An attempt was made to cutline the extreme limits of the reefs rather than any individual rocks on the reefs. It is known that on some of the dangers, possibly called reefs in the records, some rock islets do exist.

Par. 7 of the reference mentions some of the inadequacies of the HYDROGRAPHER'S BJ-3 sounding record. The NJ-3 fathometer was obtained to replace an inferior Dersey No. 5 fathometer and was the best the Navy had available at the time. An attempt was made to have a fix marker installed on the fathometer but a Submarine Signal Co. representative said it could not be done. When using the BJ-3, soundings were read from the dial and recorded in the sounding record. The fathogram was included with the records as a supplement to the recorded soundings. The beginning of the break on the fathogram was at the time of the fix. When the door on the fathometer was opened the stylus arm automatically stopped rotating but the paper kept on moving at the same speed. Consequently the length of the gap in the record had no effect on the time or on the position of the fix on the fathogram.

Completion of an adequate survey of Massacre Bay, inspection and clarification of the records and writing of final reports was not accomplished by the HYDROGRAPHER because the ship was ordered on very short notice to proceed to Adak to join the task force that invaded Kiska. The HYDROGRAPHER proceeded to carry out her wartime missions to the best of the ability of the personnel on board.

Knowing the condition of the HYDROGRAPHER'S records, it is not doubted that the processing effice did an admirable job in smooth plotting the survey and in supplementing the records with additional notes as mentioned in par. 7 of the reference. It is also thought that the field work of the HYDROGRAPHER on this and similar surveys was at least above normal criticism in regard to accuracy and adequacy of surveys made. The value of those surveys to the task force is not known to the writers of this letter but it is thought they served their intended purpose.

This letter is not intended as a reflection on any subsequent work in Massacre Bay done by Coast Survey ships and refers only to work done by the HYDROGRAPHER. It is intended to clarify some of the apparent misunderstandings of the work of the HYDROGRAPHER during the war.

Reviews or other official comments by the Washington office on the survey of the inner part of Massacre Bay and on other surveys made by the HYDROGRAPHER in Alaska in 1945 have not been read by the undersigned.

Arthur L Wardwell, Lieut., C&GS

Charles W. Clark, Lieut., C&GS.

Forwarded:

F.L. Gallen Comdg. Ship EXPLORER

NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

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 $\hbox{U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY}\\$

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey Hydrographic

Field No. Office No. H-6939 (1947)

LOCALITY

State Alaska

General locality Near Islands

Locality Massacre Bay

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HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

REGISTER No. H 6939

Field No
State Alaska
General locality Near Islands
Locality Massacre Bay
Scale 1/20,000 Date of survey Sept. 1947 3 Feb. 1938, Project CS-218 and Instructions dated Director's letter No. 222/MEK, S-1-EX, dated 24 March 1947
Vessel EXPLORER
Chief of party F.B.T. Siems
Surveyed by I.R. Rubottom
Soundings taken by fathometer, graphic recorder, hand tout, wire
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REMARKS: Additional development and location of Aids to Navigation.
Report of Aids to Navigation forwarded to U.S. Coast Guard 3 October 1947
(copy attached hereto).
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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

to accompany

Hydrographic Survey H-6939 (1947)

Massacre Bay

1947

Additional Development and Location of Aids to Navigation

Scale 1: 20,000

USC&GSS EXPLORER

F.B.T. Siems, Commanding

Surveyed by: I.R. Rubottom

A. PROJECT:

Instructions Project CS-218 dated 3 Feb. 1938; supplemental instructions, 24 March 1947 (Director's letter No. 222/MEK, S-1-EX).

B. SURVEY LIMITS AND DATES:

Locality - Massacre Bay, Attu Island, Alaska. Survey includes development of 8.6-fathom shoal in latitude 52° 45.14' N., longitude 173° 15.9' E., and location of Aids to Navigation.

Hydrography was executed during the period 15 to 18 September 1947.

C. VESSELS AND EQUIPMENT:

Hydrography was accomplished with EXPLORER's Launch No. 2, equipped with 808 fathometer No. 50. All soundings were read and recorded on the fathom scale.

D. TIDE STATIONS:

Tide reducers were obtained from the portable automatic tide gage at Massacre Bay, Attu Island.

E. SMOOTH SHEET:

(To be accomplished by Seattle Processing Office) All records and data have been mailed directly to the Washington Office, for incorporation with CONTROL:

Boat sheet H-6939a was used and triangulation stations and topographical natural objects identifiable from this sheet were used for control of all hydrography.

G. SHORELINE AND TOPOGRAPHY:

No additional shoreline or topographic detail was executed.

