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# MERCHANT VESSEL BOARDING REPORT

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DATE BOARDED: 9-17-44 BOARDED AT Chas., S.C. DATE OF REPORT: 9-19-44  
VESSEL: / SS "C.B. AYCOCK" NO. IN CREW: 42 & Master  
CREW CHECK: NEGATIVE: POSITIVE: (See Below) X  
OPERATIONS IN PORT: Repair & Load

ITINERARY: AZORES VIA NORFOLK

1. The crew list of SUBJECT vessel was checked through the files of the DIO, 6ND with the following results:

EICKMEYER, John Adolph, 2-384319 - SUBJECT, Galley Boy on the S/S RM LA FOLLETTE, has been reported to be pro-German; to dislike hearing of German defeats; to have a son in the German Navy and other relatives in Germany. However, he has engaged in no known subversive activities and has not been heard to state that he prefers the Nazi form of government to that of the United States. Subject has been referred to as over-talkative and a "crack-pot", and it was reported that he had revealed information concerning previous voyages and places visited on one occasion when he was intoxicated. Description: Born 18 March 1901, Astoria, N. Y.; 5'9"; 170 lbs; brown hair, partially bald; hazel eyes; fair complexion; tattoo on right arm.

2. Investigation aboard ship revealed that EICKMEYER is night cook & baker. Identifying data is as follows:

Birthplace:	Astoria, L.I., N. Y.
Date:	18 March, 1901
Age:	43
Height:	5'9"
Weight:	170 lbs.
Eyes:	Hazel
Hair:	Brown
Citizenship:	USA
Social Security:	#144-14-4757

DISSEMINATION: CIO (1)  
DIO, 6ND (2)  
DCGIO, 6ND (1)  
File (1)

BOARDING OFFICER: .....

APPROVED: .....

HARVEY F. JOHNSON, JR.,  
District CG Intelligence  
Officer, 6th NavDist.

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19 September, 1944

SS "C. B. AYCOCK" (Continued)

COTP Card: Transp.  
Seaman's Passport:  
Maritime Documents:

#031-1066203 - NYC

#121596

Z-384319

E-449486

Ella EICKMEYER

Carl - U. S. Army

Calvin - W.S.A.

Cedar Knolls, N. J.

Wife: Trans.  
Children: Clerk

Home address:

3. EICKMEYER emphatically denied the information contained in the ONI card as set forth in paragraph 1. He stated that he hasn't a son in the German Navy and that his only relatives in Germany are far removed and that he has never seen or corresponded with them. EICKMEYER further stated that he has never made any statements to the effect "that he prefers the Nazi form of government to that of the United States."

4. EICKMEYER advised that he has never been interrogated by any investigative agency and that he knows of no reason why he should be under suspicion. SUBJECT further advised that he has been going to sea for approximately 14 years and that he has been employed by the following steamship lines and vessels:

- a. Hamburg-American Lines, N. Y.
- b. Munson Lines, N. Y.
- c. Ward Lines, N. Y.
- d. SS JOHN M. CLAYTON (6-7-43 to 1-29-43)
- e. SS LA FOLLETTE (1-7-44 to 5-12-44)
- f. SS RICHARD HAINES (10-16-43 to 12-4-43)

5. EICKMEYER advised that when he wasn't at sea he was employed as follows:

- a. Contractor & Builder - Magnolia, Md.
- b. Deputy Sheriff - Annapolis, Md.
- c. Contractor & Builder - Babylon, L. I.
- d. Caretaker - Ralph Kirby, Newfoundland, N. J.

6. SUBJECT denies that he has revealed information concerning previous voyages and places visited to unauthorized persons and that he drinks very little.

7. SUBJECT, when interviewed, answered questions propounded by the reporting officer in a straight forward manner. He seemed anxious to clear himself of the charges.

8. A clearance endorsement was placed on EICKMEYER'S Maritime Documents