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INTRODUCTION

High Command: The Operations Division of the War Department General Staff

In 1946 the question originally posed to me was what the U.S. Army had done right and what it had done wrong in World War II. I was told that Dwight D. Eisenhower, then a five-star general chief of staff of the army, wanted to know. The task for me was an "inquiry" in a real sense because no one knew except in very general terms what the record would reveal.

The "record," as I found it, consisted of the official document files of the whole War Department and the recollections of army officers who had helped write and compile the documents. They covered all the major aspects of high-level military planning in World War II and the responsibilities of various agencies, particularly of the Operations Division of the War Department General Staff (OPD), in formulating strategic plans and decisions.

General George Marshall, Chief of Staff, and his Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations, General John Hull agreed that the OPD was a unique army institution, that it had been phenomenally powerful and successful, and that few people even in the army knew exactly what it was and what it had done. The preparation of a scholarly history would be extremely valuable.

U.S. Army staff work in tactical units was carried on in accordance with well-established doctrine. The exercise of command, following this doctrine, has as its chief function the issuance of orders that gear the actions of every element in a military unit into an organic, coordinated effort.

Effectiveness in command, it is understood, requires three things. First, the commander must be able to make an intelligence appraisal of the specific situations that the various parts of his command are facing. Second, he must formulate clear-cut decisions reflecting this appraisal. Third, he must assure himself that decisions reached are speedily and clearly conveyed to subordinates, and that subordinates act accordingly.

In the years when the menace of war was coming closer and closer to the United States—1939, 1940, and 1941—the Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army tried to control the expanding military establishment with less adequate staff

assistance than was afforded to many of his subordinate commanders. His staff was the War Department General Staff, an organization whose history and traditions had made it quite different from the kind of staff that the U.S. Army had developed to assist commanders of tactical units in the field.

Not only was it oriented toward the Zone of Interior, where its prime duty was the preparation of "necessary plans for recruiting, mobilizing, supplying, equipping, and training the Army," but as a result of that orientation the general staff came to accept a procedural tradition limiting its right to interfere with the actual performance of duties by other army and navy agencies within the United States.

While it was supposed to "supervise" the execution of "plans and policies," this third staff function tended to be inhibited by strong emphasis on refraining from intervention in the work of so-called "operating" agencies that carried on army activities in the Zone of Interior. In short, the general staff was designed to help the chief of staff formulate decisions, to a lesser extent to disseminate them, and scarcely at all to observe that they were carried out in detail.

In the first three months after the entry of the United States in World War II, the War Department worked out and adopted a basic reorganization. The responsibilities of the War Plans Division (WPD) of the War Department General Staff were broadened to include the strategic direction of army operations. The 9 March 1942 reorganization thus provided a legal basis whereby WPD could exploit the high, central position of the War Department General Staff. Henceforth WPD, renamed the OPD, became the Washington command post.

Its new duties were similar to those of a general staff in the forward echelon of a field headquarters. OPD performed the full, triple staff function, formulating decisions, disseminating them, and observing the actions taken in conformity with them. Continuing the old WPD task of general strategic planning, particularly in committees of the national (joint) and international (combined) command

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system, OPD was uniquely equipped with the information necessary for the staff formulation of decisions on behalf of the chief of staff.

From the beginning of 1942, the chief of staff had a staff that had army-wide responsibilities coextensive with his own. It was organized to issue orders and see that they were carried out. Since OPD was the headquarters of this staff, the official document files tell the story of General Marshall's overall army command throughout World War II.

Sources

In writing what I called the life history of a staff in *Washington Command Post: The Operations Division*, I was privileged to use the files of the War Department that covered not only the everyday decisions necessary to manage a military staff at home and abroad but also the policies made at the highest level of U.S. political and strategic negotiations in wartime.