H. SOUNDINGS:

All soundings were read and recorded on the fathom scale on the 808 \checkmark

I. CONTROL OF HYDROGRAPHY:

Three-point sextant fixes were used to control all hydrography.

J. ADEQUACY OF SURVEY:

This survey is considered complete and adequate for charting. A closely spaced system of cross lines was run over the shoal to determine the position of the shoalest area. A period of 40 minutes was spent in drifting over the shoalest area and detached positions were taken at times of least depth. Soundings were also taken alongside all aids to navigation.

K. CROSSLINES:

Entire survey consisted of a closely spaced system of cross lines. Discrepancies were negligible.

L. COMPARISON WITH FORMER SURVEYS:

General soundings agreed with previous surveys, but the least depth on the shoal was found to be approximately 2 fathoms less than previously obtained.

M. DANGERS AND SHOALS:

The position of shoal developed on the sheet is latitude 52° 45.1' N., longitude 173° 15.95' E.

Respectfully submitted

Ira R. Rubottom

Lt. Comdr., USC&GS

Approved and forwarded:

F.B.T. Siems, Capt. USC&GS Commanding Ship EXPLORER

TIDAL NOTE

Soundings on Hydrographic Survey H-6939 (1947) were reduced from tide data from portable automatic tide gage No. H-288, located in Massacre Bay, Attu Island. Hourly heights for reduction of soundings were scaled from the marigrams. Plane of reference of M.L.L.W. is 3.5 ft. on the tide staff, reference Director's letter of 24 June 1947, ref. No. 36-MR.

Time meridian used for operation of the tide gage was that of 165° West.

STATISTICS FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-6939 (1947) USC&GSS EXPLORER

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VELOCITY CORRECTIONS .

From T&S Observations on 20 Sept. 1947
For period 16 July 1947 to end of season

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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

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Officer in Charge, U.S. Coast Guerd Base, Estchikan, Alaska.

Attentions

Aids to Havigation Section.

Subject:

Aids to Mavigation, Massacro Bay.

Englosures:

- (A) List of positions of floating aids to mavigation, Massacre Bay, as determined 64.673(1947) by USCAOSE EXPLORER, 16 September 1947.
- (8) Overlay tracing Chart CS 9128 (and one print) showing plotted positions of 8p. 42775 buoys.
- (C) Copy of list of recommended Landmarks C.L. 673 (947) for Charts, Massacre Say.
- 1. Enclosure (A) shows positions of floating aids to navigation in Massacre Bay and approaches as determined by sextant fix on objects located by triangulation or topographic methods. Objects used are pensiled on enclosure (B). The positions of the buoys were plotted on a hydrographic survey sheet, and the geographic positions and distances and bearings from landwarks were scaled from this sheet.
- 2. Enclosure (8) shows positions of the buoys as plotted on Chart CS 9128, edition of 6/23/46. In addition to floating aids to mavigation, the positions of all mooring buoys were located and are shown on the print in their present positions.
- 5. Enclosure (C) is a copy of recommended additional Landmarks for Charts in Massacre Say.

F.B.T. Siems, Commanding Officer, USCACSS EXPLORER.

Hydrographic Surveys (Chart Division)

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. H-6939. Ad. Wk.

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DIVISION OF CHARTS

REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. H-6939 (Ad. Wk.)

FIELD NO. ----

Alaska-Aleutian Islands, Attu Island, Massacre Bay Surveyed in September 1947 Scale 1:20,000 Project No. CS-218

Soundings:

Control:

808 Fathometer

Visual fixes on shore signals

Chief of Party - F. B. T. Siems
Surveyed by - I. R. Rubottom
Protracted by - S. Rose
Soundings plotted by - S. Rose
Verified and inked by - C. P. Reed
Reviewed by - G. F. Jordan, June 30, 1948
Inspected by - R. H. Carstens

A least depth of 6-2/6 fms. was obtained in the development of a shoal in lat. 52° 45.10', long. 173° 15.91' E. Hand carrection made /r/10/47

All navigational buoys in Massacre Bay and vicinity were located. A list of geographical positions scaled from pencil plottings on the smooth sheet is now filed as Chart Letter No. 515 (1948).

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COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
Rev. June 1937

TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

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December 29, 1947

Division of Charts:

H. W. Murray

Plane of reference approved in 1 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

6939 (additional work)

Locality - Massacre Bay, Aleutian Islands, Alaska

Chief of Party: F. B. T. Siems in 1947 Plane of reference is Mean lower low water, reading 3.5 ft. on tide staff at Massacre Bay 6.6 ft. below B. M. 1 (1943)

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 3.3 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

E.C. McKay
Section
Chief, Division of Tides and Currents...

