PEARL HARBOR ATTACK

December 7, 1941

 2500 years ago the Japanese were worshipping Amaterasu, the sun goddess, ancestor of the ruling family

According to Japanese literature, she envisioned <u>a future island empire in</u> which all the world would be subjects of her descendents

TIME LINE OF EMPIRE BUILDING

 1894-1895 successful war with China.
 Obtained Formosa (Taiwan) in peace terms and replaced China as dominating power over internal Korean affairs

 1904-1905 successful war with Russia.
 Annexed Russian islands north of Japan and replaced Russian influence in Manchuria

1910 annexed Korea

 1917 defeated Germans in Shantung and possessed German colonized islands in the pacific north of the equator

 1927 Tanaka memorial approved by emperor

100 year plan for conquering the world

Phase I

 Exploit Manchurian man power and needed resources

Phase II Secure SOUTHERN RESOURSES AREA

 Indonesia, Malaysia, etc., for much needed RUBBER, TIN, and OIL PHASE III
 Build Military Machine capable of conquering the world.

 1931 Annexed Manchuria and set up puppet emperor.

• 1939 Seized Hainan Island

 1940 Set up Japanese puppet WANG government in China.

• 1940 Signed "pact of steel" with Germany and Italy 1935-1938 Captured Peking and major cities in southern China, Shanghai, Hankow, Canton. (Horror of Nanking).

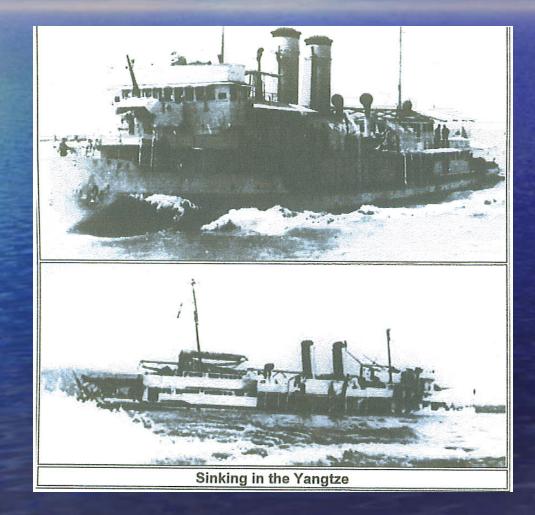
- 1939 Occupied bases in Northern INDO CHINA.

1940 Resigned from League Of Nations.
1941 Occupied all of Indo China.

• 1941 Completed training and equipping 200,000 man army in Taiwan with 800 aircraft and 94 troop transports for invasion of Philippines.



ON JULY 11. 1941 JIM DOWNING AND MORENA HOLMES WERE MARRIED IN HAWAII TO TEST THE WILL OF THE US TO GO TO WAR TO OPPOSE JAPAN IN CHINA JAPANSE BOMBERS SUNK THE USS PANAY DECEMBER 12, 1937



U.S. ACTION

- 1939 Cancelled treaty with Japan (in effect since 1911) allowing sale of scrap iron
- 1940 Main Pacific Fleet moved to be based in Pearl Harbor

 1941 July 26, President Roosevelt and Great Britain cut off oil exports to Japan (Indonesia now a must)

1940 US FLEET MOVED HOME PORT FROM CALIFORNIA PORTS TO PEARL HARBOR

1941 December 5 - Peace Ambassador Saburo Kurusu(来栖 三郎) arrived Pearl Harbor

 1941 December - One third of Fleet which had been on patrol brought into Pearl Harbor to show Kurusu we had no warlike intentions

Sunrise - December 7, 1941

- 30-Ship Japanese Task Force arrived 200 miles NW of Pearl Harbor
- 6 aircraft carriers with 360 Aircraft
- 2 Battleships
- 2 Heavy Cruisers
- 9 Destroyers
- 3 Submarines
- 8 Tankers and supply ships





Sunrise - December 7, 1941

 164 Navy and Coast Guard ships in Pearl Harbor

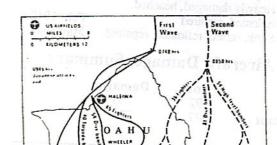
 Radar turned off at sunrise. Submarine net protecting Pearl Harbor opened to allow garbage barge to go to sea

