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Lewis L. Strauss  
Thomas E. Murray  
W. F. Libby  
Harold S. Vance

R. W. Cook  
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recent check of the inventory of the IS documents, it  
turned up missing.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: Why do they report that  
one? Haven't they other lost documents?

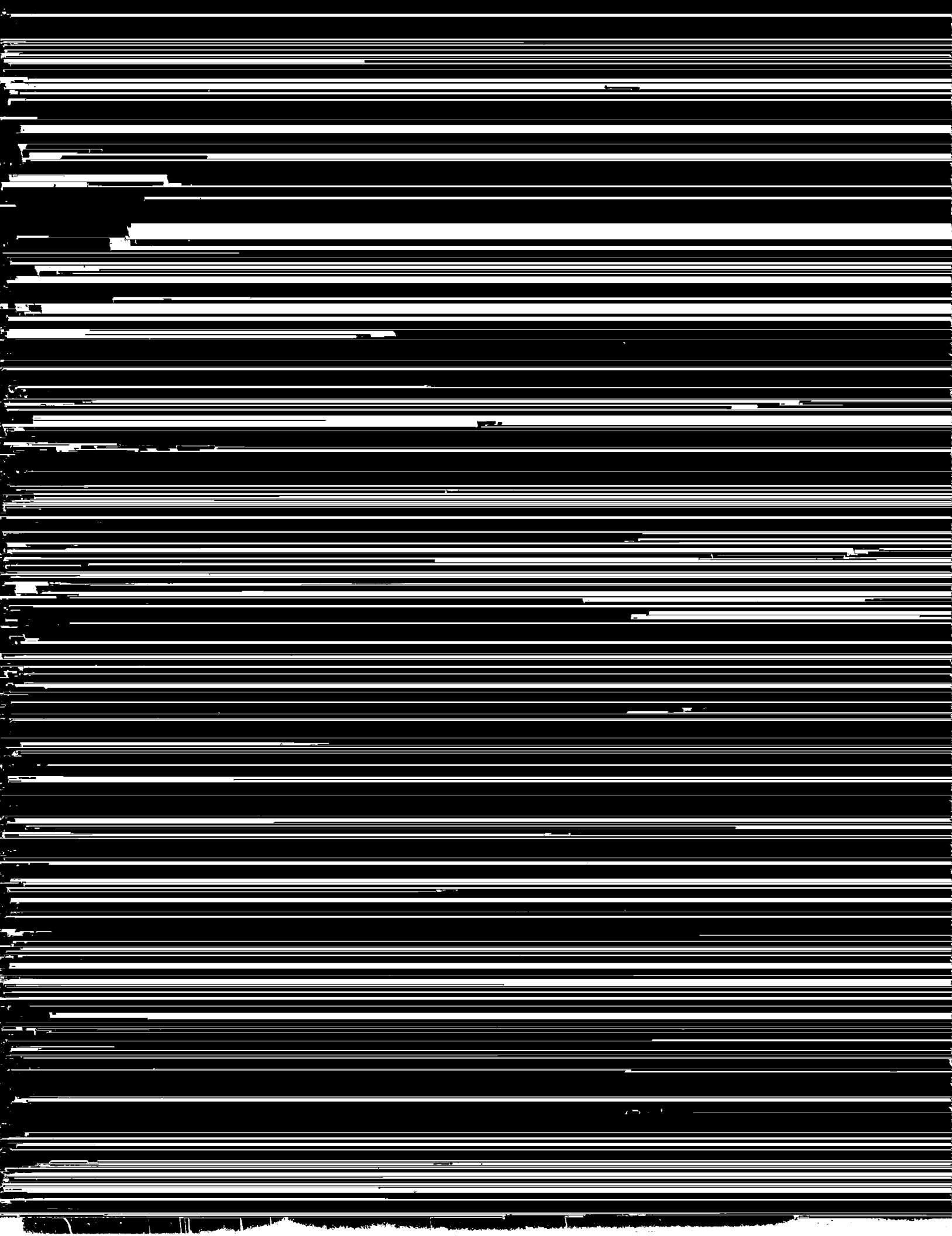
MR. COOK: They report to us whenever there is  
one.

CHAIRMAN STRAUSS: I believe that you are thinking  
Tom, of a report of some weeks ago to the effect that a  
report on Operation Crossroads, which occurred in the  
early summer of 1946, and which had been charged out to  
Dr. Carl T. Compton, has since his death been  
unaccounted for. I think we perhaps both read the same  
thing.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: Maybe it came over my desk  
and I don't remember that, but I mean the general  
information around that documents are not accounted for  
over at the DOD. Don't we have a long list of those?

MR. COOK: Oh, yes, this is a letter of ours to  
them.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: Wouldn't you find 50 or 100



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effects handbook. He said he understood that the book was ready for publication, and it was being held up because of the desire of the Commission to revise a chapter on fallout, and he wanted a copy of the book without the revision.

CHAIRMAN STRAUSS: Is that a correct statement?

COMMISSIONER LIBBY: No, it is not.

CHAIRMAN STRAUSS: Then tell him it isn't a correct statement.

COMMISSIONER LIBBY: I hope the General Manager would find out if he can who told him that. The situation is as follows: The book had no chapter on worldwide fallout, and I insisted that one be put in it. That is the situation. In other words, there was nothing existed in the book. There was additional material added to it. That should be explained to the Senator.

MR. COOK: Well, I will indicate what I advised them.

COMMISSIONER LIBBY: It seemed to me that the worldwide fallout was an effect, and it ought to be treated in this book, and I insisted that one be put in and ended up writing the chapter. So the Senator certainly has been misled, if he supposed we had in any way removed anything from the manuscript, and in fact we added a lot to it. It may be debatable how much, but

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we added pages, anyhow.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: Can't we put off our answer to that?

MR. COOK: I already answered it.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: What was the question he asked you? Are we holding something up?

MR. COOK: He said that he understood that the book was being held up for publication because of the desire of the Commission to revise the chapter on fallout.

COMMISSIONER LIEBY: There was not any chapter on fallout.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: I would just say that is not so, that is all. Then I would give the answer in 24 or 48 hours, and let us put it off.

MR. COOK: I already answered the office, and I will tell you what I answered.

COMMISSIONER MURRAY: Then our advice is coming a little bit late.

MR. COOK: They wanted an answer right away, and so I gave them one.

CHAIRMAN STRAUSS: It is just politics, I am afraid.

MR. COOK: Well, I told him that the revised handbook is not in final form, and it is in manuscript form, undergoing final revisions and editorial changes,

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~~... it has never been before us formally.~~

MR. COOK: He may come back, and I wanted you to know that I had this conversation.

COMMISSIONER LIBBY: Do we always have to be so -- if we give a speech on fallout, we send him a copy. I don't see why he should not see the manuscript.

MR. MITCHELL: This is a working document and has not come before the Commission yet.

MR. COOK: Since it has the concurrence of neither party, it would not represent the thinking of either party, and I don't see what good would come of it if

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should have taken care of...

MR. COOK: That is right.

COMMISSIONER LIBBY: If he comes back, then  
we can consider again what he wants.

CHAIRMAN STRAUSS: Have you anything else?

MR. COOK: Yes, we met, I think it was last  
Friday, with Dr. Kingdon of Sylvania, and he wanted to

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