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PART I

DESCRIPTIVE

INTRODUCTION

1. The Corsair F. Mks. I, II, III & IV, are low gull-wing monoplane fighters. They are fitted with a Pratt & Whitney R.2800-8 or R.2800-8W engine having twospeed two-stage supercharging and a Hamilton hydromatic propeller. They can operate from the deck of a carrier, provision being made for accelerating (by the tail-down method), arresting and wing folding. The main difference between the F. Mk. I and the F. Mk, II, is that the F. Mk. II, has a raised cockpit. The F. Mk. III & IV are similar to the F. Mk. II, but built by other manufacturers.

A.L.I IMAIN SERVICES Part I 2. Fuel System Para. 2

(i)

(i) Fuel tanks.-Fuel is carried in one self-sealing main tank, which includes a standpipe reserve, and two wing tanks. The wing tanks are not self-scaling, and should not be filled for operational or practice flights, but only for reinforcing flights. The capacities are:

Main tank	(including	reserve of	42	Imp.	mily gan	C.O. gar
gallons)					197	236
Wing tanks	(471 Imp.	gal, each)		4.00	95	114
	Total				202	250

On aircraft JT100-JT554 provision is made for carrying a single drop tank of 142 Imp. gal. (170 U.S. gal.) on the centre line of the aircraft. On aircraft JT 555-JT 634, in addition to the centre line drop

tank, a drop tank of 137 Imp. gal. (165 U.S. gal.) may be carried in lieu of the bomb under the starboard wing. On these aircraft the two wing tanks and vapour dilution system are not fitted. On aircraft subsequent to JT 634 and Mk. IV aircraft subsequent to KD 561, a drop tank of 137 Imp. gal. (165 U.S. gal.) may be carried under each wing in lieu of the bomb. Provision for carrying the centre line drop tank is retained, but the two wing tanks and

vapour dilution system are deleted. (ii) Fuel gauge,-An electric fuel contents gauge is pro-

vided for the main tank only and the reading, which is in U.S. gallons, includes the reserve.

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A.L. I (iii) Fuel cock.—The fuel cock has five positions. The markings vary with the actual combination of tanks carried. With this cock great care must be taken to ensure that the exact setting is obtained.

(iv) Booter pump.—The electric booster pump is operated by a switch marked EMERGENCY FUEL PUMP on the right-hand cockpit shelf. The pump should be switched on for engine starting, take-off and landing, and in the event of low fuel pressure or engine cutting, or failure of the engine-driven pump, and when changing

(v) Vapour return line.—The carburettor vapour return line is vented to the main tank. At normal temperatures, the return through this line is small, but will be considerable under tropical conditions.

(vi) Wing tank supour dilution.—This is operated by a knob below the cleator trimming the control which releases CO₂ into the two wing tanks as praction against This nees not force the fuel out of the tanks, but cuts off the supply the before operating the system the fuel cock should be set to MAIN and should not be turned beak to either wing tank until the action of the vapour dilution system is finished. The system is not fitted on aircraft subsequent to [7.555 or KD, 567.

(vii) Presturisation.—To meet the possibility of engine cutting due to fuel boiling in warm weather at high altitudes, the main tank is pressurised (automatically operative above 12,000 feet). Pressurising, however, impairs the self-sealing of the tank, and the system can be cut off if required by a manual control above the right rudder pedal.

(viii) Drap tank release.—The release for the centre line drop tank is on the left-hand side of the instrument panel; it has three positions marked ATTACH, FLIGHT LOCK and RELEASE. When the centre line drop tank is carried, the control must be kept in the FLIGHT LOCK and the tank is released, after which the FLIGHT LOCK and the tank is released, after which the release that the properties of the bomb release controls.

3. Oil system

(i) Oil tanhs.—The maximum oil capacity is 22 Imp. gallons (26 U.S. gallons). The recommended capacity is, however, 18 Imperial gallons to allow greater air space, and the maximum oil capacity should only be used for longrange operations.

(ii) Oil dilution is provided. The switch is on the right-hand shelf.

. Hydraulic system

(i) The following services are operated by the hydraulic system:

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Cowling gills Oil-cooler and intercooler Undercarriage Flaps shutters Arrester gear Wing folding and locking Gun charging Dive brake (the main wheels) An engine-driven pump, pressure regulator, and accumulator combine to maintain a constant pressure of 950 to 1,125 lb./sq. in, indicated by the gauge located on the right side panel in the cocking.

During the operation of any service the pressure will drop and vary, but will remain steady when the operation is complete. A handpump is provided for use when the engine is not running, or in the event of failure of the engine-driven pump.

- (ii) Handpump check taleve.—This is provided for use in conjunction with the handpump. On early aircraft the control is mounted forward of the undercarriage selector lever under the instrument panel. On later aircraft it is on the left-hand panel immediately below the ALTER-NATE AIR control. When the aircraft is on the ground, and the engine is not running, the handpump can be used to maintain the accumulator pressure when the control is set to GROUND. In the air (in the event of failure of the engine-driven pump) the handpump can be used to operate any unit of the hydraulic system direct when the control is set to FLIGHT.
- (iii) Handpump.—In the event of failure of a hydraulic pipe line, the engine-driven pump will pump to atmosphere all the fluid available to it, but the amount remaining in the tank will be sufficient for one handpump operation of undercarriage, flaps, cowing gills, oil cooler and intercooler shutters, and gun charging. The arrester hook does not require hydraulic pressure for extension.

5. Electrical system

The electrical system is 24 volt. The following services are electrically operated:

All lighting Pitot-head heater
Cartridge starter Gun-sight
Camera gun Armament
Fuel pump Radio

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The main switch panel is on the right-hand cockpit shelf. Circuit breakers are installed for all main electrical services and these are either of the "push to reset" type or are incorporated in the "ON-OFF" switches, which will throw out in the event of a short circuit. To reset, either push the circuit-breaker button, or return the switch to ON.

AIRCRAFT CONTROLS

 Trimming tabs.—Elevator, rudder and aileron trimming tab controls are mounted on the left-hand cockpit shelf.
 All work in the natural sense, and position indicators are provided.