In addition to the section entitled "Bibliographical Note and Guide to Footnotes," I wish to note that primary sources were extensive and fell into five general categories:

1. communications
2. OPD drafts of communications
3. OPD studies
4. memorandum for the record and other informal notes of record
5. miscellaneous formal and informal papers

This is a rich collection. None of these sources should be disregarded about a certain subject. Even a penciled note on the margin of a study may make the only statement to be found on a given topic, and these were numerous, often providing very important information. Drafts of papers may reveal authorship of various parts of a finished document that bears no personal signatures. Texts of lectures, even though not delivered, may be good summaries of actual opinions.

For instance, although the OPD's areas of responsibility were specifically stated, multiple sources indicate that the opposite was true of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), who undertook their responsibilities without a formal written directive. The JCS guided the efforts of the three services in support of the wartime objectives under the president as commander-in-chief. General Marshall represented the army on the OPD staff.

Following are three areas of this microfilm edition in which the records are important. These are only examples of the many other subjects that are adequately covered.

Pearl Harbor

The Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941 was a violent shock to the U.S. Army as well as to the American nation. The onslaught jarred the

Americans, who had been poised between peace and war for some time, into wanting to "get even" with the Japanese. Since neither the army nor the navy had focused on Hawaii as a target, they were unprepared. The extensive damage crippled the U.S. Pacific Fleet and seriously compromised the army and navy for wartime operations in the Pacific.

The U.S. Congress in its volumes, *Hearings before the Joint Committee on the Investigation of the Pearl Harbor Attack, 1945-1946*, published a great deal of material including the War Department documents in the WPD files. The testimony of War Department officers and the proceedings and reports of earlier investigations revealed the extent of the disaster. The hearings before the congressional committee and exhibits submitted were published in thirty-nine parts. The committee summarized its evidence and conclusion in a one-volume report.

One carefully phrased OPD message (No. 472) sent to Pearl Harbor on 27 November 1941 accurately reflected the current diplomatic-military situation prior to the attack. It bore the heading "Far Eastern Situation" and was read to General Marshall, who signed it. It stated:

Negotiations with Japan appear to be terminated to all practical purposes with only the barest possibilities that the Japanese Government might come back and offer to continue. Japanese future action unpredictable but hostile action possible at any moment. If hostilities cannot, repeat cannot, be avoided the United States desires that Japan commit the first overt act. This policy should not, repeat not, be construed as restricting you to a course of action that might jeopardize your defense. Prior to hostile Japanese action you are directed to undertake such reconnaissance and other measures as you deem necessary but these measures should be carried out so as not, repeat not, to alarm civil population or disclose intent. Report measures taken. Should hostilities occur you will carry out the tasks assigned to Rainbow Five so far as they pertain to Japan. Limit dissemination of this highly secret information to minimum essential officers.

[Signed] MARSHALL.

On the same day, 27 November 1941, the Division sent a message to its army intelligence office in the Hawaiian Department. It read:

Japanese negotiations have come to a practical stalemate. Hostilities may ensue. Subversive activities may be expected.

Unfortunately the messages were very secretive and limited. The WPD information was accurate, but somehow the army and navy commanders in Hawaii did not pay too

much attention to it. The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor occurred before OPD, or its forerunner WPD, was organized as an efficient command post for the chief of staff. The records, as indicated in the above messages of warning to the commanders in Hawaii, do not reveal OPD's failure but rather how the failure affected the status of OPD as it was later established.

Europe First

Since one of the OPD main staff duties was the preparation of international conferences, these records are informative. The reports of the Arcadia Conference at the end of December 1941 was the first effort to describe the roles not only of U.S. forces but also of British forces, their objectives, and their plans. They contained the twists and turns taken to reach the conclusion of concentrating forces and equipment on the European theater to defeat Hitler and the German army. They advised conducting a holding pattern in the Pacific despite the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

OPD was a major player in drawing up the blueprints for mounting Overlord, the Allied invasion of Western Europe. Called the Bolero Plan, its first version was completed in March 1942. The fifth version ruled out assaults on the Balkans, the Iberian Peninsula, and Dakar. As the plan evolved its purpose was to create a second U.S.-British front in Western Europe to divert German strength. All five versions appear in the War Department record and form a history of the development of this strategy.

