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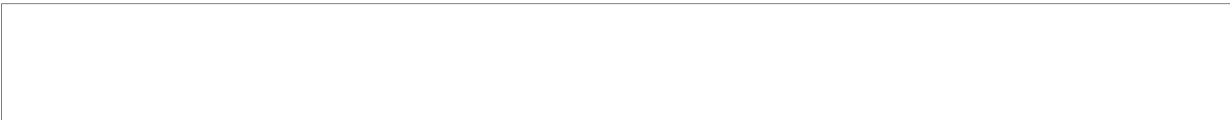
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The Airfield at Tartu

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- Up to early fall 1953, the Soviets had not built any railroad to the Tartu airfield. About two years before, it was rumored that the Soviets intended to build a railroad from the Karkna station (Karkna is about 12 kilometers north of Tartu) to the airfield. They have not, however, started any preparations.
- All transport that goes to the airfield from the Tartu railroad station is now made by trucks. Informant has many times seen aerial bombs being transported to the airfield by truck. The bombs that have been observed in such transport were about 1.5 meters long, and the ends of the crates in which they were carried were about 25 centimeters by 25 centimeters. Informant does not know how many trucks are used in such transport or how often or how regularly such transport takes place.
- According to identification from pictures of aircraft, the aircraft on the Tartu field are TU-2 light bombers.

Estimated Quantity of Rolling Stock in the Estonian SSR

- It is impossible to estimate how many passenger and freight cars there are on the railroads in Estonia, because the cars circulate over the whole Soviet Union. Thus, railroad cars in Estonia are from another part of the Soviet Union, while Estonian railroad cars are outside Estonia. On the other hand, locomotives of Soviet Estonia do not, as a rule, go outside Estonia. It can be assumed that on the Tallinn-Leningrad railroad line the locomotives are changed in Kingisepp (Jamburg) immediately after the Estonian border. On the Tallinn-Riga line the locomotives are changed in Valga. On the Tartu-Petseri-Pskov line and also on the Voru-Petseri-Pskov line the locomotives are changed at Pskov.

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5. The number of locomotives in the Estonian SSR can be approximately determined by the following calculations:¹

Locomotives in Tartu	in the old depot	6	(known)
	in the new depot	4	(known)
	on branch lines	<u>5</u>	(estimated)
	Total in Tartu	15	
Locomotives in Tapa		15	(same number as in Tartu)
Locomotives in Tallinn	about	25	(calculating Tallinn's depots and its importance as a terminal)
Locomotives in Valga	about	<u>25</u>	(same number as at Tallinn)
Total of locomotives in the Estonian SSR	about	80	

Principal Railroad Stations in Estonia

6. The principal railroad stations in Estonia are the following:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Facilities</u>
Tallinn	Depots, shops, fuel storage, coaling facilities, sidings for locomotives, and water tanks. ²
Tapa	Depots, fuel storage, coaling facilities, sidings for locomotives, and water tanks.
Tartu	Depots, fuel storage, coaling facilities, sidings for locomotives, and water tanks.
Valga	Depots, repair shops, fuel storage, coaling facilities, sidings for locomotives, and water tanks.
Moisakula	For narrow-gauge line: depots, railroad shops, fuel storage, coaling facilities, sidings for locomotives, and water tanks.

Stations with Water Tanks Only

7. The following stations between Tallinn and Tartu have water tanks only: Aegviidu, which was being built and should be finished; Jogeva; and Tabivere.
8. Between Tartu and Petseri, the station at Polva has only a water tank.
9. The towns of Petseri and Voru have stations where the only facilities are water tanks.

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10. There are water tanks on narrow-gauge lines:

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- a. Between Parnu and Moisakula: at Surju Station.
- b. Between Parnu and Tallinn: at Rapla Station.

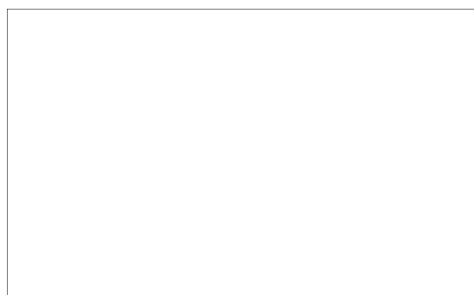
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- 1. The total number of locomotives estimated by informant apparently does not include locomotives on the narrow-gauge lines.
- 2. It should be noted that  all rail traffic in the Estonian SSR is now moved by steam locomotives, which are fired with shale oil.

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