7. Undercarriage and dive brake control

- (i) On early aircraft the undercarriage control is a spring-loaded knob situated below the left-hand side of the instrument panel. To raise the undercarriage, pull out the control knob, release the safety catch, and move to UP. To lower the undercarriage, pull out the knob, and move to DOWN when the safety catch will be automatically engaged. After setting the control to UP or DOWN ensure that the pin on the knob engages with the hole in the quadrant. The main wheels are used as dive brakes and may be lowered or raised independently of the tailwheel by the control on the left of the undercarriage position indicator.
- (ii) On later aircraft, the undercarriage and dive brake controls are combined in a forked quadrant on the lefthand cockpit shelf. To select undercarriage UP the button at the top of the lever must be depressed and the lever pulled to the rear of the quadrant. To select DOWN, the button is again depressed and the lever moved forward. The same lever operates the dive brake by movement in the inboard fork of the quadrant. With undercarriage UP and the lever at the rear of the quadrant a spring-loaded plunger on the lever is raised and the lever can then be moved into the inboard fork and moved forward to lower the main wheels only.

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- 8. Undercarriage indicator,-The indicator is on the left-GEAR-L. R. These beads indicate the position of the
- 9. Flaps.—The flap control mechanism is designed so that any desired flap angle can be obtained by 102 steps to full

The flap system includes a mechanism which causes the flaps to "blow up" from the angle set by the flaps set fully down (50°) they begin to blow up at

Wing folding.-Two controls are provided, an operating lever with positions marked SPREAD, STOP (on later aircraft this locking handle.

These controls are to the left of the pilot's seat.

be released before the operating lever is set to FOLD not running the handpump may be used. After the operation is complete move the lever to STOP. The between fully spread and fully folded as air loads will the other up. When fully folded the wings should be

to fold one wing only, hold the opposite wing down, then by locking the up wing with a jury strut the wings will remain in this position as long as the wing-folding lever

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(b) Spreading.-To spread the wings, move the operating lever to SPREAD. When the wings are fully spread, lock the pins mechanically by pulling and engaging the locking handle in the LOCK position. The operating lever must never be moved to FOLD if the pins are mechanically locked, as this will result in eventual failure of the lock. A visual check that the wings are fully spread is provided by the closing doors at the wing joint. These doors will not close until the outer panels are fully spread and the pins home. For all flight operation the lever must be kept in the SPREAD position.

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11. Arrester gear,-Three settings for the arrester year control are provided-UP, DOWN, and PARK. When the aircraft is on the ground (hook retracted) the control should be placed in the PARK position. This seals the hydraulic fluid in the hook retracting system making it impossible for the hook to "creep" downward.

Note.-On early aircraft a mechanical interlock is provided between the arrester gear control and the undercarriage control; so that the arrester gear control cannot be moved to DOWN unless the undercarriage control is set at DOWN, and the undercarriage control cannot be moved to UP unless the arrester gear control is set to UP. This interlock guards against the undercarriage and tailwheel being retracted while the book is down, thereby damaging the tailwheel fairing doors.

This interlock is deleted on aircraft subsequent to KD.358 on which Mod. 283 is embodied, but it is still essential to ensure retraction of the hook before selecting undercarriage UP.

- 12. Wheel brakes,-The hydraulic wheel brakes are tocoperated. The rudder pedals can be set for reach by
- 13. Tailwheel lock. The tailwheel is unlocked by pulling and turning the T handle control on the left-hand cockpit

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ENCINE CONTROLS

- Engine control quadrant.—The quadrant contains the throttle, supercharger, mixture, and propeller controls.
- 15. Water injection.—On Ra8co-8W engines, the use of higher boost than the normal combat figure of 52 in. is made possible by the addition of water to the fuel-air mixture. This reduces the tendency of the fuel to detonate and makes it possible to reduce mixture strength to "best power". When emergency combat boost is used the water injection system comes into operation automatically as the throttle lever is moved to the fully open position, breaking the sealing wire if necessary and the anti-detonant is injected as the manifold pressure is reset to a higher limit. The supply should last approach to the fully and the property of the sealing with the provided on the upper right-hand side of the main instrument panel and, as long as the throttle is full vopen, indicates thus:

Flashing . . 3 minutes supply left On . . . Supply exhausted

Once water is exhausted in HIGH or LOW blower the automatic supercharger regulator will prevent overboosting, but when in NEUTRAL below 3,000 feet the throttle must be closed to prevent overboosting. A carburattor air temperature of 43°C, may be exceeded when water injection is in use.

Water injection should not be used for starting or taxying, and in view of the relatively small quantity of water carried, as well as the appreciable sacrifice in engine reliability and possibility of engine hesitating, water injection should not be used for take-off. A brief check of the system should, however, he made during run up.

- Propeller speed control.—The control at the rear of the throttle quadrant is moved down to INCREASE R.P.M. and up to DECREASE R.P.M. A vernier control is provided for fine adjustment.
- 17. Mixture control.—The mixture control is automatic and there are four positions for the lever: FULL RICH (fully forward) which should only be used if the automatic

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feature fails, AUTO RICH (centre forward), AUTO LEAN (centre aft), and IDLE CUT-OFF (fully aft in the red painted section of the quadrant).

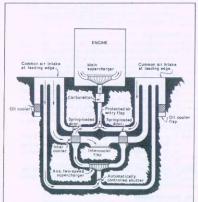
18. Supercharger

- (i) The supercharger is two-stage, two-speed. The main stage, which is driven direct from the engine, is in continuous operation at all times as in a single stage engine. This supercharger is situated between the carburettor and the evilinders. There is no boost control for this stage.
- (ii) The auxiliary supercharger is separate from the main stage, and is driven through a two-speed gear, giving LOW and HIGH ratios. When the supercharger control lever is moved back from the NEUTRAL to the LOW position, auxiliary supercharger is engaged in addition to the MAIN stage. The fully aft position of the lever engages HIGH ratio.
- (iii) After compression in the auxiliary blower, either in LOW or HIGH ratio, the air passes through the inter-coolers to the carburettor, from there to the main blower and so to the engine.
- (iv) A supercharger regulator valve designed to control the boost within permissible limits comes into operation when either HIGH or LOW ratio is engaged.

