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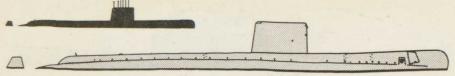
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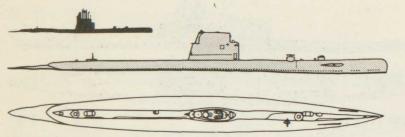
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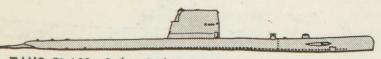
UNITED STATES



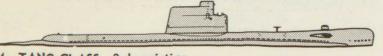
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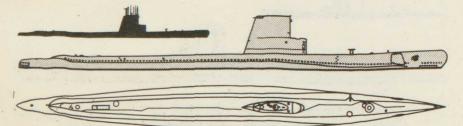
2. TANG CLASS - 1st variation (Silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)



3. TANG CLASS - 2nd variation

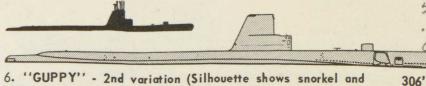


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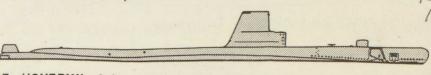


5. "GUPPY" - 1st variation (Silhouette shows snorkel and 306' periscopes raised.)

UNITED STATES (CONT'D.)



6. "GUPPY" - 2nd variation (Silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)



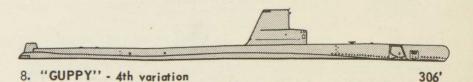
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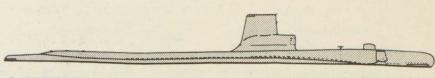
320'

268'

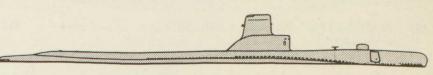
268'

268'

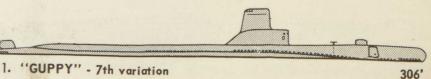




9. "GUPPY" - 5th variation



10. "GUPPY" - 6th variation



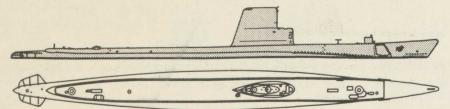
11. "GUPPY" - 7th variation

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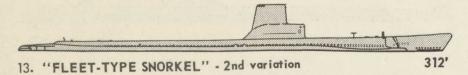
306'

306'

UNITED STATES (CONT'D.)



12. "FLEET-TYPE SNORKEL" - 1st variation

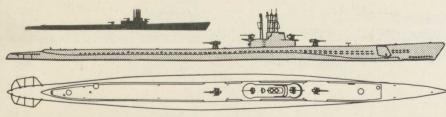


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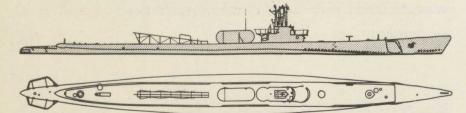
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312' 14. "FLEET-TYPE" GATO CLASS (Deck gun arrangement varies.)

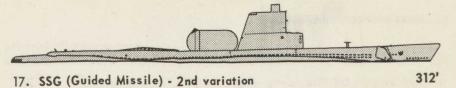


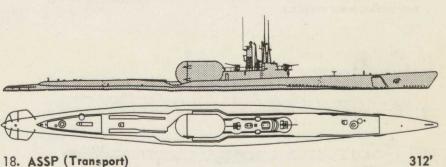
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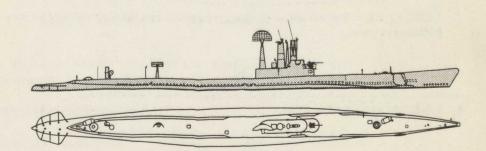


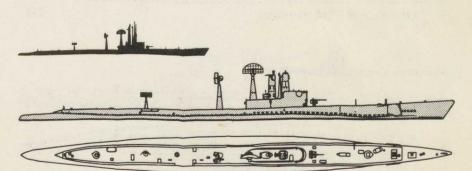
16. SSG (Guided Missile) - 1st variation