Destroyers	30	lenders (AS)	1
Minecraft	24	Submarines Rescue	• 1
Misc. Auxiliaries	3	Gunboat	1
Net Vessels	6	Ferryboats	6
PT Boats	12	Yard Oilers	6
Yard Patrol	1	Water Barges	3
Seaplane Derricks	3	Torpedo Test Barge	1
Repair	3	Oilers	2
Ammunition	1	Fleet Tugs	3
Stores	3	Hospital	1
Yard Tugs	9	Garbage Lighters	3
Repair Barges	2	U.S. Coast Guard	12

Ships at Pearl Harbor Lost In World War II

Arizona (BB 39)	December 7, 1941
Blue (DD 387)	August 23, 1942
Gamble (DM 15)	February 18, 1945
Grebe (AM 43)	December 5, 1942
Helena (CL 50)	July 6, 1943
Henley (DD 391)	October 3, 1943
Hull (DD 30)	December 18, 1944
Jarvis (DD 393)	August 9, 1942
Monaghan (DD 354)	December 18, 1944
Neosho (AO 23)	May 11, 1942
Oklahoma (BB 37)	December 7, 1941
Perry (DMS 17)	September 13, 1944
Reid (DD 369)	December 11, 1944
Thornton (AVD 11)*	May 2, 1945
Tucker (DD 374)	August 4, 1942
Utah (AG 16)	December 7, 1941
Ward (DD 139)	December 7, 1944
Wasmuth (DMS 15)*	December 29, 1942
Worden (DD 352)*	January 12, 1943
PT 22*	January 12, 1943
PT 28*	January 12, 1943

* Not due to enemy action





Ships at Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941

5	Sotoyomo	Oldest in service	1903
The second	Vestal	Oldest in commission	October 4, 1909
	Ash	Newest in service	July 1, 1941
ALL SOLL	Pelias	Newest in Commission	September 5, 1941
	Nokomis	Last out of Service	May 1, 1973
	USCG Taney	Last out of commission	December 7, 1986
	San Francisco	Most Battle Stars	17
	West Virginia	At Tokyo	September 2,
	Detroit		1945
	Argonne	ET TH	

Japanese Ships Assigned to "Hawaii Operation"

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Name	Date Lost	Place Lost		
Akagi	June 5, 1942	Midway		
Kaga	June 4, 1942	Midway		
Shokaku	June 19, 1942	Philippine Sea		
Zuikaku	October 25, 1944	Leyte Gulf		
Hiryu	June 5, 1942	Midway		
Soryu	June 4, 1942	Midway		
Hiei	November 13, 1942	Guadalcanal		
Kirishima	November 15, 1942	Guadalcanal		
Chikuma	October 25, 1944	Leyte Gulf		
Tone	July 24, 1945	Kure		
Abukuma	October 26, 1944	Surgao Strait		
Katori	February 17, 1944	Truk		
Akigumo	April 11, 1944	Celbes Sea		
Arare	July 5, 1942	Aleutians		
Hamakaze	April 7, 1945	South of Kyushu		
Isokaze	April 7, 1945	South of Kyushu		
Kagero	May 8, 1943	Solomons		
Kasumi	April 7, 1945	South of Kyushu		
Sazanami	January 14, 1944	Yap		
Shiranuhi	October 27, 1944	Leyte Gulf		

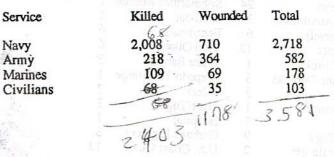
Japanese Aircraft Attack Pearl Harbor

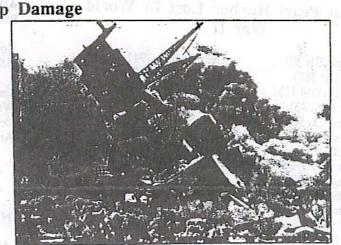
The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor began at 7:55 a.m. December 7, 1941. The attacking forces were broken down into two waves. . The first consisted of 183 aircraft which included 40 torpedo planes, 49 level bombers, 51 dive bombers and 43 fighters. The second wave consisted of 170 planes which included 54 level bombers, 80 dive bombers and 36 fighters.

The attack also included four heavy aircraft carriers, two heavy cruisers, 35 submarines, two light cruisers, nine oilers, two battleships and 11 destroyers.