10. Induction system

- (i) When operating in main stage blower, spring-loaded doors in the outboard section of the induction system allow rammed air from the leading edge scoops to enter direct to the carburettor, by-passing the auxiliary blower. When the auxiliary blower is engaged, however, the increase in internal pressure in the intake forces these doors shut and the air goes direct to the auxiliary supercharger, thence through the intercooler to the
- (ii) Protected air (early aircraft only).—This is controlled by a push-pull handle on the left-hand panel which opens an intake inside the engine compartment. The control is used at NEUTRAL blower heights when icing is

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LEFT HAND SIDE OF DIAGRAM SHOWS AUXILIARY SUPER-CHARGER IN OPERATION, INTER-COOLER FLAP OPEN, AND SPRING LOADED DOOR CLOSED.

RIGHT HAND SIDE OF DIAGRAM SHOWS MAIN SUPERCHARGER ONLY IN OPERATION, INTER-COOLER FLAP SHUT, AND SPRING LOADED DOOR OPEN.

AIR INTAKE DIAGRAM

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suspected. At greater heights the auxiliary blower when engaged heats the air and prevents icing, and the intercooler flap may be closed to assist this. The push-pull control must not be left in an intermediate position

A.L.i Part I 20. Carburettor air temperature warning light.—This light comes on if the carburettor air temperature exceeds the maximum limit of 43° C. If this temperature is exceeded without the use of water injection, detonation damage indicated by rough running may

21. Cowling gills, oil cooler and intercooler shutters.—The control levers for the cowling gills, oil cooler and intercooler shutters are spring-loaded and must be held at either OPEN or CLOSE until the desired setting is obtained, then released. A pressure relief valve is incorporated to permit them to blow towards either closed or open under excessive air loads. They will not automatically return to the original setting when the sneed decreases.

ANCILLARY CONTROLS & EQUIPMENT

22. Gun charging.—The guns are hydraulically charged. The top gun eharging knob operates the charging and safetying of the right guns while the lower knob controls the left guns. To charge the guns: Rotate the knobs to CHARGE, then push in.

To render the guns "safe" :—Rotate the knobs to SAFE then push in.

On completion of the cycle of operation, the knobs will spring out. To arm the guns, ready for firing, after they have been charged and then set on SAFE, rotate the knobs to CHARGE. In the event of failure of the engine-driven pump, the guns may be charged by the handpump.

- 23. Gun heating.—A combustion heater is located in each wing gun compartment. Both heaters are set in operation by one switch located on the left-hand cockpit shelf. For gun heating:
 - (a) Master heat control switch ON
 - (b) Gun heater switch

PART II

HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

A.L.4 Nore.—On aircraft KD868 and subsequent, oxygen should be used at all times during flight.

26. Management of fuel system

(i) Use main tank (RESERVE position of fuel cock) for landing and take-off, and for aerobatics and diving. Use 20 galls, from main tank before selecting wing tanks to accommodate any fuel returned through the vapour return lines. (In cold weather the return is small but may be considerable under tropical conditions and for this reason a frequent check on the contents of the main tank should be made.) Do not change over to wing tanks below 2,000 feet. Exhaust wing tanks then re-select main

Note.—The wing tanks are only to be used for reinforcing flights.

At all other times they should be kept absolutely dry,
as the smallest amount of petrol may cause a serious
explosion if the tanks are hit.

A.L.t (ii) The fuel booster pump must always be switched on when making Part III any change in the setting of the fuel cock. Care must be taken to ensure that the exact setting is obtained, for instance, if the cock is turned carelessly to the RESERVE position, fuel may drain from main to wing tanks.

When the centre line drop tank is fitted, the release control must be kept in the ATTACH position until the tank is released, after which the FLIGHT LOCK position must be used.

- (iii) Fuel tank presuriation.—This system operates on the main tank only and is controlled by the tank pressure manual control handle. It is advisable to have this OFF when in combat, as the self-sealing will not function satisfactorily when tanks are pressurised. In the event of a drop in fuel pressure when using wing tanks, turn over to main tank and switch on booster pump and/or pressurisation.
- (iv) The fuel gauge indicates the contents of the main tank only. Pilots are warned that on early aircraft the fuel gauge may stick and that too much reliance should not be paid to the readings.

24. Windscreen defroster and cockpit heater. - A combustion heater beneath the pilot's seat supplies hot air for defrosting the windscreen and/or heating the cockpit. The flow of fuel-air mixture to the heaters is induced by the difference between engine manifold pressure and atmospheric pressure. In order for the system to operate, it is necessary to maintain an engine manifold pressure of at least 4 in. Hg. above atmospheric pressure. The engine manifold pressure required varies from about 34 in. Hg. at sea level to 15 in. Hg. at 25,000 feet. An automatic device is provided which completely shuts off the system regardless of the position of the ON-OFF switches if there is insufficient engine manifold pressure to induce a flow of fuel to the heaters. A master heat-control switch located on the right-hand cocknit shelf sets the heating system in operation. An individual defroster switch is also located on the right-hand cockpit shelf and must be placed to ON before heat can be supplied. The regulator control (marked DEFROSTER) on the cockpit coaming operates a butterfly valve for directing the necessary amount of hot air to the windscreen. When the regulator control is not set for maximum heating for defrosting, the remaining hot air will be bypassed into the cockpit.

To operate the heater:

- (a) Master heat control switch ON
 (b) Defroster switch ON
 - (c) Then use regulator to control the flow of hot air to windscreen or cockpit.
- 25. Stall warning device.—A stall warning light mounted on the instrument panel is operated by the breakdown in air flow over the centre section. (See para. 34.) The stall warning light is deleted on later aircraft.

A.L.2	27.	Starting	engine
Part II	(i)	Check :-	-Corr
Para. 27 (i) & (ii)			Unde

and warming up ect spread rcarriage lever

DOWN, safety catch engaged All switches ... Fuel RESERVE

(ii) Turn engine over by hand 4 or 5 revolutions. Insert starter cartridge (type No. 3, Mark I). Lock breech.

