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V-1 (Fieseler Fi 103) Cruise Missile, First Flown in 1442

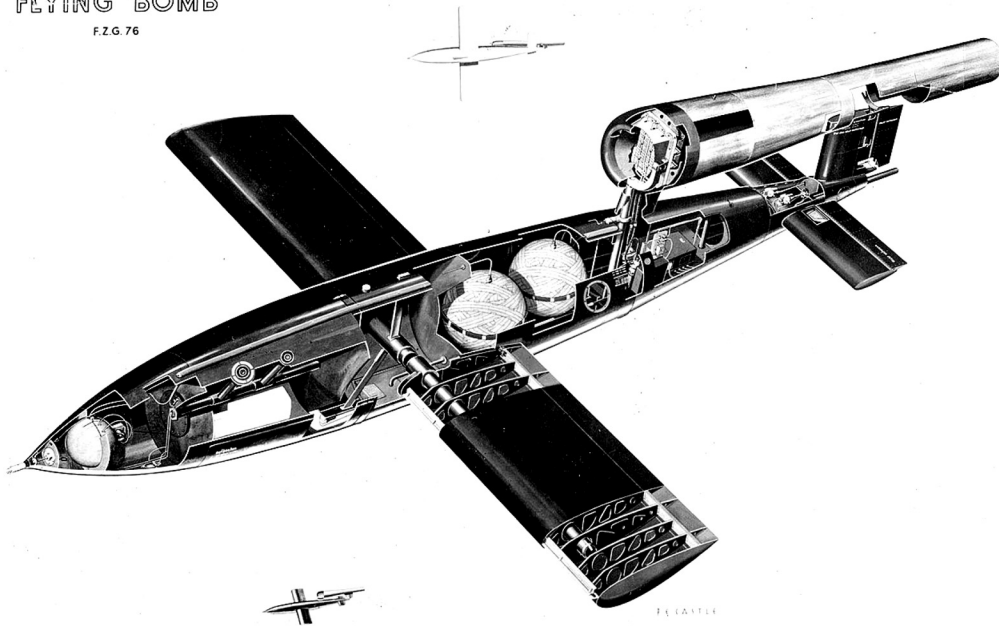
Fritz Gosslau
(1898–1965)

Robert Lusser
(1899–1969)

Paul Schmidt
(1898–1976)



FLYING BOMB
F.Z.G. 76



Surface-to-Surface Missiles

During the period of growth of the Allied air power, the heretofore visualized need of long range remote or self-controlled missiles for area bombing became an actual necessity. Resulting from the successive defeats the Luftwaffe was suffering, it became less and less advisable to send bombing squadrons against the enemy; therefore, increased effort was placed on the development of supersonic missiles which were visualized as early as 1936 as potential weapons. These were hastily and prematurely thrown into the fray. In addition to the development of long range supersonic weapons, there was simultaneously carried through development to operational use the V-1 weapon. The V-1 was the first long range missile operationally used as a self-contained, non-piloted or controlled weapon. It is estimated that over 20,000 of these were used against the Allies.

Two further developments of the V-1 program were an attempt to launch the missile from a ramp on the deck of a submarine and a project for a piloted V-1. In the first case a ramp was constructed though never used; it is believed that this was intended for attacks against coastal towns and defenses on the Eastern seaboard of the U.S.A. In the second instance, several models were constructed though, as far as is known, none were ever used. It was intended that the pilot should fly the missile to within a short range of the target, set the controls and then jump out.

During the same period the development of the A series (V-2 missiles) was continued in spite of the handicaps caused by Allied bombings. After the expenditure of a tremendous amount of money and energy on this project, the A-4 missile went into operational use in 1944. It is estimated that 3,000 to 5,000 of these missiles were built.

Piloted V-1



Sub-Launched, Air-Launched, and Piloted V-1 Cruise Missiles

H. H. Smith, N. W. Dickson, V. P. Kovac,
and E. H. Bennett. German Developments
in the Guided Missile Field. 10 January
1946. Project 2874. NARA RG 319, Entry
NM3-82, Box 2879, Folder Project 2784.

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**Heinkel He 111 with unpiloted
V-1 under the wing as an
air-launched cruise missile**

17.8.46.

Betrachtungen über die bemannte V 1
in Zusammenhang mit Atomenergie .

Bei der Durcharbeitung der Interrogation vom 16.8.46 habe ich folgende Gedankgänge über die Verwendung der bemannten V 1 in Zusammenhang mit Atomenergie erwogen :

Die Betrachtung der in viele Millionen Menschen gehenden Verluste und ungeheuren Materialzerstörungen, die ein moderner Angreifer im Laufe mehrerer Jahre verursacht, zwingt zu der Überlegung, welche Möglichkeiten gegeben sind , einen Angriffskrieg und damit diese Verluste und Schäden zu verhindern.

Jedes sich mit Angriffsabsichten tragende Land ist durch Vernichtung einer verhältnismässig kleinen Zahl von Punkten, die für den Angreifer lebenswichtig sind, schlagartig zu lähmen. Es sind dies, wie allgemein bekannt, z.B. Werke der Energiewirtschaft (Kohle, Elektrizität), der Öl Förderung, Aufbereitung und Lagerung, Kunstbauten des Verkehrs, Schlüsselindustrien der Rüstungswirtschaft, Schlachtschiffe u.s. Die Zahl dieser verwundbaren Stellen ist zwar bei den einzelnen Staaten verschieden, liegt aber zahlenmässig bei allen im Bereich der praktischen Einwirkungsmöglichkeit. Es liegt ebenfalls im Bereich der Möglichkeit, die kleine Zahl Menschen zu finden, die als internationale Polizeitruppe - als Flugzeugführer einer bemannten V 1 - jederzeit bereit sind, eine Bedrohung des Weltfriedens durch sofortige Vernichtung der oben erwähnten lebenswichtigen Punkte des angreifenden Staates zu verhindern.

Eine verbesserte bemannte V 1 mit Atomenergie als Ladung, kurz eine bemannte steuerbare Atombombe, die mit Sicherheit von modernen schnellen Grossflugzeugen in der Nähe ihres Zieles abgesetzt wird, gewährleistet bei Lenkung von Menschenhand und bei Selbstaufopferung des Piloten eine sichere Vernichtung ihres Zieles. Die Lenkung einer solchen Bombe durch Fernsteuerung, gleich welcher Art, gewährt nicht die absolute Sicherheit, das Ziel richtig zu treffen. Denn die technische Beeinflussungsmöglichkeit der Fernsteuerung sowie des die Fernsteuerung bedienenden Menschen durch den Feind liegt zur Zeit im Bereich des möglichen. Daraus ergeben sich Fehlerquellen, die die Erfolgsaussichten einer solchen Bombe sehr in Frage stellen. Dagegen bietet eine durch Menschenhand gesteuerte Bombe die nach menschlichem Ermessen grössten Erfolgsaussichten.

So wäre eine entsprechend ausgewählte, geschulte und ausgerüstete internationale Polizeitruppe durch Einsatz der bemannten, steuerbaren Atombombe jederzeit in der Lage, grössere Angriffsabsichten und Handlungen eines Landes sofort im Keim zu ersticken. Allein die Tatsache des Vorhandenseins einer solchen Polizeitruppe würde schon eine weitgehende Garantie gegen Angriffsabsichten sein.

Ein Einwand, dass der Angreifer mit dem gleichen oben angeführten Totaleinsatz von wenigen Menschen den Verteidiger lahmlegen könnte, trifft nicht zu. Denn jeder moderne Angreifer muss einen ungeheuren Rüstungsapparat unterhalten, dessen Nervenzentren infolge ihrer Vielzahl immer sichtbar und daher verwundbar sein werden. Dagegen kann der Verteidiger, der diese Riesenrüstung nicht benötigt und sich durch die oben erwähnte Polizeitruppe schützt, seine wenigen hierzu erforderlichen Nerven so schützen oder verteilen, dass sie nicht lahmgelegt werden können.

Aus diesen Gründen erscheint mir die bemannte Atombombe besonders geeignet, Angriffsabsichten hochgerüsteter Staaten zu verhindern und damit die Welt vor erneuten unabsehbaren Verlusten an Menschen und Material zu bewahren.

Nuclear-Armed V-1

Edmund Sorg. 17 August 1946.
Betrachtungen über die bemannte V 1 im Zusammenhang mit Atomenergie. TNA (Kew) FO 1031/57.

An improved manned V1 with atomic energy as a charge, in short a manned controllable atomic bomb, which can certainly be released by modern, fast, large airplanes close to its target, ensures a safe destruction of this target given that it is steered by the hands of a pilot ready to sacrifice himself. Guiding such a bomb by a remote control of any kind does not ensure the absolute certainty of hitting the target correctly. This happens because at this time it is technically possible for the enemy to interfere with the remote control and also influence the people controlling the remote guidance. This results in sources of error that seriously jeopardize the success of such a bomb. On the other hand, a human-controlled bomb offers the greatest possible prospects of success.

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 a partial list of the members of Hanna REITSCH's V-1 suicide squad
 and the great secret and few other items.

TOP SECRET

Frau SORG appeared at FIAT and was allowed to see her
 and on 3rd and 4th October, in the presence of the under-
 signed. Her statements, some of them previously made in her
 letters to her husband, revealed the imminence of the execution
 of a plot, possibly the evacuation of Luftwaffe personnel to
 PERU with the help of a Peruvian citizen of English extraction,
 who is now employed by UNRRA in MUNICH. Since immediate action
 seemed imperative a brief operational memorandum was written
 for C.I.C. on 6 Oct 46. Most of the information contained
 in the memorandum of 6 Oct 46 will be repeated and amplified
 in this report. The second report on SORG's knowledge of the
 latest Luftwaffe weapons, on his "vision" of a future defensive
 war by means of suicide V-1s with atomic charges, and on the
 hiding of the most secret documents of RECHLIN, will follow
 shortly after this report.

7. SORG claims to have told all his secrets to the American
 and British officers who interrogated him in late spring and
 early summer 1945 and to have handed over to them all the
 RECHLIN documents he had hidden ^{in Bavaria and Württemberg} for Colonel PETERSEN. In fact,
 he did reveal ^{some} many of his secrets and handed over a portion
 of the concealed documents. He has already admitted that
 he forgot to mention the latest fuse he tested, i.e. an acoustic
 or sonic fuse for aircraft to aircraft missiles. Apparently
 he had only given part of the story of Hanna REITSCH's "suicide
 squad" which was supervised and trained by SORG. Specially
 adapted models of V-1 manned by pilots prepared to sacrifice
 their lives were to receive a powerful charge with which to
 destroy key targets, such as vital war plants and large battle-
 ships. SORG stated that the training was abandoned, late in
 1944, "because of German air inferiority". It is more likely
 that the charge for the warhead which had been envisaged was
 not available in sufficient quantities. Significantly SORG
 mentioned an atomic charge for these suicide V-1s as the ideal

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explosive in a future "defensive" war. SORG has not been
 very truthful in his account of the finding of the 25/27
 boxes of hidden documents. Some of these boxes were opened
 by French soldiers ignorant of their value, others were "lost".
 The only other man who knew the whole truth, a Major GROSHOLZ,
 la to Colonel PETERSEN, was shot by the French in May 1945 and
 his body was disinterred by SORG in March 1946. It may safely
 be assumed that SORG has told some deliberate untruths about
 these documents and that he has not yet handed over to the
 allies all he had hidden in spring 1945.

Nuclear Armed V-1

TNA (Kew) FO 1031/112: Sorg V2.

Fernspruch - Fernschreiben - Funkspruch - Blinkspruch

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Tag:	Bauinspektion der Waffen-4 und Polizei									
Zeit:	Böhmen-Mähren									
Dringlichkeits-Vermerk	Prag									
KB-1046	Muspillstr. 19							Fernsprech-Anschluß:		
		zur Weiterleitung an 4-Ostuf. Schürmann							Berlin	

DH-43

O.U., den 23.4.1945

Immediately blow up V 1 devices near Berlin.

Geräte V 1 bei Berlin sofort sprengen.

4-Ostuf. Schürmann sofort zum Meldekopf München-Oberföhring, Muspillstr. 19 in Marsch setzen.

Where are the reports?

[Signature]
 (Dr. Ing. Kammler)
 4-Obergruppenführer und General
 der Waffen-4

Hans Kammler.
23 April 1945 telegram.
Bundesarchiv, Bestand
NS 3/514, pp. 31-32.

Erledigt:
[Signature]
 Hauptmann [Name]

Erfüllung	Fernspruch Fernschreiben Funkspruch Blinkspruch	Nr.	Von	An	Tag	Zeit	Annehmender Offz. (Uffz.)	
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Wartime Submarine-Launched V-1 Cruise Missiles

Clayton Bissell and Hewlett Thebaud to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. 9 December 1944. Subject: Agreed Joint Evaluation of the Possible Existence of the V-3 Rocket and Probability of Attack against the U.S. FDR Library, Hyde Park, New York. Map Room Files, Box 164, Folder Naval Aides. Files: A/16---General Correspondence.

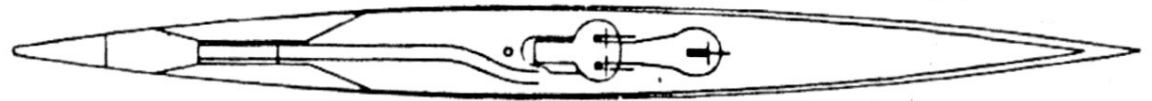
[...] The V-3 may possibly be a rocket of smaller dimensions than the V-2 with a shorter range. **It would be possible to launch such a missile from specially designed or modified submarines. Attached is a sketch of a German submarine based in a southern Norwegian port showing a pair of rails extending from conning tower to the bow and terminating at a flat, rectangular surface. The purpose of this is unknown.**

INTERPRETATION REPORT N° S 103

Appendix A

German 740 ton U boat with modified deck forward.

Scale 1" = 50ft.



Dimensions :-

Length 244'
Beam 21'

Armament :-

Probably 1-37mm gun
" 4-20mm guns

Special features :-

- (1) Narrowing of deck forward
- (2) "Rails" on deck running from the port side of the Conning Tower forward to the narrow neck of the deck

Drawn from photographs taken by Coastal Command aircraft on 19th Sept '44
(H.Q.C.C. Ref A.2201-MIL-19th Sept 44//Q.224-N°11)

Wartime Submarine-Launched V-1 Cruise Missiles

Where are
the reports?

Dwight Eisenhower to AGWAR. 1 November 1944. Outgoing Cable. TNA (Kew) WO 219/298.

Special Force report quoting Danish source states **U-boat will be leaving European waters shortly to launch V-1s against NEW YORK.** Date of report 30 October.

Clayton Bissell to Stockholm Military Attaché. 3 November 1944. Outgoing Cable WAR 56799. FDR Library, Hyde Park, New York. Map Room Files, Box 49, Folder Rocket Bombs 1944.

Have been advised through OSS that Tykander their representative in Stockholm has received **reliable information that German U boats are equipped with bomb launching platforms.** Investigate and keep us fully informed.

Dwight Eisenhower to AGWAR. 13 November 1944. Outgoing Cable S-66672. TNA (Kew) WO 219/298.

Special Force Headquarters reports same source reported 7 November that he believed **4 U-Boats were to be used in operation against NEW YORK** operating from BERGEN but course and rate unknown.

U-Boat Aimed V-Bomb Here, Army Paper Says. *NY Times*. 15 May 1945 p. 10.

A German submarine tried to V-bomb New York last election day, presumably with a jet-propelled or rocket-propelled weapon, the Army newspaper Stars and Stripes reported tonight, quoting "sources considered reliable." **It was reported that the bomb was launched from the deck of a U-boat lying off the coast and that it fell short or was knocked down by fighter planes patrolling as a screen against any such projectiles.** The Stars and Stripes said that "operators" at Mitchel Field were quoted as having said that it was determined that the bomb fell into the sea.

S. McClintic, Headquarters U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe, Office of the Director of Intelligence, to George C. McDonald. 6 January 1945. Big Ben (Rockets). AFHRA A5734 pdf p. 1093.

Again we receive reports of ships being constructed for the launching of flying bombs, this one a 6000 ton boat at Hamburg, and another report that the shipyards, DEUTSCHE WERFT BETRIEB FINKENWERDER are putting ramps on the decks.

J. Edgar Hoover to Harry Hopkins. 8 January 1945. FDR Library, Hyde Park, New York. Official File 10b. Box 20. Folder OF 10-b, Justice Department, FBI Reports 1944-45. 2597-2618.

During the interrogation of William Curtis Colepaugh, the enemy agent who was landed by German submarine off the coast of Frenchman's Bay, Maine, on the night of November 29, 1944, several interesting features have arisen concerning his submarine trip to the United States. [...] Upon arrival at Kristianson, Norway, on the U-1230 he learned that the U-1231 and the U-1233, both submarines of the same type as the U-1230, had just completed some sort of test at Kristianson, Norway.

