

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD



ADDRESS REPLY TO

CO, CG Unit 467
Cape Blance, Ore.
REFER TO FILE

31 March, 1947

From: HAMILTON, William E. (266-127)
To: COMDR. 13TH CG DISTRICT
Via: CO, CG Group, Coes Bay, Ore.
Subj: Cape Blance Loran Station, Change of Command, Inventory inspection of,
Ref: (a) Comdr. 13th CG Dist. (pmp) Ltr. 10 March, 1947
file CG 73-701-501
(b) Comdr. 13th CG Dist. (pmp) Ltr. 7 March, 1947
file CG 73-701-501

1. In compliance with reference (a) and (b) I have personally inventoried the equipment, Commissary supplies, and inspected reservation in company with my relief, Carl W. Jackson (105-256) CETM.
- 2.. Due to inclement weather no drills were held.
3. Two copies of commissary inventory are inclosed herewith.
4. Inasmuch as my relief has signified his readiness to assume charge of subject unit, I therefore consider myself properly relieved with no futher comment.

William E. Hamilton
William E. Hamilton

Encl: Commissary Inventory (2 Copies)
CC: Unit file
Hamilton
CO, CG Group
Jackson

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Sixes, Ore.
31 March, 1947

From: JACKSON, Carl W. (105-256) CETM
To: Commander, 13th Coast Guard District
Via: Commanding Officer, Group, Coes Bay.
Subj: Cape Blance Loran Sta., CG UNIT 467, Change of command, Inventory, Inspection upon relief.

1. Having given the petty officer being relieved sufficient length of time to condition his unit prior to being relieved since my arrival, 23 March, 1947, I find the condition of this unit unchanged and submit

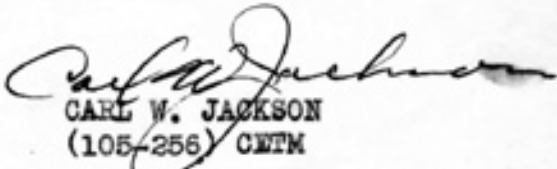
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1. the following report as to condition of this unit upon relief:
 - (1) There is no record kept of title "A" equipment at this unit. However six (6) buildings and one (1) 150 Cu.Ft. reefer is at present on this reservation.
 - (2) The Record of Public Property, Title "B" equipment, is not correct in that the following items can not be found:
 - (a) 14 "Assorted swivel chairs"
 - (b) 1 14 inch floodlight
 - (c) 1 Auto painters tool kit.
 - (d) 1 Skilsaw
 - (e) 2 Cocktail tables
 - (3) All electronic equipment listed in the RPP has been checked and found correct in quantity.
 - (4) Two (2) Coast Guard trucks are attached this unit, trucks T-4918 and T-7921. Truck T-4918 is inoperable in that the engine was frozen. Truck T-7921 is in very poor condition in that only one wheel is providing braking action, engine requires new rings or complete overhaul, glass cracked in 3 windows, only one headlight works, clutch needs repair, starter is burnt out, interior requires painting, and two tires are practically smooth.
 - (5) Officer in Charge Barracks: In fair condition. All paint-work will require scrubbing. Roof leaks over stove-room section.
 - (6) Personnel Barracks: Filthy. Soot litterally covers the floors and bulk-heads around water heater and space heating units. No hot water available due to lack of draft on oil burning water-heater. Bath-room filthy and one toilet plugged up. Finger marks and grease spots in evidence all over building interior.
 - (7) Galley, Mess-Hall, and Laundry Room: Filthy from one end of building to the other end. At least one-half inch of grease and dirt covered the area around galley stove. Garbage definitely known to be over two (2) weeks old remained in a box in the mess hall. Grease scupper from galley range missing, allowing grease to drip on floor. One oil burner pot in galley range reported to be cracked and leaking oil and therefore no being used. Other pot caked with carbon to such an extent that very poor combustion were available. Four (4) No. 2 cans of carbon were removed from the latter pot. Numerous empty type CO2 fire extinguishers laying about galley. Hot water heater

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1. (7) continually cold from rusted stove pipe to roof flashing connection allowing rain to enter pipe and quench fires.
- (8) Garage: Dirt and litter strewn. One door broke from hinges and laying on floor where daily the truck drives over the top of it. All the tools are rusted and kept in several partially filled tool boxes.
- (9) Fire fighting equipment is poor. Insufficient hose to reach all buildings and only a small gas-driven pump available. All foam type fire-extinguishers were found to be empty and that they had never been charged at any time. These extinguishers were mounted in the various buildings with the packing paper still inside of chamber.
- (10) No daily routine provided. Personnel allowed to sleep as long as desired from all appearances.
- (11) The only building found to be in better than "fair" condition was the Loran equipment building.
- (12) All buildings are in need of paint externally. The galley was painted recently all spar color. Likewise the mess hall was painted all spar. This will necessitate re-painting again.
- (13) The commissary inventory will be noted to contain "cases" of various items as the "unit". This will require breaking down into the proper unit and cost. Likewise under these conditions is carried "French Dressing, 2 cases, at \$2.88 per case". Actually this is one large case partially filled and another case filled with small bottles.