Note.-On later Mk. IV aircraft the cartridge starter is replaced by a direct cranking electric starter. If a ground battery is being used the aircraft battery switch must be OFF.

(iii) Set:-Mixture control IDLE CUT-OFF Throttle . . OPEN to red line down (INCREASE R.P.M.) Propeller

Supercharger lever NEUTRAL OPEN Cowling gills OPEN Oil cooler shutters

CLOSED Intercooler shutters COLD (in) Carb. alternate air Instrument and battery

switches . .

(iv) Switch ON the fuel booster pump and flick on the priming switch for one second at a time, about five times when warm and up to Para, 27 ten when cold. Overpriming must be avoided. (iv) & (v) . (v) Switch on ignition switch. Fire the starter cartridge (if cartridge

misfires allow one minute before re-indexing) or set starter switch ON (turning periods should not exceed 20 seconds with 30-second

- (vi) As soon as the engine fires move the mixture control slowly to the AUTO RICH position. Keep the firing switch depressed until the engine is running smoothly as it also operates the booster coil.
- (vii) In cold weather it may be necessary to continue priming after the engine has fired and until it is running smoothly.

Note,-Do not attempt to keep the engine running by pumping the throttle.

(viii) Open up to 1,000 r.p.m. and warm up at this speed. The oil pressure should rise to normal within 10 seconds. If it does not do so, stop the engine. Do not exceed 1,000 r.p.m. until oil pressure falls below 100 lb./sq.in.

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- (ix) If the engine does not start on the first cartridge, ensure that the mixture control is immediately moved to IDLE CUT-OFF and the ignition is switched OFF before inserting a fresh cartridge.
 - (x) If difficulty is experienced in starting and this is thought to be due to overpriming, a wait of two to five minutes should be allowed before another attempt. If the engine is suspected of being over rich, blow out by turning the propeller in the direction of rotation.

28. Testing engine and installations While warming up :

(i) Check temperatures and pressures and test each magneto in turn as a precautionary check before opening up.

(ii) Test operation of the hydraulic system by lowering and raising the flaps.

Note.-The following comprehensive checks should be carried out after repair, inspection other than daily, or otherwise at the pilot's discretion. On airfields they may be reduced in accordance with local instructions.

After warming up to at least 40° C oil temperature and 120° C cylinder temperature. (Do not attempt to warm up more quickly by closing the cowling gills as this may cause burning of the ignition system.)

(iii) Open up to 1,400 r.p.m. and exercise and check operation of the two-speed supercharger by moving the control from NEUTRAL to LOW and, after four or five seconds, from LO,W to HIGH. R.p.m. and oil pressure should drop slightly. It is most important that each change be made smartly without a pause. Change back to NEUTRAL.

(iv) At 28 in. Hg. boost exercise and check operation of the constant-speed propeller. R.p.m. should fall to 1,400 with the control in the fully up position.

(v) With the propeller control in the fully down position open the throttle and check take-off boost and static r.p.m. which should be 2,700 at 54 in. Hg. Great care must be taken to hold the control column fully back as there is a strong tendency for the tail to lift.

- (vi) Throttle back to 30 in. Hg. boost and test each magneto in turn. The drop in r.p.m. should not exceed 100.
- (vii) If wing tanks are being used for the flight, switch to each wing tank during the run-up, using the fuel booster pump during the change-over. This test is necessary, as it is possible to get an air-lock in the fuel lines when re-fuelling a completely empty wing tank. Turn back to RESERVE.
- (viii) Ground test of water injection system.—At 1,200 to 1,400 r.p.m. engage auxiliary LOW supercharger and wait about half a minute to allow full engagement. Open up to 2,000 r.p.m. and then operate the micro-switch at the forward end of the throttle quadrant. This switch can be made more accessible by removing the side plate of the quadrant. Proper action of the supercharger regulator reset mechanism which is actuated by the water pressure will be indicated by a sudden increase in boost of 2 to 2 inches.

20. Taxving

	-	Section Section Section
A.L.2	(i)	Before to
Part II		(a) Check

(a) Check that the wing folding lever is at SPREAD and that wing

locking handle is engaged and LOCKED.

(b) Undercarriage lever safety catch engaged.

(ii) With the tailwheel unlocked, ground handling is difficult. if the tailwheel is locked, the aircraft is directionally stable, but it is then impossible to swing the nose in order to see ahead. It is, therefore, recommended that pilots keep the tailwheel locked for straight taxying unlocking it momentarily to swing the aircraft to check the path ahead and also whenever it is necessary to change direction. Some practice is necessary to obtain satisfactory ground handling and the brakes must be used with care.

Note.—On all Mk. I aircraft, on Mk. II. aircraft prior to JS. 604, it is possible to lock the control column behind the rudder pedals when taxying. This can occur if the control column is released or pushed forward when full rudder is being applied.

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PART II-HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

30. Take-off

(i) Check

Trim ... Rudder: 6° RIGHT

Aileron: 6° RIGHT WING

Elevator: 1° NOSE UP

M-Mixture.. AUTO RICH

P -- Propeller. . . . Fully down (INCREASE

R.P.M.)

F -Fuel ... Check contents (cock to RE-

SERVE) Booster pump on

-Flaps ... UP (30° down for shortest

run and for carrier take-off)

Cowling gills .. Not more than 2/3 open

Intercooler shutters CLOSED

Oil cooler shutters As required Supercharger lever NEUTRAL

Carb, alternate air In

Arrester hook

UP (otherwise the undercarriage cannot be retracted after

Tailwheel . . . Locked

(ii) If trim tabs are correctly set, there is little tendency to swing, and the aircraft comes off the ground quickly.

(ii) Brake wheels before retracting undercarrage

Note.—On Cortain aircraft Nos, JT.,105-JT.269 it is necessary to lean very far forward into the cockpit to release the undercarriage lever catch, and a safe height should be gained before attempting to raise the undercarriage.

31. Accelerated take-off

Check

T —Trim		Rudder: 6°	RIGHT

Aileron : 6° RIGHT WING DOWN

Elevator: 6° NOSE UP

M-Mixture .. AUTO RICH

P —Propeller Fully down (INCREASE R.P.M.)