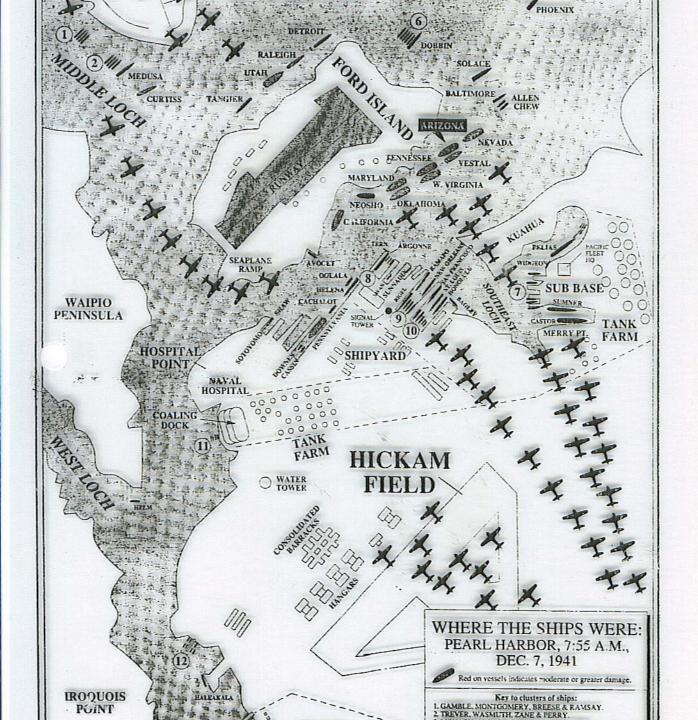
Summary of U.S. Ship Damage Rejoined Ship Summary Fleet Battleships Sunk, total loss, on bottom at Arizona Pearl Harbor California Sunk, raised, repaired 2 May 1944 modernized Damaged, repaired, Maryland Feb 1942 modernized Heavily damaged, grounded Nevada Dec 1942 refloated, repaired modernized Capsized, total loss Oklahoma Damaged, repaired Mar 1942 Tennessee The USS Arizona burning after the Japanese attack. W. Virginia Sunk, Raised, repaired modernized July 1944 Minecraft Pennsylvania Slightly damaged, repaired modernized Aug 1942 Destroyers Feb 1944 Heavily damaged, rebuilt Cassin Heavily damaged, rebuilt Nov 1943 Downes Damaged, continued on Helm patrol, repaired Jan 1942 Cruisers Heavily damaged, repaired June 1942 U.S. Aircraft Damage Summary Helena Jan 1942 Damaged, repaired Honolulu Lost Damaged Heavily damaged, repaired Raleigh July 1942 92 31 overhauled Navy 77 128 Army Air Corps