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NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH Additional work SURVEY NO. 16939

Record of Application to Charts

DATE	CHART	CARTOGRAPHER	REMARKS
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A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart. Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.

6939 Additional work

Form 504 Rev. June 1941

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY Supplemental.

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Plane Table Hydrographic Additional Work survey No. H-6939

Additional Work - 1946

LOCALITY

Alaska

General locality Aleutian Islands

Locality Massacre Bay, Attu Island

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CHIEF OF PARTY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

REGISTER No. H- 6939 (Additional work)

Field No. H- 6939

State Alaska	
General locality Aleutian Islands	
Locality Massacre Bay, Attu Isla	and
Scale 1:20,000	Date of survey Summer 1946
Instructions dated 15 March 1946	
Vessel Ship Patton	
Chief of party Kenneth G. Crosby	
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5 December 1946

To:

Supervisor, Northwestern District U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey 400 Insurance Building

Seattle 4, Waskington

Subject:

Additional work, Massacre Bay, Alaska

In response to your request of 26 November, the sounding record data pertaining to additional work on hydrographic surveys No. H-6939 and H-7018 covering the subject locality may be forwarded to this office for plotting on the basic smooth sheets.

(s) J. H. Hawley

Acting Director

SUPPLEMENTAL DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

TO ACCOMPANY SHEET H-6939

PROJECT:

The additional work on Sheet H-6939 was done in accordance with the Director's Letter dated 15 March 1946 (additional Field Work in the Approaches to Massacre Bay).

VESSEL AND EQUIPMENT:

The sounding was done with the Ship PATTON and the Ship EXPLORER's Launch No. 3 operated by personnel from the PATTON

TIDE STATION:

Tide reducers were obtained directly from the standard automatic gage maintained in Massacre Bay.

CONTROL STATIONS:

Those stations appearing on the boat sheet from previous work were used for observing three point sextant fixes.

SOUNDINGS:

Soundings taken with the Ship PATTON were obtained with the Dorsey fathometer, using an 808 Depth Recorder as a check. When soundings were missed with the Dorsey fathometer, the 808 fathometer soundings were recorded. Both instruments are calibrated for 820 fms/sec., and the 808 was made to read identical with the Dorsey. Hence the only corrections to be applied are velocity corrections which are the same for both instruments.

While sounding with the EXPLORER's Launch No. 3, an 808 depth recorder was used. Bar checks were taken morning, noon, and evening at 2, 4, and 6 fathoms. The initial was held at zero on the fathograms throughout. A correction curve was drawn from the mean of the bar checks and the corrections applied direct. The curve was then extended, using values from the velocity correction curve, in obtaining final corrections for depths greater than six fathoms.

Hand lead soundings were taken and recorded while drifting over shoals.

SERIAL TEMPERATURES:

Serial temperatures and salinities were observed on 26 July 1946 at Latitude 52° - 45'.5 N., Longitude 173° - 25'.6 E., to a depth of 43 fathoms. The velocity corrections derived from these observations were applied to the entire period.

INVESTIGATIONS MADE:

The investigations made will be discussed in the order given in the Director's Letter dated 15 March 1946, referring to the Paragraph Numbers of that letter.

- 1. Additional sounding lines were run in the vicinity of Lat. 52° 46'.7, Long. 173° 17'.9, reducing the general spacing of sounding lines to 100 meters. This area is generally foul with numerous rocks and kelp fields.
- 2. The 13 fathom sounding in Lat. 52° 43'.6, Long. 173° 12'.7 was developed on Sheet H-7018 and is discussed in the report of that sheet.
- 3. Sounding lines were run over the charted 5-1/6 fathom sounding at Lat. 52° 47'.3 Long. 173° 14'.6. The least depth obtained was 8.0 fathoms. As it was too rough for drift sounding over the area during the investigation, it is recommended that the 5-1/6 fathom sounding be retained.

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4. The 12 fathom sounding in Lat. 52° - 49'.07, Long. 173° - 27'.8 was developed by the Ship DERICKSON in 1945.

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5. The 4-4/6 fathom sounding at Lat. 52° - 45'.6, Long. 173° - 20'.6 was developed by running two close systems of lines normal to each other. The least depth obtained was 4.9 fathoms between Positions 44 - 45 B (blue). This appears on Chart 9128 as 4-1/2 fathoms which should be retained. In the course of developing this spot, a 160 fathom sounding was obtained between Positions 89 - 90 B (blue), 300 meters southeast of the above position.