F —Fuel Check contents (cock to RE-SERVE)

Booster pump on

F —Flaps ... Fully DOWN
Cowling gills ... Not more than 2/3 OPEN

Intercooler shutters
Oil cooler shutters
Supercharger lever
NEUTRAL

Carb, alternate air

Arrester hook UP (otherwise the undercarcontrol riage cannot be retracted after take-off)

Tailwheel UNLOCKED

A.L.1 32. Climbing

Part II Para. 32 (i) to (iii)

- (i) The speed for maximum rate of climb is 125 knots I.A.S. from sea level up to 21,000 feet, reducing by 3 knots per 2,000 feet above that height.
- (ii) Chunge to nusiliary LOW blower when the boost has dropped to go in. He, and from LOW to HIGH when the boost has dropped to the through the blown of the boost has dropped close the throttle when changing gear to avoid overboosting. Re-adjust the throttle and mixture control settings after the change has been made.
- (iii) Adjust the cowling gills, oil and intercooler shutters as necessary to maintain temperatures within the limits. Do not open the cowling gills beyond # open, otherwise the rate of climb will be reduced and tail buffeting will be experienced. If cylinder temperatures exceed the limitations, climbing speed should be increased slightly.

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(iv) Normal intercooler shutter positions are as follows:

Normal climb Half open
Full power climb . . . Full open
Level flight Shut

33. General flying

(i) Stability

The aircraft is stable about all axes.

(ii) Change of trim

Undercarriage down . . . Strongly nose down Flaps down 30° . . . Slightly nose up Flaps down 50° . . . Slightly nose down

Oil and intercooler shutters

open Slightly nose up Cowling gills open Nose down

(iii) Flaps.—The flaps may be lowered 20° to assist man-

- (iv) Flying at reduced air speeds.—Lower flaps 10°-20°. Propeller speed control should be set to give 2,550 r.p.m. Speed may then be reduced to 110 knots I.A.S. Open the hood.
- (v) Auxiliary supercharger surging.—Surging when using the auxiliary supercharger may be encountered under the following conditions:
 - (a) At about 25,000 feet.
 - (b) HIGH auxiliary supercharger engaged.
 - (c) R.p.m. and boost: 2,200 and below 30 in. Hg. 2,500 and below 33 in. Hg.
 - (d) Outside air temperature 10°-20° C below normal. The surging is indicated by very rough engine running, probably accompanied by a rumbling or loud puffing sound. The condition can be immediately eliminated by either of the following methods:
 - (1) Change to LOW (auxiliary) gear, unless the tactical situation makes this undesirable.
 - (2) Open the throttle and reduce r.p.m.

(vi) When cruising for long periods in HIGH or LOW gear. a shift should be made to a lower ratio for five minutes once every hour in order to remove any sludge from the

supercharger clutch plates and oil passages.

(vii) Water injection.-Water injection is intended primarily for intermittent use in combat. The water supply is limited, and it is important to save it until a sudden burst of power is required in emergency. AUTO RICH must be used. Opening the throttle fully operates the microswitch, turning on the water pump and, in LOW or HIGH supercharger, resetting the supercharger regulator to control the higher boost permitted with water injection. The water supply should last approximately 81 minutes, and the green light will flash when only 3 minutes supply is left, remaining steady when the supply is exhausted, When the water is exhausted in LOW or HIGH supercharger, the water pressure will drop and the supercharger regulator will return to the setting for normal combat power, but in NEUTRAL below 3,000 ft. the throttle must be immediately retarded to prevent overboosting. Carburettor air temperature of 43° may be exceeded with water injection, i.e. the carburettor air temperature warning light may be disregarded. For maximum speed or rate of climb at water injection combat power, the supercharger control should be used as follows:

below 45 to 50 inches, i.e. above about 20,000 ft. in LOW or 25,000 ft. in HIGH. As in normal operation without water, a severe surge in boost may be experienced when changing to a higher supercharger gear, and the precautions given in para. 32 (ii) must be followed. For operation of intercooler shutters see para. 32 (iv) which applies equally with water injection.

(viii) Carburettor air temperature.-If the red warning light comes on when operating in auxiliary supercharger at comparatively low air speed, immediately open the intercooler shutters fully. At high speeds little improvement is obtained by opening the shutters. and r.p.m. should be reduced. If this is still ineffective, change to a lower supercharger ratio.

34. Stalling

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Para, 33 (viii)

(i) At normal loadings the stall, both with undercarriage and flaps up and down, is preceded by slight buffeting and pitching. Under overload conditions or with an aft C.G. position there

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is little warning of the stall other than that given by the stall warning light. At the stall, a wing (normally the right) will drop sharply, but an incipient spin will only develop if the control column is kept back. Recovery is rapid directly the control column is moved forward, but this should be done at once.

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(ii) Stalling speeds, engine off, at 11,500 lb. and speeds at which warning light comes on are approx.:

Stalling Warning Undercarriage and speeds light flaps up 90 knots I.A.S. 100 knots I.A.S. Undercarriage and flaps down

(iii) If the aircraft is stalled in a steep turn, little warning is apparent other than that given by the stall warning light which will come on at approx, 17-20 knots above the stalling speed, and the aircraft will normally flick out of the turn. Recovery is immediate if the pressure on the control column is relaxed.

35. Diving

(i) If it is desired to use the undercarriage as a dive brake. do not lower with the normal undercarriage control as this will lower the tailwheel, but utilise the dive brake control. Aircraft must not be dived with tailwheel extended as damage to tailwheel doors will result.

(ii) Before diving, set : Hood Shut and locked Mixture AUTO RICH Supercharger .. · NEUTRAL Throttle 4 OPEN Fuel RESERVE Cowling gills, oil and intercooler shutters ...

Trim Rudder : approx. 6° LEFT Elevator : approx. 110° NOSE DOWN

- (iii) Acceleration is rapid when the undercarriage is not used as a dive brake, and elevator forces on the pull-out are heavy. Ample height must be allowed for recovery.
- (iv) If the limiting speeds are not rigidly observed, buffeting may be experienced. If during the dive there is indication of buffeting on the tailplane, the speed must be reduced to a point where the buffeting ceases. If similar signs occur during the recovery at high acceleration, the pull-out should be eased off and the g reduced to the point where buffeting ceases. Pilots should appreciate that this buffeting may be a combination of both speed and acceleration and should reduce those contributory factors accordingly.
- (v) No automatic boost control is fitted and care must be taken not to overboost in the dive.

