

ROOSEVELT'S SECRET WAR



FDR and World War II Espionage

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FDR loved
intrigue - Tehran
trip - assassination
attempt

Wherry's Arlington Hall
Los Alamos
Manhattan Project
Ultra
Magic

FDR wanted
unconditional
surrender - just
U.S. Grant
which impact on
WC and status

OSS - how did it
operate - how many
people - why was it
shut out of Pacific

President's Secretary's
File - FDR library

German's intercepted
phone calls of
WC and FDR

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Bob Louis
got help from Colin Powell and staff
Margaret Suckley; a file opened.
By time he became Pres. dissimulation became 2nd nature

Vincent Astor - spy activities p 9

FDR liked private sources of intell. -

William Friedman's team broke Jp. code in 36' - FDR
knew of Germany Japan Italy partnership 6 months before
State Dept. p 13

Who was in "The Room" then The Club

Tyler Kent - London Embassy 29 yr. old clerk with access
to FDR/WC correspondence p 19

Neutrality of FDR was questioned by Kent

WC wanted SD ships

FDR had to decide about 3rd term

Joseph Kennedy - Paul's story - Aml to Britain p 29

Kent gets 7 years

Frank Knox (Rep) to Navy Sec / Henry Stimson - Sec War

Vincent Astor sets cooperation with Brites in New York. Sir James
Paget p 50

William Samuel Stephenson - Canadian head British Intell in NYC
WC wanted him to draw US into the war.

John Franklin Carter - told FDR in Albany he'd be Pres.
wrote a column "We the People"

created secret intell - effort for FDR - also watched Astor

Oshiner p 239 - 1943 - over
400 messages Message 457 -

Yamamoto shot from sky

Americans attack
Japanese Hospital
ships p 244

Summer Welles - homosexual approach
to Porters

FDR's comment to William Bullitt p 252

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Dwight Lee - Donovan's aide FOR - "a friend's memory"
Elizabeth Bentley -

1944 Soviet NKVD agents
Post Cold War Soviet documents
show double digit number of
agents in OSS

FDR on Joe Stalin at Tehran conf. 1943 P213
"He won't try to annex anything"

William Bullitt - 1948
Geo. Eagle - Turkey - told FDR of German
threat to bomb east coast and N.Y.C.

threatened to expose Russian threat P386
Map Room Files FDR L

387 - Story of Willie Colepaugh
CN boy - goes in US Navy - released for Nazi
gets berth on Benedict ocean liner
goes to Germany - becomes spy
dropped with others in Fieseler's Bay
20 cases of espionage sent out trials of war
Sympathetic

William J. Donovan - a Republican

Frank Knox

Henry Stimson

Repubt.

Sec. of War

Cordell Hull

Sec. of State

Joseph Kennedy

William J. Donovan

William Stephenson

Vincent Astor

John Franklin Carter

George East

J. Edgar Hoover

WC - dragged feet on Overland P224
upset American wouldn't
exchange info on Tube Alloys
Became of FDR/WC agreement Klaus
Fuchs got access to Los Alamos

1943 Army's Counter Intelligence Wgms

P229 -

Supposed affair between ER and Joseph
Lash

Marshall disbanded CIC after incorrect
reports on ER

ER and Hoover clashed - JEH investigated

Tommy Thompson ER's Secretary -

Hoover kept "undiluted trash" on ER/Lash relationship

George East - Gov. of PA. - special envoy to
Istanbul - LCDR Navy - spoke directly with FDR

FDR declines "unconditional surrender"

1944 - WC pushed up fact that American
killed 500 British POW in Italy because food
would expose that British had broken Ultra
were protecting Ultra. P289

Turf battles between Donovan and Hoover

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Midway was a victory of intelligence P189
turning point in Japan theater

Chi Tubens - reports Stanley Johnson saw report
while in Captain's chain of command New Orleans
Raw story saying U.S. knew Japs were ahead of them

Honorable Wied

Stewart also

Tom Braden

Estelle Frankfurt - Felix's sister

James Roosevelt - son - liaison
with agencies

Hardly a record of a dependable conversation
in FDR's whole life

Preferred "Humint" over "Sigint"

Sam Woods / Berlin Embassy and early warning from
FDR to Stalin about Hitler invasion 1942

Frank Rowlett - broke Purple in 18 months

Magicians

James R. Marine Captain 1940 asked by his father
to deliver secret message to World leaders in the east
the east - we'll help you fight the Nazis p104
Ultra - designation chosen for Enigma messages
from Germany by the British at Bletchley Park

Chap. 13 -

Alexander Sachs meeting with FDR about Atomic Bomb
Manufacture Project

Pres. didn't like to commit anything to paper

FDR was anti-imperialist - not Churchill p412

Morgenthau's plan for after war with Germany
p334 - It died

Henry Wallace - 1944 - gave secrets to a Swiss friend
p344

Gen Marshall pleads with Dewey not to make Magic a campaign
issue
p346

Joseph K., Jr. killed - buzz bombs / Javanese / TV guided
plant
p336 - got K. calls. FDR cupped SOB

Klaus Fuchs
had told Soviets
about Manhattan

Who knew about
bomb? p 404
Elihu Frank. renew

Klaus Fuchs
Ted Hall
both Russian
spys.

Niels Bohr. Dane
wanted US to
share atomic
secrets with
Russia

Virgilio Scattolini
p 396 fooled OSS
in Rome with phony
under reports on
Papal meetings

Where was the
Map Room

Babauosa operations
Germany attack 54
Russia 1941