Colepaugh has said that members of the crew of the U-1230 indicated in conversation that they had observed at one of the submarine ports near Danzig some members of other submarine crews practicing in groups with equipment of a rocket or gun type on the deck and these crew members presumed this equipment would be used against the United States. He said the crew members he talked with were pretty definite about this stating that **the submarines would proceed to within 100 or 200 miles of the United States and then fire these rockets.**

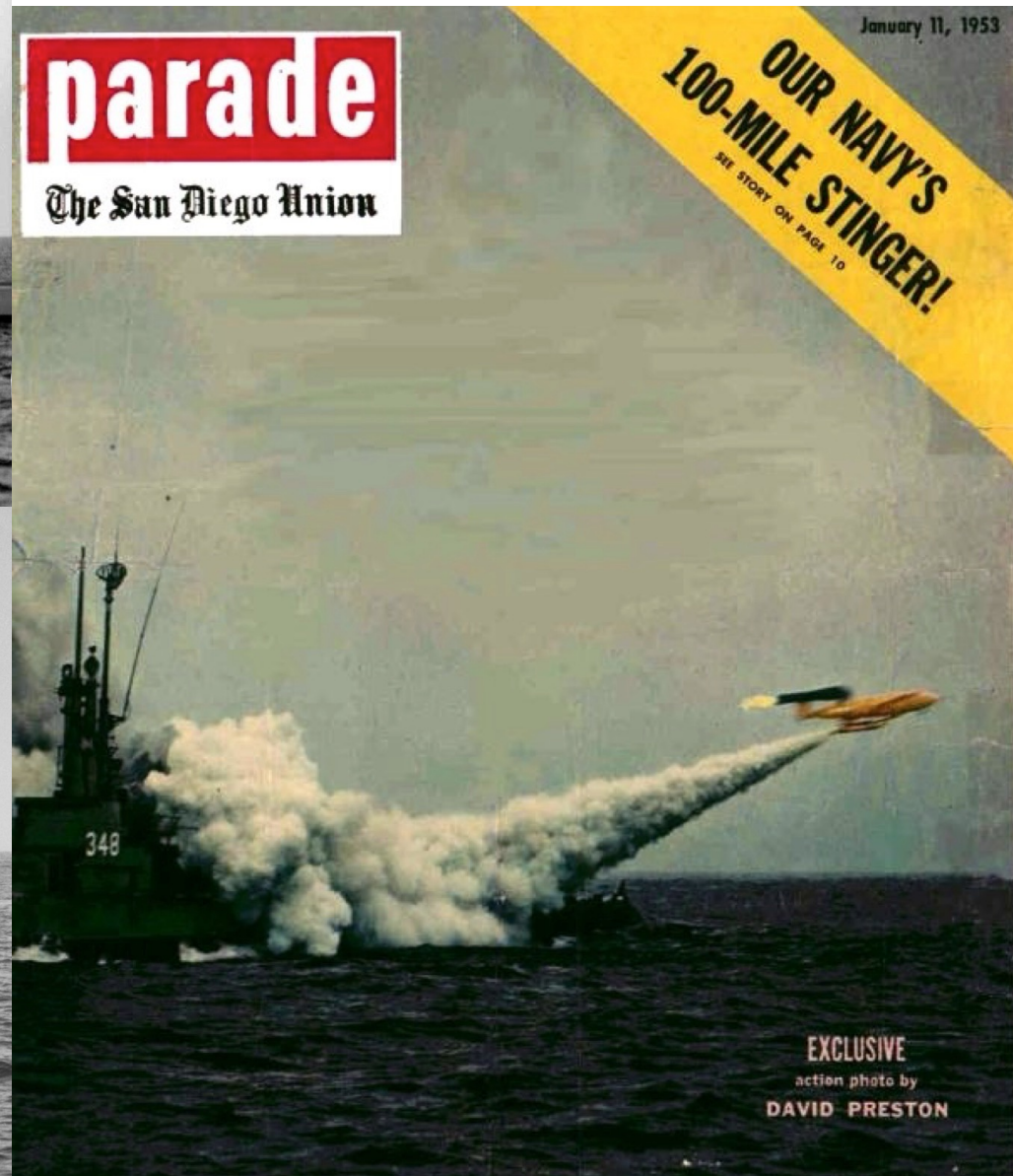
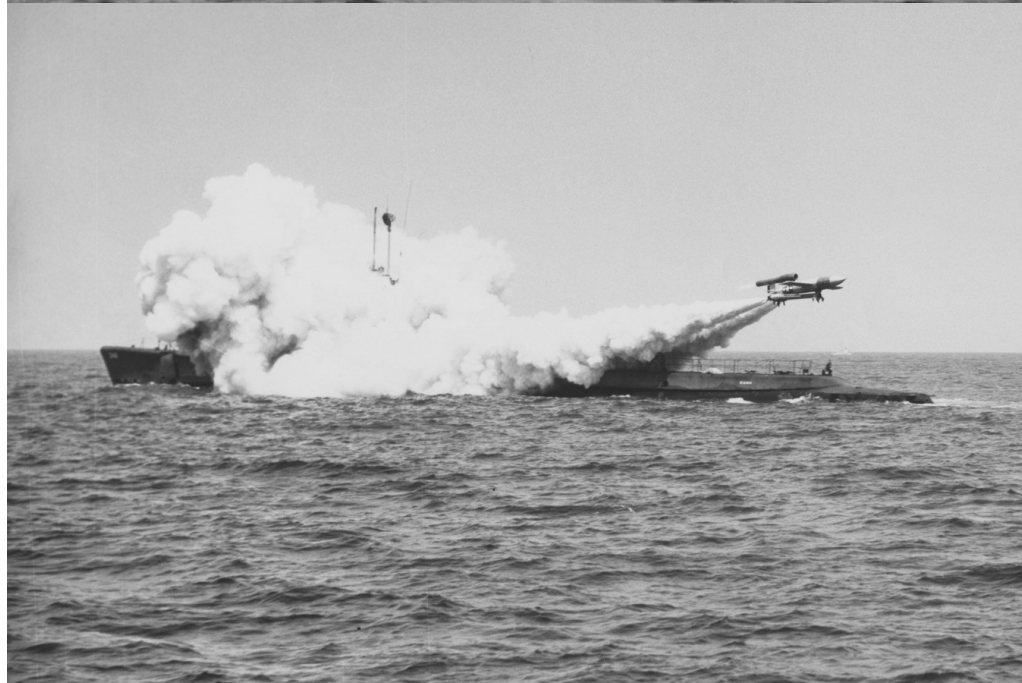
Robot Bomb Attacks Here Held 'Probable' by Admiral. *New York Times*, 9 January 1945, pp. 1, 6.

AN EAST COAST PORT, Jan. 8---A strategically futile **attack on New York or Washington by robot bombs within thirty to sixty days was described today as not only "possible but probable"** by Admiral Jonas H. Ingram, new Commander in Chief of the Atlantic Fleet, whose command stretches from the Arctic to the Falkland Islands. [...]

"And we know very definitely that there are three ways in which he might get robot bombs within range of either city. He might sneak a half dozen submarines off the coast. He might launch robots from the long-range planes we know he has. Or he might sneak a surface ship, disguised as a neutral, within range."

Postwar Submarine-Launched V-1 Cruise Missiles

U.S. copies of V-1 cruise missile (“Loon”) launched from U.S. submarine *USS Cusk* (first launched 12 February 1947)



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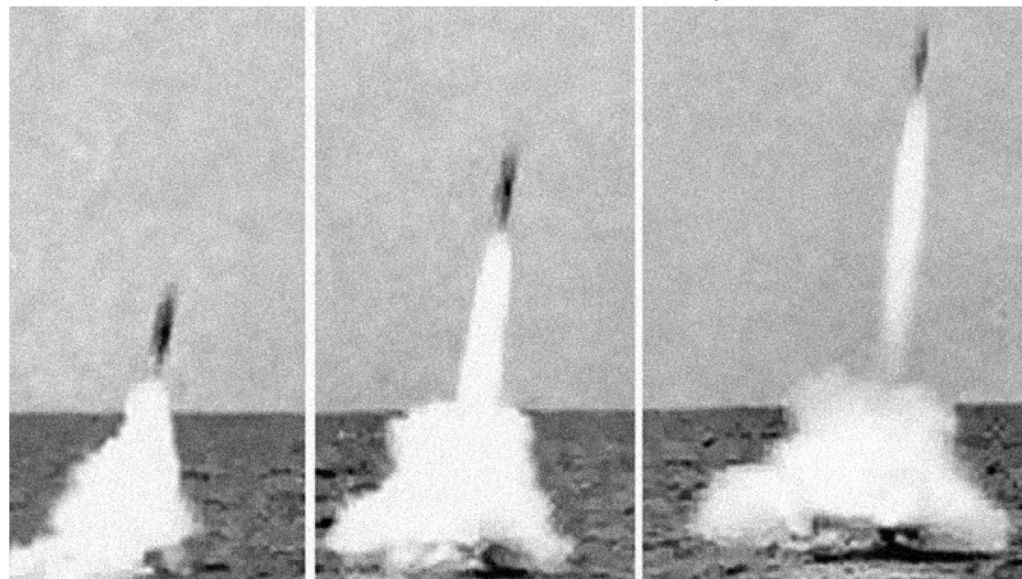
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Wartime Submarine-Launched Ballistic Missiles (SLBMs)

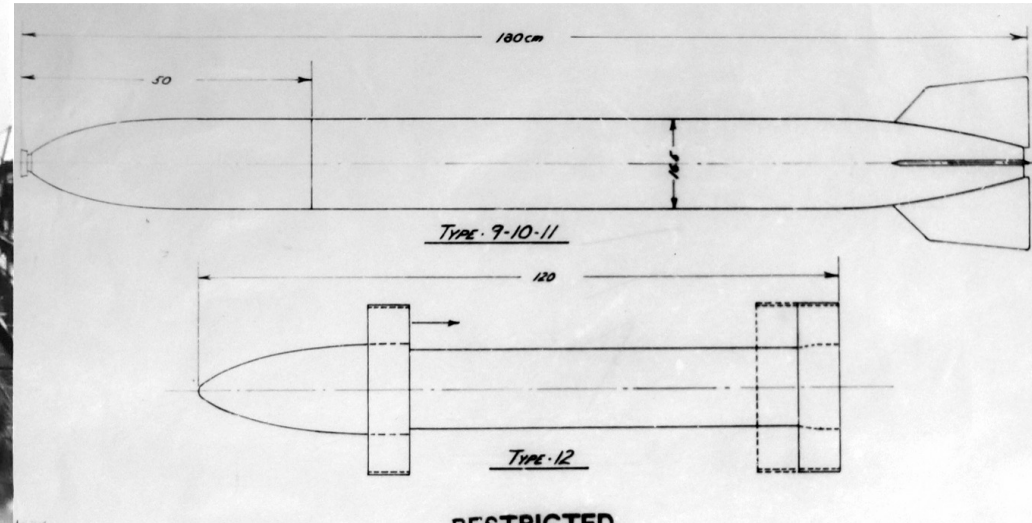
Bundesarchiv Militärarchiv
Freiburg RH 8/369



Nebelwerfer rockets launched from U-511
U-boat 12 meters underwater (May 1942)



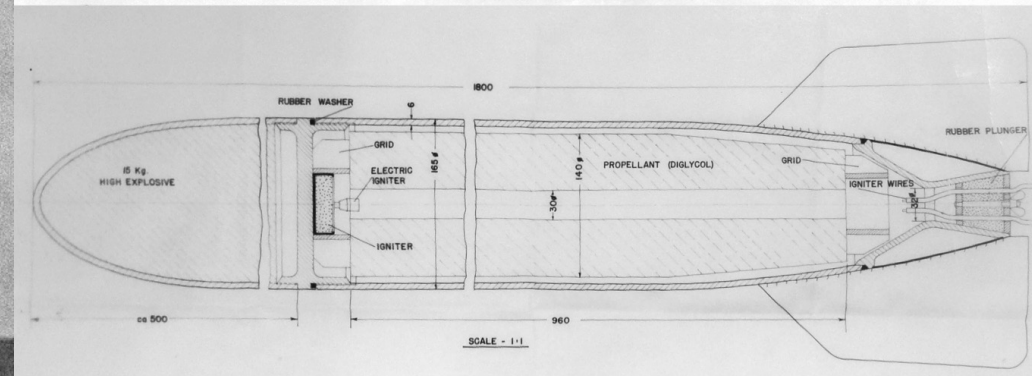
A long series of increasingly sophisticated submarine-launched rockets were developed and successfully demonstrated at Toplitz See, Austria (1942–1945)



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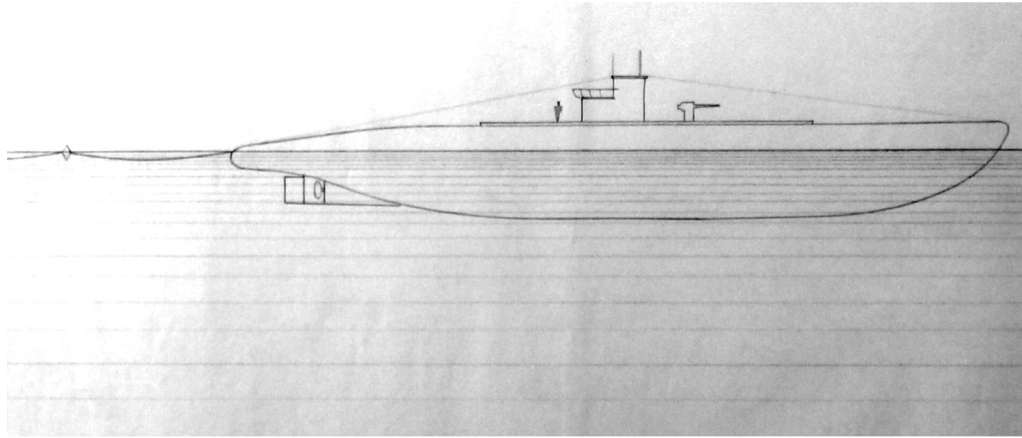
GERMAN UNDERWATER ROCKETS
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



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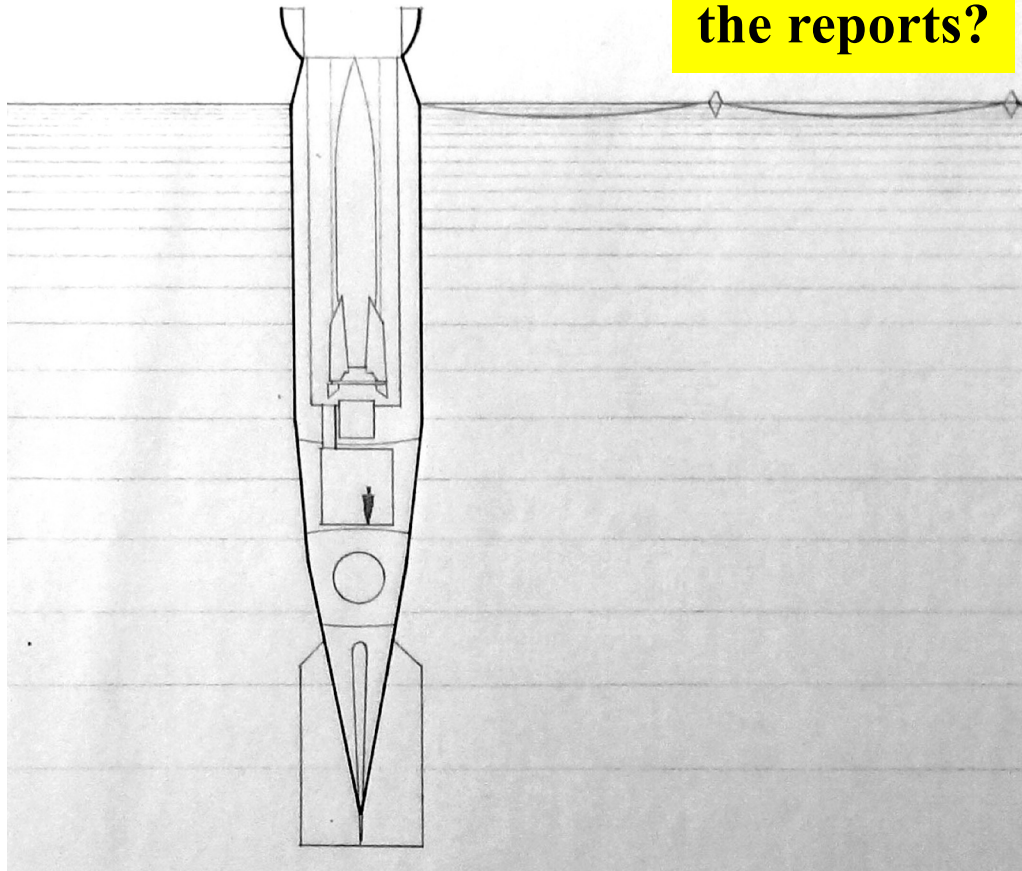
NARA RG 38, Entry P5,
NavTecMisEu 500-45

Submarine-Towed Launch Platform for V-2 (1943-1945)



Bundesarchiv Militärarchiv
Freiburg RH 8/4067K

Where are
the reports?