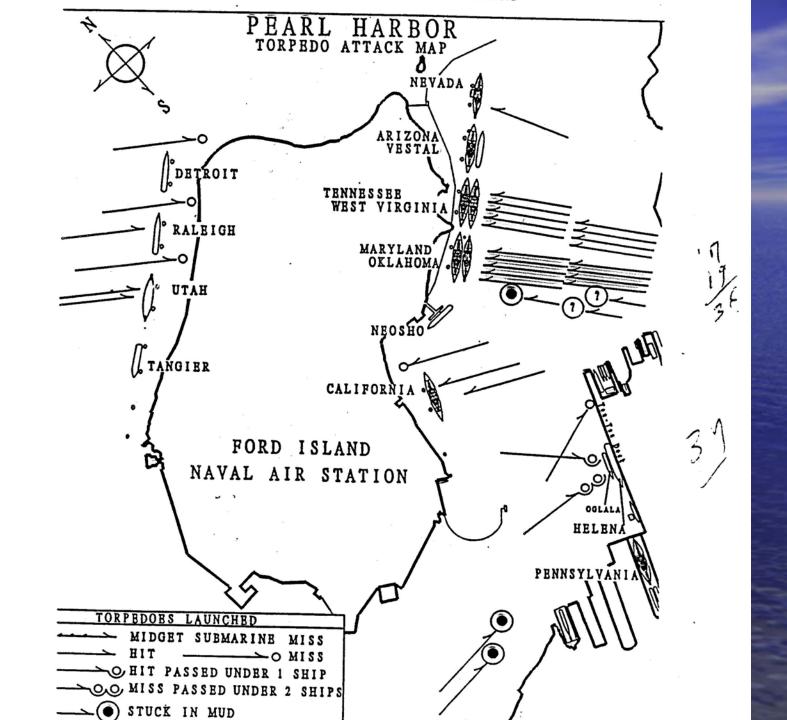
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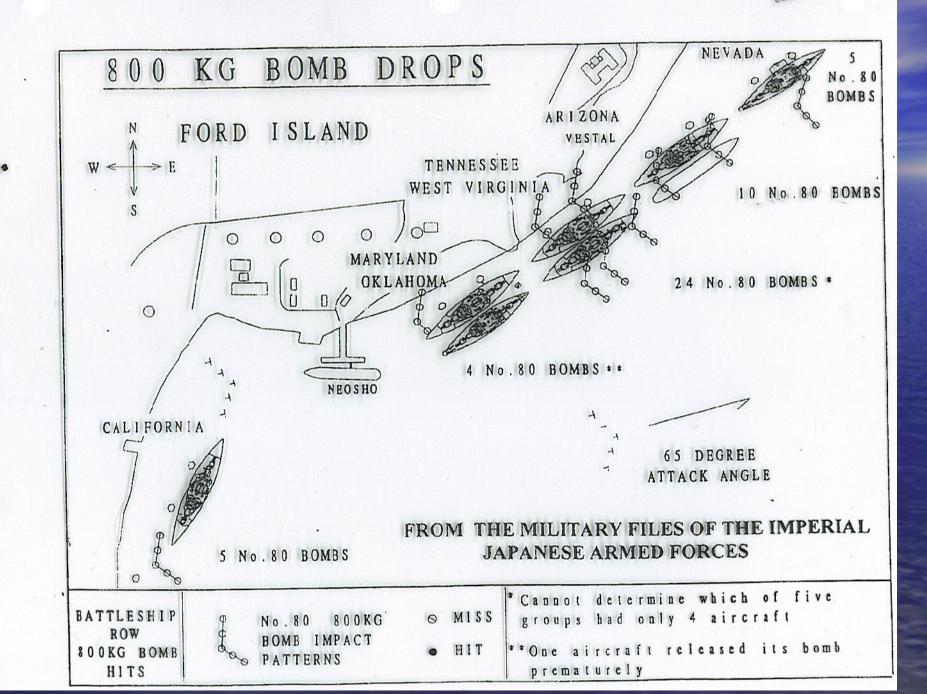


Oglala	Sunk, raised, repaired	Feb 1944
	Auxiliaries	
Curtiss	Damaged, repaired	Jan 1942
Sotoyomo	Sunk, raised, repaired	Aug 1942
Utah	Capsized, on bottom at Pearl Han	rbor
Vestal	Heavily damaged, beached,	
	refloated, repaired	Feb 1942
VED 2	Sunk raised refloated renaired	May 1942