In mid-April 1942, General Marshall presented the Bolero Plan to the British chiefs of staff and the British government. They accepted it and called it the "Marshall Memorandum." From then on it became official British-American policy.

The records amply document the various stages of the development of the policy that led up to the agreement on the objective, the timing, the combat strength, and the actual assault on the French coast. From then on the plans involved joint action between the combined forces of the U.S. Army and Navy and the combined forces of Great Britain.

Since several officers from OPD were assigned to work with the British joint planners, the files of the U.S. War Department are extensive, detailing the many arrange-

ments made for close liaison between Washington and London. An obvious problem was "just staying ahead of the war or even just keeping up with it."

Meanwhile, one memorandum noted, the problems of establishing the same kind of unified policy for U.S. Army and Navy forces in the Pacific "was virtually insoluble" because General Douglas MacArthur was "unalterably opposed" to such a move. It is clear at this time that OPD did not regularly receive plans for operations in this theater as is indicated by its request for information on negotiations in progress with the Soviet Union about U.S. bomber operations based in Siberia.

Only after the invasion of Normandy were General Albert Wedemeyer and his OPD staff able to make frequent visits to the Asian theater.

Early Opinions about Soviet Interest in Allied Plans

It was during the period of developing the Bolero Plan that OPD formulated its thoughts about the sincerity of the Soviet Union in cooperating in the Allied war effort. As early as 1942 it became clear to the planners that the leadership in Moscow really wanted to fight on the side of the United States and Great Britain and then gradually to develop the Soviet military forces. When considering inviting a Soviet delegation to the Cairo conference in 1943, an OPD memorandum drafted for General Marshall suggested that the Soviet Union would regard the offer with suspicion or would believe it was a move to find out about future Soviet military operations.

In fact, the minutes of the four conferences attended by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill stressed the cooperation of these two leaders in the European war. The complications of their relationship with their Soviet and Chinese counterparts gave a forewarning of problems in reaching a final conclusion to the war in the Pacific. It was only after the United States used an atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki to eliminate Japanese military power that the Japanese had to surrender.

The issues during wartime were subject to urgency while under debate in the Congress and the press. The records present a full flavor of OPD's desire to perform successfully to the end of hostilities. ♪

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NOTE ON SOURCES

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EDITORIAL NOTE

Included in this microfilm publication are all the files in Entry 418 decimal number 381 (National Defense. Preparations and preparedness for war: instructions, plans, statistics, and tables) that relate to the war against Japan in Asia and the Pacific. The majority of the files cover plans and operations in China, the Pacific Theater of Operations (commanded by Admiral Nimitz), the Philippines, the Southwest Pacific Area (commanded by General MacArthur), and the Japanese Islands. University Publications of America has microfilmed each file in its entirety.

The files in Entry 418 decimal number 381 that deal with the war against Germany can be found in UPA's *Records of the War Department's Operations Division, 1942–1945: Part 1. World War II Operations, Series A. European and Mediterranean Theaters.*

There are additional records for both the European and Pacific theaters of World War II from the War Department's Operations Division in Entry 419 Top Secret General Correspondence, 1942–1944 and 1945. UPA has microfilmed all of Entry 419 decimal number 381 files and has made them available as *Records of the War Department's Operations Division, 1942–1945: Part 1. World War II Operations, Series C. Top Secret Files.*

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations/initials are used frequently in this guide and are spelled out here for the convenience of the researcher.

ANZAC	Australia and New Zealand Army Corps
ASCOMO	Army Service Command
ComPhlb	Commander, Amphibous
CTO	Chinese Theater of Operations
OSS	Office of Strategic Services
OWI	Office of War Information
PI	Philippine Islands
POWs	Prisoners of War
PTO	Pacific Theater of Operations
SWPA	Southwest Pacific Area
USS	United States Ship
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
WPAC	Western Pacific Area Command

REEL INDEX

The following Reel Index denotes major topics found in each of the folders listed in bold. Also included is the date, if any, as well as the total frame count. The four-digit number to the left is the frame number at which the folder begins. The user is referred to the list of abbreviations on page ix.