Deutsches U-Boot-Museum. U 511 and Missiles: U 511, U 1063 and plans for U-boats armed with seabased missiles. <http://dubm.de/en/u-511-and-missiles/>

Also, the vision, born after the US entered the war, to fire at the US an advanced multiple stage version of the V-2 (the project A-9/A-10 with ranges of more than 5,000 km) gained some momentum following a proposal brought forward by a director of the “Deutsch Arbeitsfront” (= German Labor Front, a sort of national socialistic controlled trade union), Otto Lafferenz. After a visit of the facilities at Peenemünde and a meeting with the Military Commander, Major General Walter Dornberger, in the Autumn of 1943, he proposed to develop floating containers to accommodate V-2s and to tow them by U-boats before the US Eastern coast, to fire at New York and other area targets utilizing on their range up to 300 km. This arms project now called “Lafferenz-Project” (somewhat irritating, various authors in historic writing use other project names such as “Schwimmweste” = “Life Vest”, “Apparat F”, or “Prüfstand XII” = “Test Stand XII”) was consequently developed further, and as a first step a floating container was invented able to transport and launch, to be towed by U-boats. The end status of the concept envisaged an operation, where up to three containers were towed simultaneously by U-boats across the Atlantic Ocean, to be erected in some distance before the coasts into a vertical firing position by partial flooding---and to launch the V-2s.

For that the Weapons Test Command No. 10 at Stetting developed a container with a length of about 32 meters, a diameter of about 5.5 meters and a displacement of some 300 tons, to be constructed at the Vulcan shipyard at Stettin. **At the turn of 1944 to 1945 successful towing trials were actually executed using the type VII C/41 U-boat U 1063**, which went through its basic and combat readiness training with the 5th U-boat (Training) Flotilla at Stetting at that time, after it had been commissioned on 08 July 1944 at the end of its construction by the Germania shipyard at Kiel. Following its training period until the end of February 1945 the U-boats came frontal unit as of 01 May 1945 at Bergen, Norway.

Albert Ducrocq. 1947. *Les Armes Secrètes Allemandes*. Paris: Berger-Levrault. pp. 161-163.

What is more, in addition to A-9 bombing, the Germans wanted to undertake direct bombing of the American coastline using submarine-launched V-2s. This was their second new weapon against America. It was to come into action at the same time as the A-9, i.e. in early summer 1945. [...]

The idea of using submarines to transport V-2s dates back to 1942. At the same time as industrial production of the V-2s was being undertaken, Hitler's entourage had paid close attention to the amphibious V-2 project that von Braun's team had just drawn up. But the practical development work was long and tedious, and was not completed until 1944, when the first submarine capable of launching V-2s was actually built. [...]

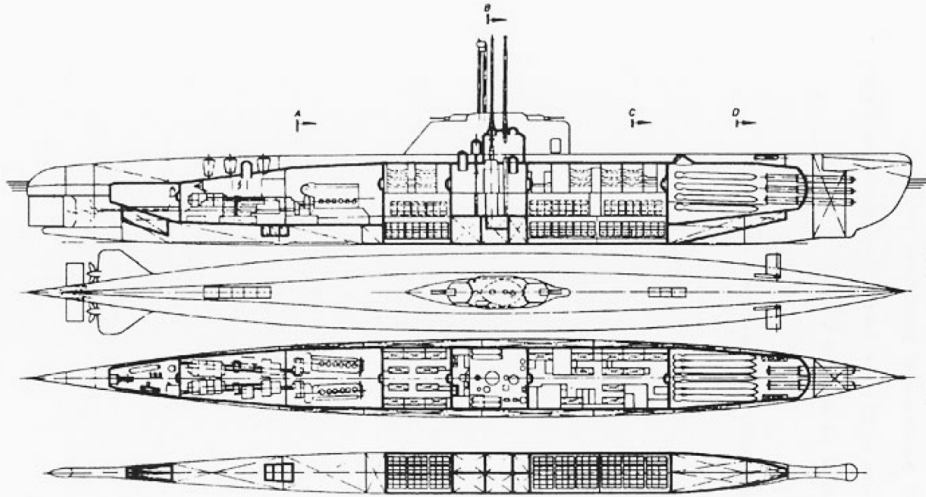
It transpires that the tests were to be completed by the time of the German collapse in 1945, and that the Germans were preparing to continue the tests on America itself. What area would have been threatened? It seems that the range of the amphibious V-2, at least in the state left by the experimental research at Lake Toplitz, was considerably less than that of the ordinary V-2, of the order of only 150 to 200 kilometers. Needless to say, this would still have been more than sufficient for bombing American ports such as Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Charleston. Obviously, the greater the depth at which the submarines operated, the shorter their range. We have seen that the latest German submarines could operate at a depth of 300 meters; however, it doesn't seem that an amphibious V-2 launch could have been envisaged from such a depth.

In any case, the threat would have been extremely serious for the American coast, since, on the one hand, once the V-2 had been launched, it has so far been impossible to defend against it, and, on the other hand, detecting and combating the new German submarines would have been no small matter, independently of the V-2's self-guidance by infra-red ray detection or other means. [...]

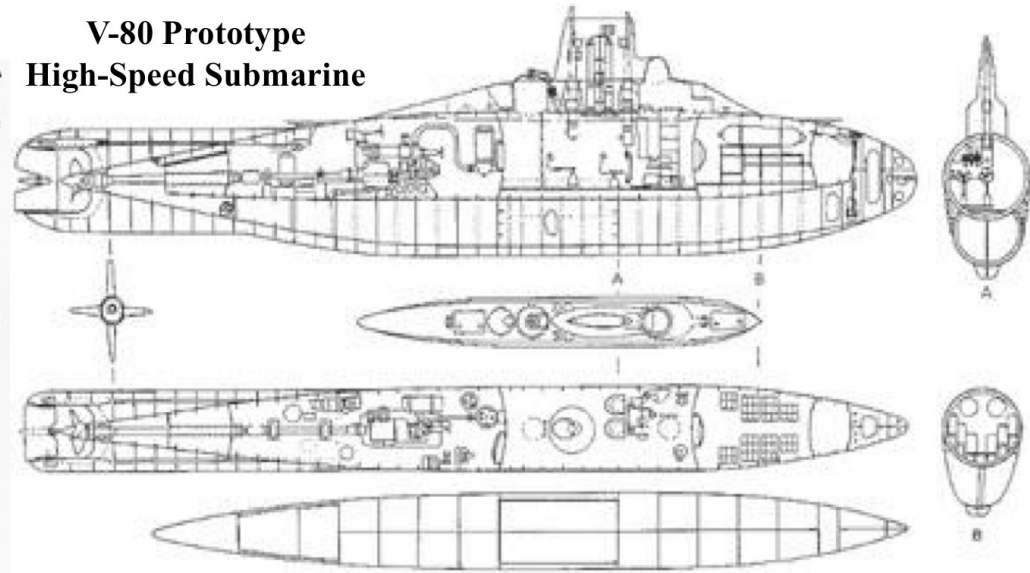
Germany was probably thinking of attacking American territory beginning in June 1945. It should be noted that while the use of other secret weapons, such as flying bombs and new rocket planes, was literally imminent, this threat to the United States must be located six weeks or two months after the date of the collapse of the Reich. We are allowed to consider it almost as dangerous, especially since the amphibious V-2s, too, could very well have carried atomic bombs.

Advanced Submarines (1938-1945)

Type XXI U-Boat (1943-1945)



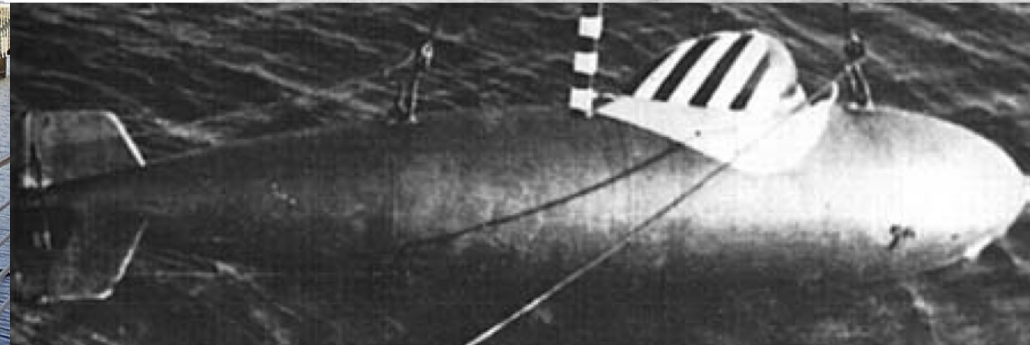
V-80 Prototype
High-Speed Submarine



V-80
(1940)



Delphin
(1944)



U-2540 Type XXI U-Boat, German Maritime Museum, Bremerhaven



Sonar

Alexander Behm (1880–1952)
invented sonar (1912)

N° 17,109



A.D. 1914

(Under International Convention.)

Date claimed for Patent under Patents and Designs Act, 1907, being date of first Foreign Application (in Germany), } 21st July, 1913
Date of Application (in the United Kingdom), 18th July, 1914
At the expiration of twelve months from the date of the first Foreign Application, the provision of Section 91 (3) (a) of the Patents and Designs Act, 1907, as to inspection of Specification, became operative
Accepted, 15th July, 1915

COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

Improvements in or relating to a Method of and Apparatus for Measuring Distances under Water by means of Reflected Sound Waves.

I, ALEXANDER BEHM, of Hardenbergstrasse 31, Kiel, German Empire, Physicist, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

- 5 It has been repeatedly suggested to measure the depth at sea and distances under water, by determining the time between the sending off of an acoustic signal and the arrival of the echo. In this method the direction is determined by turning a funnel situated at the transmitter or at the receiver, in which case the ear of the observer has to decide when the intensity of sound of the echo is the greatest. As the velocity of sound under water is about 1435 meters per second, this method could be utilised only in very deep water or for large distances, whilst in the case of small distances it failed completely. Moreover, in this and similar methods, the measurements are uncertain as the returning sound is received by the ear directly or indirectly by means of a microphone.
- 10 These disadvantages are obviated according to this invention.
- 1) By using a sonometer *viz.* an instrument for measuring the strength of sound waves by observation of the deflections of a body caused to vibrate by the sound waves which does away with the source of error lying in observation by the ear, and
- 2) By measuring the strength of the echo, which decreases with the distance, instead of taking as a basis the time elapsing between the emission and return of the signal. If the intensity of sound of the transmitter remains constant, the receiver can be provided with a graduation on which the distance or the depth of the sea can be read directly. The intensity of the transmitter could however also be increased or reduced until a given intensity of echo, determined beforehand, is obtained. The intensity of the source of sound, which can be measured by means of the sonometer, then gives the measure of the depth or the distance.
- [Price 6d.]

Fig. 1.

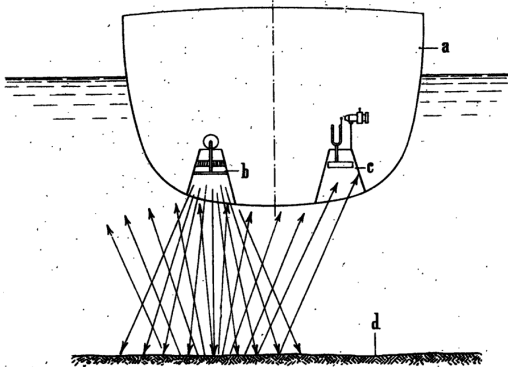


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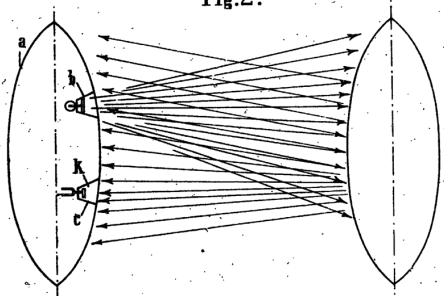


Fig. 3.

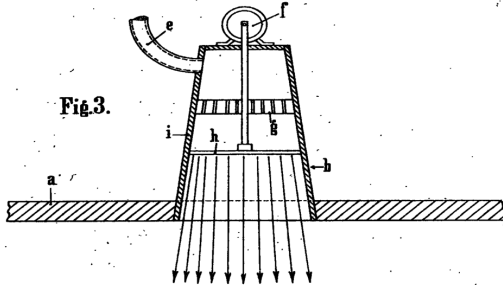
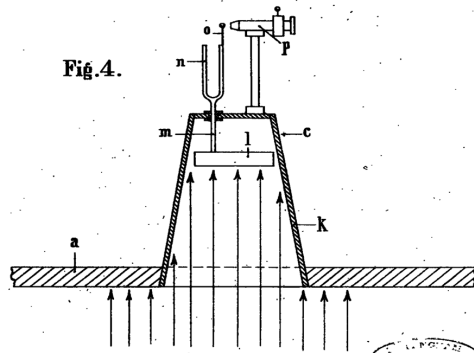


Fig. 4.



Anti-Sonar

U-480 submarine covered with
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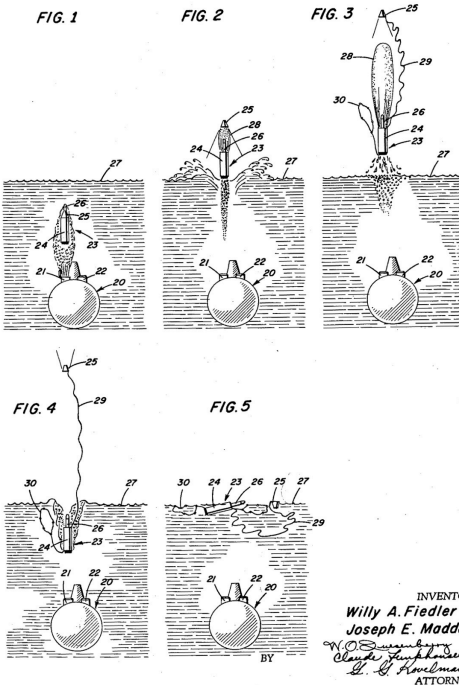


Postwar U.S. Submarine- Launched Missiles

Willy Fiedler (1908-1998)