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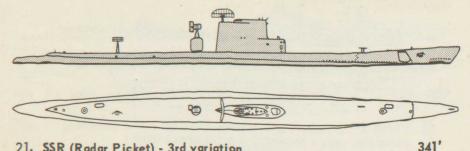
20. SSR (Radar Picket) - 2nd variation

19. SSR (Radar Picket) - 1st variation

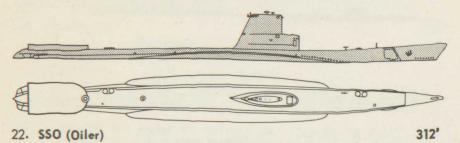
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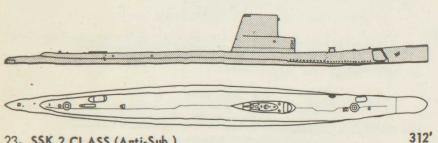
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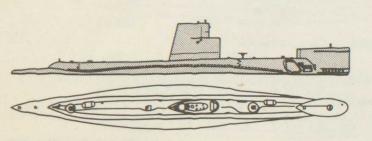


21. SSR (Radar Picket) - 3rd variation



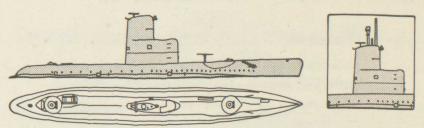


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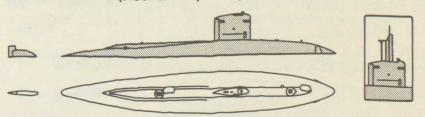


24. SSK 1 CLASS (Anti-Sub.)

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25. SST 1 CLASS (Inset shows periscopes and snorkel raised.)

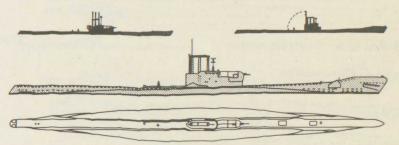


26. AGSS ALBACORE (Inset shows periscopes raised.)

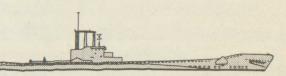
203'

130"

GREAT BRITAIN



27. "A" CLASS - 1st variation (Silhouette at left shows AMPHION with periscopes raised, silhouette at right shows snorkel raised.)

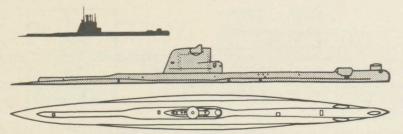


28. "A" CLASS - 2nd variation

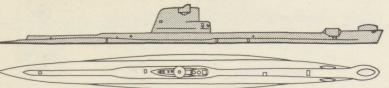
196'

282'

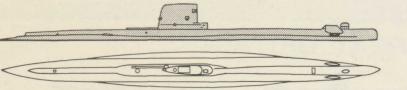
GREAT BRITAIN (CONT'D)



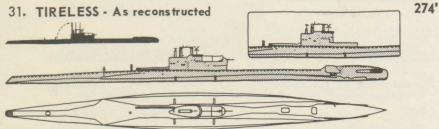
29. "T-CONVERSION" - 1st variation (Silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)



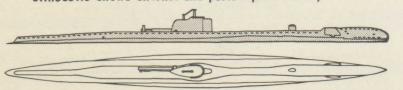
30. "T-CONVERSION" - 2nd variation 285'



31. TIRELESS - As reconstructed

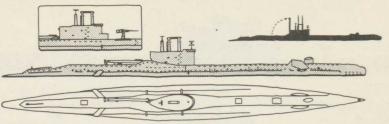


274' 32. TRITON CLASS (Inset shows conning tower variation, silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)

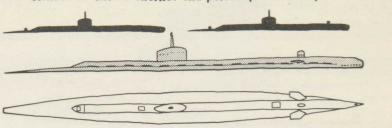


33. TRADEWIND - As reconstructed

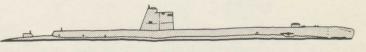
GREAT BRITAIN (CONT'D.)