L.L.2	36.	Aerobati	cs							
art II ara. 36		Recomm	ended	speeds	are:	-				
	(i)	Loop			**		10	260-280	knots	LA.S.
	(ii)	Roll						180-220	10	**
	(iii)	Roll off	top of	loop			1.0	300		395
	(iv)	Climbing	roll					330		99

(v) Upward roll 350-360

Note.—During the above aerobatics the aircraft should not be held in the inverted position for longer than 3 seconds.

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37. Spinning

This aircraft must not be spun

In the case of inadvertent spins, normal recovery action if taken immediately should prove effective if full opposite controls including allerons are held until recovery is completed. Trimming tabs should be used to relieve the control forces which may become high. It should be noted that the rate of rotation will probably increase during the early stages of recovery.

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38. Check list for landing

Reduce speed below 200 knots I.A.S., lower undercarriage and arrester hook (for deck landing). Open and lock cockpit hood.

lock cockpit ho	od.		the first desired to the second
U —Undercarri	age		DOWN, safety catch
Tailwheel			engaged Locked (UNLOCKED for deck landings)
M-Mixture			AUTO RICH
P -Propeller			Down (INCREASE R.P.M)
F -Fuel			RESERVE (and booster
Send to where			pump ON)
F —Flaps			Lowered as required, but fully DOWN for deck
			landing
Supercharge	er lever	r	NEUTRAL
Carb. altern Cowling gil			In opening with a
intercooler			SHUT as required

30. Approach and landing

(i) Recommended approach speeds in knots I.A.S. at normal loads are:

		Flaps down	Flaps up
Engine assisted		85-90	100
Glide		100	105
The flaps are large a	and the	rate of descent w	hen they are
lowered fully is ver			
flaps down is satisf			
is made with flaps u	ip.	COST COST	- Free

(ii) Care must be exercised once the aircraft is on the ground. As soon as the tail comes down the machine may tend to swing in either direction. This must be checked immediately with the brakes. When approaching to land, the pilot may position his toes on the brake pedals ready to correct any swing after the touch down, but care must be taken to ensure that partial brake is not applied to the wheels before the touch down is made.

40. Deck landing

Recommended approach speed for deck landings is 80-83 knots I.A.S. In order to improve the view ahead, a curved approach to land should be made.

41. Mislanding

In the event of a wave-off, or a mislanding :

 Open throttle. Very sudden opening of the throttle at low speed causes the port wing to drop.

A.L.2 Para. 41 (ii) Raise undercarriage (on/seely aircraft the deck hook must be raised first) and retrim.
 Open cowling gills as necessary.

(iv) Raise flaps in stages and when a safe height of 200 feet is reached.

The raising of the flaps produces some change of trim and considerable sink.

42. After landing

- (i) After landing, raise the flaps and open cowling gills, and oil cooler shutters.
- (ii) Switch off booster pump,
- (iii) Stopping engine
 - (a) Allow cylinder head temperature to drop below 205°C.
 - (b) Move mixture control to IDLE CUT-OFF and when the engine stops switch off all switches and turn off fuel.
- (iv) On the last flight of the day, it is necessary to desludge the supercharger clutch before switching off. To do this, increase r.p.m. to 1,400 and move supercharger control first from NEUTRAL to LOW, and after 30 seconds from LOW to HIGH. After a further 30 seconds return to NEUTRAL.

A.L.3 \mid (v) Set the arrester hook control to PARK.

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(vi) Oil dilution.—The dilution period for this aircraft is three
(v) minutes at 1,000 r.p.m. See A.P. 2095 Pikot's Notes
General.

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PART III

OPERATING DATA

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I Double Wasp R.2800-8 or 8W engine.

(i) Fuel.—100 octane.

Oil.—See N.A.M.O. General /S4.

Water.—Distilled water or distilled water-alcohol mixture.

(ii) The principal engine limitations are as follows:

TAKE OFF		R.p.m. in	ost Hg. Mix.	Temp. Cyl.	°C.
TAKE-OFF (5 MIN. LIMIT)	Main	2,700 54	A.R.		
CLIMBING 1 HR. LIMIT	Main Aux }	2,550 {44	. } A.R.	260	100
MAX. RICH CONTINUOUS	Main Aux }	2,550 44	A.R.	230	85
MAX. WEAK CONTINUOUS	Main Aux }	2,200 34	A.L.	230	85
COMBAT 5 MINS. LIMIT	Main Aux }	2,700 53	A.R.	260	100
COMBAT EMER- GENCY (water injection—5 min. limit)	Main Aux	2,700 { 58 60	A.R.	260	100

*44 inches should normally be adhered to, but 49½ inches boost is permitted in Auxiliary blower for 1 hour.

OIL PRESSURE:

 NORMAL
 80 lb/sq.in.

 MAXIMUM
 100 lb/sq.in.

 MINIMUM FOR CRUISING
 55 lb/sq.in.

 MINIMUM FOR IDLING
 28 lb/sq.in.