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- 6. The 5-1/2 fathom sounding marked "Rk" on Chart 9128 at Lat. 52° 47'.9, Long. 173° 17'.0 was thoroughly investigated by running two close system of lines normal to each other and drift sounding over the area. The least depth obtained was 5.3 fathoms on the fathometer and 5.9 fathoms on the hand lead. The rock is marked by a few streamers of kelp. It is recommended that the 5-1/2 fathom sounding on the chart be retained. Present depth should be charted
- 7. The P. A. sunken rock shown on Chart 9128 at Lat. 52° 45'. R, Long. 173° 21'. Could not be found in that location. Two close systems of lines normal to each other gave a least depth of lip fathoms at that position. About 30 meters south of the above position, between Positions 143 154 B (blue) a 153 fathom sounding was obtained. The Ship PATTON spent two hours drifting over the area and no sounding shoaler than 155 fathoms could be found.

It is recommended that the sunken rock symbol be deleted from the chart and that the 43 fathom sounding be plotted in its correct position.

The remainder of the rocks listed under Paragraph 7 were investigated on Sheet H-7018 and are discussed in the report of that

- 8. The 4-2/6 fathom sounding in Lat. $52^{\circ} 48^{\circ}.55$, Long. 173° - 21'.5 was developed by the Ship DERICKSON in 1945.
- 9. The area around the charted 2-1/2 fathom sounding P. A. Lat. 52° - 46'.1, Long. 173° - 17'.4 was thoroughly sounded with a least depth of grathoms obtained at that spot. However, a kelp patch was noticed 300 meters south of the above position at Lat. 52° - 45'.9, Long. 173° - 17'.4. The launch was allowed to drift over this patch several times, feeling with the hand lead and operating the fathometer. The shoalest depth obtained by the hand lead and fathometer was 3.3 31/2 fathoms.

It is recommended that the 2-1/2 fathom P. A. sounding be deleted from the chart and that the 33 fathoms, marked by kelp, be charted in its proper position.

10. A close system of lines was run over the charted 3 fathom sounding at Lat. 52° - 46'.17, Long. 173° - 16'.7 and the least depth obtained was 5.6 fathoms. This sounding was verified on adjacent lines. on adjacent lines.

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It is recommended that the 3 fathom sounding be deleted and the 5 fathom sounding be plotted.

11. A close system of sounding lines was run over the charted 2-1/2 fathom spot at Lat. 52° - 47'.12, Long. 173° - 15'.47 with a least depth obtained of 7-4 fathoms on the fathometer. A half hour was then spent drifting over the shoal, feeling with the hand lead and operating the fathometer. The least depth obtained on the fathometer was fathoms and 8.4 on the hand lead.

The spot is marked by kelp and it is believed that the charted 2-1/2 fathom sounding obtained was from a kelp marking on the fathogram.

It is recommended that the 2-1/2 fathom sounding be de- 6\frac{2}{5} plotted as leted from the chart and the 7-2 fathom sounding be plotted.

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In addition to the above development, the charted 3-3/4 fathom sounding in Lat. 52° - 49'.05, Long. 173° - 15'.2, originating from blueprint No. 37850 was investigated in accordance with Captain F. B. T. Siems' letter dated 28 March 1946.

This area was thoroughly covered by two close systems of sounding lines normal to each other, and one half hour drift sounding over the area. The shoalest depth obtained was 57 fathoms with the fathometer and 6.3 fathoms with the hand lead. The spot is marked by a small kelp patch.

It is recommended that the 3-3/h fathom sounding be deleted from the chart and the 5.7 fathom sounding be charted in its stead.

Additional bottom specimens were obtained by vertical wire casts in the anchorage area of Massacre Bay.

Completion of Survey:

It is believed that the additional work called for in the Supplemental Instructions has been satisfactorily completed, and no additional field work is recommended.

Kenneth G. Crosby, Lt. Comdr., C&GS Cmdg., USC&GSS PATTON

TIDAL NOTE TO ACCOMPANY SHEET H-6939

Tide reducers were obtained from the Standard Tide Gage located in Massacre Bay, Latitude 52° - 50'.5 North, Longitude 173° - 11'.6 East.

M.L.L.W. on staff as furnished by the Ship EXPLORER is 3.4 feet.

No time or range corrections were applied.

Kenneth G. Crosby Lt. Comdr., C&GS

Cmdg., USC&GSS PATTON

STATISTICS TO ACCOMPANY SHEET H-6939

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No Area- Development Only

^{*} Taking Bottom Samples.