34. "1940 S" CLASS (Inset shows conning tower variation, silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)



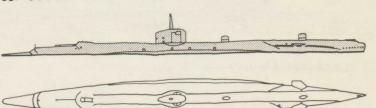
217' 35. "1940 S" CLASS - As modified for target and training duties (Silhouettes show minor appearance variations.)



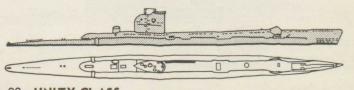
36. SCOTSMAN - As reconstructed

285'

274'



217' 37. SERAPH - As reconstructed

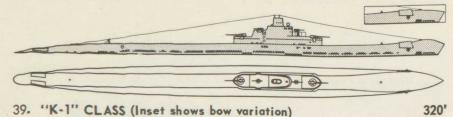


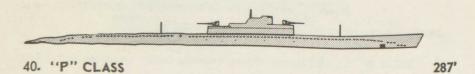
38. UNITY CLASS

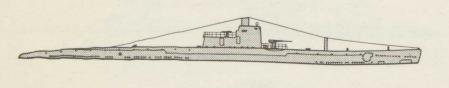
197'

217'

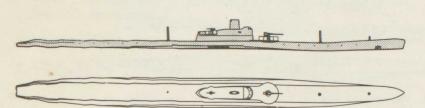
USSR

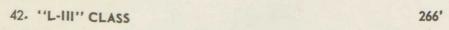


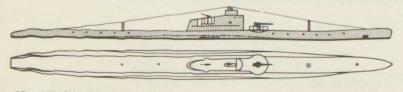






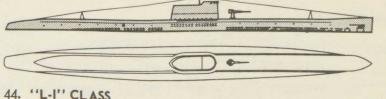


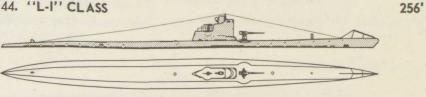


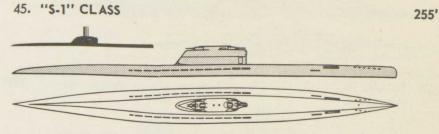


43. "L-II" CLASS 266"

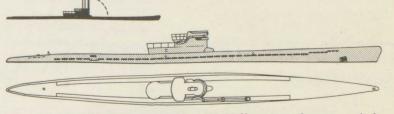
USSR (CONT'D.)



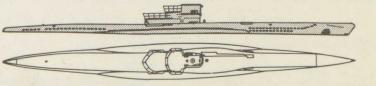




46. German "TYPE XXI" CLASS (Silhouette shows snorkel 252" and periscopes raised.)

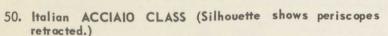


47. German "TYPE IX-C" CLASS (Silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)



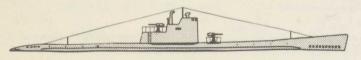
48. German "TYPE VII-C" CLASS (Snorkel operates in similar manner to that of "TYPE IX-C".)

49. Italian TRITONE CLASS (Silhouette shows periscopes retracted.)

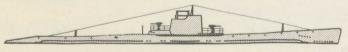




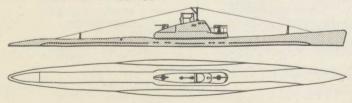
51. Estonian LEMBIT CLASS



52. "SHCH IV" CLASS



53. "SHCH IIIa" CLASS



54. "SHCH III" CLASS

USSR (CONT'D)

207'

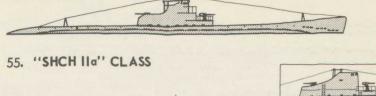
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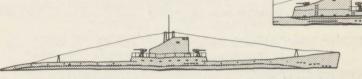
195'

200'

192'

192'





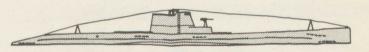
56. "SHCH II" CLASS (Inset shows conning tower variation.) 192"

192'

187'

146'

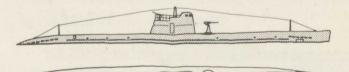
124'

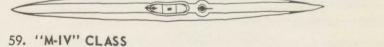


57. "SHCH I" CLASS

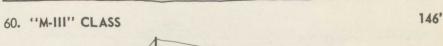


58. "M-V" CLASS 175'



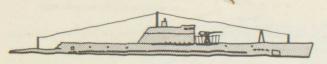








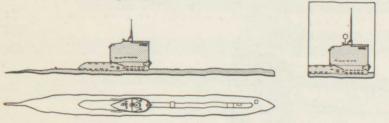
USSR (CONT'D.)