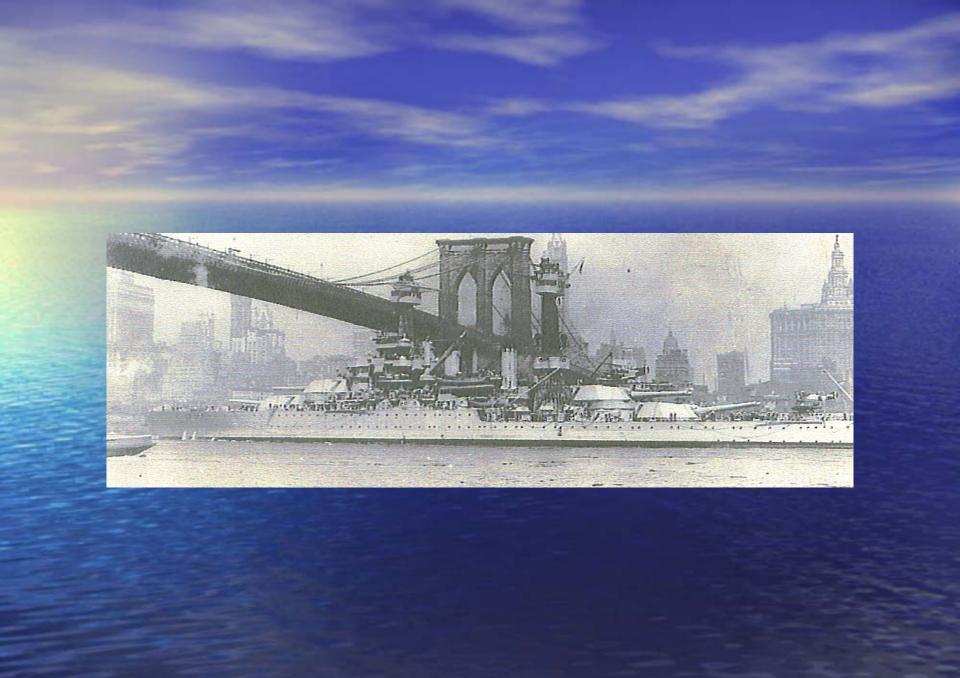








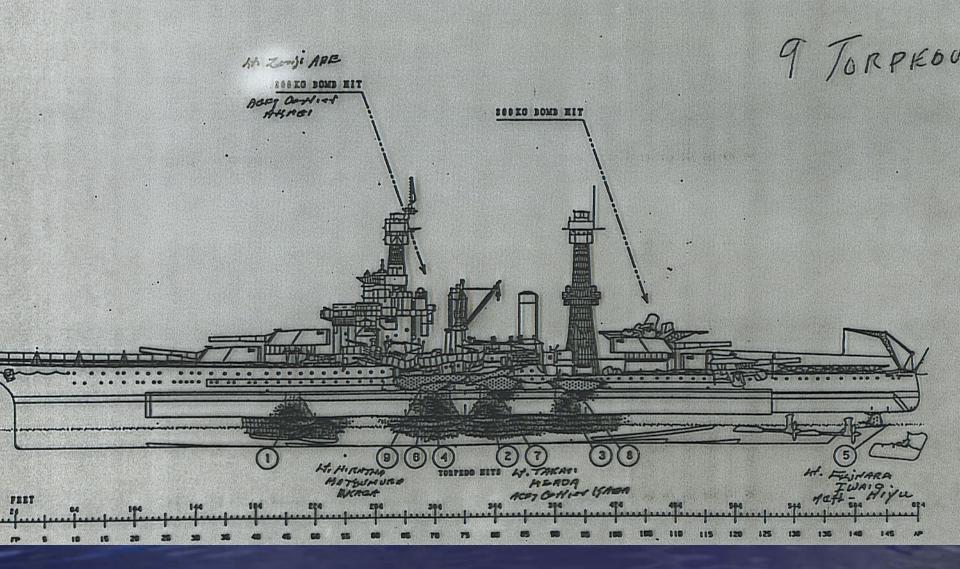
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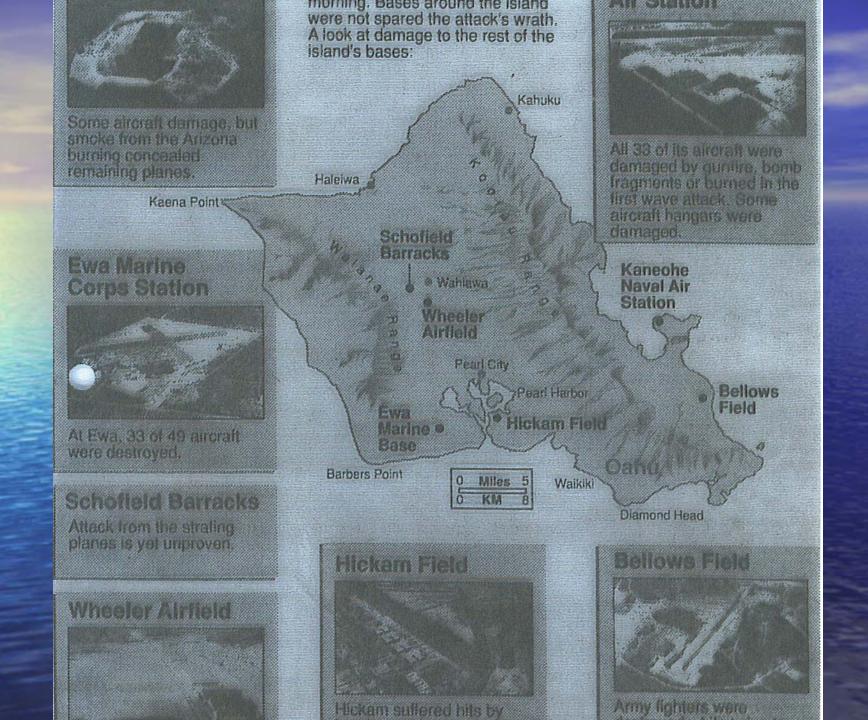