FATHOMETER CORRECTIONS

UBC&GSS PATTON

JULY & AUGUST 1946

S. E. COAST OF ATTU ISLAND

DORSEY FATHOMETER & 808 FATHOMETER No. 74 USED FOR SHIP WORK

CORRECTION fms.	DEPTH fms				
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-0.4	21.1 - 26.0				
-0.5	26.1 - 31.5				
-0.6	31.6 - 36.5				
-0.7	36.6 - 41.5				
0.8	41.6 - 46.0				
-0.9	46.1 - 51.0				
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-0.1	18.2	- 23.4
-0.2	23.5	- 28.7
-0.3	28.8	- 34.2

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28 March 1946.

To:

The Commanding Officer, USCLGSS EXPLORER.

Subject:

Supplemental Instructions (I)

Reference:

(a) Instructions (Tentative) of 21 March 1946.

- 1. While engaged on Operations III and V of reference (a) and while at NAF Attu for supplies, etc., you will, when weather and circumstances permit, undertake field work in the vicinity of Massacre Bay as follows:
 - (a) Additional work in the approaches to Massacre Bay as called for in the Director's letter of 15 March 1946, except where this work was completed in 1945. Note: Itams 4, and 8 of the work listed in the letter was apparently accomplished by the DERICKSON in 1945, see 2 boat sheets, DE-6939, (1945). Photostat copies of smooth plotting of DE 6939 (1945) will be furnished later.
 - (b) Completion of foul groud area on H-7018, about 8 miles south of Massacre Bay. The Vashington Office has been requested to furnish you with a photostat of H-7018 (1943-1945) and boat sheets (see my letter of 8 March 1946.).
 - (c) Investigation to confirm or disprove the existence of the 3-3/4 fathom shoal charted in Massacre Bay in latitude 52° 49.05' longitude 173° 15.2'. This sounding originated with blueprint #37650 and may possibly be based on unrecorded information.
 - (a) Additional bottom specimens in the area of Massacre Bay.
- 2. With a view to prosecuting surveys to advantage, the Commanding Officer of the EXPLORER is authorized to assign part of the above work in sub-paragraphs (a), (c), and (d) to the SURVEYOR, and by copy of these instructions the Commanding Officer of that vessel will, when weather and circumstances permit, undertake the work assigned while engaged on Operations III and V of reference (a) and while at NAF Attu for supplies, etc.

cc to: Director, UCC&GS
Supervisor, N. W. District
C. O., SURVEYOR and C.O., PATTON

F. B. T. Siems.

To:

Captain F.B.T. Siems U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey 1500 Westlake Avenue, North Seattle 9, Washington

1946

Subject: Additional feild work in the approaches to Massacre Bay

In assigning the field work to the parties to be working in the vicinity of Attu Island this year, you will please issue instructions to have the following additional work accomplished in the approaches to Wassacre Bay, except in instances where this work was completed last

1. Additional soundings lines should be run in the vinicity of lat. 52° 46.7' long. 173° 17.9' to reduce the general spacing of about 200 meters in this area. This area is relatively unimportant but the additional lines are desirable in making this a basic survey.

2. Develop the 13 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 43.6', long. 173° 12. 7'.

3. Develop the 5-1/6 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 47.3, long. 173° 14.6'.

4. Develop the 12 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 49.07', long. 173° 27.8'.

Develop the 4-4/6 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 45.6', long. 173° 20.6'.

Investigate the 5-1/2 fm, sounding char ted in lat. 520 47.91. long. 1730 17.01

7. Investigate rocks charted in the vicinity of lat. 52° 45.2', long. 173° 21.6'; (lat.,52° 45.8', long. 173° 26.9', and lat. 52° 45.4', long. 173° 29.7'. The rock charted in the vicinity of lat. 52° 45. 8' long. 173° 26.9', is probably out of position and has recently been removed from chart 9128.) The rock in lat. 52° 45.1', long. 173° 21.4' from blue print 37470 was reported by Navy patrol vessels.

8. Develop the 4-276 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 48.55', long. 173° 21.5'. On 4-7088

9. Develop the 2-1/2 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 46.1', long. 173° 17.4'.

10. Develop the 3 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 46.17', long. 173° 16.7'.

11. Develop the 2-1/2 fm. sounding in lat. 52° 47.12', long. 173° 15.47'.

B oat Sheet No. 6939 covering the approaches to Massacre Bay is being forwarded to you to be used on this development work.

Director.