2. Under the conditions set forth in paragraphs 1 to 13, inclusive, I hereby accept charge of CG UNIT 467 from William E. Hamilton (266-127) ETMlc, with the understanding that it will take considerable time to clean up the reservation grounds alone in addition to the items listed above.


CARL W. JACKSON
(105-256) CWTM

Ind-2
CG GROUP COOS BAY
Charleston, Oregon
22 April, 1947

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order 7-12
with 7-8
[Signature]

Subj: Cape Blanco Loran Station; Change of Command, inventory inspection of.

1. Forwarded approved.

2. William E. Hamilton, (266-127) ETM 1c, while Officer in Charge of the Cape Blanco Loran Station, was repeatedly instructed by this office to clean up, establish a daily routine, and correct all deficiencies noted in Western Inspector's report dated 27 November, 1946. To date, no reply has been made to this report and very few of the deficiencies corrected. Truck No. T-4918 had its engine frozen by driving at excessive speed without sufficient lubricating oil. Truck No. T-7921 was in first class condition when transferred from Cape Blanco Light Station on 9 January, 1947.

3. A recent inspection of Cape Blanco Loran Station by the undersigned showed considerable improvement has been made since the recent change of command.

M.G. Alvey
M.G. ALVEY

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Ind-3
Seattle, Washington

28 April, 1947

From: Commander, 13th CG District (o)
To: The Commandant (OSU)

1. Forwarded.

2. This man was relieved of his command as he was found incompetent to perform the duties of Officer-in-Charge.

3. Every effort is being made to improve the unfavorable conditions reported at the Loran Radio Station.

J.E. Stika
J. E. STIKA

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CHIEF, OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

JUN 13 1947

From: ~~Commandant~~
To: ✓ Commander, Thirteenth Coast Guard District
Subj: William E. Hamilton, (266-127) ETM lc; performance of duty by

1. Indorsements to letter, CO, Cape Blanco Loran Station, dated 31 March, 1947, reporting change of command at Unit 467, appear to indicate either gross incompetency of subject person or disobedience of orders by him, or both. In either case, Headquarters questions whether or not a simple relieving of the man of the responsibilities he so poorly carried out constitutes adequate action in the matter. Commander, Thirteenth Coast Guard District is accordingly requested to convene a board of investigation to inquire into subject man's performance of duty as Officer-in-Charge of Cape Blanco Loran Unit, and to recommend additional administrative action in the case should necessity therefore be apparent.

2. Indorsement-2 to basic letter indicates a lack of effectiveness in the repeated instructions issued by Commander, CG Group Coos Bay, to subject man over a considerable period (apparently from around 27 November, 1946 to 31 March, 1947). In the opinion of Headquarters, such a period is excessive; if Commander, Coos Bay Group's orders were not being carried out, he should have availed himself of recourse to higher authority much earlier than he apparently did.

A. C. RICHMOND
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Acting Assistant Commandant.

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From: Commander, 13th CG District (1)
To: The Commandant (0)
Subj: HAMILTON, William E. (266-127) ETM lc; performance of
duty by

HQ (0) letter of 13 June, 1947, file CG-701-601, relative to the above subject, directs Commander, 13th CG District, to convene a board of investigation to inquire into the performance of duty of subject man as Officer-in-Charge of Cape Blanco Loran Unit, and to recommend additional administrative action in this case should the necessity therefor be apparent. Subject-named man was discharged on 9 May, 1947, and consequently, the course of action indicated by HQ' letter would appear to be no longer appropriate. However, a copy of reference letter will be forwarded to CO, CG Group, Coos Bay, for future guidance in these matters.



J. E. STIKA

CC:

CO, CG GROUP, Coos Bay.

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Here is perfect
example of no
punch, no follow
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of upkeep of shore
units by personnel
assigned within
limits of their
capabilities — That
is, maintenance
other than major
repairs. ~~M3~~