OIL TEMPERATURES: MINIMUM FOR TAKE-OFF

PART III-OPERATING DATA 44. Flying limitations (i) Maximum speeds: Knots LAS. Lowering of flaps fully 130 Flaps not more than 20° Lowering of undercarriage (normal) Hood open ,. Application of full aileron Note.-At higher speeds, use of ailerons is limited to the same force on the control column as that required for full throw at 300 knots I.A.S. (ii) Diving (undercarriage up) At weights below 12,500 lb. the maximum diving speeds are as Knots I.A.S. 300 350 Below 10,000 feet Above this weight reduce indicated speeds by 25 knots. (iii) Dive bombins Knots I.A.S. Maximum speed (undercarriage up)... Maximum speed for lowering undescarriage (dive brakes) 250 Maximum speed undercarriage down (iv) Drop tanks (a) Centre line tank Maximum speed 375 knots I.A.S. Accelerating is prohibited. Arresting is permitted only with drop tank empty or nearly so. Recommended speed for dropping empty tank is 175 knots I.A.S., but at higher speeds apply slight g to

ensure release and clearance between the tank and fuselage. When full the tank will release satisfactorily up to 300 knots I.A.S. (b) Underwing tanks

Para, 44 full tanks is permitted. (v) Maximum weights

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Take-off, accelerated take-off and landing on runways. . 14,900 lb. (vi) Rombs

when releasing bombs must not exceed 60°. Salvo release is not

(vii) R.P. Maximum speed 363 knots I.A.S. Accelerating is permitted, but arresting is only permitted with 25 lb. head R.P. 60 lb. head R.P. must be fired before landing on. When operational conditions permit R.Ps. should be fired before using guns, as ejected cartridge cases are liable to hit the pigtails of the R.P. Note,-When carrying bombs or drop tanks, violent manœuvres

must be avoided.

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45. Position error correction

From To	100	120 160	160 200	200 240	240 280	280 320	Knots I.A.S.
Add	2	3	5	6	8	.10	Knots

46. Maximum performance

- (i) Climbing.-The speed for maximum rate of climb is by 3 knots per 2,000 feet above that height. Change to auxiliary LOW gear when the boost has dropped to 30 in. Hg. and from LOW to HIGH gear when the boost has dropped to 42 in. Hg.
- (ii) Combat.-LOW auxiliary gear should be used if the maximum obtainable boost in NEUTRAL is less than 44 in. Hg., and HIGH auxiliary gear if the maximum obtainable boost in LOW auxiliary gear is less than 47 ip, Hg.

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47. Maximum range and endurance (i) The recommended speed for maximum range is 160 knots I.A.S. Fly in weak mixture at 24 in, boost or full throttle and reduce r.p.m. as required (down to a minimum of 1,400) to maintain the recommended speed. If this is exceeded at 1,400 r.p.m., reduce

boost accordingly. NOTE -(a) Do not use LOW auxiliary gear if the recommended speed can be maintained in NEUTRAL at 2,200 r.p.m.

(b) Do not use HIGH auxiliary gear if the recommended speed can be maintained in LOW auxiliary gear at

(ii) To obtain maximum endurance fly in weak mixture at 1,350 r.p.m. and adjust the throttle as necessary (taking care not to exceed 34 in. boost) to maintain a speed of 150 knots I.A.S.

2,200 f.p.m.

Part III	 Fuel capacities and consumption 	IS	Imp. gal.	U.S. gal.
Para. 48 (i)	Main tank (including reserve) Centre line drop tank		197	236 170
	Underwing drop tanks (2)		339 274	406 330
			613	736

PART III-OPERATING DATA

(ii) Fuel consumptions (approx. Imp. gal./hr.) at 5,000 ft.:(a) RICH mixture and NEUTRAL:

	Boost	
R.p.m.	in. Hg.	Imp. gal. /hr.
2,700	521	192
2,550	44	170

(b) WEAK mixture and NEUTRAL:

Boost	R.P.M.			
in, Hg	2,200	2,000	1,800	1,600
321	69	60	53	47
30	62	54	47	42
28	57	49	43	38
26	52	45	39	35
24	46	41	35	32
22	42	37	32	-

NOTE.—To convert to U.S. gal. multiply by 1.2.

PART IV

EMERGENCIES

49. Emergency hydraulic system-General

- (i) In the event of a hydraulic circuit failing to operate, the handpump must be used. The handpump check valve should be set to FLIGHT.
- (ii) In the event of a failure of a hydraulic pipe line, there will be \(\frac{1}{2} \) gall. of fluid left available to the handpump, sufficient for one handpump operation of undercarriage, flaps, cowling gills, oil cooler and intercooler shutters.

 The arresting gear does not require hydraulic pressure for extension.

50. Undercarriage emergency operation

- (i) If the undercarriage fails to lower, see that handpump check valve is set to FLIGHT. Set undercarriage control lever to DOWN and operate handpump. About 70 strokes will be required to open the doors during which no resistance will be felt. It then requires another 100 strokes to extend the main undercarriage gear during which time pressure will be felt. This operation takes 3 to 5 minutes.
- (ii) If it is clear that the undercarriage will not lower due to complete failure of the hydraulic system, it may be lowered by operation of a CO₂ system, and the tailwheel by a spring system.
- (a) Close throttle and reduce speed to 110 knots.
- (b) Move undercarriage control to DOWN.
- (c) Pull emergency undercarriage release handle (lefthand side of cockpit). This relieves hydraulic pressure on the down side of the jacks and also operates the CO₂ valve.

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- Note.—On aircraft No. JT.270 and subsequent, the emergency undercarriage release handle is deleted, and the CO₂ bottle valve (aft bottle) must be opened.
- (d) Reduce speed to about 90 knots I.A.S. (Take great care not to stall whilst undercarriage is extending.)

(e) Check indicators to see that undercarriage and tailwheel are down.

NOTE.—The introduction of CO₂ into the hydraulic system precludes the subsequent use of hydraulic power. If hydraulic pressure is shown on the gauge and the undercarriage will not lower by engine pump or handpump it would indicate mechanical damage. In this case the CO₂ system should not be used and a belly landing should be made as it will not be possible to raise the undercarriage again if it does not lock down.

51. Flap emergency operation

In emergency the flaps may be lowered by the handpump. Set:

- (i) Handpump check valve to FLIGHT.
- (ii) Flap control to DOWN.
- (iii) Operate handpump.

52. Carburettor icing

If carburettor icing is encountered below 5,000 feet and in NEUTRAL blower, the protected air control should be pulled fully out. Above this height, auxiliary blower should be engaged in order to dispel any ice.

For Protected Air.—Pall the control fully out. This control must be either full out or full in, and due to high air loads on the alternate air door, the control cannot be operated in either LOW or HIGH blower, and therefore NEUTRAL must be engaged before moving the control. When this control is engaged the ram effect is reduced because air is drawn from inside the engine compartment.

