

Television Broadcast by Admiral Kimmel  
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Q.1. In Admiral Theobalds book he charges that President Roosevelt incited the Japanese to war. What do you think?

Ans. The evidence in Admiral Theobalds book amply supports this charge and I have believed this to be a fact since 1944 when I learned of the information withheld from me by the Navy Department.

Q.2. What information was withheld from you.

Ans. The Navy Department knew:

- (1) that Japan had demanded from her agents information and was receiving information as to the exact location of the ships berthing in Pearl Harbor. As December 7th approached these reports were demanded daily and required even when there were no ships moving. ~~nothing!~~
- (2) that ~~the~~ Japanese Government had established a dead line of November 25th, later extended to November 29th after which things were going to happen automatically.
- (3) that an ultimatum had been submitted to Japan on 26 November which could only be answered by a Declaration of ~~War~~/~~of~~/~~war~~ This was answered by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

NOT ONE IOTA OF THIS INFORMATION WAS SUPPLIED AND I DID NOT KNOW OF IT UNTIL 1944

(4) On December 6th, 13 parts of a 14 part message were received in the Navy department from Japanese intercept messages. On the morning of Dec. 7th., the 14th part of this message was received and also a message directing the Japanese ambassadors to present the 14 parts to the American authorities at exactly 1 p.m.

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Q. Was it not the duty of the C.N.O. to give you this information?

A. Yes. It was the duty of the C.N.O. to inform me of these matters. He did not do so and the only explanation that appears reasonable is that he was forbidden to do so by the president of the united states. Furthermore, in my opinion such a prohibition cannot relieve Admiral Stark or any other officer from the execution of his sworn duties.

Q. Why did president Roosevelt use the method he did to get us into the war?

A. In my opinion, President Roosevelt knew that the vast majority of the american people were opposed to the entry of the United States into the war. President Roosevelt wanted above all things to enter the war but realized that to obtain the support of the whole people, the United States had to be attacked. The result was ~~XXXXXX~~ PEARL HARBOR.  
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