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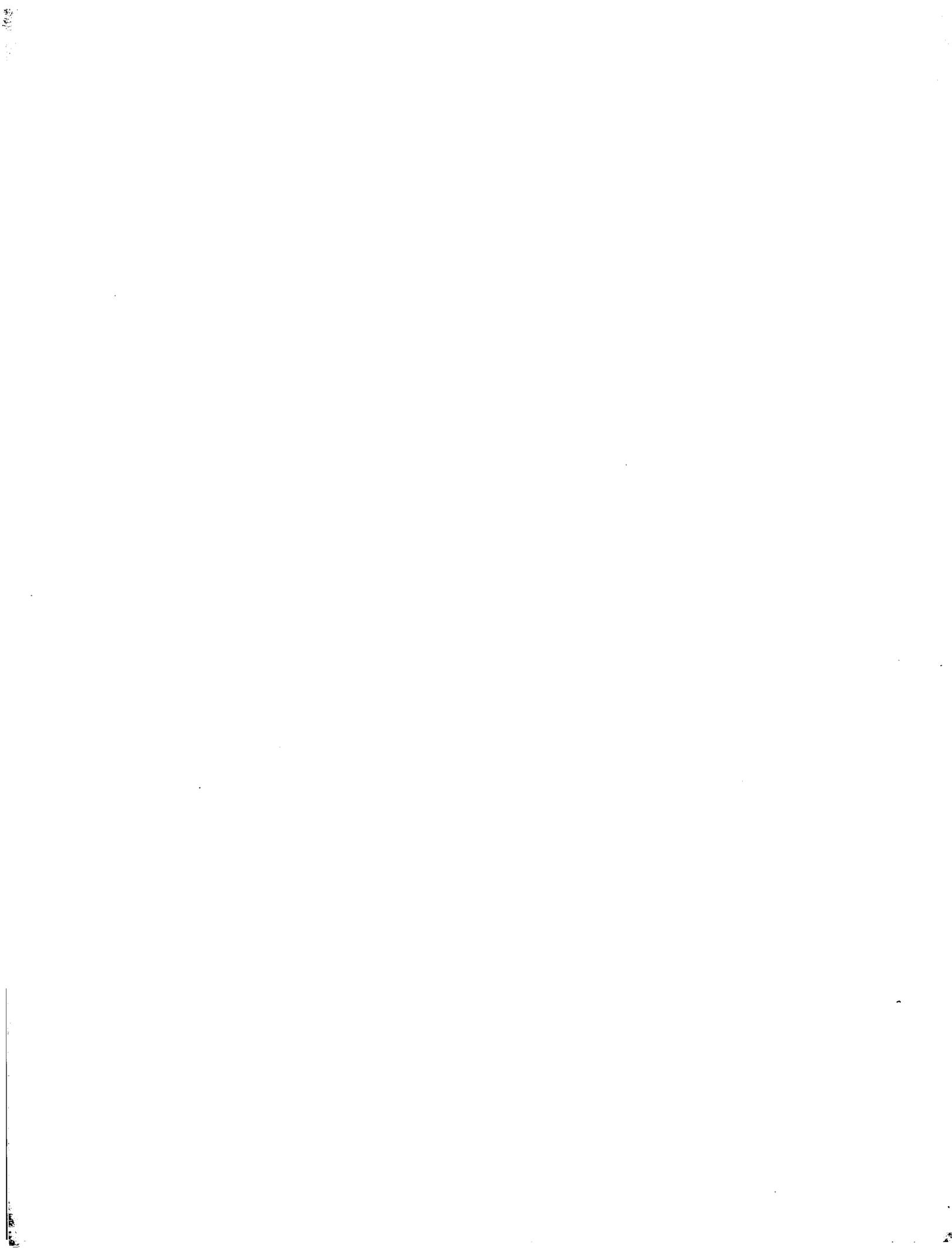