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53. Hood emergency release

- (i) Pull safety pin loops and pull both hood release handles inboard and then forwards.
- (ii) Break hood free by an upward push on the release
- (iii) An escape panel is provided on the right-hand side of the hood. In the event of overturning on landing, pull release handle down and force escape panel outwards.

A.L.1 54. Ditching

Part IV Para 54 (i) In general, the pilot should bale out if possible.

- (ii) The aircraft is known to possess good ditching qualities.

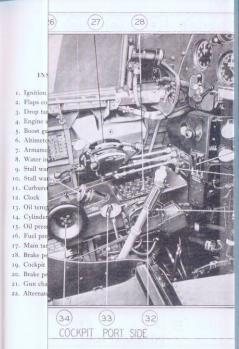
 The drop tanks (if fitted) should be jettisoned, but only in straight flight and the following procedure observed:

 (a) Open the cockpit hood and make certain it is securely
 - (b) Lower flaps in order to reduce landing speed as much as possible.
 - (c) Keep the undercarriage retracted.
 - (d) Disconnect R/T plug. Keep the safety harness on and ensure that the straps are tight.
 - (e) The engine, if available, should be used to help to make the touch-down in a tail-down attitude at as low a speed as possible.
 - (f) Ditching should be along the wave crests or wave tops.

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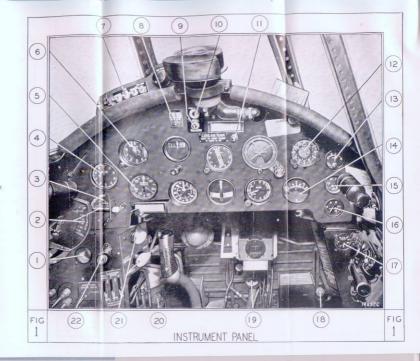
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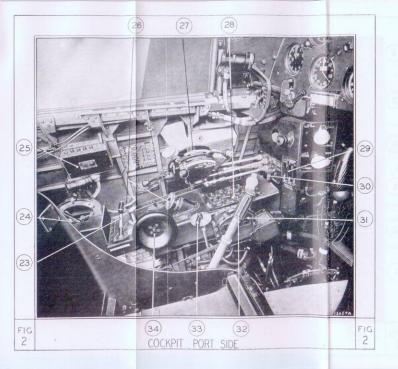
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Instrument panel				
Cockpit—port side			1 01/2 =	2
Cockpit—starboard s	ide	1.5		1
Main switch panel				4



Key to Fig. 1 INSTRUMENT PANEL

- r. Ignition switch
- 2. Flaps control and indicator
- 3. Drop tank control
- 4. Engine speed indicator
- 5. Boost gauge
- 6. Altimeter
- 7. Armament switches
- 8. Water injection indicator light
- 9. Stall warning light
- 10. Stall warning light test button
- 11. Carburcttor temperature warning light
- 12. Clock
- 13. Oil temperature gauge
- 14. Cylinder temperature gauge
- 15. Oil pressure gauge
- 16. Fuel pressure gauge
- 17. Main tank fuel contents gauge
- 18. Brake pedal adjuster
- 19. Cockpit ventilator
- 20. Brake pedal adjuster
- 21. Gun charging controls
- 22. Alternate air control





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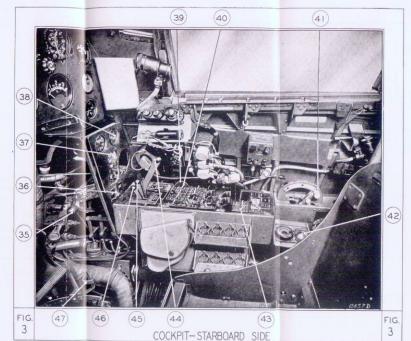
COCKPIT PORT SIDE

- 23. Tailwheel locking handle
- Wing folding lever (Manual locking handle at rear)
- 25. TR.1196
- 26. Rudder and aileron trimming tab controls
- 27. Engine control quadrant
- Circuit breaker reset buttons (armament, camera and water pump)
- 29. Undercarriage indicator
- 30. Handpump check valve selector
- 31. Undercarriage and dive brake quadrant
- 32. Handpump
- 33. Fuel tank selector
- 34. Elevator trimming tab control

Key to Fig. 3

COCKPIT STARBOARD SIDE

- 35. Pressurising manual control
- 36. Oil cooler and intercooler flap indicators
- 37. Voltmeter
- 38. Hydraulic pressure gauge
- 39. Starter switch
- 40. Priming switch
- 41. Arrester hook control
- 42. Oxygen regulator
- 43. Fuel pump switch
- 44. Cowling gills control
- 45. Intercooler flap control
- 46. Oil cooler flap control
- 47. Rudder pedal adjuster



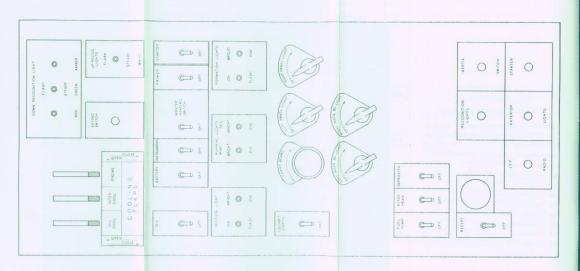
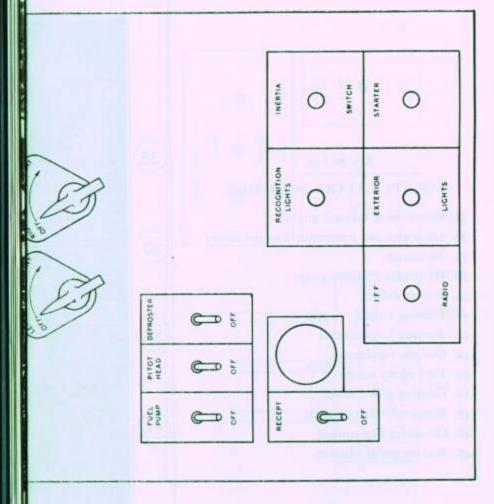


FIG.

MAIN SWITCH PANEL

FIG.



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FIG.

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