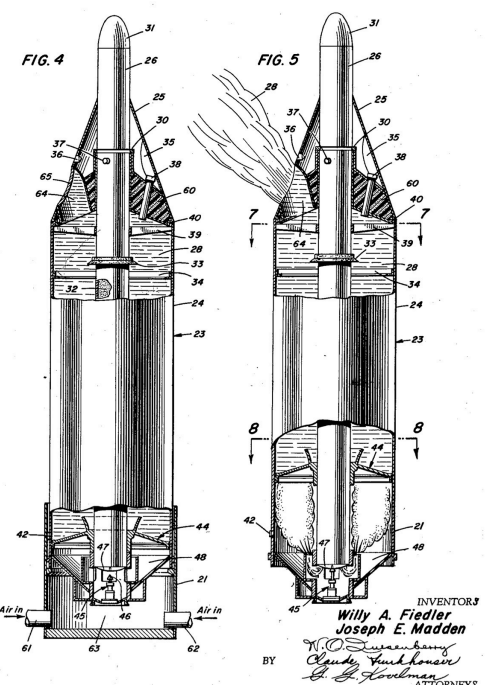


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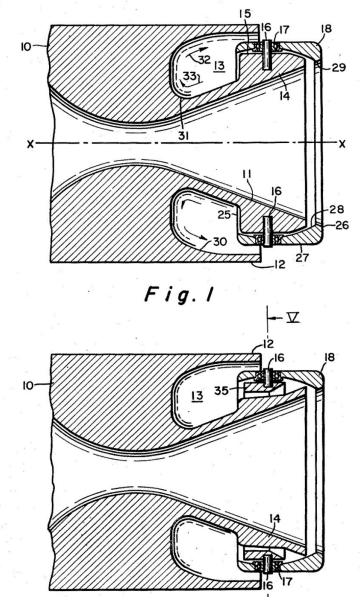
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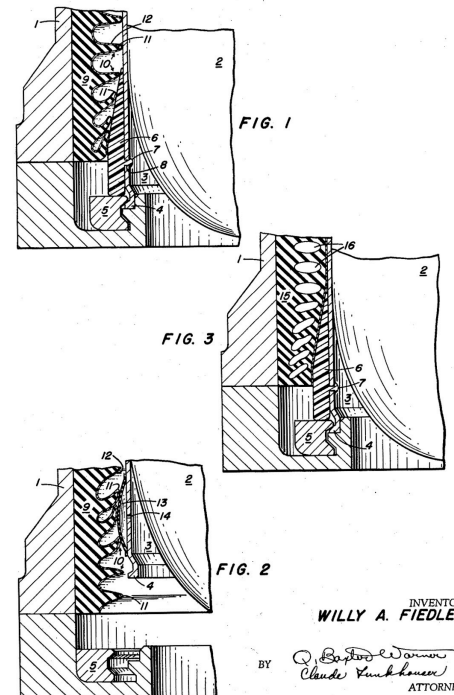
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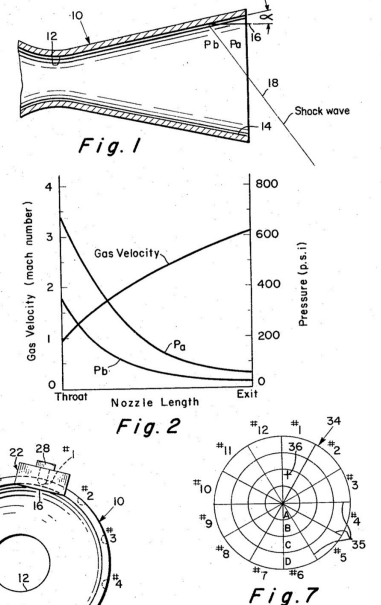
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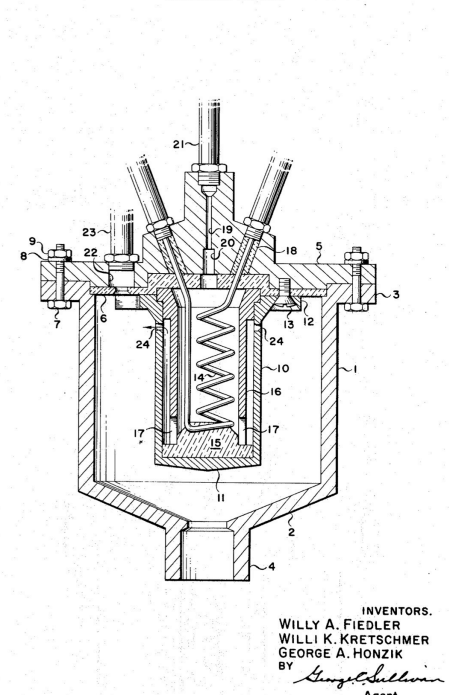
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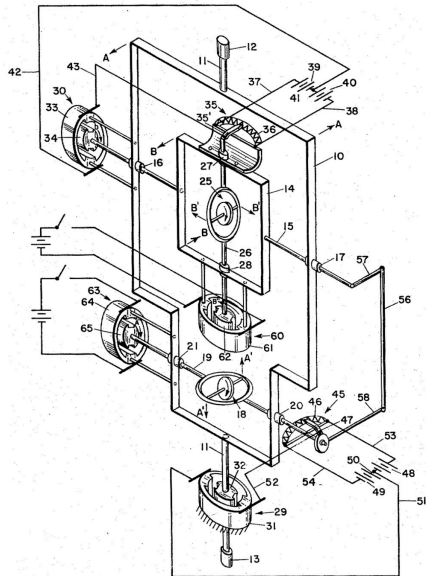
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Naval Air Missile Test Center, Point Mugu, California (ca. 1950)

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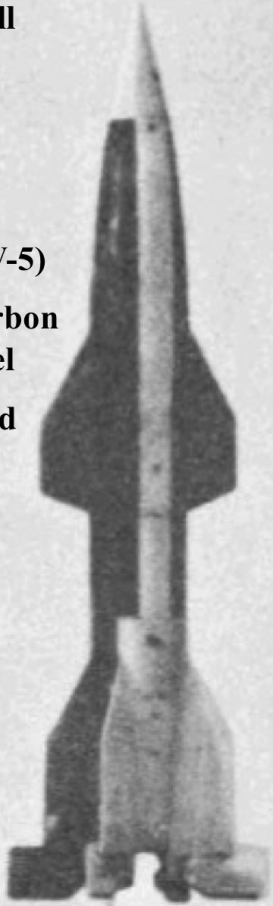
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U.S.
Navy
Polaris
A-1
(1958)



Postwar Soviet SLBMs Using German Technology

German
Wasserfall
(1944)
0.86 m
diameter
7.77 m
length (W-5)
Hydrocarbon
(visol) fuel
Nitric acid
oxidizer



Soviet
R-11FM
(1955)
0.88 m
diameter
7.40 m
length
Hydrocarbon
(kerosene) fuel
Nitric acid
oxidizer



The Soviet
R-11FM Zemlya
(SS-1B SCUD-A)
SLBM was first
launched from a
submarine on
16 September 1955

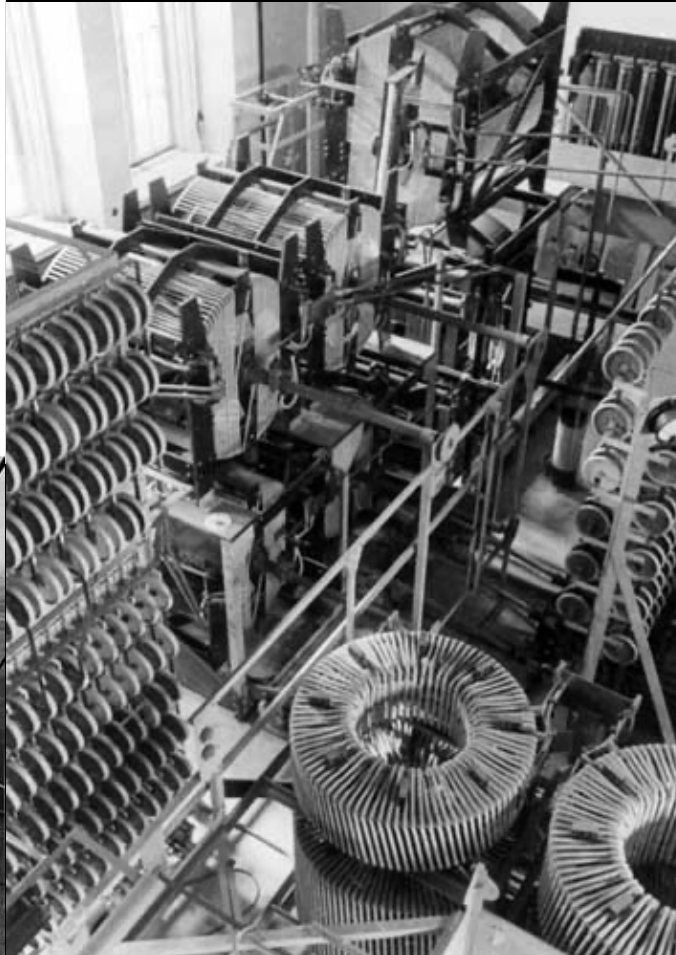
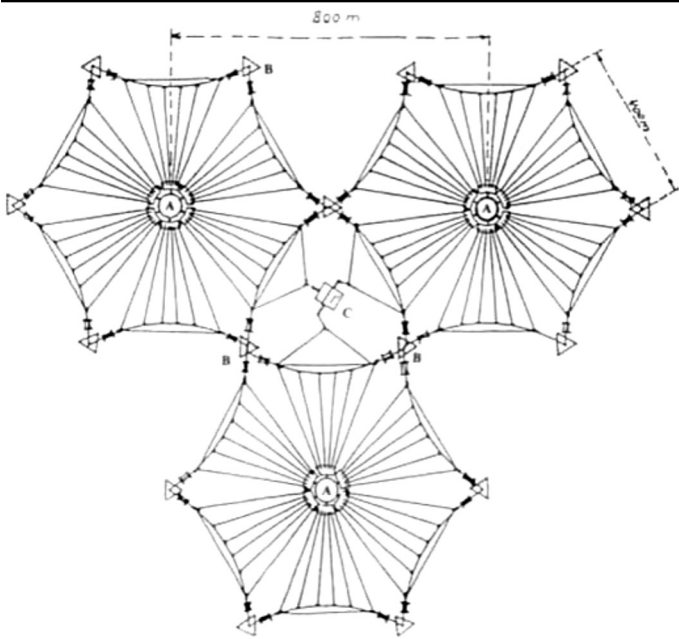
**The first Soviet
SLBMs were
directly based on
the German
Wasserfall
missile and were
launched from a
Zulu class sub,
which was
directly based on
the German Type
XXI submarine**



For more information, see *Forgotten Creators* 9.8 and E.4

Communications with Submarines

Goliath low-frequency radio transmitter to communicate with submarines (Kalbe an der Milde, operational in 1943)



U.S. low-frequency radio transmitter to communicate with submarines (U.S. Navy Clam Lake facility, Wisconsin, operational in 1985)



Outline

Nuclear payloads

1. Land-launched intercontinental missiles

A. Liquid propellant missiles

B. Liquid propellant space planes

C. Solid propellant missiles

2. Submarine-launched missiles

A. Sub-launched cruise missiles

B. Sub-launched ballistic missiles

3. Intercontinental jet bombers

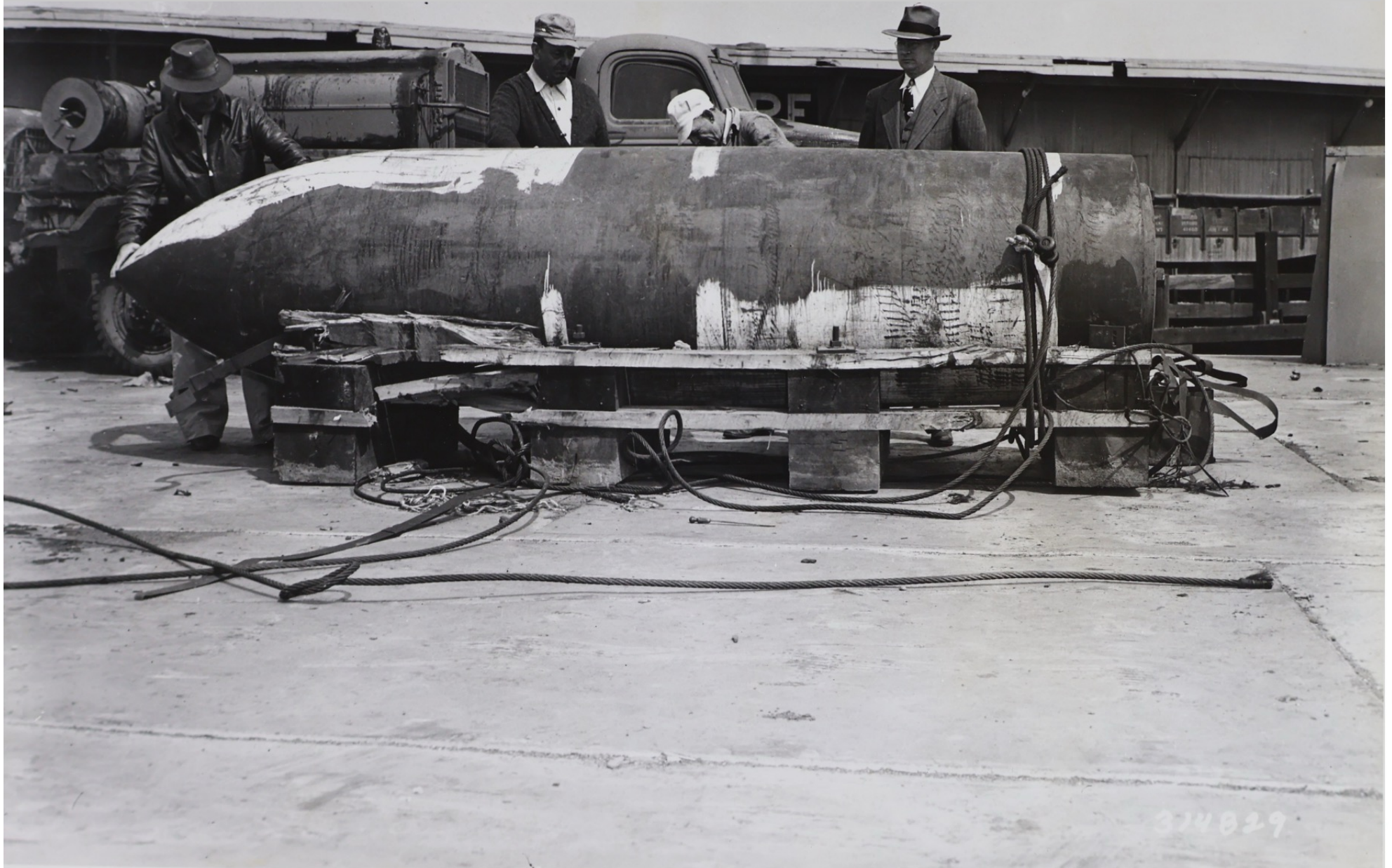
Examples of Wartime Aircraft and Their Ranges and Payload

(Max range will depend on payload)

<u>Aircraft</u>	<u>Max range</u>	<u>Max payload</u>	
Bf 109	1000 km	0.3 ton	Could carry small (0.3 ton) nuclear weapon
Ar 234	1560 km	0.5 ton	
Me 262	1050 km	0.5 ton	
Ho 229	1900 km	1 ton	
Ju 287	1570 km	1 ton	
Me 410	1500 km	1 ton	
Ju 88	1800 km	3 tons	Could carry medium (2 tons) nuclear weapon
Ju 290	6150 km	3 tons	
Ar 232	1060 km	4.5 tons	
He 177	6000 km	10 tons	Could carry large (6 tons) nuclear weapon
Ju 390	8000 km	10 tons	
Me 323	800 km	10 tons	

Caption on photo: “Ordnance experts examine a 35,000 pound German giant aerial bomb upon its arrival at the New Orleans Port of Embarkation, La., from Germany. 11 March 1948.”

What wartime German aircraft were intended to carry a 35,000 lb [16 ton] bomb? What did the bomb contain?





Flying Wing Jet Fighters Were Built

Horten Ho 229 (first flight 1944)

Larger versions were designed as intercontinental jet bombers; see e.g.:

Griehl, Manfred. 2005. *Jet Planes of the Third Reich: The Secret Projects Vol. 2.*

Herwig, Dieter, and Heinz Rode. 2000. *Luftwaffe Secret Projects: Strategic Bombers 1935-1945.* 2nd ed.

Masters, David. 1982. *German Jet Genesis*, esp. pp. 79-80.

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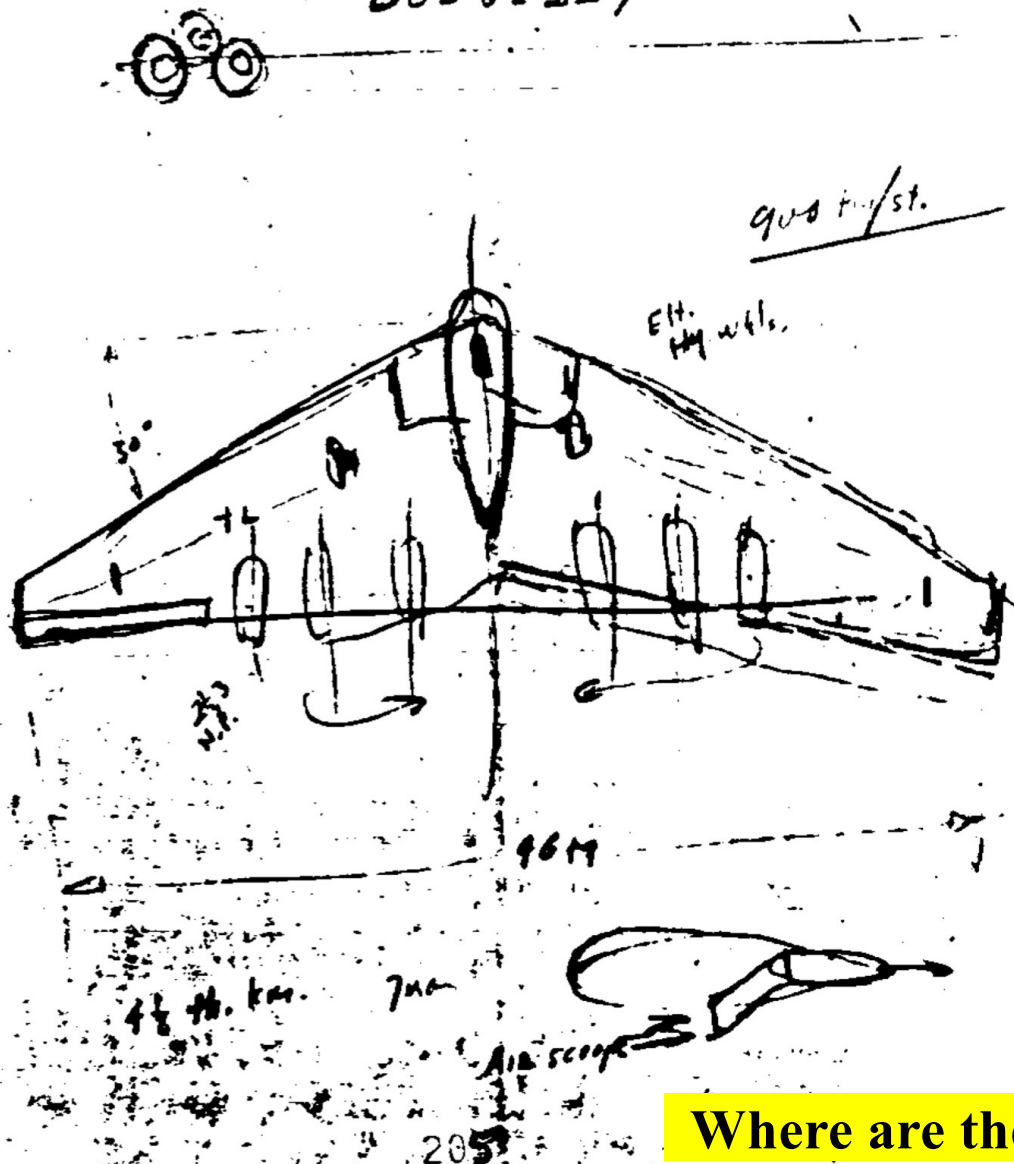
Myhra, David. 1998a. *Secret Aircraft Designs of the Third Reich*, esp. pp. 156-160.