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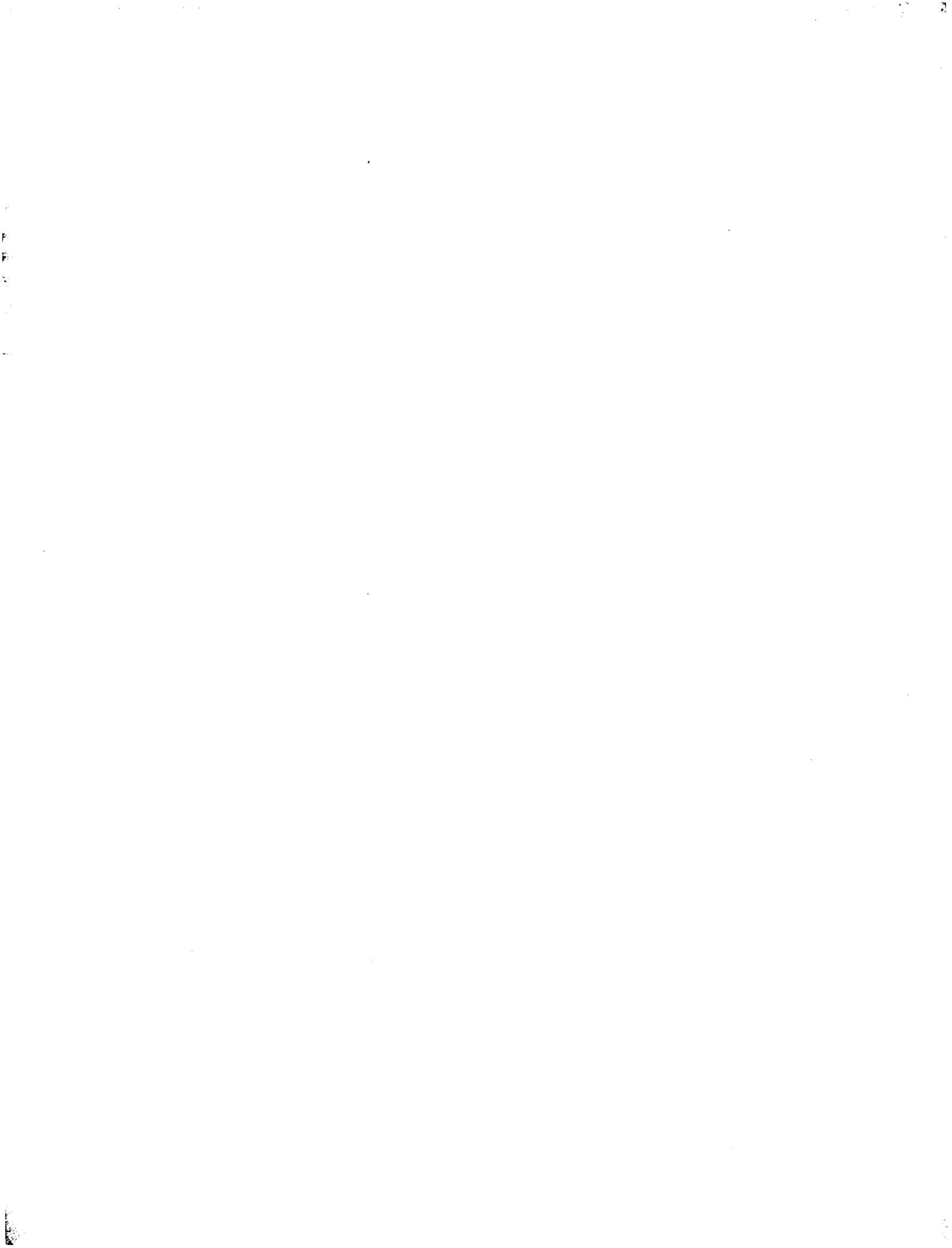
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