62. "M-I" CLASS



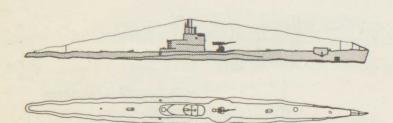
63. "Holland H" CLASS



64. German "TYPE XXIII" CLASS (Inset shows RDF loop and periscope raised.)

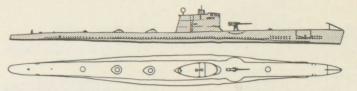
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ARGENTINA



65. SALTA CLASS

BRAZIL



66. Italian PERLA CLASS

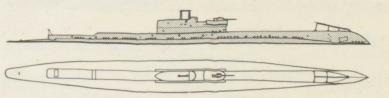
198'

CHILE

124'

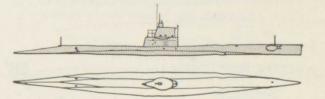
150'

227'



67. British "O" CLASS

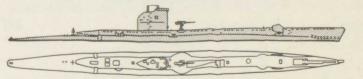
275'



68. "Holland H" CLASS

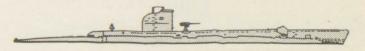
150'

DENMARK



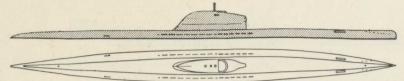
69. British UNITY CLASS - 1st variation

205'

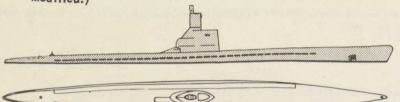


70. British UNITY CLASS - 2nd variation

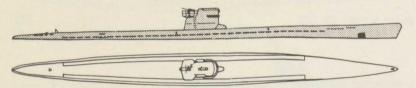
FRANCE



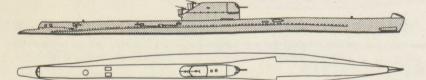
71. ROLAND MORILLOT (German "TYPE XXI" CLASS 252' modified.)



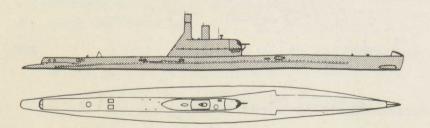
72. BOUAN (German "TYPE IX-C" modified.) 252'



73. BLAISON (German "TYPE IX-B" CLASS.) 252'

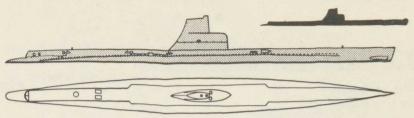


241' 74. L'AURORE CLASS - 1st variation

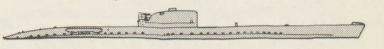


75. L'AURORE CLASS - 2nd variation

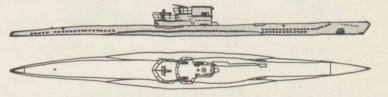
FRANCE (CONT'D)



76. L'AURORE CLASS - 3rd variation (Silhouette shows minor bow variation.)



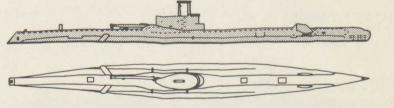
223' 77. JUNON (DIANE CLASS)



221' 78. MILLÉ (German "TYPE VII-C" CLASS)



221' 79. LAUBIE (German "TYPE VII-C" CLASS)



80. SIRENE (British "1940 S" CLASS)

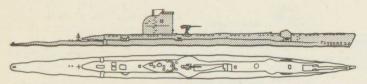
241'



81. British "1940 S" CLASS - As modified for target and training duties.

217'