Myhra, David. 1998b. *The Horten Brothers and their All-Wing Aircraft.*

After the war, a group of German aerospace engineers offered to immediately begin building the U.S. a 7,000-km-range (14,000-km round trip), 6-jet-engine flying wing bomber. Was their offer based on an aircraft they had already built during the war?

HINTREE, Herb. KALKERT, Albert

GO-8-229



Bericht:

Die Ermittlungen über das Projekt "Horten-Parabel" sind abgeschlossen. Die Ergebnisse können folgendermassen zusammengefasst werden.

1. Die Russen sind in Besitz der einschlägigen Pläne und werden von Deutschen Fachleuten unterstützt. Der Serienbau der sogenannten Horten 13 (Modell mit 2 ZL-Triebwerken) soll bei den Russen nicht über das Anfangsstadium hinaus gediehen sein. Die Zahl 300 die für den Ausstoss genannt wurde, ist wesentlich zu hoch gegriffen. Die Flugzeit der Horten 13 wird von Fachleuten mit 1 Stunde angegeben. Dieses Modell ist nur zur Verteidigung geeignet. Die grosse Horten 48 mit Spannweite, 6 ZL-Triebwerke, 7000 km Aktions-Radius ist bei den Russen nicht über das Projekt hinausgediehen, da sich nur ein geringer Teil der einschlägigen Mitarbeiter bei den Russen befindet.

2. Zur Entwicklung dieser Angelegenheit wird folgender Vorschlag gemacht: Wir sind jetzt in der Lage, innerhalb von 4 Wochen den einschlägigen Mitarbeiterstab aufzustellen, der sich mit dem obigen Projekt befasst hat. Der Chef-Konstrukteur hat bereits günstige Angebote aus der Türkei und der Sowjet-Union erhalten, erklärte sich jedoch nach Rücksprache grundsätzlich bereit für die US-Armee zu arbeiten. Alle anderen in Frage kommenden Mitarbeiter (etwa 30) sind grundsätzlich zur Zusammenarbeit bereit, bitten jedoch um die Bekanntschaft der finanziellen- u. Existenz-Bedingungen, da die meisten sich nach dem Zusammenbruch eine eigene Existenz gegründet haben und nicht gern bereit sind, Bindungen mit Unsicherheitsfaktoren auszugehen. Ferner ist zu klären, ob die Versuchsgruppe in Deutschland oder den Vereinigten Staaten arbeiten soll. Wenn die US vorgerechnet sind, so erscheint eine Sicherung gegen unvorhergesehenes Entlassung angezeigt. (Chef-Konstrukteur macht dies zur Bedingung, da bereits mehrere Jahre in US-Flugzeug-Industrie gearbeitet, um sich gegen Eventualität zu sichern) Nach seinen Angaben kann nach Aufgabenstellung der konstruktive Teil in kurzer Zeit abgeschlossen werden. Wenn das Projekt anlaufen soll, bitten wir um Zuweisung eines PM u. Betriebsstoff, um die Aufstellungs-Organisation durchführen zu können. Weiterhin wird um die Unterstützung der US-Militär-Regierung gebeten, wenn verschiedene Mitarbeiter aus der R-Zone geholt werden müssen.

Zu Beginn der Arbeit bitten wir um genaue Aufgabenstellung seitens der US-Armee, z.B. wird Holzbaueise verlangt, wieviel Triebwerke, Aktionsradius, Zuladung, Besatzungsstärke, Waffen-Anordnung etc.

Kalkert Abt. Angebot, möge alles dann
 Flugzeug vom James Kalkert
 Die wichtigsten Leute für Kalkert an die Hand

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Where are the reports?

Dated; October 12, 1944.

Intercontinental Bombers Were Built. Where Are the Detailed Reports?

AMEMBASSY

LUMMY.

Hart adds following details on V-3: Capture of Watten and flooding of Walcheren has played out V-2. Atom splitting explosive and frozen blitz considered diversions by industrialists acquainted with German industry. V-3 also known as cistern plane considered the real thing and estimated that a third of Luftwaffe productive capacity devoted to it. Probably two engined long range bomber but some four engined and considerable proportion jet-propelled. Experiments conducted on Leuneberger Heide near Hambrug and is now in mass production. About 2000 to be produced. Also reports that Germans are distributing gasmasks with new energy and putting new filters on old ones.

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11. Experimental Aircraft

PW heard in 1942 when he was working as a camera man at the aircraft testing field RECHLIN (Hocklenburg) that a new type plane was being designed which could retract its wings during flight and thereby increase its speed considerably.

PW saw the plane in flight in Feb 44 and describes it as a two (4) motor transport plane, similar to the US C47. PW heard from mechanics that the plane was designed to fly bombing missions to the US, it can carry a load of 3,000 to 4,000 kg. The speed is supposed to be 700 to 800 km per hr. The two propellers are connected to two in-line 16 cylinder engines each.

According to PW the experimental flights were very successful but the plane is not being mass-produced as yet.

(Source: S/Gefr Gerd JANNOWSKI, Pz Lehr Div, captured 14 Jan VILLY)

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Intercontinental Jet Bombers Were Built—Where Are the Reports?

German 'Flying Wing' Factory Found by Yanks. 718 M.P.H. Claimed; Plane Tailless. *Chicago Daily Tribune*, 13 April 1945, p. 9.

GOETTINGEN, Germany, April 9 [Delayed]--- A factory in which the Germans had been experimenting with a "flying wing," a super-powerful plane without fuselage or tail, has been overrun by American infantry. Both bomber and fighter types had been produced, with one to six engines. Later models were jet propelled.

Eight German technicians who had been left behind said they had flown the flying wings and found them much more maneuverable and of greater stability than conventional type planes.

One model was said to have a speed of 625 miles an hour at an altitude of 3,280 feet and 718 miles an hour at 4,600 feet. The plane's ceiling is about 52,500 feet, with a climbing rate of 65.6 feet a second. Its flying radius was reported at 937 miles.

This plane was designed to carry two bombs under the wings.

New York Bomber Built in Germany. De Seversky Says Principal Bar to Use Was Its High Rate of Fuel Consumption. *New York Times*, 8 June 1945.

The Germans planned to bomb New York and other eastern American ports and, according to Hermann Goering, were within a few months of working out the kinks in a jet-propelled plane that would do it, Maj. Alexander P. de Seversky, airplane designer and airpower advocate, said today.

Major de Seversky, World War I commander of the Russian Navy's Baltic fighter plane force, has been touring Germany as a special air consultant to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson. He interviewed Goering with Gen. Carl A. Spaatz right after Goering was captured at Augsburg. [...]

The Germans' "New York" bomber, a prototype of which was found at an undisclosed place in France, was a Messerschmitt 264. It had four engines with jet propulsion for high altitudes, Major de Seversky said. The Germans started working on it before the war, designing it to cross the Atlantic and return nonstop with two or three tons of bombs. The only obstacle to its introduction was its big fuel consumption, but this, Goering asserted, the Germans had expected to solve in a few months.

40 Intercontinental Bombers in Norway—Where Are the Reports?

Preparing. Behind the Lines. *Flight*. 11 May 1944 p. 503.

Only time will show the real purpose of the new chain of airfields now being established by the *Luftwaffe* in Norway. But whether for defence or offence, reports indicate a feverish activity in the expansion of existing landing facilities and the construction of new ones.

Over 300 acres of forest have been cleared to make room for the big airfield which the Germans are building at Halsemoen, Flisa, about twenty miles from the Swedish border and about fifty miles from the big air base at Gardemoen which has recently been substantially enlarged.

The work on the Haslemoen airfield started in January and large areas have been evacuated, schools and churches requisitioned, and farms devastated. The whole district has been practically destroyed. One thousand Russian prisoners and 800 Norwegian slave labourers are engaged on the work.

Only twelve miles from this airfield another temporary one is being rapidly built, and the construction of a third situated close to the Swedish border, was started at the end of last month.

Both the Fornebu airfield, near Oslo, and the Bardufors, in the county of Troms, are being expanded. [...]

In Denmark, too, the *Luftwaffe* is preparing; the Kastrup airfield is being transformed from a training to an operational base; many bombers are reported to have arrived and stocks of bombs are placed around the periphery.

On the Avedore airfield the B.M.W. have installed repair workshops for their engines, while the Heinkel concern has taken over the engine shops of the naval dockyards.

Planes to Bomb N. Y. Uncovered. *Stars and Stripes*. Paris ed., 30 June 1945, p. 8.

21st ARMY GROUP. June 29 (AP).—The Germans had “almost completed” preparations to bomb New York from a “colossal airfield” near Oslo when the war ended, RAF officers disclosed today.

“Forty giant bombers, with a 7000-mile range, were found on this base—the largest *Luftwaffe* field I have ever seen,” a senior officer said. “They were the new type bombers developed by Heinkel. They are now being dismantled for study. German ground crews said the planes were held in readiness for missions to New York.”

Hundreds of different type planes were taken intact on the field, cut through a pine forest about five miles from Oslo. Some of the latest model fighters, including the JU88 night fighters, equipped with intricate Radar devices to guide pilots to their target, were found.

RAF officers said they were indications that the Germans had planned a “last-ditch stand” in the area and were hoarding their newest bombers and fighters.

Chlorine Trifluoride (???) Stockpiled at Norway Airfields

MFTU No 2, 14 March 1945

PW INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN No 2/45

CHEMICAL WARFARE

15. New Secret Gas

Preamble. PW, an intelligent and sincere youth, was stationed in NORWAY as Ordnance Sgt with Luftgau V until Aug 44, when he was transferred to the paratroops. The transfer was principally in consequence of disparaging remarks PW had made about the Fuehrer in connection with the events of 20 July 44. Only the intervention of his OC, also an anti-Nazi, saved PW from court-martial and a possible concentration camp sentence. PW hates the Nazis bitterly and is eager to do whatever he can to help shorten the war. He believes that the use by the Germans of the weapon described below would "bring the eternal condemnation of humanity down upon us."

Because of large elements of the improbable and the fantastic in PW's story, and because of his abnormally pro-Allied attitude, every effort has been made to discredit him and prove him a plant. These efforts have not been successful. PW appears to be telling what he thinks is the truth.

Fliegerwaffentechnische Schule. At the end of Feb 44, PW and 6 other EM of Luftgau 5 were sent to I Fliegerwaffentechnische Schule, HALLE for a special course, whose nature they did not know until their arrival at the school. The school consisted of eight student coys, with 120-180 men each, one coy (8 Coy) of instructors; and three regular coys (composed of work details), with appr 60 men each.

Purpose of Course. At RECHLIN the trainees studied a new war gas, including its use as an airborne weapon in a spraying device attached to a/c.

The Gas. PW describes the new gas in its liquid state as being comparable in viscosity to egg white. The liquid has a specific gravity of appr 1.3. It has a grayish-brown color, opalescent when seen from an angle, gives off spectral reflections. It has the appearance of Diesel oil, according to PW, who cannot describe its odor because the students always wore complete protective equipment when handling it. It was even referred to as "Kleister" (glue). It has no code name or identifying number.

Students observed experiments conducted at RECHLIN. In one of these, a drop was placed on a rabbit's back, about a third of the distance from its head to its tail. In 2-3 minutes the animal was dead. Its hair bristled slightly. The skin (gray) became darker. The rabbit seemed to die in a convulsion. "Death without blood" it was called by the students.

Effect on Metals. Bronze, gold, silver, zinc, lead, copper, and tin plates, 8-10 mm thick, 8 cm long, and 6 cm wide, were sprayed. Thus sprayed, the metals gave off a white vapor. After a few minutes the plates were worked over with a glass hammer. Impressions were left wherever the hammer struck. The lead plate showed the greatest resistance. PW calls the result of the experiment "Zersetzung des Kerns" (decomposition of the substance).

The barrel of a 2 cm Flak was sprayed, resulting in 60% decomposition. The metal apparently lost its intra-molecular cohesion, and the weapon was rendered useless.

One drop of the substance was dropped on earth, whereupon the substance turned grayish-green and vaporized. After appr 7 minutes it turned grayish-white in color.

In the course of the experiments a drop of the substance fell on a trainee's arm at a point just above the wrist, necessitating the immediate amputation of the arm at a point just above the elbow.

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15. New Secret Gas (Continued)

Experiments had also been conducted at RECHLIN using this gas with jet-propelled planes and V-weapons, but PW did not witness these experiments.

Storage in NORWAY. On completion of his course, PW returned to his station in NORWAY. (He does not know if other classes followed at HALLE.) On direct orders of Luftflotte 5, PW was put in charge of examining guards and the material they were guarding at secret dumps (Geheimlager) at various Luftparke in NORWAY.

Before his departure end of Feb 44 for the school (previously recounted), large quantities of the gas had arrived at Luftgau 5 by plane. PW would spot-check the stores of the gas. A special certificate issued by Luftflotte 5 permitted him to enter the secret stores. PW claims that not even high-ranking Luftflotte officers were aware of the nature of the stores. PW checked for leakage and dry storage. In only one instance did he find some cases stored in a damp spot. On orders of Luftflotte 5, this was corrected immediately.

When PW left NORWAY in Aug 44, the following was stored at the Luftparke indicated:

OSLO
900-1000 cases, each containing one 50-liter demijohn
300-400, each containing one S 125 spraying unit
15-20 cases of protective clothing

BERGEN, STAVANGER, and TRONDHEIM

At each Luftpark:

150 cases, each containing one 50-liter demijohn
40 cases, each with one S 125 spraying unit
Several cases of protective clothing
There were also "Ueberdruckgranaten" for Do-Geraet stored at STAVANGER-FORUS.

KEVIK, nr KRISTIANSSAND

240 cases, each containing one 50-liter demijohn
150-180 cases, each with one S 125 spraying unit
Several cases of protective clothing
There were a few S 200s mixed in, with the S 125's listed above.

The secret stores are very heavily guarded by special 24-man guard details. A relief consists of 6 men, equipped with MGs, automatic rifles, and hand grenades. Minefields have been laid in front of the storage buildings, and the installations are heavily protected by Flak (8.8 cm and 10.5 cm).

According to PW, the Germans consider NORWAY a safe storage place for the gas, since that country has not been subjected to invasion or air attacks.