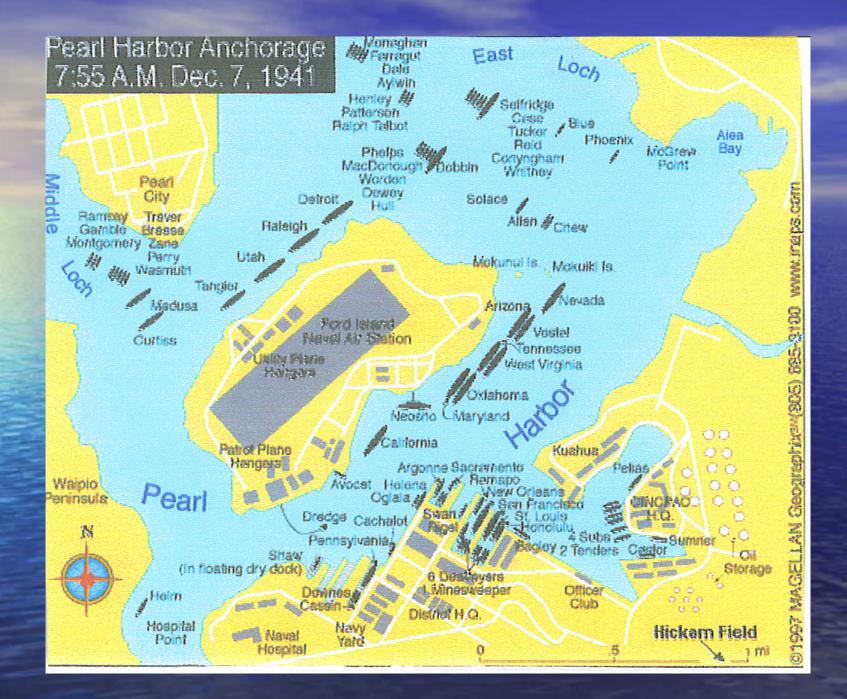
USS West Virginia sunk and burning



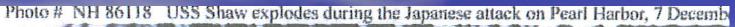
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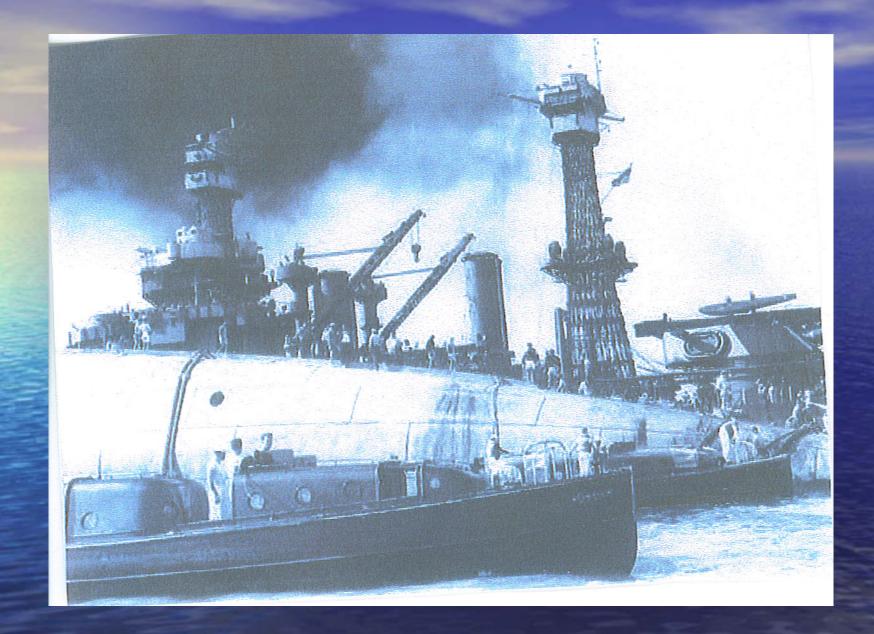