TEMPERATURE AND SALINITY OBSERVATIONS AND VELOCITY CORRECTIONS

U. S. C. & G. S. S. PATTON - K. G. CROSBY CMDG.

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RECORD OF TEMPERATURES, SALINITIES, AND THEORETICAL VELOCITIES

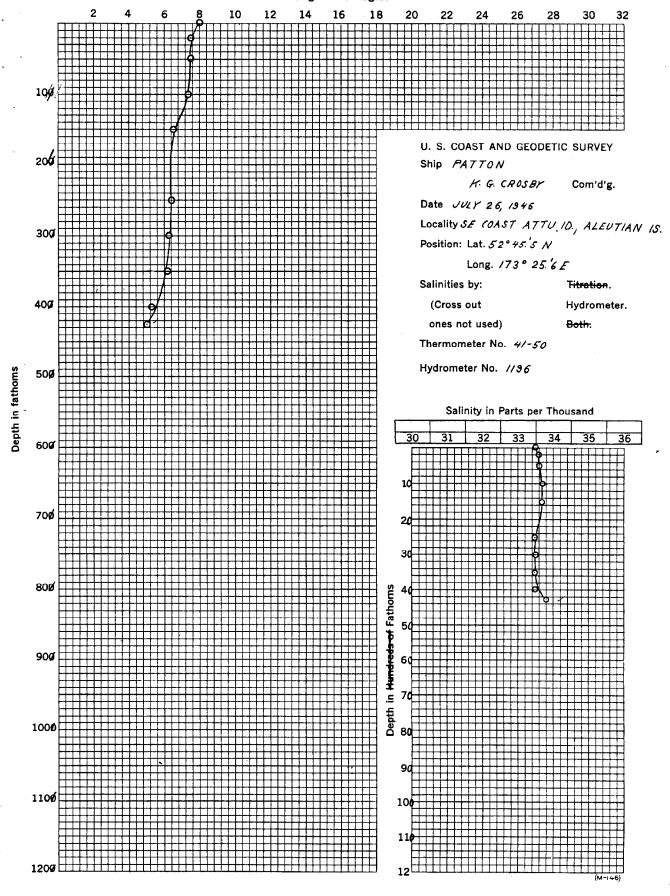
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GRAPH OF WATER TEMPERATURES AND SALINITIES

Degrees Centigrade



TEMPERATURE & SALINITY VALUES

Oscillator depth taken as 1.0 fathoms. Each layer is taken for 5-fathom intervals. Depth indicated below is for mid-point of layer.

DEPTH fms.	TEMPERATURE °C	SALINITY Parts per 1000
3.5	7.5	33.6
8.5	7.4	33.6
13.5	7.0	33.7
18.5	6 - 4	33.7
23.5	6.4	33.5
28.5	6.4	33.5
33.5	6.2	33.5
38.5	5. 8	33.5
43.5	5.0 41°F	33.8

3×5 = 410

ABSTRACT OF BAR CHECKS

SHEET H-6939

EXPLORER LAUNCH No. 3 (USED BY SHIP PATTON)

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CORRECTIONS

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FATHOMETER CORRECTIONS

USC&GSS PATTON

JULY & AUGUST 1946

S. E. COAST OF ATTU ISLAND

DORSEY FATHOMETER & 808 FATHOMETER No. 74 USED FOR SHIP WORK

CORRECTION fms.	DEPTH fms
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"808" FATHOMETER #61 USED FOR LAUNCH WORK

CORRECTION fms.	DEPTH fms					
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Hydrographic Surveys (Chart Division)

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. H-6939 Ad. Wk.)

Records accompanying survey:	
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DIVISION OF CHARTS

REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. H-6939 Ad. Wk. 1946

FIELD NO. H-6939

Alaska-Aleutian Ids., Attu I., Approaches to Massacre Bay Surveyed in July - August 1946 Scale 1:20,000 Project No. CS-218

Soundings:

Control:

Handlead Sounding Machine 808 Fathometer Dorsey Fathometer

Sextant fixes on shore signals

Chief of Party - K. G. Crosby
Surveyed by - K. G. Crosby, H. F. Garber and R. H. Brown
Protracted by - D. B. Small
Soundings plotted by - D. B. Small
Verified and inked by - A. R. Stirni
Reviewed by - R. H. Carstens, July 16, 1946
Inspected by - H. W. Murray

1. <u>Instructions</u>

This additional work was accomplished in compliance with the Director's Instructions of March 15, 1946 and March 21, 1946, and has been plotted on H-6939 (1943) in green.

2. Scope and Results of Survey

The additional work consists of the following investigation and development:

- A. Additional hydrography in the sparsely developed area in the vicinity of lat. 52° 46.7', long. 173° 17.9'. The bottom in this area is now adequately delineated.
- B. Development of the 5-1/6-fm. sounding (charted 5-1/4) in lat. 52° 47.3', long. 173° 14.6'. The additional development revealed no depth shoaler than the charted depth.