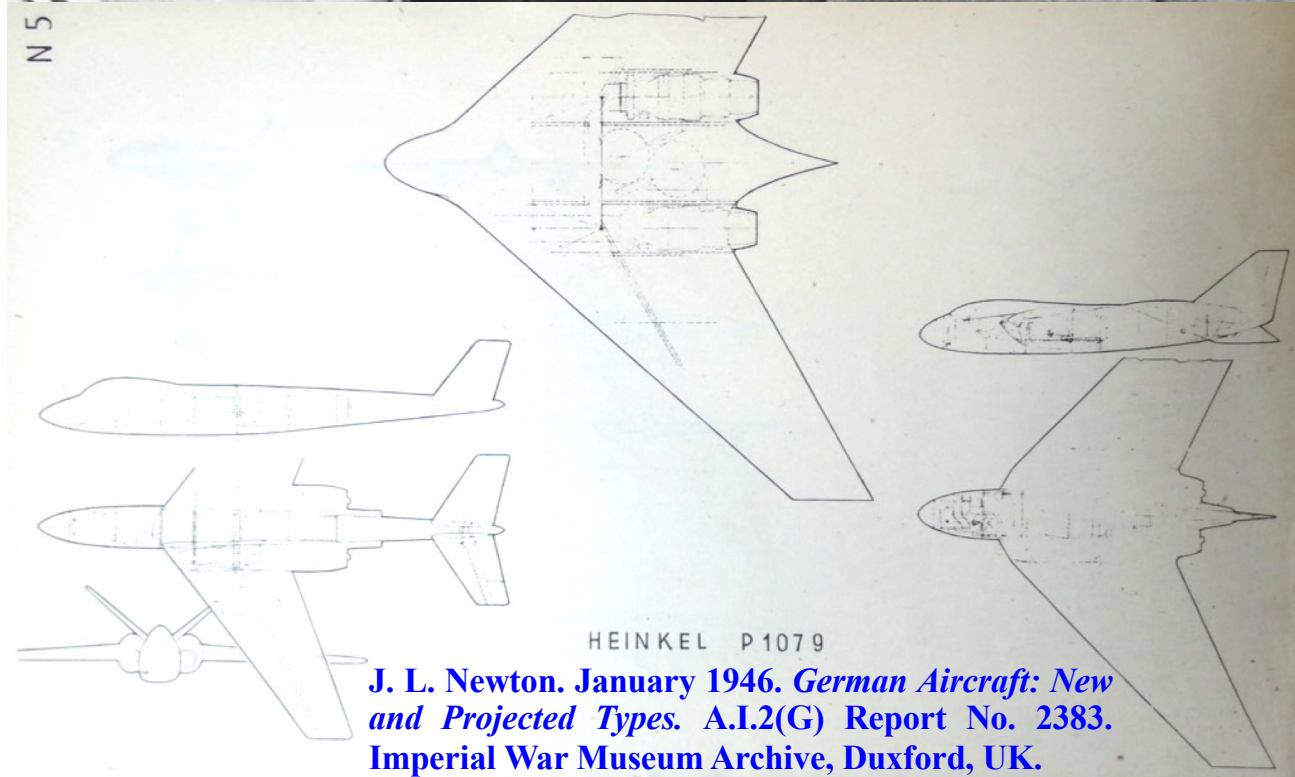
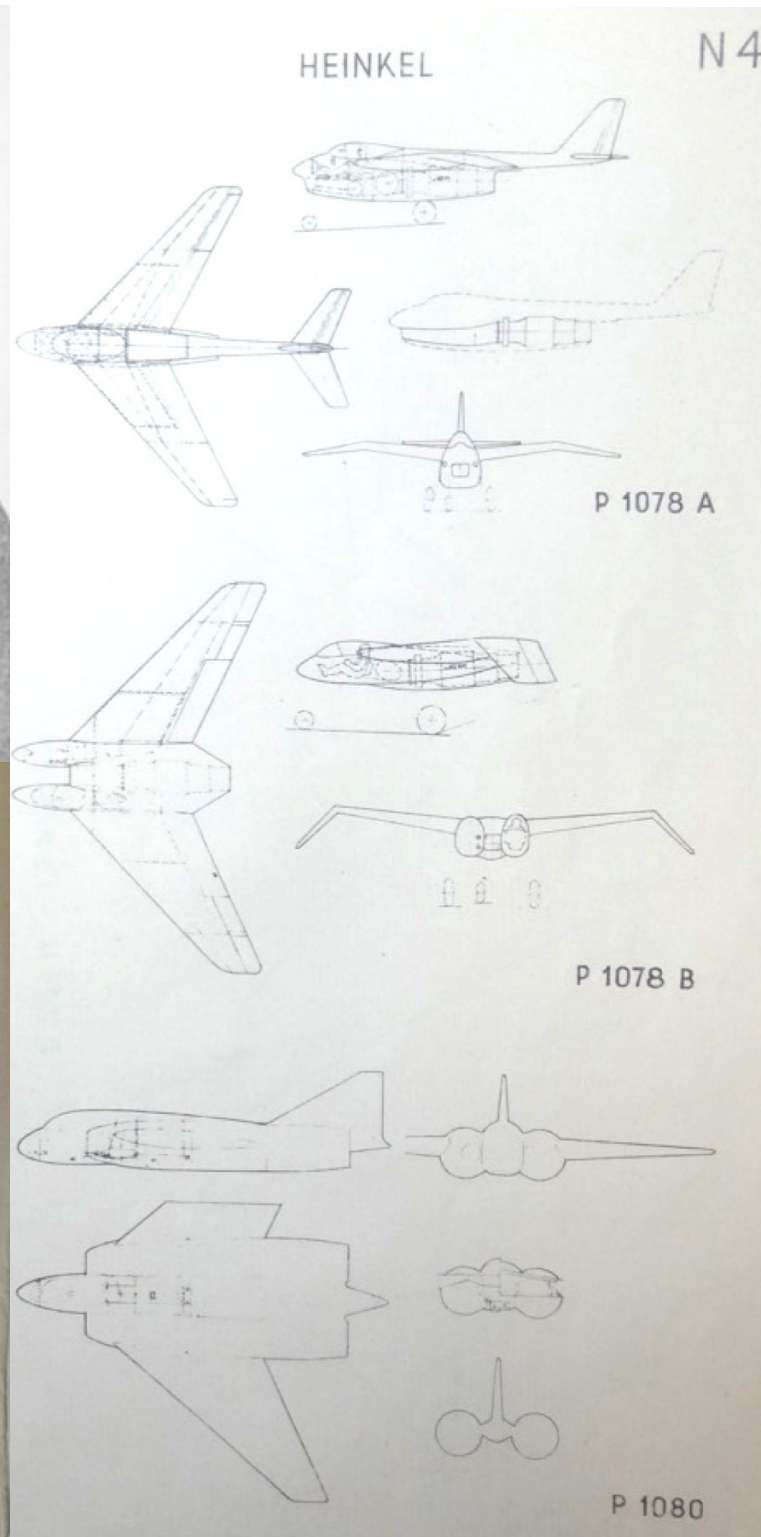
PW knows of no storage places for this gas outside of NORWAY. However, his classmates returned to their proper stations (unidentified Fliegerhorste). PW was relieved in OSLO by C/Feuerworder LETHAN (Luftflotte V, OSLO).

Similar Use of Other Gases. According to PW, experiments have also been conducted at RECHLIN with spraying units which are made of metal and filled with different substances: Gelbkreuz (yellow-cross gas), Blaukreuz (blue-cross gas), and a phosphorous solution. When the phosphorous solution is released, it begins to glow appr 400 m above the ground. On reaching the ground it attains maximum burning effect.

(Source: O/Jg Wilhelm KUNZ, 4 Coy 15 Para Regt.)

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Siegfried Günter and Ernst Heinkel (1941)



J. L. Newton. January 1946. *German Aircraft: New and Projected Types*. A.I.2(G) Report No. 2383. Imperial War Museum Archive, Duxford, UK.

Ernst Heinkel and Siegfried Günter—Where Are the Reports?

Ernst Heinkel. 1956. *Stormy Life: Memoirs of a Pioneer of the Air Age*. New York: E. P. Dutton. pp. 236-241, 246-247.

After returning home on August 5, 1945, I wanted to see the situation in Jenbach with my own eyes. [...]

Stopping at Landsberg, I searched for Siegfried Günter, who had escaped there in the middle of April, 1945, and had managed to carry on a primitive office with thirty-five other employees from my design office. I found him---the most important expert on airplane structures and aerodynamics that Europe had at that time---living with his wife in a small room. He was working with ten of my people in a technical office that an American, Major Cardenas, had established on the airfield. They had tried in vain to call the attention of the American military authorities to the importance of Günter.

Günter was too modest and shy to blow his own horn. Now he was happy that Cardenas had enabled him to carry on his scientific work. This work embraced everything we had planned for the future in the way of fresh developments in jet propulsion. He was particularly engrossed with new “flying wing” types. I hoped on this visit that Günter would find a permanent outlet for his activities, either in Landsberg or in America.

I knew him. His only happiness was in scientific work and I told this to Cardenas. A few weeks later, however, at the end of September, Cardenas closed his office and flew to England. He informed Günter that a larger office was planned in Wiesbaden and that he would send for him, but he never did.

Günter remained in Landsberg until the spring of 1946, when his money ran out. During the last weeks he constantly repeated that he had no skill for anything else---he had to build airplanes. If the West didn't want him, he might have to work for the East. At that moment, I was empty-handed and could do nothing for the man who for so many years had been my closest collaborator and whose unique abilities no one could appreciate better than myself.

In the spring of 1946 he used the last of his money to go to Berlin to see his father-in-law, who kept a garage. He still hoped the Americans would send for him, and left his address in case some message should arrive, but no message came.

Instead, the Soviet special experimental unit OKB IV, in Berlin, took him on. Günter continued to work on our latest designs and was then taken to Russia, where, I am convinced, he worked on constructions that today have become a problem for the Western world.

Dieter Herwig and Heinz Rode. 2000. *Luftwaffe Secret Projects: Strategic Bombers 1935-1945*. 2nd ed. Hinckley, UK: Midland. p. 68. Heinkel Projects for a Four-Jet Long-Range Bomber

According to a report which Dipl-Ing Siegfried Günter—who had been head of Heinkel's Project and Design Department in Vienna—was required to write for the US Technical Service on 1st October 1945, Heinkel engineers had been engaged on designs for four-jet long-range bombers right up until May 1945. These designs included not only aircraft of standard ‘fuselage and tail’ configuration, but also of flying-wing layout.

Work was concentrated particularly on one flying-wing bomber which was powered by four HeS 109-011 jet engines, each developing 1,300 kg (2,865 lb) static thrust, and which weighed 26 tons.

Another flying-wing bomber was to have been fitted with either four BMW 109-018s, each of 3,000 kg (6,612 lb) static thrust, or six Junkers Jumo 004 jet engines, each of 1,300 kg (2,865 lb) static thrust. This machine which possessed a very high wing loading, would have weighed 60 tons. [...]

Again according to Günter's report, the 60-ton flying-wing project was to have combined a 3,000 kg (6,612 lb) bomb load with a range of 28,000 km (17,388 miles).

Maximum range $R = v I_{sp} (C_L/C_D) \ln(M_{initial}/M_{final})$ for bombers with piston propeller, turbojet, turbofan, or turboprop engines and a mass ratio $M_{final}/M_{initial} = 0.6$ (best that is likely)

Characteristic	Piston prop	Turbojet	Turbofan	Turboprop
Cruising velocity v	100 m/sec	240 m/sec	240 m/sec	150 m/sec
Specific impulse I_{sp}	6500 sec	3600 sec	6000 sec	12,000 sec
Lift/drag ratio C_L/C_D	20	20	20	20
Mass ratio $M_{final}/M_{initial}$	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Maximum range R	6600 km	8800 km	15,000 km	18,000 km

or $M_{final}/M_{initial} = 0.5$ (extremely optimistic)

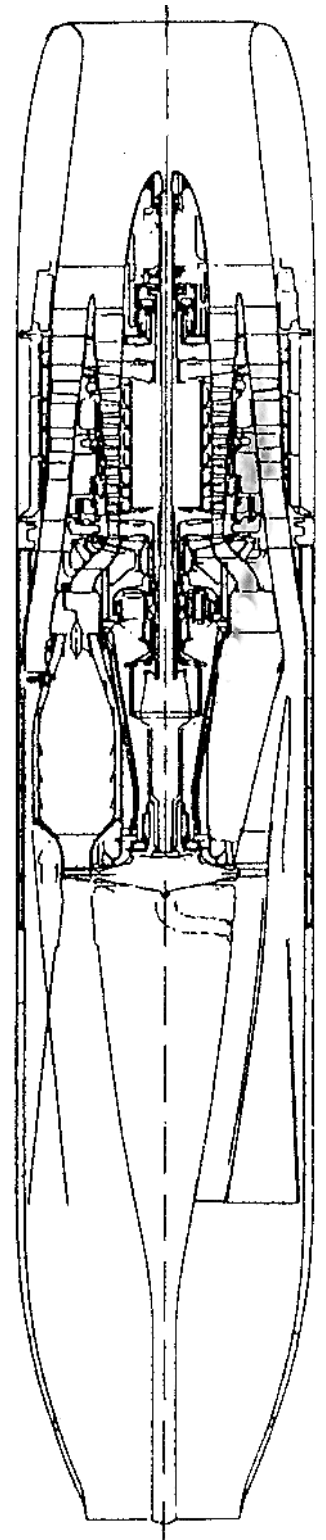
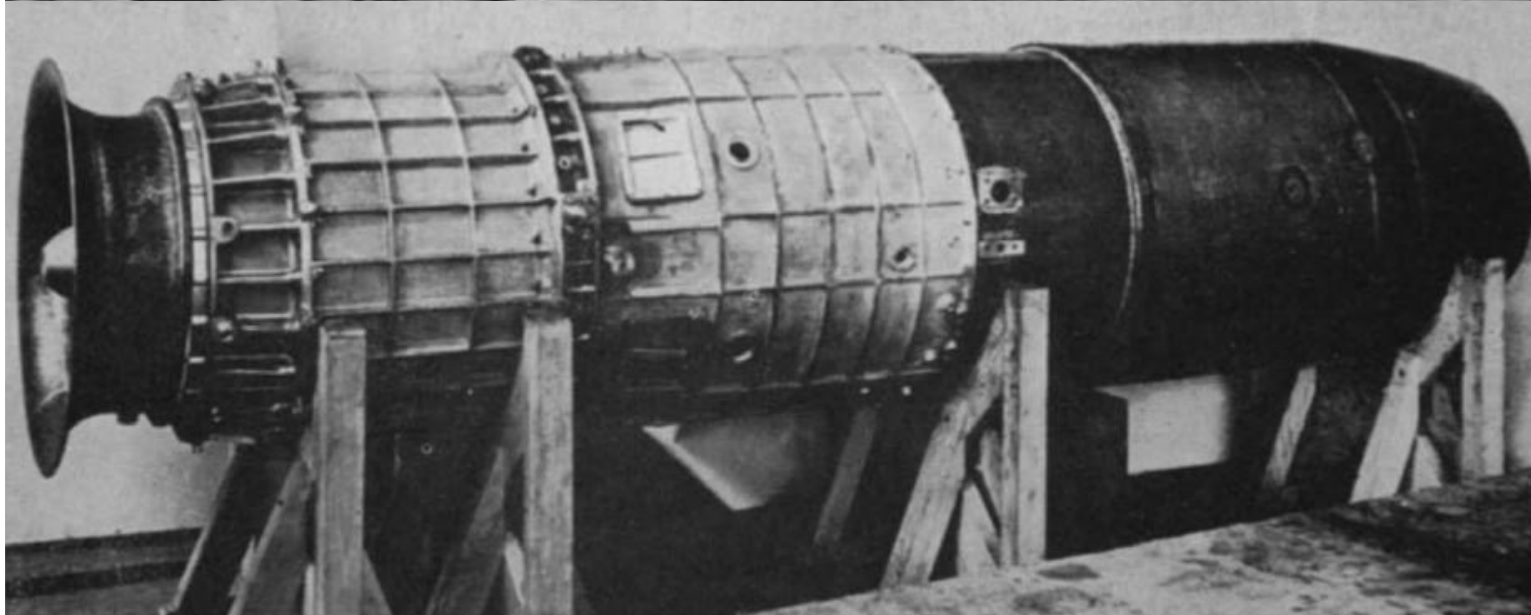
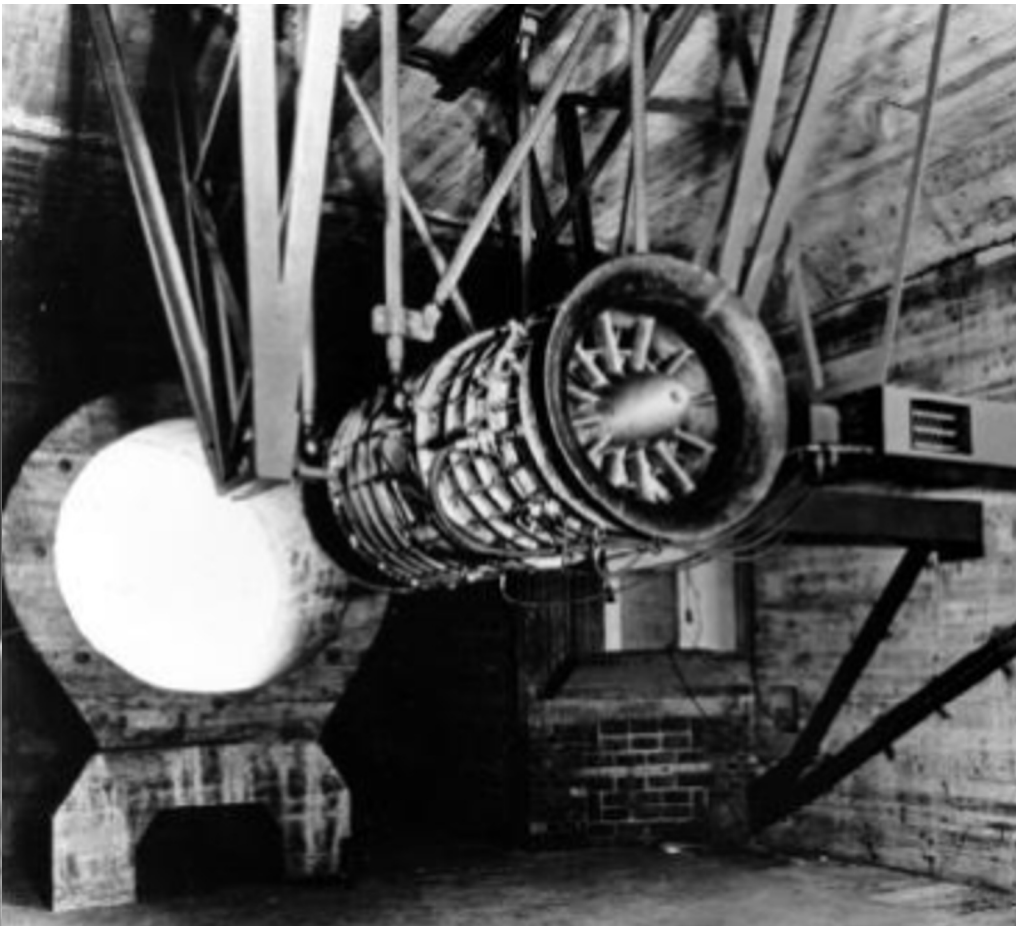
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Specific impulse I_{sp}	6500 sec	3600 sec	6000 sec	12,000 sec
Lift/drag ratio C_L/C_D	20	20	20	20
Mass ratio $M_{final}/M_{initial}$	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Maximum range R	9000 km	12,000 km	20,000 km	25,000 km