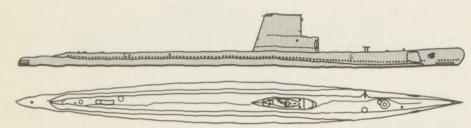
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82. British UNITY CLASS

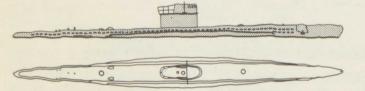
205'

ITALY



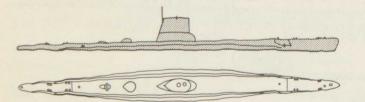
83. U. S. GATO (SS 212) CLASS - Modernized

308'



84. VORTICE (TRITONE CLASS modified)

207'

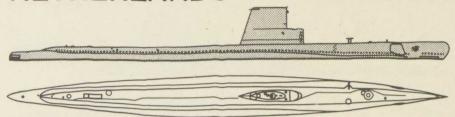


85. GIADA (ACCIAIO CLASS modified)

197'

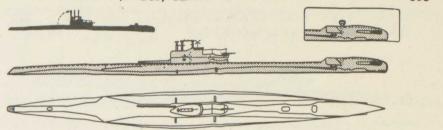
Note: Italy also has the BARIO, a TRITONE CLASS submarine. Appearance is unknown.

NETHERLANDS



86. U. S. BALAO (SS 285) CLASS - Modernized

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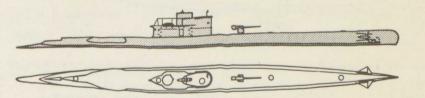


87. British TRITON CLASS (Inset shows bow variation, silhouette shows snorkel and periscopes raised.)

274'

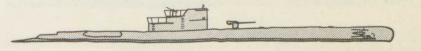


88. NEW CLASS - PROVISIONAL DRAWING



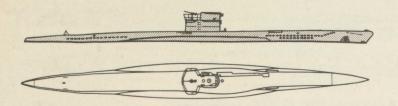
89. 0-21 CLASS (Deck guns may have been removed.)

254'

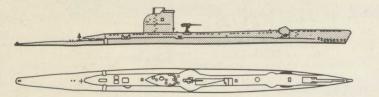


90. O-27 (Fitted with German type conning tower.)

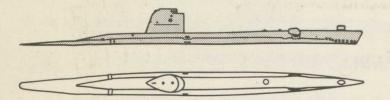
NORWAY



91. German "TYPE VII-C" CLASS (KYNN shown, other Norwegian units may vary in appearance.)

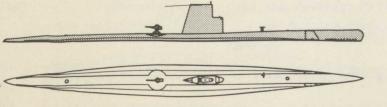


92. British UNITY CLASS - 1st variation 205'



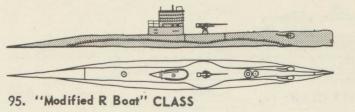
93. British UNITY CLASS - 2nd variation 197'

PERU

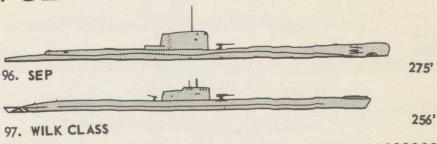


94. TIBURON CLASS

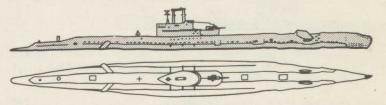
PERU (CONT'D)



POLAND



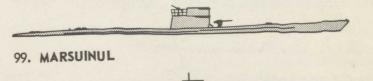
PORTUGAL



98. British "1940 S" CLASS

RUMANIA

243'

