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STANFORD, ALFRED B.: Papers, 1944

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Alfred Boller Stanford was commissioned a Lieutenant Commander, USNR, in September 1942 and a Commander in October 1943. He was Deputy Commander, MULBERRY "A" under A. Dayton Clark, and helped in the planning and execution of plans for this artificial harbor off Omaha Beach on D plus 8 days (June 14, 1944). He is the author of *Force Mulberry*, in which he discussed this operation.

This collection includes diagrams, contour maps, charts, and a manual pertaining to the operation of the "Phoenix" units. The major subjects covered are installation and use of artificial harbors on the Normandy beaches of Utah and Omaha (May 1944); a manual on the operation of Phoenix Units; a chart of "Whales" (pontoon-supported ramps of "Floating Bridges") showing types, assembly areas, towing gear and link placements (amended May 9, 1944); a diagram of the proposed placement of the GOOSEBERRY (artificial breakwater of sunken ships) on Utah Beach (May 10, 1944); contour maps of Utah Beach-South (La Madeleine) and North (Ravenoville) with shoreline sketches, charts of beach gradients, sunlight and moonlight tables, and data on inshore currents and tidal stages (April 21, 1944); and a diagram showing composition of the proposed Omaha Beach facilities (March 23, 1944) giving placement instructions for the large scale Whales.

Related Records:

Clark, A. Dayton, Naval Commander of Mulberry "A", Normandy Invasion of 1944: Papers, 1932-63

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library Collection: Records on the Construction and Operation of the Artificial Harbors for the Normandy Invasion (Mulberry "B"), 1943-44

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- 1 Chart: "Whales" (Floating Bridges) (amended 5/9/44)
- Contour Map: Utah Beach – South (La Madeleine) (4/21/44)
- Diagram: Omaha Beach composition of spud piers and whales (3/23/44)
- Contour Map: Utah Beach – North (Ravenoville) (April 21, 1944)
- Diagram: Omaha Beach (5/13/44)
- Diagram: Utah Beach, Gooseberry (5/10/44)
- Manual: "Phoenix", operation of

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