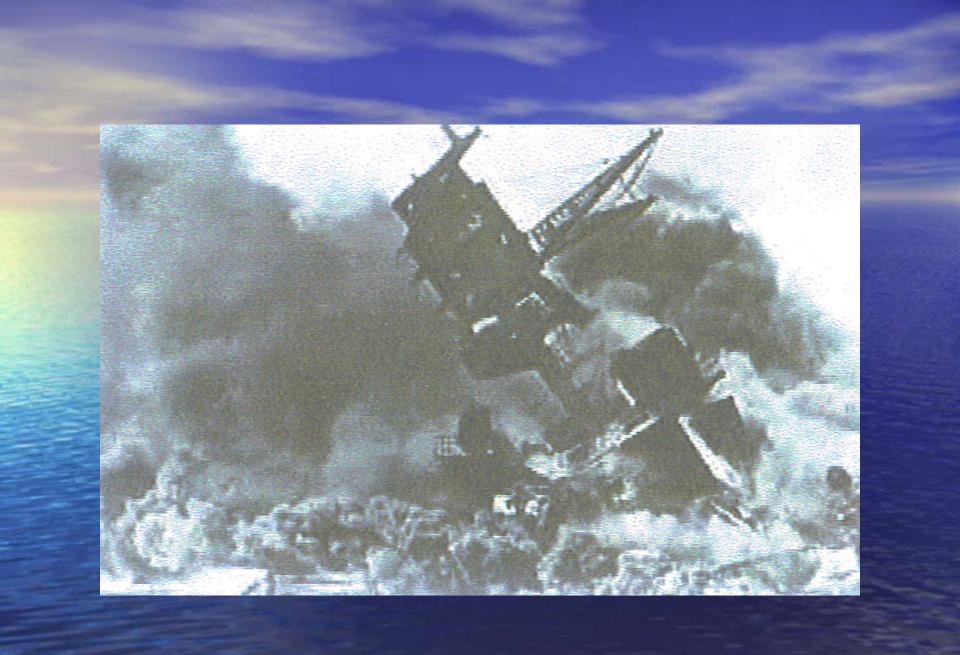




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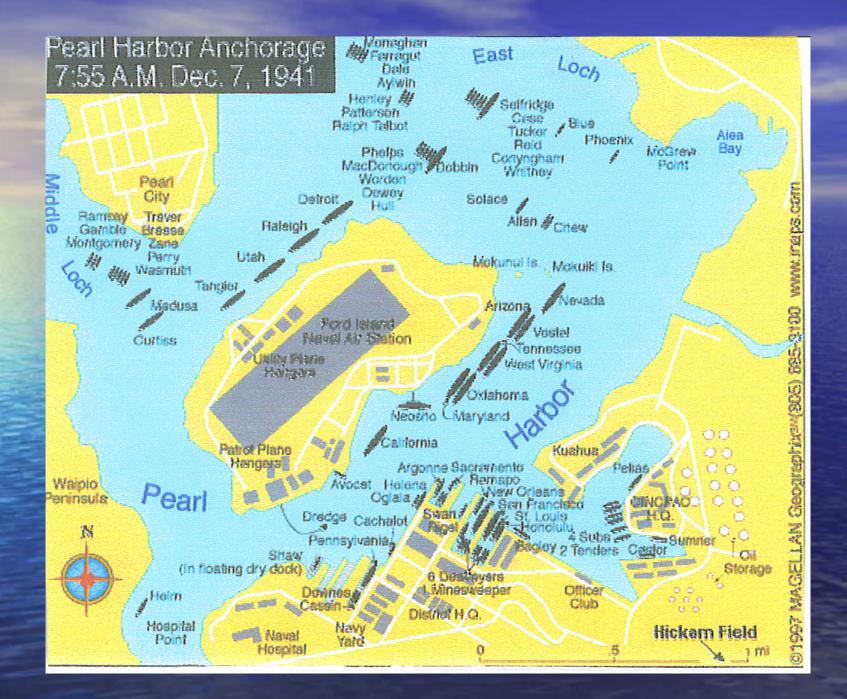
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USS Neosho loaded with 6 million gallons of aviation gasoline during attack on Pearl Harbor