- C. Development of the $\frac{4-4}{6-\text{fm.}}$ sounding (charted 4-1/2) in lat. 52° 45.6', long. 173° 20.6'. The 4-4/6 was verified by the present soundings.
- D. Investigation of the 5-1/2-fm. sounding charted in lat. 52° 47.9', long. 173° 16.9' from Bp. 37287 (1943). The 5-1/2 is from unrecorded information. Present depths of 5-2/6 fms. supersede the charted 5-1/2.
- E. Investigation of the sunken rock P. A., charted in lat. 52° 45.1', long. 173° 21.43' from Bp. 37470 (1944). This rock was reported by Navy patrol vessels and is disproved by present depths of 14 to 18 fms.
- F. Investigation of the 2-1/2 fms. P. A., charted in lat. 52° 46.1', long. 173° 17.43', from Bp. 37470. The 2-1/2 was plotted on the boat sheet of H-6939 from unrecorded information and is probably the assumed position of the shoal struck by the ship DELLWOOD which sank 1230 meters to the eastward. The present development disproves the shoal in the charted position. A 3-1/6-fm. shoal was discovered 310 meters to the southward and supersedes the charted 2-1/2.
- G. Investigation of the 3-fm. sounding (charted) in lat. 52° 46.17', long. 173° 16.7' from additional work of 1944. A depth of 5-1/2 fms. was the shoalest depth found by the present investigation. The 3 fms. is apparently a kelp trace and is superseded by present depths.
- H. Investigation of the 2-1/2-fm. sounding (charted) in lat. 52° 47.13', long. 173° 15.48' from additional work of 1944. A least depth of 6-5/6 fms. was obtained by the present investigation. The 2-1/2 fms. is considered to be a kelp trace and is superseded by present depths.
- I. Investigation of the 3-3/4-fm. sounding charted in lat. 52° 49.05', long. 173° 15.22' from Bp. 37850 (1944). The 3-3/4 fms. is probably from unrecorded information and is disproved by the present development. A 5-2/6-fm. depth from H-6940 (1943) supersedes the charted 3-3/4 fms.
- J. The additional bottom characteristics obtained in Massacre Bay now provides adequate coverage.

3. Additional Work Recommended

The present additional work adequately completes the basic survey of the area covered by H-6939 and no additional work is recommended.

H-6939 Ad. Wk. (1946)-3-

I. E. Rittenburg

Chief, Nautical Chart Branch

K. G. Crosby

Chief, Section of Hydrography

Examined and approved:

C. M. Durgin

Chief, Division of Charts

C. K. Green

Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys

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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

DivisionxofxHydrographyxandxTopography:

10 January 1947

Division of Charts: H. W. MURRAY

Plane of reference approved in volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 6939 (additional work)

Locality - Massacre Bay, Attu Island, Aleutian Islands, Alaska

Chief of Party: K. G. Crosby in 1946

Plane of reference is mean lower low water, reading

3.4 ft. on tide staff at Massacre Bay

6.9 ft. below B. M. 1

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 3.3 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

E.C. McKay

Section
Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

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Additional work

NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

SURVEY NO. _ 16939

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A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart. Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.

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Additional work 1944

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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

Field No. H-6939a Office No. 6939

LOCALITY

ALASKA

General locality ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

ATTU ISLAND - MASSACRE BAY

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CHIEF OF PARTY

Roland D. Horne

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Additional work 1947

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

Field No. H-6939a

REGISTER NO.

State	ALASKA	
	locality Aleutian Islands	
Localit	y Massacre Bay - Attu Island	
Scale_1	:20,000 Date of survey Summer ,192	44,
Vessel	EXPLORER - Launch No. 1 and No. 2	
Chief o	f Party Roland D. Horne	
Surveye	ed by H.O. Fortin and J.E. Schultz	
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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

TO ACCOMPANY

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET NO. H-6939a

INSTRUCTIONS:

Instructions for project C.S.-218, dated March 24, 1944.

SURVEY METHODS:

Standard survey methods were used throughout this sheet. The control was based on triangulation executed by the U.S. Navy, U.S. Engineers, and supplemented by the Ship EXPLORER. All on U.S.N. 1934 (Gannet) datum.

The 808 depth recorder was used to obtain the soundings in the ship's launches. Bar checks were made in accordance with standard practice.

Only a limited number of vertical casts and bottom characteristics were taken. It is suggested that additional ones be taken in accordance with standard practice.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS SURVEYS:

The purpose of this survey was to supplement the original survey on sheet H-6939, to develop shoal areas, and to verify or disprove dangers to navigation.