For U.S. B-29: $R = (100 \text{ m/s}) (6500 \text{ s}) (16.8) \ln(1/0.62) = 5200 \text{ km}$ (correct)

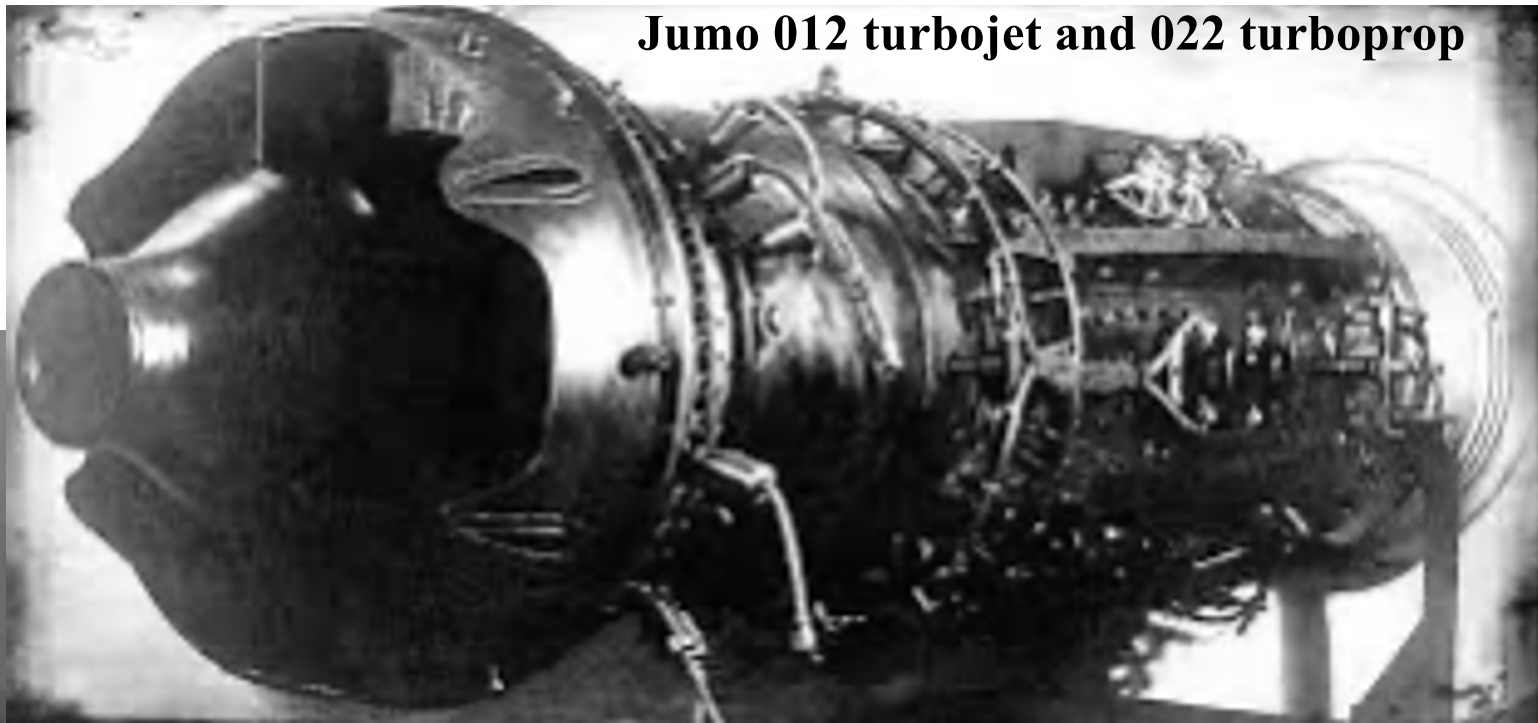
Round trip: Oslo–NY 12,000 km, Oslo–DC 12,500 km, Oslo–Chicago 13,000 km

See Forgotten Creators E.6 for more details

Karl Leist (1901–1960)
First turbofan engine
Daimler-Benz DB 007
(demonstrated 1943)



**Ferdinand
Brandner
(1903–1986)
Turboprop engine
Junkers Jumo 022**



Jumo 012 turbojet and 022 turboprop



**Jumo 022, a.k.a. NK-12,
turboprop engine is
still in service on the
Russian Tupolev Tu-95**

**Other wartime
turboprop engines:**

- **Jendrassik Cs-1**
- **BMW 028**
- **Heinkel He S 021**

In assessing these bare bones of Germany's industrial war potential certain other less tangible, but none the less important, aspects of her economic base for aggression should be appraised. These include her amazing technical ability to produce new weapons as a result of technological invention, her vast pool of skilled workmen and highly trained scientists, the existence abroad of extensive economic assets and activities, and finally, a highly integrated organization and control of her economy. Each of these aspects of Germany's base for aggression deserves a brief reappraisal as of today.

Ability to produce new weapons and products.—According to recent reports from Germany, it appears that if the Germans could have held out only 6 months longer they would have been able to smash New York City with improved V-2 bombs.

Only a little longer period would have been needed to bring into production the jet-propelled planes that could have reached Washington.

It is not necessary here to elaborate upon the terrifying scientific discoveries which our economic and industrial intelligence is gradually uncovering as we work beneath the lid in Germany. With the memories of her new V-weapons fresh in our minds, little needs to be added except to point out that they just didn't appear out of thin air. They were the fruit of carefully organized and adequately financed research institutions in which large numbers of highly trained and specialized scientists went about their business of inventing and developing the weapons that would establish German world supremacy. The results they achieved and would still achieve if opportunities are provided, spring from the existence of a laboratory here and pilot plant there and a research institution in another place. These institutions and these scientists are still on hand ready to do business for a new Germany when the break comes. Nor will their ideas and inventions be fruitless because of a lack of German capacity to translate them into mass production.

Germany could rapidly set up plants for such new products because of its enormous capacity to produce machines and machine tools, and the huge supplies of machine tools that were built up in advance of need. The plants the victors so innocently permitted to operate after the last war to turn out agricultural, construction, and textile machinery for the devastated regions of Europe were expanded and re-equipped to supply German factories to meet the needs of the war of 1939—already being planned when the armistice of 1918 was signed.⁷

Intercontinental Jet Bombers and Rockets Were Built

ELIMINATION OF GERMAN RESOURCES FOR WAR

HEARINGS

BEFORE A

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FIRST SESSION

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S. Res. 46

(79th Congress)

AUTHORIZING A STUDY OF WAR
MOBILIZATION PROBLEMS

PART 3

TESTIMONY OF
FOREIGN ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATION
AND MATERIALS ON
GERMAN PENETRATION OF
EUROPEAN INDUSTRY

JUNE 26, 1945

Where are
the reports?

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...by the Skin of our Teeth

Intercontinental Jet Bombers and Rockets Were Built

SEVERAL TIMES during the European phase of this war, victory was almost within Germany's grasp . . . on land, on the sea, or in the air.

Above all, knowing the vital importance of air supremacy, the Nazis tried time and again to wrest it back from the Allies.

And they almost succeeded.



Time ran out

Especially in the last months of the war, our margin of safety was slimmer than most of us suspected.

Just how slim it was is known best to certain American military experts who have since inspected some of Germany's underground research laboratories and war plants.

Here they saw secret weapons in various stages of development . . . weapons which might conceivably have turned the trick for the Nazis if they could have used them boldly in a last desperate gamble.

Some of these things can now be revealed. Others cannot — yet.

In one plant, the U. S. Army officers found partially assembled jet fighter planes of radical new design. There were planes potentially better than anything the Allies had in

combat at that time.

If time hadn't run out on the Germans, quantities of these jet planes might have changed the balance of air power in their favor.

In a V rocket plant, burrowed 800 feet deep in limestone rock, our technicians found blueprints for a fearful V bomb with an estimated range of 3000 miles.

"We planned to destroy New York and other American cities starting in November," said a German rocket engineer.



Target: U. S. A.

In a converted salt mine, our ordnance officers examined nearly completed jet-propelled heavy bombers . . . bombers claimed by the Germans to be capable of crashing high explosives into the industrial cities of the eastern United States and flying back again across the Atlantic.

Goering himself said the planes had been successfully test-flown and would have been in operation if Germany could have held out 3 months longer.

But those catastrophes, and others, never quite came to pass on the German timetable of war. We managed, right to

Where are
the reports?

Consolidated Vultee
Aircraft Corporation
(Convair). *Life*, 27 August
1945, 19:9:2-3.

For more information, see
Forgotten Creators E.1

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George C. Marshall, 1 Sept. 1945

history.army.mil/html/books/070/70-57/CMH_Pub_70-57.pdf p. 132:

Victory in this global war depended on the successful execution of OVERLORD. That must not fail. Yet the Japanese could not be permitted meanwhile to entrench in their stolen empire, and China must not be allowed to fall victim to further Japanese assaults. Allied resources were searched through again and again, and strategy reconsidered in the light of the deficiencies. These conclusions seemed inescapable: France must be invaded in 1944, to shorten the war by facilitating the advance westward of the Soviet forces. At the same time German technological advances such as in the development of atomic explosives made it imperative that we attack before these terrible weapons could be turned against us. In addition, the pressure on the Japanese in the Pacific must not be relaxed. Communications with China must be reopened. Resources were allocated accordingly. The balance was extremely delicate but we had to go ahead.

Where are the reports?

Between Germany and America in 1914 and again in 1939 stood Great Britain and the USSR, France, Poland, and the other countries of Europe. Because the technique of destruction had not progressed to its present peak, these nations had to be eliminated and the Atlantic Ocean crossed by ships before our factories could be brought within the range of the enemy guns. At the close of the German war in Europe they were just on the outer fringes of the range of fire from an enemy in Europe. Goering stated after his capture that it was a certainty the eastern American cities would have been under rocket bombardment had Germany remained undefeated for two more years. The first attacks would have started much sooner. The technique of war has brought the United States, its homes and factories into the front line of world conflict. They escaped destructive bombardment in the second World War. They would not in a third.

It no longer appears practical to continue what we once conceived as hemispheric defense as a satisfactory basis for our security. We are now concerned with the peace of the entire world. And the peace can only be maintained by the strong.

Intercontinental Jet Bombers and Rockets Were Built

Aleksei Sidnev to Ivan Serov. NKVD interrogation of Werner Wächter. September 1945. [FSB Archive, Moscow]

In the same year of 1944, projects were developed for very long-range bombers capable of bombing military manufacturing centers of the Soviet Union in the Urals and industrial facilities in North America. These bombers were supposed to be used to transport atomic bombs. [...]

Heylandt informed WÄCHTER that work was being done as a result of which the V-2 missile would be able to rise to 120 km in altitude and hit industrial targets in North America. [...]

The head of the production department of the armament ministry, [Karl-Otto] Saur, and his deputy, Feldmann, were personally responsible for the production of atomic bombs.

The most knowledgeable people in this regard should be General Dornberger and Dr. Erich Schumann, who worked specifically on scientific research questions related to the production of the atomic bomb.

Transcript of NKVD interrogation of Werner Wächter by Ivan Serov. 10 October 1945. [FSB Archive, Moscow]

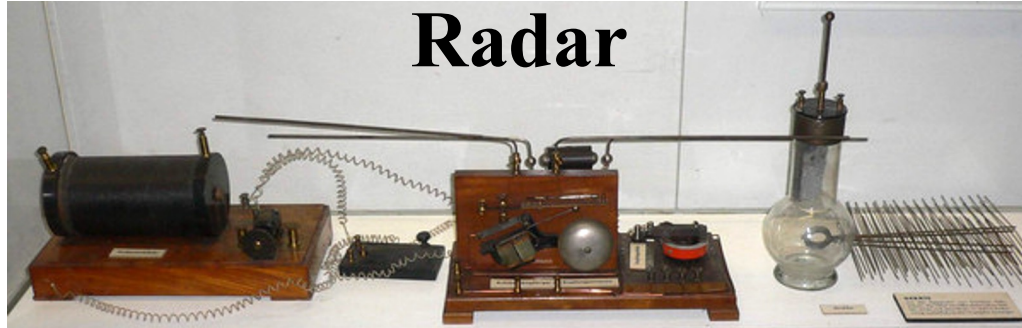
I knew that the Ministry of Armaments was carrying out practical work to prepare for the use of the atomic bomb. I learned about this from my friend, the editor of the secret government bulletin, Hans HERTEL.

As HERTEL told me, in February 1945, on behalf of the Minister of Propaganda GOEBBELS, he went on a business trip to the city of Celle and met there with his acquaintance, the head of the military air force school for special purposes, Colonel Hajo HERMANN, who told him in a private conversation that the school was armed with aircraft of the latest design. These aircraft have a long range and will be armed with this bomb. As Colonel Hajo [HERMANN] stated to HERTEL---the new aircraft were intended for bombing industrial centers of the Soviet Union, located in the Urals and Central Asia, with atomic bombs.

From HERTEL, I know that at the airfield in the city of Celle there were both bombers of the latest design and fighters intended to protect them during flights. In addition, HERTEL reported that aircraft of this design were concentrated at other airfields.

Based on conversations with DOMINIK and HERTEL, I came to the conclusion that the German Ministry of Armaments was preparing to use atomic bombs in 1945. I could also judge this from other facts that were known to me as a leading official of the German Ministry of Propaganda.