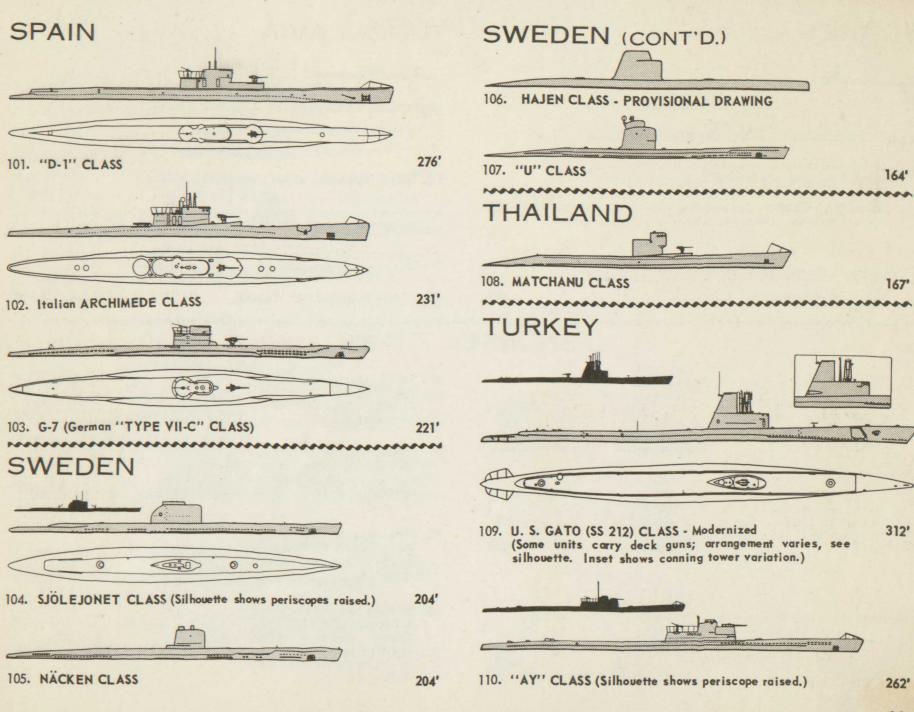


100. DELFINUL

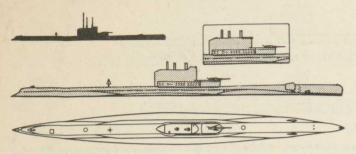
217'

190'

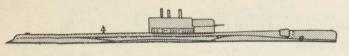
225'



TURKEY (CONT'D)

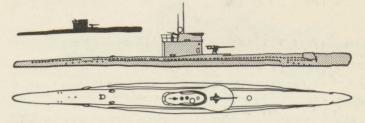


111. ORUC REIS CLASS - 1st variation (Inset shows conning tower variation, silhouette shows periscopes raised.)

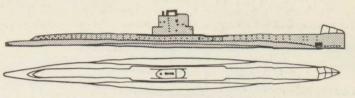


112. ORUC REIS CLASS - 2nd variation

YUGOSLAVIA



113. SAVA (Silhouette shows periscopes retracted.)



114. TARA (Modified "L" CLASS)

235'

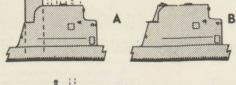
207'

SNORKEL TYPES

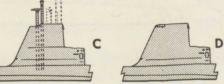
202'

202'

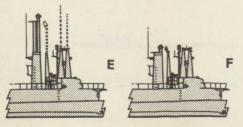
I. Telescopic snorkel of U.S. TANG CLASS. Shown in "run-out" position in A and secured in B.



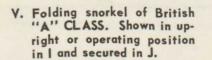
II. Telescopic snorkel of U.S. "GUPPY" type. Shown "run-out" in C and secured in D.



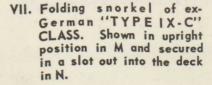
III. Telescopic snorkel fitted on U.S. submarines retaining "FLEET-TYPE" conning tower. "Run-out" in E, secured in F.

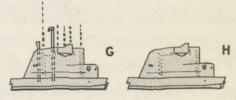


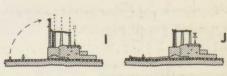
IV. Telescopic snorkel of British "T-CONVERSION"
CLASS. "Run-out" in G, secured in H.

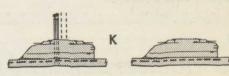


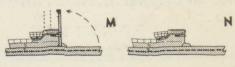
VI. Telescopic snorkel of ex-German "TYPE XXI" CLASS. "Run-out" in K and secured in L.











GREAT BRITAIN

LATE ADDENDA