DISCREPANCIES AND DANGERS:

	Lat. & Long.	Position	Fathoms	Date	Remarks	
	52° 46.9'	74c to 76c	Depth not recorded	1944	Sunken rock.	
2	52° 46.45° 173° 17.85° €	92c to 93c	Rock	1944	Awash at M.H.W.	
3	52° 46.47° 173° 17. 69 6 17.72	96c to + 97c	Sunken Rock	1944 1943	(120 (145 m. W.N.W. of above (position correct.)	e)
4	52. 46.50' 173. 17.60'E	96c to 97c	Rock "H"	1943	Saw no indication of rock 170 m. N.W. of above sunken rock.	1943 position of rock incorrect, see Hem, 6-A(20) of Review

	Lat. & Long.	Position	Fathoms	Date	Remarks
	52° 46.85' 173° 17.30' €.	79c to 80c	least depth not obtained Rock "D"	1944 1943	Position correct. Evidently same sunken rock
Ь	52° 46.88 173 17.40 E	84c to 85c	Sunken Rock	1943	120 m. N.E. of above No EVIDENCE OF SUNKEN ROCK AT POSITION not observed. THIS POSITION disk.
7	52° 46.76 173 17.07 E	98 c	Sunken Rock	1944 1943	220 m. S.W. of above position correct.
8	52° 46.1' 173° 18.5 £	14a to 15a	10-3/4 4/6	1943 1944	Wreck of Dellwood. The boom no longer shows. However top of mast could be seen below surface of water.

1943

Position of 2 thm.

52° 46.09' Position approx.
173° 17.43' 5 See Page 17, 9
1943 report

1944 Least depth found

For further investigation see item & of review

52° 46.36' 17d to 18d Rock 15 17.05' E. 110

Four cuts shown on boat sheet. Retain as sucher rock awash. Cuts taken at low water in

too definite to reject.

No indication of this rock was found. However, a 2 5/6 fm. sounding was obtained 500 m. S.W. of the above position.

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Channels and anchorages and other pertinent information can be found in the 1943 report for this sheet.

All other shoal indications are indicated by notations on the boat sheet.

Due to the fact that several days of investigation and coverage of unsurveyed areas remain on this boat sheet it is requested that it be returned to the ship EXPLORER for the 1945 season.

STATISTICS:

Number of positions - - - - - - 448 Number of Statute Miles of sounding lines - 99.3

TIDAL NOTE:

A standard automatic tide gage was in operation on Navy Pier No. 1, Attu Island, Massacre Bay, during the 1944 field season. All necessary data was taken from this gage and compiled by the officer personnel of the Ship EXPLORER. Mean lower low water as compiled by the Washington Office was 3.94 feet on the staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry O. Fortin, Lieut. Comdr., C. & G. S.

John E. Schultz John E. Schultz Lieut. (j.g.) C. & G. S.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

Roland D. Horne, Commanding Officer,

U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER.

Seattle Processing Office Notes

H-6939 - Additional Work

Massacre Bay, Attu I.

All signals already are plotted on the smooth sheet.

Records forwarded to Washington for plotting on the original smooth sheet.

It is requested that the boat sheet be beturned to the Seattle Processing Office when verified, as there is need for more development in the eastern part of the sheet.

Respectfully submitted

Edgar H. Smith Cart. Engineer

Approved and Forwarded:

F. H. Hardy

Officer in Charge,

Seattle Processing Office.

Statistics

H-6939 - Additional Work 1944

Massacre Bay, Attu I.

Date		Day	Vessel	Miles of Sdg. Line	No. of Positions	Vol. No.
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9/7	%	đ	Launch 1	39.2	142	3
		4		99.3	450	3

Massacre Bay - Attu Island

Tidal Note

Additional Work - 1944 - H-6939, H-6940, & H-6941

Massacre Bay

Standard Automatic Gage en Havy Pier No. 1

Latitude 52° 5015

Longitude 173 11.7

Staff Reading of MLLW
as fixed by the Washington Office

3.94 feet

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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

January 23, 1945.

Division of Hydrography and Topography:

Division of Charts: Attention: H. R. EDMONSTON

Plane of reference approved in 3 volumes of sounding records for Additional Work

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 6939

Locality Massacre Bay, Attu Island, Aleutian Islands, Alaska.

Chief of Party: R. D. Horne in 1944

Plane of reference is mean lower low water reading
3.9 ft. on tide staff at of June 20, 1944 at Massacre Bay
6.5 ft. below B. M.1

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 3.3 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

acting Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

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Surveys Section (Chart Division)

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. H6934 Additional Work

Records accompanying survey:								
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bomb vols; graphic recorder rolls;								
special reports, etc								

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Verification by A. H. B. Total time	213 hrs Date 2/27/45.							
Review by . R.H	33.4- Date 3/5/45.							

Partially applied to chart 9128

(after verification and review)

3-21-45

applied to chart 9148 after review 2. M. a. 6-19-45