Radar



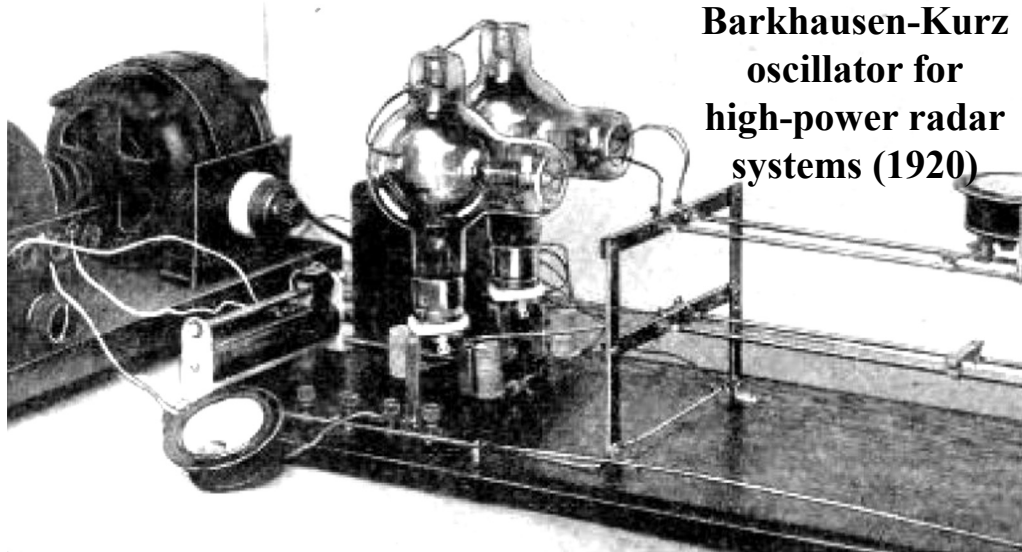
Christian Hülsmeyer
(1881–1957)
invented radar (1903)



Heinrich Barkhausen
(1881–1956)



Karl Kurz
(1881–1960)



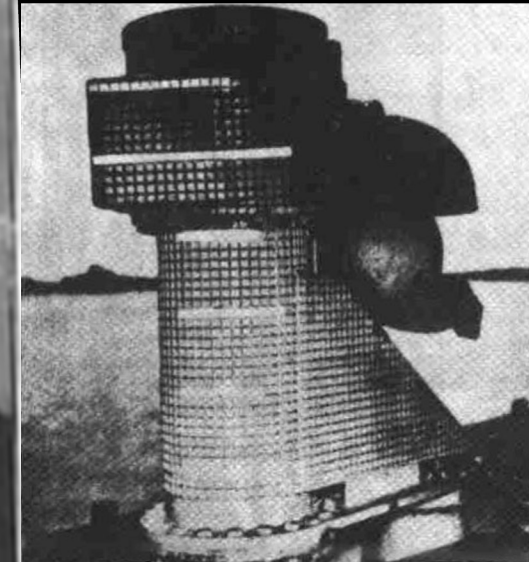
Barkhausen-Kurz oscillator for high-power radar systems (1920)

Anti-Radar

Gustav Franz Hüttig
(1890–1957)



Ludwig Wesch (19??–19??)
and many others
Radar-absorbing coatings



Structural materials and surface shapes that minimize radar reflections



**Hans Multhopp
(1913–1972)**



**North American
F-86 Sabre
(first flight 1947)**



Postwar influence—more research needed

**Alexander
Lippisch
(1894–1976)
Building flying
wings since 1930**

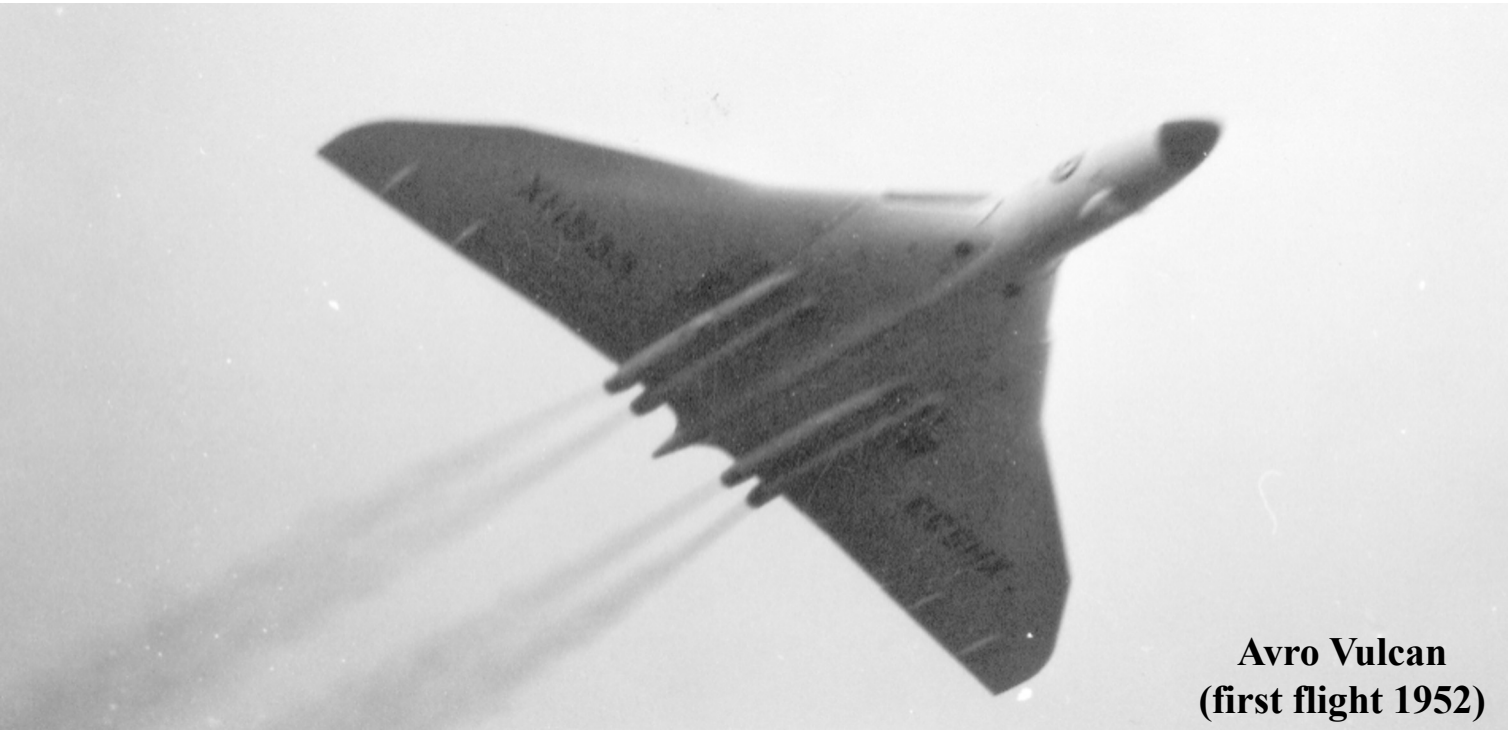


**Northrop Grumman
B-2 Spirit bomber
(first flight 1989)**





Dietrich Küchemann
(1911–1976)



Avro Vulcan
(first flight 1952)

Postwar influence—more research needed



Johanna Weber
(1910–2014)



BAC Concorde
(first flight 1969)

All Relevant Archival Documents Should Be Declassified and Studied!

How far did German work get during the war?

How much did other countries use that after the war?

Nuclear payloads

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1. Land-launched missiles

A. Liquid propellant missiles

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B. Liquid propellant space planes

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C. Solid propellant missiles

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2. Submarine-launched missiles

A. Sub-launched cruise missiles

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B. Sub-launched ballistic missiles

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3. Intercontinental jet bombers

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Chapter 9

Creators and Creations in Aerospace Engineering

Dieses merkt Euch, Ihr stolzen Männer der Tat. Ihr seid nichts als unbewußte Handlanger der Gedankenmänner, die oft in demütigster Stille Euch all Euer Tun aufs Bestimmteste vorgezeichnet haben.

Mark this well, you proud men of action. You are nothing but the unconscious hands of the men of thought, who have often, in the most humble silence, directed all your actions in advance.

Heinrich Heine. 1834. *Zur Geschichte der Religion und Philosophie in Deutschland* [*History of Religion and Philosophy in Germany*] Book III, paragraph 3.

This chapter gives an overview of some innovations in aerospace engineering that have played major roles in the modern world and that were invented or discovered by scientists and engineers who were trained in the predominantly German-speaking central European research world in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.¹

¹In addition to specific references that are cited in different areas throughout this chapter, this chapter makes use of general biographical and project information from: ACLS 2000; Albrecht et al. 1992; Ash and Söllner 1996; Bar-Zohar 1967; Bower 1987; Bunch and Hellemans 2004; Challoner 2009; Cornwell 2003; Crim 2018; EB 1911, 2010; Gillispie 1970–1990; Gimbel 1990a; Glatt 1994; Hall 2019a; István Hargittai 2006, 2011; Linda Hunt 1991; Impey et al. 2008; Jacobsen 2014; Koertge 2007; Kurowski 1982; Lasby 1971; Luser 1956, 1971; Medawar and Pyke 2000; Mick 2000; Murray 2003; Nachmansohn 1979; NDB 1953–2020; Neufeld 2012; Nouzille and Huwart 1999; O'Reagan 2014, 2019; Porter 1994; Charles Walker 1946; Peter Watson 2010; Weitensfelder 2009.

For general overviews of large portions of the history of aerospace engineering in the German-speaking world, see: Benecke and Quick 1957; von Braun et al. 1985; Coats and Carbonel 2002; Freeman 1993, 2008; Griehl 1990, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2015; Hirschel et al. 2004; Kay 2002; Lommel 2000, 2002, 2005; Jürgen Michels 1997; Myhra 1998a, 1998b, 2000a, 2000b, 2001, 2002, 2003; Michael Neufeld 1995, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2012; Ordway and Sharpe 1979; Samuel 2004, 2010; Smith and Creek 1982, 1992, 2001; Smith and Kay 2002; Stüwe 1999, 2014, 2015; Trischler 1992a, 1992b; Trischler and Schrogl 2007; Frank Winter 1983, 1990.

Appendix E

Advanced Creations in Aerospace Engineering

Für den Ring nimm nun auch mein Roß!
Ging sein Lauf mit mir
einst kühn durch die Lüfte,
mit mir
verlor es die mächt'ge Art;
über Wolken hin
auf blitzenden Wettern
nicht mehr
schwingt es sich mutig des Wegs.

For the Ring take now my horse!
Though he once carried me
boldly through the air—
with me
he lost all his magic powers;
above the clouds
through lightning and thunder
no more
will he brave the way.

Richard Wagner. 1874. *Götterdämmerung* [*Twilight of the Gods*]. Prologue. Brünnhilde.

As discussed in Chapter 9, a tremendous number of aerospace technologies were invented by German-speaking creators, especially shortly before and during World War II: helicopters, guided missiles, smart bombs, jet engines and jet aircraft, ejection seats, ramjets, the V-1 cruise missile, the A-4 or V-2 single-stage rocket, supersonic wind tunnels, radar stealth technology, etc. There is also thorough documentation (though regrettably too little modern public recognition) that German-speaking creators personally carried those aerospace technologies to their limits during the postwar era, with funding and support from the United States, United Kingdom, France, Soviet Union, and other countries.

However, archival documents strongly suggest that there are several areas in which aerospace technologies may have advanced significantly further in wartime Germany than has been officially acknowledged in the conventional historical narrative.

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8.8. NUCLEAR ENGINEERING IN THE THIRD REICH

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8.8 Nuclear Engineering in the Third Reich

This section presents evidence which suggests that the World War II German nuclear program was much larger and much more advanced than has previously been generally understood. While this claim may seem controversial, much of the relevant archival evidence has only been declassified and rediscovered in recent years, and was not publicly available when earlier historical assessments were made. The evidence presented here covers:

8.8.1. Flaws in the conventional historical view of the German program.

8.8.2. The fundamental scientific knowledge and planning of the program.

8.8.3. Sources of uranium and thorium.

8.8.4. Enrichment of uranium-235.

8.8.5. Fission reactors for breeding plutonium-239 and/or uranium-233.

8.8.6. Electronuclear systems for breeding plutonium-239 and/or uranium-233.

8.8.7. The production of other potentially nuclear-related materials.

8.8.8. Fission bomb designs.

8.8.9. Hydrogen bomb designs.

8.8.10. An October 1944 test explosion on the Baltic coast.

8.8.11. A circa November 1944 test explosion in Poland.

8.8.12. March 1945 test explosions in Thuringia.

8.8.13. Axis belief in the reality of German nuclear weapons.

8.8.14. Allied belief in the reality of German nuclear weapons.

8.8.15. Further research that is needed.

For a far more detailed presentation of the currently available evidence, see Appendix D. As explained in Section 8.8.15, much more work is needed to uncover and evaluate evidence regarding the true history and extent of the wartime nuclear program.

8.8.1 Flaws in the Conventional Historical View of the German Program

The conventional historical view that has been held from 1945 to the present is that the World War II German nuclear program was very small and poorly funded, that Germany was still trying to complete its first prototype fission reactor when the war ended, and that Germany never even made a serious attempt to develop nuclear weapons.⁶ This view is based on three categories of evidence, although each category has its own limitations as summarized below and in Section D.1:

⁶E.g., Goudsmit 1945, Goudsmit 1947, Groves 1962, Hentschel and Hentschel 1996, Hoffmann 2023, Irving 1967, Pash 1969, Popp 2016, 2021, Powers 1993, Rhodes 1986, Rose 1998, Walker 1989, 1995, 2020, 2024a, 2024b.

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Appendix D

Advanced Creations in Nuclear Engineering

Der Welt Erbe gewänne zu eigen,
wer aus dem Rheingold schüfe den Ring,
der maßlose Macht ihm verlieh’.

The whole world can be possessed by one
who from the Rhinegold forges the Ring,
which can bestow immeasurable power.

Richard Wagner. 1854. *Das Rheingold*. Scene I. Wellgunde.

As discussed in Chapter 8, contributions by the German-speaking research world to fundamental nuclear science are very well documented.¹ Wilhelm Röntgen discovered X-rays in 1895, and Ludwig Zehnder was making detailed whole-body X-ray photos of humans by 1896. Hans Geiger and Walther Müller developed accurate radiation meter designs (Geiger counters or Geiger-Müller tubes) during the period 1908–1928 that are still in use today. Nuclear fission reactions were first proposed by Ida Tacke Noddack in 1934, and demonstrated and explained by Otto Hahn, Fritz Strassmann, Lise Meitner, and Otto Frisch in 1938–1939. Nuclear fusion reactions were proposed by Fritz Houtermans and his student Robert Atkinson in 1928–1929, and refined by Carl Friedrich von Weizsäcker and Hans Bethe in 1938. Detailed mathematical models of the nucleus, essential for accurately predicting nuclear decays and reactions, were first developed by von Weizsäcker in 1935 and ultimately finalized by Otto Haxel, Johannes Hans Jensen, Maria Goeppert Mayer, Hans Suess, and Eugene Wigner by 1949.

¹See for example: Bethe 1991, 1997, Blatt and Weisskopf 1952, Brown and Lee 2006, Otto Hahn 1968, Irving 1967, L’Annunziata 2016, Nachmansohn 1979, Rife 1999, Schweber 2012, Sime 1996, Szanton 1992, Wigner 1967.

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"Todd H. Rider's *Forgotten Creators* is an encyclopedic consideration of Germany's central place in the advancement of science and technology between 1800 and 1945. Drawing upon a wide range of sources, Rider has summarized that effort in a survey that will impress the reader just as much for the breadth of German intellectual achievement as for the influence that achievement has had upon the modern world."

George W. Cully, retired Director, Office of History at Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama

"Todd H. Rider's *Forgotten Creators* is a monumental treatise about and an exciting intellectual journey through the contributions of scientists and technologists in Germany and other Central European countries and German-speaking areas to universal progress. It is thoroughly researched, meticulously documented, and presented in an easy-to-perceive way. The pre-war and pre-Nazi German system of science support has lessons that would be difficult to emulate but worthy to ponder about even today. The long-range tragic consequences in science caused by National Socialism are well demonstrated as are the benefits in the West and in the East from the exodus of Jewish scientists before and the importation of others from Germany following World War II. The book is a virtually bottomless well for mining reliable information in the history of science and technology. The 'forgotten creators' are no longer forgotten. Todd is to be congratulated for his accomplishment and thanked for sharing it so generously with the international community."

István Hargittai, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, author of *Buried Glory*, *Candid Science*, *Drive and Curiosity*, *Great Minds*, *Judging Edward Teller*, *Martians of Science*, and *The Road to Stockholm*

"The book *Forgotten Creators* is a really impressive book, as Todd H. Rider tries to mention all relevant German-speaking scientists and engineers and their scientific fields up to 1945 in this mammoth project. In this form, nobody has dared to do this before. The author deserves my full respect for this. I am pleased that we were able to support him in his research."

Thomas Köhler, Peenemünde Historical-Technical Museum historian and head of the archive

"*Forgotten Creators* is an examination of mid-twentieth-century German science and technology, studying the question of how this era came to be so productive. Using extensive reproduction of original materials and source accounts, the author is not only able to provide an overview of what is known about wartime activities, but is also able to indicate avenues for future historical research. The careful and comprehensive referencing permits the materials presented to be used in academic studies. A notable feature of this work is the fluid format provided by online publication, allowing revisions and new materials to be added. An especially important emphasis of the book is what can be learned from both the German-speaking scientists and the World War II era in general that could improve scientific productivity and creativity now."

Thomas Kunkle, Los Alamos National Laboratory, retired

"With his work, based on very comprehensive, thoroughly researched sources, Todd Rider has presented an astonishing study of the history of German science, especially in the first half of the twentieth century, which also reveals many connections that have been unjustly forgotten or little noticed. This also applies to numerous persons whose achievements are hardly known."

Günter Nagel, author of *Wissenschaft für den Krieg*, *Himmlers Waffenforscher*, *Atomversuche in Deutschland*, and *Das geheime deutsche Uranprojekt 1939-1945*

"A very valuable part of the book is devoted to the development of nuclear weapons in Germany during WWII, 1939-1945. While the histories of both the US/British Manhattan Project and the Soviet atomic project have been to a large extent declassified, little is actually known about the German work. Rider has done historians a favor by marshalling all of the evidence he could find in US, German, and Russian archives regarding the German atomic project. The inescapable conclusion is that the Germans were much farther advanced in nuclear weapons development than is generally thought."

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